

UNUSUAL DISMISSALS (TEST MATCHES)

Charles Davis 2024

This is an anecdotal list, drawn from general Test match reading. Suggestions for additions welcome.

Stumped off a wide

Nauman Ali (97)	st Chakabva b Chisoro	Pak v Zim (2), Harare 2020/21
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Stumped by a substitute

SJ Snooke (53)	st sub (NC Tufnell) b Thompson	SAf v Eng (2), Durban (Lord's) 1909/10
Pervez Sajjad (16)	BE Congdon	Pak v NZ (2), Lahore (Gaddafi) 1964/65
TWM Latham (95)	st sub (K Srikar Bharat) b Patel	NZ v Ind (2), Kanpur 2021/22

Stumped off a pace bowler

(Instances since 1945, off bowlers listed solely as fast or fast-medium.)

MM Sood (0)	st Grout b Davidson	Aus v Ind (4), Chennai (Nehru) 1959/60
AL Wadekar (28)	st Jarman b Connolly	Aus v Ind (1), Adelaide Oval 1967/68
DM Jones (60)	st Russell b Small	Eng v Aus (3), Sydney (SCG) 1990/91
JM Bairstow (10)	st Carey b Green	Eng v Aus (2), Lord's 2023
Left crease thinking ball was dead.		
There were also several stumpings off AV Bedser [medium-fast or medium]		

Hit wicket

JW Zulch (4)	EA McDonald	Bat broke. Splinter hit wkt	SAf v Aus (2), Johannesburg 1921/22
DG Bradman (185)	L Amarnath	played back so far that he hit the stumps from behind	Aus v Ind, Brisbane 1947-48
WM Lawry (7)	Majid Khan	dropped his bat on stumps	Aus v Pak (1), Karachi (National) 1964/65
HR Lance (44)	GD McKenzie	offered no shot but trod on wicket	SAf v Aus (1), Johannesburg (Wanderers) 1966/67
MJ Procter (0)	GD McKenzie	fell over avoiding a bouncer first ball	SAf v Aus (5), Port Elizabeth 1966/67
HS Chang (2)	KD Ghavri	hit on head	WI v Ind (4), Chennai (Chepauk) 1978/79
Ahmed Shehzad (176)	CJ Anderson	fractured skull, fell on stumps	Pak v NZ (1), Abu Dhabi 2014/15
Taijul Islam (9)	RAS Lakmal	shoe came off and disturbed wicket	Ban v SL (2), Pallekele 2020/21
AR MacGibbon (34)	AL Valentine	hit ball to boundary	NZ v WI (2), Christchurch 1955/56
CG Borde (96)	R Gilchrist	hit ball to boundary	Ind v WI (5), Delhi (FSK) 1958/59
SN McGregor (62)	PM Pollock	hit ball to boundary	NZ v SAf (3), Auckland 1963/64
SFAF Bacchus (250)	S Venkataraghavan	hit ball to boundary	WI v Ind (6), Kanpur 1978/79
JS Solomon (4)	R Benaud	cap fell onto stumps	WI v Aus (2), Melbourne (MCG) 1960/61
AV Mankad (43)	C Old	cap fell onto stumps	Ind v Eng (3), Birmingham (Edgbaston) 1974
DB Vengsarkar (48)	JR Thomson	cap fell onto stumps	Ind v Aus (1), Brisbane ('Gabba') 1977/78
S Venkataraghavan (0)	AME Roberts	recorded as bowled, but helmet actually fell onto stumps.	Ind v WI (1), Kingston, Jamaica 1983
KP Pietersen (68)	DJ Bravo	hit on helmet which fell onto stumps	Eng v WI (3), Manchester (Old Trafford) 2007

Bowled

GE Tyldesley (0)	JM Gregory	Hit on head and ball went onto stumps	Eng v Aus (1), Nottingham (Trent Bridge) 1921
ME Chapple (8)	NAT Adcock	Struck on chest and bowled	NZ v SAf (2), Johannesburg (Ellis) 1953/54
MB Poore (15)	NAT Adcock	Struck on chest and bowled	NZ v SAf (2), Johannesburg (Ellis) 1953/54
RB McCosker (4)	RGD Willis	Hit in face (broken jaw) and ball went onto stumps	Aus v Eng (1), Melbourne (MCG) 1976/77
Mohsin Khan (35)	RGD Willis	"bowled off ribs"	Pak v Eng (1), Birmingham (Edgbaston) 1978
DA Stirling (3)	MD Marshall	off helmet onto stumps	NZ v WI (3), Bridgetown, Barbados 1985
JL Pattinson (2)	N Wagner	Ball came off arm and back of bat	Aus v NZ (3), Sydney (SCG) 2019/20
S Madan Lal (2)	M Hendrick	Off and leg stumps out of ground, middle stump unmoved	Ind v Eng (1), Manchester (Old Trafford) 1974
JFM Morrison (15)	JR Thomson	two stumps broken	NZ v Aus (1), Wellington 1981/82
N Kapil Dev (2)	Sarfraz Nawaz	all 3 stumps out of ground	Ind v Pak (4), Hyderabad (Pak) 1982/83
SR Tendulkar (41)	Abdul Qadir	Off and leg stumps out of ground, middle stump unmoved	Ind v Pak (3), Lahore (Gaddafi) 1989/90
R Benaud (5)	JB Statham	Given out lbw before ball rolled onto stumps.	Eng v Aus, Lord's 1956
MJ Henry	JG Bethell	Hit on backside, ball deflected onto stumps	NZ v Eng (3), Hamilton 2024/25

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Handled the ball

WR Endean (3)		
AMJ Hilditch (29)	non-striker	
Mohsin Khan (58)		
DL Haynes (55)		
GA Gooch (133)		
SR Waugh (47)		
MP Vaughan (64)		

Obstructing the field

L Hutton (27)		
Mushfiquir Rahim (35)	Would have been 'Handled the Ball' under earlier Laws	

LBW

DJ Insole (21)	S Ramadhin	Bowled off his pads but umpire insisted he was lbw.
KD Mackay	lbw Patel, Umrigar	Pair of ducks, both 'no shot' LBW
SR Tendulkar (0)	lbw b McGrath	Ducked, hit on shoulder

Caught behind

KF Barrington (49)	cwk Lindsay b PM Pollock	given not out; walked
MAK Pataudi (9)	cwk Ward b Congdon	given not out, walked
BC Lara (91)	cwk Mongia b Raju	given not out, walked
R Ashwin (19)	c Chandimal b Prasad	no appeal, walked
DP Sibley (7)	c Pant b Patel	Struck Gill at short leg, rebounded to keeper Pant
MR Marsh	c Pant b Ashwin	Clearly missed the ball but did not review when given out.
SC Williams	c Afsar Zazai b Rashid Khan	given not out but walked (no DRS available)

Caught

		Caught on the bicycle track, which was outside the boundary. It should have been 4 or 5 runs, but under a temporary local rule Hill was out caught.
C Hill (98)	c-mw Tyldesley b Braund	
AR Morris (0)	c-fl Tayfield b McCarthy	Walked after being given not out
AF Rae (15)	c-sg sub b Gupte	Rae edged ball onto his face and was caught
ERT Holmes (10)	c-sg Bell b Balaskas	"Forward short-leg fell on his nose to hold a catch"
KC Ibrahim (25)	c-sf Atkinson b Gomez	shot appeared to bounce off short leg to silly point
TE Bailey (93)	c-2s Sutcliffe b Rabone	caught off fielder's foot
JR Reid	c-fl Funston b Ironside	broke bat, out caught at short/fine leg
NJ Contractor (74)	c-sg Harvey b Benaud	freak catch, hit in back, then caught in crook of knee
		Umpire signalled six but Trueman had caught it. Worrell 'walked'.
FMM Worrell (61)	c-lf Trueman b Pullar	
CG Borde (8)	c-sg Parks b Titmus	shot rebounded from Smith's backside to Parks
IM Chappell (37)	c-sg sub b Underwood	Chappell edged ball onto face and was caught
DB Vengsarkar (0)	c Botham b Willis	Catch by Botham via Bairstow (drop) and Brearley (off foot)
		Fumbled by both Gooch and French onto Gooch's boot, then caught.
Maninder Singh (3)	c-2s Gooch b Dilley	
ME Trescothick (23)	c Arnold b Hettiarachchi	Ball lodged in 'billowing' shirt, then caught in elbow.
Mustafizur Rahman (4)	c Mendis b Herath	accidental catch, short leg trying to avoid getting hit

A Ducat	c Gregory b McDonald	Bat broke and splinter hit wicket, but given out caught
		Caught when ball rebounded 30 metres off Freeman's head to Stackpole
SM Nurse	c Stackpole b Gleeson	
WB Phillips (59)	c-sf Gower b Edmonds	Bounced off Lamb's foot
AB de Villiers (46)	c & b Mohammad Ashraful	ball bounced twice before reaching batsman
LT Ngidi (0)	c & b Nadeem	ball deflected off non-striker and was caught & bowled
H Nicholls (19)	c Lees b Leach	ball deflected off non-striker's bat, caught at mid-on

RUN OUTS

Going for fifth run

FA Iredale (30)		Going for fifth run
C Hill (51)		Going for fifth run
G Geary (3)		Going for fifth run

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Saf v Eng (2), Cape Town 1956/57
Aus v Pak (2), Perth (WACA) 1978/79
Pak v Aus (1), Karachi (National) 1982/83
WI v Ind (4), Mumbai (Wankhede) 1983/84
Eng v Aus (1), Manchester (Old Trafford) 1993
Aus v Ind (3), Chennai (Chepauk) 2000/01
Eng v Ind (3), Bangalore 2001/02

Eng v Saf (5), The Oval 1951
Ban v NZ (2), Dhaka (Mirpur) 2023/24

ENG v WI, Nottingham 1950
Aus v Ind (2), Kanpur 1959/60
Ind v Aus (1), Adelaide Oval 1999/00

Eng v Saf (3), Cape Town 1964/65
Ind v NZ (3), Mumbai (Brabourne) 1964/65
WI v Ind (3), Mohali 1994/95
Ind v SL (2), Colombo1 (PSS) 2015
Eng v Ind (3), Ahmedabad (Patel) 2020/21
Aus v Ind (2), Adelaide 2024/25
Zim v Afg (2), Bulawayo (Queen's) 2024/25

Aus v Eng (3), Adelaide Oval 1901/02
SA v Aus (1), Johannesburg 1949-50
WI v Ind (3), Port-of-Spain, Trinidad 1953
Eng v Saf (2), Lord's 1935
Ind v WI (3), Kolkata 1948/49
Eng v NZ (2), Lord's 1949
SA v NZ (2), Joburg 1953/54
Ind v Aus (2), Kanpur 1959/60
WI v Eng (5), Port of Spain 1959/60
Ind v Eng (3), Kolkata 1963/64
Aus v Eng (5), The Oval 1972

Eng v Ind (4), The Oval 1979

Eng v Ind (2), Leeds (Headingley) 1986
Eng v SL (3), Colombo2 (SSC) 2000/01
Ban v SL (1), Galle 2016/17

Aus v Eng (3), Leeds (Headingley) 1921
WI v Aus (2), Melbourne (MCG) 1968/69
Eng v Aus, Edgbaston 1985
Saf v Ban (1), Dhaka (Mirpur) 2007/08
Saf v Ind (3), Ranchi (Jharkand) 2019/20
Eng v NZ (3), Leeds 2022

Aus v Eng (3), The Oval 1896
Aus v Eng (1), Sydney (SCG) 1903/04
Eng v Aus (4), Adelaide Oval 1928/29

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Bowled by a no ball then run out

CE McLeod (26)

bowled by a no ball, left crease not hearing call, then run out (batsman was partially deaf)

Aus v Eng (1), Sydney (SCG) 1897/98

DM Jones (3)

bowled by a no ball, left crease not hearing call, then run out

Aus v WI (2), Georgetown, Guyana 1991

Run out off no ball

A Cotter (14)

Aus v Eng (2), Melbourne (MCG) 1911/12

EDAStJ McMorris (0)

WI v Eng (1), Bridgetown, Barbados 1960

JA Snow (3)

Eng v SAf (2), Nottingham (Trent Bridge) 1965

IR Redpath (66)

Aus v WI (3), Port-of-Spain, Trinidad 1973

RM Hogg (9)

Off no ball, left crease to tend wicket (appeal was withdrawn but umpire refused to recall batsman)

Aus v Pak (1), Melbourne (MCG) 1978/79

CEH Croft (0)

WI v Eng (2), Lord's 1980

Shoaib Mohammad (13)

Pak v Aus (3), Lahore (Gaddafi) 1988/89

DC Boon (37)

Aus v Eng (6), The Oval 1989

SK Warne (13)

Aus v WI (5), Perth (WACA) 1992/93

SB Doull (1)

NZ v Eng (3), Christchurch 1996/97

RD King (0)

WI v NZ (2), Wellington 1999/00

DR Martyn (42)

Aus v Ind (1), Brisbane ('Gabba') 2003/04

AJ Hall (17)

SAf v Eng (1), Port Elizabeth 2004/05

TM Dilshan (41)

SL v Ind (3), Colombo1 (PSS) 2010

Harbhajan Singh (27)

Ind v SAf (1), Centurion (Centurion Park) 2010/11

SPD Smith (28)

Aus v Ind (2), Brisbane ('Gabba') 2014/15

MA Agarwal (4)

Ind v SL (2), Bangalore 2021/22

KC Brathwaite (35)

WI v SAf (1), Port-of-Spain, Trinidad 2024

Confused run outs

SJ McCabe (2)

Bradman initially left the field, recalled.

Aus v WI (4), Melbourne (MCG) 1930/31

KC Ibrahim (9)

1st throw hit stumps, run out 2nd throw

Ind v WI (2), Mumbai (Brabourne) 1948/49

DJ McGlew (45)

recalled by Cowdrey but umpires upheld decision.

SAf v Eng (3), Nottingham (Trent Bridge) 1960

Iqbal Qasim (2)

Kapil had to pull stump out

Pak v Ind (2), Delhi (FSK) 1979/80

Salim Malik (58)

Ijaz initially given out on 98 and left the field, but recalled
Left crease to talk to batting partner, thinking the ball was dead.

Pak v SL (1), Colombo4 (RPS) 1996/97

MW Goodwin (48)

Morton initially walked off, but recalled

Zim v SL (2), Harare 1999/00

S Chanderpaul (2)

Left crease to congratulate Sangakkara's century, thinking ball was dead.

WI v NZ (3), Napier 2005/06

M Muralitharan (8)

Run out while batsmen chatted in mid-pitch, thinking shot had reached the boundary.

SL v NZ (1), Christchurch 2006/07

Azhar Ali (64)

Pak v Aus (2), Abu Dhabi 2018/19

Run out with Runner

NJ Contractor (6)

Runner Borde was run out

Ind v WI (1), Mumbai (Brabourne) 1958/59

Wazir Mohammad (11)

Runner Mathias run out

Pak v WI (3), Lahore (Jinnah) 1958/59

JHB Waite (64)

runner Bland run out

SAf v Eng (4), Johannesburg (Wanderers) 1964/65

EW Freeman (18)

runner Sheahan run out

Aus v SAf (3), Johannesburg (Wanderers) 1969/70

JB Commins (0)

Went for a run 1st ball even though he had a runner.

SAf v Pak (1), Johannesburg (Wanderers) 1994/95

CJ McDermott (6)

Runner M Waugh run out on video

Aus v Eng (5), Perth (WACA) 1994/95

SR Waugh (80)

Runner Blewett run out

Aus v Ind (2), Kolkata 1997/98

Run out + bye/leg bye

WAS Oldfield (36)

taking second bye

Aus v WI (5), Sydney (SCG) 1930/31

GP Howarth (33)

taking second bye

NZ v Pak (1), Wellington 1984/85

PCR Tufnell (0)

leg bye + run out

Eng v Aus (2), Melbourne (MCG) 1994/95

MS Atapattu (37)

run out with 2 leg byes

Zim v SL (2), Harare 1999/00

RR Sarwan (0)

run out with leg bye

WI v Aus (1), Brisbane ('Gabba') 2000/01

JA Rudolph (15)

run out with leg bye

SAf v SL (2), Colombo1 (PSS) 2006

BP Nash (3)

leg bye + run out

WI v Pak (1), Georgetown (Providence) 2011

Ricochet

S Mushtaq Ali (13)

deflected off non-striker's bat to mid-on

Ind v Eng (2), Manchester (Old Trafford) 1936

RR Lindwall (48)

ball hit umpire, onto stumps

Aus v WI (2), Sydney (SCG) 1951/52

BL D'Oliveira (27)

deflected off non-striker onto stumps; Hall completed run out by removing stump

Eng v WI (2), Lord's 1966

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Striker dropped, non-striker run out

E Evans (0)		Steel dropped Jarvis
DW Begbie (18)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
GR Viswanath (4)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
DM Jones (35)		dropped catch by Shastri off Boon
JL Langer (37)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
HH Streak (3)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
LPC Silva (25)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
RS Dravid (144)		dropped catch deflected onto stumps
VVS Laxman (15)		Tendulkar dropped
Mohammad Abbas (1)		dropped catch by Broad. Run out.
JJ Bumrah (0)	diamond duck	Yadav dropped

Run out first ball with run(s)

GG Arnold (1)	Run out first ball
NAM McLean (1)	Run out first ball
CRD Fernando (2)	Run out first ball

Run out without delivering ball ("Mankad")

WA Brown (18)	MH Mankad
IR Redpath (9)	CC Griffith
DW Randall (13)	EJ Chatfield
Sikander Bakht (0)	AG Hurst

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Aus v Eng (2), Lord's 1886
SAf v Eng (3), Cape Town 1948/49
Ind v Pak (2), Delhi (FSK) 1979/80
Aus v Ind (3), Sydney (SCG) 1991/92
Aus v Pak (2), Sharjah 2002/03
Zim v Eng (2), Chester-le-Street 2003
SL v Ban (3), Kandy 2007
Ind v SL (2), Kanpur 2009/10
Ind v SAf (3), Cape Town 2010/11
Eng v Pak (3), Southampton 2020
Ind v Eng (4), The Oval 2021

Eng v Aus (2), Perth (WACA) 1974/75
WI v SAf (2), Port Elizabeth 1998/99
SL v Aus (2), Hobart (Bellerive) 2007/08

Aus v Ind (2), Sydney (SCG) 1947/48
Aus v WI (4), Adelaide Oval 1968/69
Eng v NZ (2), Christchurch 1977/78
Pak v Aus (2), Perth (WACA) 1978/79