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## MADE TO




Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp Baseball Club Triple-A Affiliate of the Miami Marlins

Dear Crustacean Nation,
I hope you are as excited as both me and the rest of the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp staff for the 2023 season of Jumbo Shrimp Triple-A baseball presented by FIS. Throughout the winter, I have been looking forward to the signature moments and memories we create for families and fans of all ages every summer at 121 Financial Ballpark. We are so grateful you chose to attend today's game, and I wish to express my gratitude and thanks to you, the city of Jacksonville, Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia, because without you, all these extraordinary moments, attendance records, awards and recognition across the country never would have happened. I can't wait for the incredible memories we will make together again this year.

Like always, it is our pledge to offer our fans the same great Affordable Family Fun that has marked Jumbo Shrimp baseball over the years. We have continued to expand our promotional schedule, with 25 postgame fireworks dates, 15 giveaways, six free Military Appreciation Nights, five Forever Vets Animal Hospital Canines and Crustaceans Dog Days (plus one Cat Day) and a number of other fun and memorable theme nights that provide entertainment to fans of all ages and backgrounds. We have also continued our tribute to the military on "Red Shirt Fridays," plus seats every game for our service men and women starting at just $\$ 7$. Thirsty Thursdays are back, and again, kids will get to run the bases following each Sunday home game on Baptist Health Sunday Family FUNdays.

We are always striving to enhance our guest experience and safety at the ballpark. This year, we introduced new digital ticketing and food \& beverage cashless systems to easily and securely buy, access and forward tickets and reduce wait times and improve each of our guests' experiences at 121 Financial Ballpark. Additionally, through privately funded ballpark improvements, we have created the Coors Light Tiki Terrace and Home Run Porch in left field and the Bold City Balcony on the Haskell Suite Level, added drink rails and swivel seats in the 121 Financial Crustacean Corner, remodeled all of the ballpark's suites and also extended the Wheelhouse Lounge on the Haskell Suite Level. Through it all, our base ticket prices - beginning with $\$ 5$ tickets - remain the same, as does our commitment to our values: Affordable. Family. Fun.

On the field, we look forward to again watching Triple-A baseball in Jacksonville. The 2022 season saw 49 different players with major league experience suit up for the Jumbo Shrimp, including 40 who played both in the big leagues and with Jacksonville at some point last year. This season, we also expect to see several talented prospects on their way to the Miami Marlins play in Jacksonville and are pleased to welcome an excellent coaching staff in manager Daren Brown, pitching coach Jeremy Powell, hitting coach Greg Colbrunn, defensive coach Jose Ceballos, athletic trainer Sandy Krum, strength and conditioning coach Tim Rodmaker and video manager Victor Di Diego.

Thank you for attending today's game and for your support of the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp. Please don't hesitate to let me or any of our staff members know how your experience at 121 Financial Ballpark is going. Sit back, relax and enjoy Jumbo Shrimp baseball!

Warm wishes,


Harold Craw
Executive Vice President/General Manager, Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp


Harold Craw (left) gives one lucky fan \$100 of his money in the Win the GM's Money promotion presented by Arlington Toyota.

Fans can email their seat location to win@jaxshrimp.com at each Shrimp home game for a chance to win the GM's cash.

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## LEADING OFF



## Bill Lucas

Bill Lucas attended Florida A\&M and was signed by the Milwaukee Braves is 1957. After a brief stint in the Minors and the United States Army, Lucas joined the Braves front office in 1965 to assist with the team's relocation to Atlanta. He joined the player development office in 1967 and was promoted to General Manager responsibilities in September 1976 to become the first African American to hold a GM position in Major League Baseball history. While at the helm, he laid the groundwork for Atlanta's 1982 division title by hiring future Hall of Fame manager Bobby Cox, calling up future National League MVP Dale Murphy and drafting future All-Star Bob Horner. Lucas passed away in 1979, but the Braves continue his legacy with the Bill Lucas Fellowship to help increase the number of diverse candidates looking for a career in Baseball Operations. He was inducted into the Ivan Allen, Jr. Braves Museum in 2006.


## John Henry "Pop" Lloyd

Generally considered to be one of the top shortstops in Negro League History, Pop Lloyd enjoyed a 25 -year career in which he batted well over . 300 . He also found a way to score runs to become one of the top run producers for his teams. As a player, Lloyd spent time with 12 teams. Lloyd also managed four of those teams over a span of six years while playing, making his mark both on those who played with him and for him. While playing in Cuba, he was known as "El Cuchara,""The Tablespoon" or"The Shovel," for how he characteristically scooped up a glove-full of dirt from the ground every time he fielded a ball, similar to the style of Honus Wagner. Lloyd passed away on March 19, 1964 and was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1977.


## Howie Kendrick

Kendrick, who attended West Nassau High School, played 15 total seasons with the Los Angeles Angels, Los Angeles Dodgers, Philadelphia Phillies, and Washington Nationals. Kendrick was a 2011 National League All-Star. In 2019, he had a postseason to remember in helping the Nationals clinch the World Series title. During that postseason, he was named NLCS MVP and hit the go-ahead home run in Game 7 of the World Series in Washington's deciding win. Kendrick was named the MLB Heart \& Hustle award winner for his efforts after the 2019 season. Before retiring after the 2020 season, Kendrick joined the Players Alliance, which helps create pathways to opportunities on and off the field for an undeniable pipeline of black talent. He has also been an instructor at the MLB Dream Series that hosts an event for a diverse group of baseball talent around the country in a special development camp atmosphere, as well as a showcase for professional scouts and college recruiters.

## JUMBO SHRIMP COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

## GOOD IS EVERYWHERE WEDNESDAYS

Through our Good Is Everywhere Wednesdays, presented by VyStar, we offer the excellent opportunity to raise awareness for your cause while engaging the local community and raising funds for your organization!!

## ON THE NIGHT OF YOUR GAME, YOU WILL RECEIVE:

- A concourse table to display literature \& promote your cause
- Public Address announcements during the game and on the Jumbo Shrimp radio broadcast that will highlight your organization as our Good Is Everywhere Wednesdays, presented by VyStar partner for the night.
- Logo recognition on our HD video board
- The opportunity to throw a Ceremonial First Pitch
- A chance to raise additional funds by participating in our game day fundraiser, Prize Wheel
- Recognition on the Jumbo Shrimp website as a Good Is Everywhere Wednesdays, presented by VyStar partner

AVAILABLE GAMES - *Dates subject to availablity Wednesdays - Minimum 100 ticket commitment $(\$ 1,000)$



## 50/50 RAFFLE

Jumbo Shrimp fans will have a chance to win cash and support charity at the same time with our $50 / 50$ raffle at 121 Financial Ballpark.

For one small price, fans can buy a raffle ticket for a chance to win half the total pot sold over each home series. The other half will go to Habitat for Humanity Jacksonville, which has spent more than four decades building homes to help better communities throughout the world.

In past offseasons, Jumbo Shrimp staff has helped Habitat for Humanity Jacksonville with a day of service at the work site and financial support. To learn more about the Habit for Humanity Jacksonville mission, fans can visit www.habijax.org.

## CORPORATE CARE PROGRAM

The Corporate Care Program is designed to assist children in need while also cultivating relationships with local businesses and organizations.

These businesses and organizations understand and realize the motivation of supporting the youth of the Northeast Florida area. We are reaching out to local businesses in Jacksonville to support this program by underwriting the cost of tickets to be donated to local children and their families who otherwise cannot afford to attend a Jumbo Shrimp baseball game.

Each Corporate Care Program sponsor will be recognized during every home game through video board recognition and public address announcements. You will also be listed as a sponsor of the Corporate Care page on JaxShrimp.com.

The Jumbo Shrimp will handle the selection of ticket recipients internally. We are open and willing to donate tickets based on corporate sponsor suggestions and/or preferred charities.

For more info, contact
Carolyn Bosworth - Community Relations Coordinator 904-358-2846
community@jaxshrimp.com

Learn more about our programs \& fundraiser opportunties at milb.com/jacksonville/community


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## INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE//2023 HOME OPPONENTS



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121 Financial Ballpark
301 A. Philip Randolph Blvd.
Jacksonville, FL 32202
(904) 358-2846
-Parent club: Miami Marlins-


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Charlotte, NC 28202
(704) 274-8300

## -Parent club: Chicago White Sox-

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-Parent club: Atlanta Braves-


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AutoZone Park
198 Union Avenue
Memphis, TN 38103
(901) 721-6000
--Parent club: St. Louis Cardinals -


NASHVILLE SOUNDS
First Horizon Park
19 Junior Gilliam Way
Nashville, TN 37219
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-Parent club: Milwaukee Brewers-


DURHAM BULLS
Durham Athletic Park 409 Blackwell Street
Durham, NC 27701 (919) 687-6500
-Parent club: Tampa Bay Rays-


LEHIGH VALLEY IRONPIGS
Coca-Cola Park
1050 IronPigs Way
Allentown, PA 18109
610-841-7447
--Parent club: Philadelphia Phillies -

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Harbor Park
150 Park Avenue
Norfolk, VA 23510
(757) 622-2222
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DEDICATION,FAMILY SPURRED LINDGREN'S IMPROBABLE BIG LEAGUE ODYSSEY

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The text came through and Jeff Lindgren's phone buzzed. It was sometime in the abyss that was 2020. He read it, a message he had figured would be coming at some point. There would be no Minor League Baseball.
Lindgren had already been working part-time at a Jeep dealership in Chicago. He would turn that into a full-time role within a half-hour.
Every day, when work was done, Lindgren clocked out and went to, well, work, only this time for his baseball career. He did not know when the next game would be, when would be the next time he would stand on an actual mound in an actual ballpark.
In those dark, dreary months of that dark, dreary year, he went down to the basement of his now-wife Megan's home, climbed on the mound he had built by himself and logged late night after late night. All that for his other job, the one he truly loved, yet the one in which he did not know when he would report to again.
"It's just, who's dedicated enough to keep going," Lindgren said. "Who's going to keep going every day, and that's how you get to the big leagues."
Not many people expected Lindgren to get to the
big leagues. A native of Champaign, III., Lindgren grew up just minutes from the University of Illinois campus, but he was ignored during the recruiting process by the Fighting Illini. Instead, he signed with Illinois State.
"I was just trying to go play baseball at the next level, honestly," said Lindgren. "I was committed to a JUCO and then the Illinois State opportunity came along, and I wouldn't have traded it for the world. I met all my best friends, I met my wife, so the way it all worked out, and I don't think I'd go back and change anything."
In four seasons at Illinois State, Lindgren posted a less-than-stellar 6.02 collegiate ERA. Nonetheless, his career took a turn when the Miami Marlins still saw something in him to pick him in the 24th round of the 2019 draft. The Marlins sent him to Short Season Class A Batavia, where he fired 4.0 shutout innings. He was quickly promoted to High-A Jupiter, where he put together a 1.48 ERA in 24.1 innings over 14 appearances to close the season.
All that positive momentum, and then it was 2020.
Lindgren went to work at the dealership and went to work throwing in the basement. It would end up

## FEATURE STORY

being another turning point in his baseball career.
When Minor League Baseball finally did return in 2021, Lindgren's game had progressed enough to become a starter for Double-A Pensacola. After a successful campaign with the Blue Wahoos, Lindgren entered the 2022 Opening Day rotation for Triple-A Jacksonville.

Only this time, things did not work out. For the first time as a professional, Lindgren struggled. After four starts and 16 runs allowed over 17.2 innings to begin the 2022 season with the Jumbo Shrimp, the righthander was demoted to Pensacola. In the airport on the way back, Lindgren decided he would not wallow; It was another opportunity to prove his mettle.
"It was more of a business decision baseball-wise for me to go back there (to Pensacola)," Lindgren said. "I just put my head down, knew I had to work really hard and put up numbers to get back. And after seeing what Triple-A provides for you, compared to the Double-A level, obviously you want to get up to that higher level. So, it was just working hard, going out there every day, competing as hard as you can and trusting the guys behind you."
The hard work again paid off. And by August, Lindgren had returned to Jacksonville to finish the season.
"The coaches here have been a huge help, but I think it was more figuring out who I was as a pitcher, looking at numbers in the past and figuring out what was going wrong," said Lindgren. "I used to try to throw as hard as I possibly could and run up the radar gun like the fans want, but now I know exactly who I am as a pitcher. I'm a crafty guy who gets outs and eats up innings and keeps your team in the game. I had to get to that and accept that's who I was as a pitcher instead of just trying to throw 100 (MPH) every time and hoping it goes over the plate."

Lindgren figured he would be back in Jacksonville in 2023, and he was indeed on the Opening Day roster. Little did he know, the first time he pitched in 2023, it would not be for the Jumbo Shrimp.
Jacksonville opened the 2023 campaign with a three-game series at Gwinnett. As the team loaded up the bus to go back to Northeast Florida following the final game of the series, Lindgren was called into manager Daren Brown's office and given the news: he was going to the major leagues.
"When you think back that far, it's kind of hard to picture it," Lindgren said. "That in a three-year span, you're going to be in the big leagues after not having any clue when you're going to go back and play baseball again. But that's when it comes down to the hard work and dedication you put into your craft every day."

By the time a dazed Lindgren stepped out of Brown's office, all but a couple players had already cleared out of the clubhouse and gotten on the bus. One of the remaining players in the clubhouse, Brian Miller, quickly surmised what was happening as Lindgren got on the phone to call his family.


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Lindgren made his MLB debut on April 3 and pitched five innings against the Minnesota Twins.

Miller's first thought was to head to the buses to let their teammates know. Almost immediately, the team sprinted off, dashing into the clubhouse to mob and congratulate baseball's newest big leaguer.
The bus home was delayed. But then again, so had Lindgren's baseball career in 2020. It didn't matter. One of the most improbable dreams was coming true and there needed to be a celebration.
"That might have been one of the cooler moments of my baseball career," said Lindgren. "I was on the phone, had my back turned, talking to my wife and parents and telling them I was getting called up, and I turned around and every single person that was on the bus already loaded up was there. They started a slow clap and the phone conversation ended pretty quickly and I got mobbed. That will be a memory I remember for my whole life. It was a dream come true, and with my teammates supporting me like that, it made it even cooler."

Lindgren will remember the moment forever, but he also will remember those conversations that directly preceded it. And the journey he took to get there.

Lindgren still drives a Jeep with Illinois plates and a license plate frame from a Chicago dealership. Perhaps it reminds him of what he nearly lost during 2020.

Perhaps, though, it reminds them of all he's always
had. Because when he called his parents, they were the ones who believed in him when the University of IIIInois did not. And when he called his wife, the woman he met at Illinois State, she was the one who was there for him when baseball wasn't, giving up her basement for Lindgren to throw in each evening.
There needed to be a celebration, but for everything he endured, there needed to be tears as well. Where else did he find that dedication to keep going through all this to the big leagues?
"I always told them to believe in me, and they always believed in me and supported me the whole time," Lindgren said. "Obviously, the minor league grind is different than a lot of people know. But that moment where you get to call them and tell them that your dream's coming true to go to the big leagues, everything just kind of falls in your lap and tears start streaming down the faces of everyone that's supported you, and it makes it a special moment. My wife going crazy, 'How do I get a flight, how do I get a flight?' My mom was in Sam's shopping for groceries. I was like, 'You don't need groceries anymore, you need to go to Miami.' And then my dad, I was like, 'I've got to get on the bus and you've got to find plane tickets, and it was just an awesome moment."


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Bragan Field at 121 Financial Ballpark, which opened in 2003, is one of the premier Minor League ballparks in North America.

The ballpark was the first completed project of the Better Jacksonville Plan. Featuring an old-fashioned design, brick facade and a grass seating berm, 121 Financial Ballpark reminds fans of the days of yesteryear and preserves all of the wonderful tradition baseball has to offer. The vivid sight lines capture the action up-close while providing fans with comfortable seating and easy access to concessions and restrooms.

121 Financial Ballpark features 12 luxury skyboxes, four skydecks, HD videoboards in left field and along the outfield walls, and a one-of-a-kind Tiki Terrace at the left field corner.

The ballpark has hosted three Major League Baseball exhibitions (2006, 2010, 2015), four ACC Baseball Tournaments (2006-09) and two Southern League All-Star games (2003, 2013). The 2013 Southern League All-Star game boasted a league-record 9,373 fans in attendance.

In 2016, owner Ken Babby invested $\$ 1.8$ million into the ballpark to add a new groups area directly behind the home
bullpen, a Tiki Terrace near the left-field foul pole, renovations to all 12 private suites and expansion of the suite-level, third-floor lounge to give all fans a climate-controlled space to overlook the playing field.

Since 2007, 121 Financial Ballpark has hosted a game in the annual college baseball series between in-state rivals, Florida State and Florida. The annual installment brings capacity crowds to 121 Financial Ballpark for their storied rivalry.

The ballpark features nearly 6,000 stadium-style chairs and can accommodate more than 11,000 fans with berm and bleacher seating. Has 12 luxury skyboxes and four sky decks, each of which having private seating. Ballpark is also completely wheelchair accessible, including the dugouts, camera wells and playing field.

The total estimated cost is $\$ 34$ million, paid for by Jacksonville residents as part of a tax approved in 2000 to fund the "Better Jacksonville Plan," an initiative to improve the city's infrastructure. The adjacent Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena was also funded through the plan and was completed in November 2003.


## FIELD DIMENSIONS

BUILT: 2003
CAPACITY: 11,000

PITCHER: Heath Totten (Jax)
BATTER: Ryan Knox (Huntsville)
HIT: Mike Collins (Jax; 4/11/03)
RUN: Brandon Gemoll (Huntsville; 4/11/03)


PLAYING SURFACE: Grass
DIMENSIONS: LF - 321', CF - 420', RF - 317'

## STADIUM FIRSTS

STOLEN BASE: Koyie Hill (Jax; 4/12/03)
HOME RUN: J.J. Hardy (Huntsville; 4/12/03)
JAX RUN: Brennan King (Jax; 4/13/03)
JAX HOME RUN: Derek Michaelis (Jax; 4/15/03)


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## PICNIC AND GROUP OPTIONS

Whether you're planning an event for your annual company function, your religious organization's youth group, or your child's little league victory celebration, 121 Financial Ballpark provides the perfect setting while the Jumbo Shrimp provide affordable family fun prices. All picnic buffets, except for suites and the crustacean corner, begin one hour prior to scheduled first pitch and last for 90 minutes and are scheduled to occur rain or shine.


LOWER DECK PARTIES -(\$32 (PLUS TAX) - PER PERSON)
The VyStar Shrimp Net is perfect for groups of 24 or more people and overlooks the right-field line. Along the third base side, the Circle K Deck is a covered area that can accommodate groups of 24 or more. On most game dates, both areas will accommodate multiple groups. They feature a 90 -minute, all-you-can-eat buffet of hamburgers, hot dogs, potato chips, fresh baked cookies, soda and water plus a reserved seat.


PALM TREE PAVILION - ( $\$ 38$ (PLUS TAX) - PER PERSON)
The Ring Power Palm Tree Pavilion is a perfect pinnic area for groups of 24 or more guests that value a little more privacy. This semi-private party area is located along the left field line just behind the Jumbo Shrimp bullpen. It comes with a 90 -minute, all-you-can-eat buffet of hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ pork, chips, homestyle coleslaw, fresh baked cookies, soda and water to go along with your reserved seat to watch the game.


## HOME RUN PORCH - ( $\$ 375$ (PLUS TAX) PER GAME)

Located on the second level of the Coors Light Tiki Terrace, the Home Run Porch allows you to enjoy one of the best views in the stadium while eating ballpark fare in our most unique setting. The area will remain exclusive to your group for the entire game.* Each group receives 15 general admission tickets, 15 hot dogs, 15 bags of cracker jacks, 15 bags of chips and 15 bottles of water.
*Will be relocated in the 7th inning of fireworks games for safety reasons.

| GROUP TICKET PRICING |  |
| :--- | :---: |
|  | $24 \&$ Up |
| Dugout Reserved | $\$ 18$ |
| Field Reserved | $\$ 14$ |

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## HASKELL SUITE LEVEL

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The Haskell Suite Level provides one of the best ways to watch the Jumbo Shrimp at 121 Financial Ballpark. Whether you are looking for that one-of-a-kind experience for friends and family or make that grand impression on your clients, our three premium areas will not disappoint.


## SKYDECK PARTIES - (\$48 (PLUS TAX) - PER PERSON)

Located on the Haskell Suite Level, SkyDecks are open-air areas and are exclusive to your party and offer privacy, VIP service, and premier seating directly on your deck. SkyDecks are for groups of 24 or more people and remain your group's throughout the game. They include a 90-minute buffet of all-you-can-eat hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled BBQ chicken breast, loaded potato salad, homestyle coleslaw, fresh fruit salad, double chocolate brownies, fresh baked cookies, soda and water.

Beer and Wine is available for purchase during the food service. Extended Bar Service available for an additional price. A Cash Liquor Bar can also be set up for an additional fee.


## BOLD CITY BALCONY - (\$1,840 (PLUS TAX) PER GAME)

Watch the game from a baseball lover's view! The Bold City Balcony is a unique lounge area with cozy furniture, ceiling fans, an HDTV and your own personal server that provides a one-of-a-kind VIP experience. Game rentals include: 12 tickets and 4 parking passes, one souvenir for each guest (12) and an all-inclusive food and beverage with domestic beer and house wine.

Optional add-ons include liquor, craft beer, and wine.


## SUITE RENTALS ( $\$ 1,200 /$ SINGLE, $\$ 2,400$ OWNER'S SUITE)

Located on the Haskell Suite Level, each private suite is fully furnished and features air conditioning, indoor bar seating and serving areas. Suites also include seating on the balcony overlooking the field with outdoor fans - all under the stadium roof. Both options come with a complete catering service with personal wait staff - 72-hour preorder menu has food ready when your party arrives. Reserve your space early - availability is limited.
*Single suite comes with 20 tickets \& four parking passes; Owner's Suite comes with 40 tickets \& eight parking passes.

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# 2023 June-July Opponents 

Use the QR codes with the camera function on your phone to get the latest rosters



## WORCESTER RED SOX JULY 14 - JULY 16 <br> 



## JAX JUMBO SHIRMP APRIL - SEPTEMBER

## HOW TO KEEP SCORE

## BASEBALL BASICS: HOW TO KEEP SCORE

DIFFERENT FANS have different methods of keeping a scorecard, and many use their own notations. But here's a simple method:

If the hitter grounds out to shortstop, for example, write in " $6-3$," which shows the shortstop threw him out at first base. If the hitter flies out to left field, write a"7."
If the batter gets a hit, write in the hit according to which base he reached. Each corner of the box represents a base, with the lower-right corner being first.

If he singles, put a "-" in the lower right. If he doubles, write a " $=$ " in the upper right, and so on. For a walk, use "BB" in the lower right. As the runner advances, mark the appropriate symbol in the appropriate corner.

If a runner scores, put a circle at the bottom of the box, and inside the circle put the symbol of the play and/or the player that drove him in. For example, if the No. 5 hitter drives in two runs with a single, mark his single in the bottom right of his box and mark a circle with the number" " 5 " in it in the boxes of the runners who score. (Some people like to use uniform numbers here, so you can tell who did what, even after lineup changes.)

At the end of each inning, total the hits and runs for that inning only. At the end of the game you'll be able to add the innings total to get the game score


## POSITION NUMBERS

1: Pitcher
2: Catcher
3: First baseman
4: Second baseman
5: Third baseman
6: Shortstop
7: Left fielder
8: Center fielder
9: Right fielder
DH: Designated Hitter

## SYMBOLS FOR PLAY

Single: Sor _
Double: D or $=$
Triple: Tor $\equiv$
Home run: HR or $\equiv$
Sacrifice: SH or SAC
Walk: BB
Strikeout: K
Strikeout Looking: X
Balk: BK
Fielder's Choice: FC
Hit by pitch: HP
Wild Pitch: WP

Passed Ball: PB
Stolen Base: SB
Double Play: DP
Error: E
Sacrifice Fly: SF
Intentional Walk: IBB
Foul Fly: F
Force Out: FO
Line drive: L
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| Date | Day | Time | Opp | Promotion |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 6/13 | Tues | $7: 05 \mathrm{pm}$ | MEM | Two for Tuesday/Military Appreciation Night |
| 6/14 | Wed | 12:05 pm | MEM | Good is Everywhere Wednesdays/Big Splash Day |
| 6/15 | Thu | $7: 05 \mathrm{pm}$ | MEM | Thirsty Thursday/Lets Put The FUN In Funeral! |
| 6/16 | Fri | $7: 05 \mathrm{pm}$ | MEM | Red Shirt Friday/Friday Night Lites/Sideburns and Sequins/ |
|  |  |  |  | Friday Night Fireworks |

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Both locally in Orange Park, Fletcher-Vance's career has brought him full circle during the 2023 season. Photo Credit: Eldy Mendez

## FLETCHER-VANCE BRINGS MILITARY MORALS TO BASEBALL CAREER

How Cobie Fletcher-Vance incorporates his upbringing to Americas Pastime By: Ethan Salzberg

Cobie Fletcher-Vance is hard-working by nature, driven by will and a family man; all traits he has learned from his father, a Sergeant Major in the Army. The lessons that have come along with that have inspired dignity, compassion and endowment, skills Fletcher-Vance has applied to his baseball career, both on and off the field.
The five-foot-seven Fletcher-Vance was born here locally in Orange Park. His dad's military career meant he lived in Northeast Florida for just a short time.
The values of being raised in a military family is something that Fletcher-Vance credits to a lot of the morals he applies to his game on a day-to-day basis.
"It gave me a lot of discipline that I take into my daily life," said Fletcher-Vance. "And then, being at the ballpark also just gave me different ways to look at things, different perspectives to look from."
From discipline regarding an at bat or his approach on life throughout his career he has stayed grounded and humble in his routine regardless of the result or situation.
"Honestly, it's like his field, and being in my field of playing baseball, it's the same kind of mental thing where it's you versus you and it's a team effort," Fletcher-Vance said. "It's the same thing as if you handle what you handle, the next man handles what the next man handles."
Growing up and learning how to take care of business translated to his current situation of playing Triple-A baseball. However, it took Fletcher-Vance time to reach this point. Originally selected by the Oakland Athletics in the 18th round of the 2018 draft out of the University of Alabama. He was back and forth between High-A and Single- A until 2022 when he was selected by the Marlins in the minor league phase of the Rule 5 draft and assigned to Double-A Pensacola. He then made the jump to Jacksonville on April 15, 2023.
The baseball life can be lonely, no matter where he is playing. It's rare for Fletcher-Vance to see family, so he thought of way he could always carry them with him to bring his relatives along for the journey.

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There used to just be Vance on the back of his uniform, but in 2022, Cobie added his mom's side of the family, the Fletcher's, on his back in front of his father's last name Vance. It was important to him to recognize both sides of his family in molding him to the person he is today.
"Everyone kind of being far we've always tried to find ways to be close and I think that helped me with just being away from family playing ball," said Fletcher-Vance.
Those tight family ties inspired Fletcher-Vance in other ways as well. Cobie decided to start a nonprofit with his best friend. The Two Six Project was started in his hometown of Fayetteville, North Carolina in 2019.
"We act as an incubator for kids in our hometown, (and) we like to consider ourselves a vehicle for exposure", Fletcher-Vance said when describing what the Two Six Project does. "We show kids different avenues of life, whether it's tech, the sports industry, the music industry, the fashion industry, or even financial literacy."
Emphasizing intentional programming through creative mediums to maximize impact, socially, creatively, and culturally the Two Six Project has partnered with brands such as Nike, Jordan, Chick-Fil-A, the Dreamville Foundation, and the Charlotte Hornets. In May 2023, the non-profit gave out five
scholarships to five different kids from Pine Forest High School, Fletcher-Vance's alma mater.
"Being pillars in our community and doing things that we always thought we needed," said Fletcher Vance. "Being able to do that for kids now, it's amazing."

Those connections have helped bind Fletch-er-Vance to his past. Being back in Northeast Florida, a place Fletcher-Vance dubs "The 904 " in honor of the area code, on his baseball journey is no different; It not only allows him to make more of an impact off the field but also gives him the chance to play in a place he once, long ago, called home.
"It's crazy to come here", Fletcher-Vance said. "It's a very small world you know, coming back here where I'm playing Triple-A."
In a way, it's come full-circle. And while Fletch-er-Vance is anxious to continue his impact both on and off the field here in Jacksonville, with hopes to someday be a resident of the 305 playing for the Miami Marlins, the present shows all the lessons he's learned along the way.
The reverent, reliable, and dedicated family man is not just here to dot the l's and cross the T's. His self-awareness for others, his family, and the world around him keep him centered whether it's on or off the diamond.

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Favorite Food: Plankton
Favorite Movie: Forrest Gump
Likes: When foul balls hit the nets instead of me.
Dislikes: Tartar sauce, ice baths and away games.

## ABOUT SOUTHPAW

MiLB Debut: 1996
Position: Left Field // Utility
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 180
Throws: Left
Bats: Left

Resides: 121 Financial Ballpark
Favorite MLB Team: Miami Marlins
Favorite Food: Hushpuppies
Favorite Movie: Air Bud: Seventh Inning Fetch
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## ALL-TIME RECORDS



| Year | Team | League | Class | Manager(s) | W | L Pct | Finish | Attendance | Affiliation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1961 | Jets | South Atlantic | A | Tom Saffell | 51 | 88.367 | 8th | 25,156 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Homer"Dixie" Howell |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1962 | Suns | International | AAA | Ben Geraghty | 94 | 60.610 | 1st | 229,679 |  |
| 1963 | Suns | International | AAA | Ben Geraghty | 26 | 39.400 | 5th, South | 95,265 | Indians |
|  |  |  |  | Casey Wise | 30 | 52.366 |  |  |  |
| 1964 | Suns | International | AAA | Harry Walker | 89 | 62.589 | 1st | 169,045 | Cardinals |
| 1965 | Suns | International | AAA | Grover Resinger | 71 | 76.483 | 6th | 111,283 | Cardinals |
| 1966 | Suns | International | AAA | Solly Hemus | 68 | 79.463 | 7th | 93,374 | Mets |
| 1967 | Suns | International | AAA | Bill Virdon | 66 | 73.475 | 5th | 64,705 | Mets |
| 1968 | Suns | International | AAA | Clyde McCullough | 75 | 71.514 | 4th | 83,950 | Mets |
| 1970 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gus Niarhos | 67 | 70.489 | 4th | 64,722 | Co-op |
| 1971 | Suns | Southern | AA | Ray Hathaway | 63 | 77.450 | 4th | 58,751 | Indians |
| 1972 | Suns | Southern | AA | Billy Gardner | 64 | 75.460 | 4th, East | 47,168 | Royals |
| 1973 | Suns | Southern | AA | Billy Gardner | 76 | 60.559 | 1st, East | 77,766 | Royals |
| 1974 | Suns | Southern | AA | Billy Gardner | 78 | 60.565 | 1st, East | 98,652 | Royals |
| 1975 | Suns | Southern | AA | Billy Scripture | 59 | 79.428 | 4th, East | 52,737 | Royals |
| 1976 | Suns | Southern | AA | Billy Scripture | 66 | 72.478 | 4th, East | 69,343 | Royals |
| 1977 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gordy McKenzie | 72 | 66.522 | 3rd, East | 86,888 | Royals |
| 1978 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gordy McKenzie | 73 | 69.514 | 2nd, East | 86,834 | Royals |
| 1979 | Suns | Southern | AA | Joe Jones | 69 | 72.489 | 3rd, East | 114,546 | Royals |
| 1980 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gene Lamont | 63 | 81.438 | 5th, East | 133,218 | Royals |
| 1981 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gene Lamont | 65 | 77.458 | 4th, East | 126,384 | Royals |
| 1982 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gene Lamont | 83 | 61.576 | 1st, East | 125,645 | Royals |
| 1983 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gene Lamont | 77 | 68.531 | 2nd, East | 137,480 | Royals |
| 1984 | Suns | Southern | AA | Rick Renick | 76 | 69.524 | 3rd, East | 97,158 | Royals |
| 1985 | Expos | Southern | AA | Tommy Thompson | 73 | 70.510 | 3rd, East | 82,907 | Expos |
| 1986 | Expos | Southern | AA | Tommy Thompson | 75 | 68.524 | 1st, East | 164,772 | Expos |
| 1987 | Expos | Southern | AA | Tommy Thompson | 85 | 59.590 | 1st, East | 190,456 | Expos |
| 1988 | Expos | Southern | AA | Tommy Thompson | 69 | 73.486 | 2nd, East | 175,396 | Expos |
| 1989 | Expos | Southern | AA | Alan Bannister | 68 | 76.472 | 5th, East | 220,803 | Expos |
| 1990 | Expos | Southern | AA | Jerry Manuel | 84 | 60.583 | 2nd, East | 244,494 | Expos |
| 1991 | Suns | Southern | AA | Jim Nettles | 74 | 69.517 | 3rd, East | 231,139 | Mariners |
| 1992 | Suns | Southern | AA | Bob Hartsfield | 68 | 75.476 | 3rd, East | 226,273 | Mariners |
| 1993 | Suns | Southern | AA | Marc Hill | 59 | 81.421 | 5th, East | 250,002 | Mariners |
| 1994 | Suns | Southern | AA | Marc Hill | 60 | 77.438 | 4th, East | 240,580 | Mariners |
| 1995 | Suns | Southern | AA | Bill Plummer | 75 | 69.521 | 3rd, East | 237,433 | Tigers |
| 1996 | Suns | Southern | AA | Bill Plummer | 39 | 30.565 | 1st, East | 219,947 | Tigers |
|  |  |  |  | Larry Parrish | 36 | 33.522 |  |  |  |
| 1997 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dave Anderson | 66 | 73.475 | 3rd, East | 238,238 | Tigers |
| 1998 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dave Anderson | 86 | 54.614 | 1st, East | 254,882 | Tigers |
| 1999 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dave Anderson | 75 | 66.532 | 1st, East | 233,630 | Tigers |
| 2000 | Suns | Southern | AA | Gene Roof | 69 | 71.493 | 2nd, East | 221,221 | Tigers |
| 2001 | Suns | Southern | AA | John Shoemaker | 83 | 56.597 | 1st, East | 225,362 | Dodgers |
| 2002 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dino Ebel | 77 | 62.554 | 1st, East | 230,156 | Dodgers |
| 2003 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dino Ebel | 66 | 73.475 | T-4th, East | 359,979 | Dodgers |
| 2004 | Suns | Southern | AA | Dino Ebel | 66 | 71.482 | 4th, East | 420,495 | Dodgers |
| 2005 | Suns | Southern | AA | John Shoemaker | 79 | 61.564 | 2nd, South | 359,957 | Dodgers |
| 2006 | Suns | Southern | AA | John Shoemaker | 86 | 54.614 | 1st, South | 404,992 | Dodgers |
| 2007 | Suns | Southern | AA | John Shoemaker | 80 | 60.571 | 2nd, South | 396,007 | Dodgers |
| 2008 | Suns | Southern | AA | John Shoemaker | 68 | 72.485 | 4th, South | 364,365 | Dodgers |
| 2009 | Suns | Southern | AA | Brandon Hyde | 82 | 58.586 | 2nd,South | 354,553 | Marlins |
| 2010 | Suns | Southern | AA | Tim Leiper | 81 | 59.579 | 1st, South | 354,725 | Marlins |
| 2011 | Suns | Southern | AA | Andy Barkett | 70 | 70.500 | 3rd, South | 309,310 | Marlins |
| 2012 | Suns | Southern | AA | Andy Barkett | 70 | 70.500 | 2nd, South | 293,013 | Marlins |
| 2013 | Suns | Southern | AA | Andy Barkett | 73 | 63.537 | 3rd, South | 295,258 | Marlins |
| 2014 | Suns | Southern | AA | Andy Barkett | 81 | 59.579 | 2nd, South | 300,538 | Marlins |
| 2015 | Suns | Southern | AA | David Berg | 57 | 81.413 | 5th, South | 272,422 | Marlins |
| 2016 | Suns | Southern | AA | David Berg | 63 | 76.453 | 5th, South | 264,401 | Marlins |
| 2017 | Jumbo Shrimp | Southern | AA | Randy Ready | 69 | 71.493 | 3rd, South | 325,743 | Marlins |
| 2018 | Jumbo Shrimp | Southern | AA | Randy Ready | 55 | 82.401 | 5th, South | 317,335 | Marlins |
| 2019 | Jumbo Shrimp | Southern | AA | Kevin Randel | 66 | 71.482 | 3rd, South | 327,388 | Marlins |
| 2021 | Jumbo Shrimp | AAA-East | AAA | Al Pedrique | 75 | 55.577 | 2nd, Souteast | 242,667 | Marlins |
| 2022 | Jumbo Shrimp | International | AAA | Daren Brown | 80 | 69.537 | 3rd, Int. East | 358,094 | Marliins |

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## DAREN BROWN I MANAGER I SECOND SEASON

After eclipsing 1,300 career managerial wins during the 2022 season, Daren Brown returns as Jacksonville's manager for the second consecutive campaign.

In Brown's first year with Jacksonville in 2022, the Jumbo Shrimp finished with an 80-69 (.537) record,
placing third in the International League East Division. After stellar performances throughout the season, the Jumbo Shrimp saw 12 players from their roster make their major league debuts. Brown also juggled a franchise-record 79 players, including Jacksonville highs for both pitchers (39) and starting pitchers (25).

A native of Holdenville, Okla., Brown holds a 1,340-1,325 (.503) record as a minor league manager. The 55 -year-old is currently in his third stint as a Triple-A skipper. He piloted Triple-A Tacoma in the Seattle Mariners' organization from 2007-13 and again in 2019, tallying 494 victories, which marks the most wins for any manager in Rainiers franchise history. Brown led Tacoma to consecutive division titles in 2009 and 2010, and during that latter season, helped the Rainiers win the franchise's first outright Pacific Coast League Championship since 1969. Over this time period, Brown also earned a pair of call ups to the Mariners' coaching staff, including a stint as the club's interim manager for the final 50 games of the 2010 season.

After working as Seattle's baserunning coordinator in 2014 and bunting and baserunning coordinator in 2015, Brown steered Double-A Jackson to a $84-55$ (.604) record and Southern League Championship in 2016. He skippered Double-A Arkansas during the 2017-18 seasons before returning to Tacoma for the 2019 campaign. In 2021, Brown managed the Kinsport Axmen, a summer collegiate baseball team in the Appalachian League.

The son of former major leaguer Paul Brown, who pitched for parts of four seasons with the Philadelphia Phillies from 1961-63 and 1968, Daren was selected in the 29th round of the 1989 draft out of Southeastern Oklahoma State University. He pitched for five seasons in Toronto's organization from 1989-93, reaching as high as Double-A Knoxville. From 1994-99, Daren served as a player-coach (1994-97) and player-manager (1998-99) for Amarillo of the independent Texas-Louisiana League. He retired as a player following the 1999 season, which saw Brown win the circuit's Manager of the Year and Amarillo take the league championship, and managed the Dillas for one more season.

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Played in Jax: 1987
Hall of Fame Induction: 2015


AL LOPEZ
Played in Jax: 1927
Hall of Fame Induction: 1977


## EDGAR MARTINEZ

Played in Jax: 1993
Hall of Fame Induction: 2019


Played in Jax: 1960
Hall of Fame Induction: 1997


## RUBE MARQUARD

Managed in Jax: 1929-30
Hall of Fame Induction: 1971


## NOLAN RYAN

Played in Jax: 1967
Hall of Fame Induction: 1999

## TOMSEAVER

Played in Jax: 1966
Hall of Fame Induction: 1992


## BOB UECKER

Played in Jax: 1959
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## THE AFFIX IS IN: JUMBO SHRIMP SALUTE DUCT TAPE

> Reviewing promotions director David Ratz's sticky night at the ballpark By: Benjamin Hill/MiLB.com (Story first appeared online May 5)
"It was my fault, because it was my idea. I suffered the consequences, so there you go."
We've all expressed such sentiment during our lives. In this particular instance, the person speaking was Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp promotions director David Ratz, and the idea gone wrong was to spend three innings of the April 28 ballgame against Lehigh Valley duct-taped to a pole on the ballpark concourse.
This endeavor was the perhaps inevitable result of Ratz's decision to stage a duct-tape-centric theme night at the Marlins' Triple-A affiliate's home of 121 Financial Ballpark. Why would he do this? In the world of Minor League Baseball promotions, that's not the right line of questioning.
"Something we ask ourselves daily is, 'Why not?"' said Ratz. "What can we do that involves something silly and ridiculous and off-the-wall, but that other people will have some familiarity with?"
In brainstorming the promotion, Ratz and his staff developed between-inning contests such as a duct-tape mummy wrap and duct-tape ribbon dancing. But that wasn't enough. This is Minor League Baseball, and there needed to be a spectacle. A spectacle such as, you know, being duct-taped to a pole.
"My first thought was, 'I have interns, and this would be something fun to do with interns,"' said Ratz. "But the more I thought about it, I thought perhaps I should be the one. That's one of the things I preach to my staff: 'I'll never ask you to do something that I'm not willing to do myself.'I let them vote on it and wouldn't you know it? They picked me."
As the second inning approached, Ratz was duct-taped to the pole while standing on a stool. The seat was then removed, leaving him suspended in air.
"It was more constricting than I thought it would be," he said. "Many would argue that I'm a complete moron, but I'm not a complete moron in that I did stash a knife in the back collar of my shirt should I need to extricate myself quickly, if I feel this going sideways."
Midway through the third, literally feeling the pressure, it became time to extricate. Ratz cut himself three-quarters of the way free, and then enlisted a police officer stationed on the concourse to finish the job.
But as for what happened next, there were different versions of the story. Ratz maintains that, while he did fall down after being cut free, he only stayed there to determine to what extent the tape had removed the paint on the concourse pole. The police officer didn't see it that way, and the next thing Ratz knew, "There were EMTs telling me to sit down on a wheelchair."
"No regrets," said Ratz. "My job is to do weird stuff that gets attention and pushes the envelope, and that's what happened."
So life goes on. Let's hope that the Jumbo Shrimp's "Salute to the Vacuum Hose Haircut" promo, scheduled for May 11, is a little less dramatic.
Ratz refused the EMTs' suggestion of an ambulance ride to the hospital, but nonetheless his night was over. Jumbo Shrimp GM Harold Craw sent him home -- making sure that he wasn't driving -- and Ratz watched the rest of the game on a laptop from his couch. The next morning he found a gift in his office: the team staff had taken the mass of tape that affixed him to the poll and written get-well messages on it.


## TICKET INFORMATION



JUMBO SHRIMP TICKET PRICES

| Type | Ticket Price |
| :--- | :---: |
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| PNC Bank Homeplate Club* | $\$ 45$ |
| 121 Financial Crustacean Corner\& | $\$ 30$ |
| Dugout Reserved | $\$ 19$ |
| UF Health Family Section (Sec. 108, Rows P-Q) No Alcohol | $\$ 19$ |
| Field Reserved | $\$ 15$ |
| Outfield Reserved | $\$ 7$ |
| General Admission/Bleachers | $\$ 5$ |

$\wedge$ Wheelhouse Lounge Captain's Chair seating includes \$10 loaded valure credit. Seating is limited. *PNC Home Plate Club has special wait service and includes \$10 loaded value credit.
${ }^{\text {¹ }} 121$ Financial Crustacean Corner has a swivel seat and includes $\$ 10$ loaded value credit.

Military Discount - Anyone showing a valid military ID at the Miller Electric box office can receive a $\$ 10$ dugout reserved seat (sec. 102-113) or a \$7 field reserved seat for ANY game (sec. 101, 114-117)

To save the most on tickets with the Jumbo Shrimp, purchase a ticket plan or group tickets by calling 904-358-2846.

MILLER ELECTRIC BOX OFFICE HOURS
In-Season Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. -2 p.m.
Game Day Hours: Monday-Friday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Saturday Opens at Noon, Sunday Opens at 10:30 a.m.

## VIEW THE SCHEDULE \& BUYTICKETS

## MILITARY PROGRAMS



The Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp are proud to play in a city with such extraordinary military tradition. The Jumbo Shrimp show their support by honoring the men and women who have served in variety of ways. Learn more about some of our programs below.

## RED SHIRT FRIDAYS

Jumbo Shrimp players and staff will wear red each Friday to support the military, and fans who wear red save $\$ 1$ on a ticket at the box office, or can donate that \$1 to charity.

## MILITARY FAMILY OF THE GAME

The Jumbo Shrimp welcome the Military Family of the Game at each Friday, Saturday and Sunday home game during the season. Nominate a service member by scanning the $Q R$ code below.


## MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHTS

Join the Jumbo Shrimp for one of the many Military Appreciation Night during the season. The Jumbo Shrimp and a sponsor will be providing free tickets (subject to availability) to all active, retired, veterans and former military members and their dependents. Complimentary ticket may be received in person at the 121 Financial Ballpark box office in advance or the day of the game, subject to availability. The 2023 dates are Sunday, April 30, Thursday, May 25, Tuesday, June 13, Tuesday, July 25, Wednesday, August 30 and Thursday, September 14.

## SPECIAL DISCOUNTED TICKETS

The Jumbo Shrimp offer a $\$ 7$ military discounted ticket for the field reserved sections (Sec 101, 114-117) and \$10 tickets in the dugout reserved sections (Sec 102-113) for every game.
Fans can visit the 121 Financial Ballpark box office all season long and show a proof of active-duty, reserve, veteran, dependent and retired military status to claim the discount.



## MIAMI MARLINS

Class \& League: MLB // National League
First Season: 1993
Location: Miami, FL
Stadium: loanDepot park
website: www.marlins.com


## JACKSONVILLE JUMBO SHRIMP

Class \& League: Triple-A // International League
Partners with the Marlins since 2009
Location: Jacksonville, FL
Stadium: 121 Financial Ballpark
website: www.jaxshrimp.com


## PENSACOLA BLUE WAHOOS

Class \& League: Double-A // Southern League
Partners with the Marlins since 2021
Location: Pensacola, FL
Stadium: Blue Wahoos Stadium
website: www.bluewahoos.com


## BELOIT SKY CARP

Class \& League: High-A // Midwest League
Partners with the Marlins since 2021
Location: Beloit, WI
Stadium: ABC Supply Stadium
website: www.skycarp.com


## JUPITER HAMMERHEADS

Class \& League: Single-A // Florida State League
Partners with the Marlins since 2002
Location: Jupiter, FL
Stadium: Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium
website: www.jupiterhammerheads.com



