

# TEXAS RANGERS ALTERNATE TRAINING SITE 2021 GAME NOTES

Dell Diamond

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Game 1 | Home Game 1 | Wednesday, April 7, 2021 | 6:05 p.m. | Dell Diamond | Round Rock, TX

# Houston Astros ATS (0-0) at Texas Rangers ATS (0-0)

Astros ATS: RHP Tyler Ivey (0-0, 0.00) | Rangers ATS: LHP Hyeon-jong Yang (0-0, 0.00)



### SERIES HISTORY

Overall: 0-0	
In Round Rock: 0-0	
In Corpus Christi: 0-0	
Streak:	
One-Run Games: 0-0	

### SERIES INFORMATION

Game 1 | Wednesday, April 7 | 6:05 p.m. Astros ATS: RHP Tyler Ivey (0-0, 0.00) Rangers ATS: LHP Hyeon-jong Yang (0-0, 0.00)

Game 2 | Thursday, April 8 | 4:05 p.m. Astros ATS: RHP Jake Odorizzi (0-0, 0.00) Rangers ATS: RHP Jason Bahr (0-0, 0.00)

## ALTERNATE TRAINING SITE EXHIBITION GAME SCHEDULE

4/7	vs Houston ATS	6:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round Rock)	
4/8	vs Houston ATS	4:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round F	Rock)
4/12	at Houston ATS	6:05 p.m.
	Whataburger Field (Co	rpus Christi)
4/13	at Houston ATS	4:05 p.m.
	Whataburger Field (Co	rpus Christi)
4/19	vs Houston ATS	6:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round F	Rock)
4/20	vs Houston ATS	4:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round F	Rock)
4/23	vs Kansas City ATS	3:30 p.m.
	Globe Life Field (Arling	ton)
4/24	vs Kansas City ATS	1:00 p.m.
	Globe Life Field (Arling	ton)
4/26	vs Kansas City ATS	6:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round F	Rock)
4/27	vs Kansas City ATS	6:05 p.m.
	Dell Diamond (Round F	Rock)
5/2	at Houston ATS	TBA
	Location TBA	
5/3	at Houston ATS	TBA
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### PLAY BALL!

The Round Rock Express are proud to serve as the Alternate Training Site for the Texas Rangers this month. Tonight's exhibition between Texas Rangers and Houston Astros prospects marks the first affiliated baseball game of any kind at Dell Diamond since the conclusion of the Pacific Coast League Championship Series between the Round Rock Express and Sacramento River Cats way back on September 13, 2019... 572 days ago.

### DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS

On February 9, the Round Rock Express officially accepted their invitation to become the new Triple-A affiliate of the Texas Rangers. The 10-year agreement will keep Rangers Triple-A baseball in Round Rock through the 2030 season. Kicking off with the Alternate Training Site, the Express are reuniting with the Rangers after spending eight seasons as the club's top affiliate from 2011-2018. Round Rock was previously a member of the Houston Astros organization from 2019-2020.

### YOU DOWN WITH A-T-S?

Created during the cancelled 2020 Minor League Baseball season, the Alternate Training Site concept provides a secondary location within close geographic proximity to each Major League Baseball club for players to train and be ready to quickly and safely be called up if necessary. At MLB's request, the Alternate Training Site model will be implemented for the month of April after the start of the Triple-A baseball season was postponed until early May.

### YEAH, YOU KNOW ME!

Of the 31 active players currently assigned to the Texas Rangers Alternate Training Site, three have previously suited up for the Round Rock Express. RHP Spencer Patton recorded 15 saves in 41 games for the E-Train from 2014-2015. OF Delino DeShields posted multiple stints in Round Rock in 2015, 2016 and 2018. Finally, INF Andy Ibáñez was one of the most consistent hitters in the Express lineup in 2018.

### **FAMILIAR FOES**

Several members of Houston's Alternate Training Site roster played for the Round Rock Express in 2019, helping the E-Train to an 84-56 record and the Pacific Coast League's American Conference Championship. Scheduled to return to Dell Diamond this week are RHP Ronel Blanco, LHP Kent Emanuel, RHP Ralph Garza, LHP Ryan Hartman, RHP Carson LaRue, LHP Kit Scheetz, C Lorenzo Quintana, C Garrett Stubbs, INF Alex De Goti, INF Taylor Jones, INF Abraham Toro, OF Ronnie Dawson, Manager Mickey Storey, Hitting Coach Ben Rosenthal and Athletic Trainer John Gregorich.

### WELCOME TO ROUND ROCK

The Texas Rangers Alternate Training Site is led by Manager Kenny Holmberg, who will also serve as the Manager for the Round Rock Express in 2021. Holmberg has been with the Rangers organization for 13 seasons, previously serving at the helm of the Spokane Indians in 2018, the Arizona League Rangers from 2013-2015 and the Dominican Summer League Rangers from 2010-2011. Holmberg owns a 207-172 (.546) career record as a manager.

### RANGERS ON THE BUMP

Rangers LHP Hyeon-jong Yang is scheduled to start tonight's exhibition against the Astros. Following Yang out of the bullpen is expected to be RHP Drew Anderson, LHP Brett Martin, RHP Michael Matuella, RHP Spencer Patton, RHP Cole Uvila, RHP Nick Vincent, RHP Colin Wiles and RHP Hunter Wood. Tonight's game is scheduled to be approximately 10 innings.

### 29 DAYS UNTIL OPENING DAY!

The Round Rock Express kick off their 21st season of professional baseball in Central Texas on Thursday, May 6 at Dell Diamond against the Oklahoma City Dodgers.