



AI Shorta's Greatest Players - Number 27: **Ziyad Tariq**



Ziyad Tariq Aziz Brisam, son of former Aliyat AI Shorta star Tariq Aziz, played for AI Shorta from the early 1990s up until 2003. He started out as a striker, like his father, but he was moved to defence and he blossomed there, making his name as a top Iraqi defender.

Strong in the air and quick on the ground, the former AI Quwa Al Jawiya and AI Karkh man won the league with AI Shorta in 1998 (scoring three league goals for the club that season) and was a key player for AI Shorta during their three consecutive Iraqi Elite Cup victories; he won the player of the tournament award in the 2001 edition, playing the majority of the final before being subbed off for Ahmed Kadhim Assad.

At international level, Ziyad was a regular for Iraq during the 2000 AFC Asian Cup after making his debut in 1999 and registered 12 caps for his country, scoring one goal.

After a successful career at both club and international level the defender retired in 2006 and remains one of the best defenders to have played for AI Shorta.

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