



Jason Statham

Birthday: Tuesday, September 12, 1967

Sign: [Virgo](#) [1]

Birth Place: London, England, UK

Height: 5'9"

Jason Statham has done quite a lot in a short time. He has been an Olympic Diver on the British National Diving Team and finished 12th in the World Championships in 1992. He has also been a fashion model, black market salesman and finally of course, actor. He got the audition for his debut role as Bacon in *Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels* (1998) through *French Connection*, for whom he was modeling. They became a major investor in the film and introduced Jason to Guy Ritchie, who invited him to audition for a part in the film by challenging him to impersonate an illegal street vendor and convince him to purchase fake jewelery. Jason must have been doing something right because after the success of *Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels* (1998) he teamed up again with Guy Ritchie for *Snatch*. (2000), with co-stars including Brad Pitt, Dennis Farina and Benicio Del Toro. After *Snatch*. (2000) came *Turn It Up* (2000) with US music star Ja Rule, followed by a supporting actor role in the Sci-Fi film *Ghosts of Mars* (2001), Jet Li's *The One* (2001) and another screen partnership with Vinnie Jones in *Mean Machine* (2001) under Guy Ritchie's and Matthew Vaughn's SKA Films. Finally in 2002 he was cast as the lead role of Frank Martin in *The Transporter* (2002). Jason is also in the summer 2003 blockbuster remake of *The Italian Job* (1969), *The Italian Job* (2003), playing Handsome Rob.



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