

CVU.com National Player of the Week

December 4: Ashley Andrade, Wichita State



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The Collegiate Volleyball Update (CVU.com) is pleased to announce that Wichita State junior Ashley Andrade has been selected as the CVU.com National Player of the Week for Nov. 26 through Dec 2 – the NCAA Tournament opening weekend.

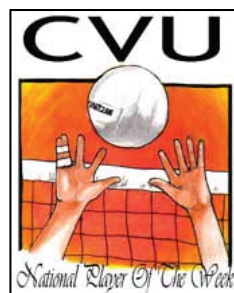
A 6-2 middle blocker from Glendale, Ariz., Andrade was instrumental in Wichita State battling to a pair of NCAA tournament victories and advancing to its first-ever Sweet Sixteen.

First there was the comeback versus Arkansas. Down 2-0, WSU rallied back to win set three before finding itself down 24-23 in the fourth. But, Andrade came through with a kill and then a block on set point to force a fifth set. Andrade finished the match with a school NCAA tournament record and career-high 23 kills, the most by a WSU middle since 2003. She committed only one error, hitting .564 while adding five blocks, three digs and a pair of aces.

Then there was the upset of No. 11 seed Kansas. Falling again in the first set, the Shockers rallied behind Andrade to win the next three. The junior added 18 more kills on .438 hitting and set another school tournament record with a career-high nine block assists.

For the weekend, Andrade averaged 4.56 kills and 1.56 blocks per set while hitting .507. She also added six digs and four aces. The middle is the third Shocker to earn the CVU.com weekly honor. The last was Emily Adney in 2011.

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Ashley Andrade

School: Wichita State

Year: Junior

Position: Middle blocker

Height: 6-2

Major: Sociology

Hometown: Glendale, Ariz.



Ashley Andrade



Accomplishments: Set career highs in kills and block assists in leading Wichita State to a pair of NCAA Tournament victories as the Shockers advanced to the Sweet Sixteen for the first time in school history.

- Aug. 28:** Megan Bober, Sr., S, Creighton
- Sept. 4:** Kelsie Wills, So., OH, Hofstra
- Sept. 11:** Kaitlynn Pelger, Jr., MB, Kansas State
- Sept. 18:** Melanie Stutsman, Jr., S, Western Kentucky
- Sept. 25:** Jessica Adams, Sr., L, Tulsa
- Oct. 2:** Dalas Dodd, RFr., S, Saint Mary's
- Oct. 9:** Samantha Bricio, Fr., OH, Southern California
- Oct. 16:** Ellie Roberson, Sr., RS, Morehead State
- Oct. 23:** Emani Sims, So., MB, Miami
- Oct. 30:** Carly Thomas, Jr., S, Missouri State
- Nov. 6:** Holly Mertens, Sr., RS, Marquette
- Nov. 13:** Vendula Strakova, So., RS, Hampton
- Nov. 20:** Gwen Rucker, Sr., MB, Louisville
- Nov. 27:** Ariel Turner, Sr., OH, Purdue
- Dec. 4:** Ashley Andrade, Jr., MB, Wichita State
- Dec. 11:**

College and conference SIDs are welcome to make Player of the Week nominations. Nominations are due to pr@cvu.com every Monday by 1 p.m. Pacific time.