



Overton toured with the senior side last winter. Photo: Getty Images

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Craig Overton Leaves Lions Tour With Back Injury

England Lions and Somerset seamer Craig Overton has returned home from the Lions tour of the UAE after scans revealed he'd sustained an injury to his lower back.

Overton, 24, made his Test debut on last year's Ashes tour and was one of four Somerset players in the England Lions squad, alongside his brother Jamie, Lewis Gregory and Dom Bess.

The England Lions medical team said: "Craig developed low back pain whilst bowling in training and scans subsequently revealed that he has sustained a disc injury.

"In collaboration with Somerset, the decision has been made for Craig to return to the UK for rehabilitation."

Overton will not be replaced in the Lions squad, who get their tour underway with a four-day match against Pakistan A on November 18.

SCHEDULE

November 18-21: Four-day match v Pakistan A, Abu Dhabi

November 25: First 50-over match v Pakistan A, Dubai

November 27: Second 50-over match v Pakistan A, Dubai

November 29: Third 50-over match v Pakistan A, Abu Dhabi

December 2: Fourth 50-over match v Pakistan A, Abu Dhabi

December 5: Fifth 50-over match v Pakistan A, Dubai

December 7: First T20 v Pakistan A, Abu Dhabi

December 8: Second T20 v Pakistan A, Abu Dhabi

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