

# ANTONIO TARVER

THE CHAMP IS BACK

AFTER BEING OUT THE GAME FOR A YEAR, THE CHAMP IS BACK AND READY TO RECLAIM WHAT'S HIS! @AntonioTarver



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5-Time World Boxing Champion **Antonio "Magic Man" Tarver** is no stranger to overcoming the odds. The Orlando, Florida native who shocked the world with his one punch knockout of the great Roy Jones Jr. is poised to prove doubters wrong and make his return to the ring. "This has been a long tough year for me being away from the sport of boxing. I've learned a lot about myself and others", said **Tarver**. "I'm putting the Cruiserweight and Light Heavyweight divisions on notice that **"The Magic Man"** is back and I'm here to claim what's rightfully mine!"

**Tarver** (29-6 20KOS), who starred in the blockbuster film Rocky Balboa, opened up the possibility of his next fight being overseas. "My passport stays ready, and I'm never afraid to travel to hand out an ass kicking to anyone. Danny Green knows that

which is why he refuses to be 50 feet from me now. Any Champion overseas can get it. All these guys with belts across the pond can get it. Marco Huck can get it. Don King has a Cruiserweight Champion now (Guillermo Jones), Krzysztof Wlodarczyk is holding on to the (WBC) green belt and he can get it too. I will be back this August and more than likely it will be overseas so the fight game better take notice that **Antonio Tarver** is back! Once I take care of business at Cruiserweight I'm coming for Bernard Hopkins and I'm coming to **GET WHAT'S MINE!**"

Speaking of Hopkins, **Tarver** had a chance to talk with his old foe recently in Vegas and was MORE than open to taking on Tarver after his mandatory defense with Karo Murat ([click here for video](#)). "Not only is his name as big as mine and I mean that out of respect,

but in the Light Heavyweight division we need that name and that's **Tarver** and that's myself," stated Hopkins. "It was a good fight for me and hopefully he trains the same way the second time around!" joked Hopkins. "**Antonio Tarver** is already in the gym and is as focused as ever. "He's ready to take on all challenges and we are ready to put this year away from the ring behind him", stated **Team Tarver's** Public Relations Director George Cotton Jr. **Tarver** hasn't ruled out acting again after boxing. "There's nothing like the experience of working on the set of a big movie. It was truly a blessing. I plan on getting out there more this year. My team and I are putting some things together to keep working outside the ring," stated Tarver. "There's only one Antonio Tarver. He's just as dedicated to success outside the ring as he is inside of it," said Marketing Director Derrick Ellis.



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