



MINNESOTA TWINS (3-5) vs. HOUSTON ASTROS (3-5)

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RHP Chris Paddack (0-1, 24.30) vs. RHP Ronel Blanco (0-1, 5.40)

GAME 9

HOME GAME 3

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, Probable Pitchers, Time, Television, Radio / Spanish Radio

SEASON AT A GLANCE table with various statistics like Under Baldelli, Home Record, Road Record, etc.

THE TWINS: After completing their six-game roadtrip with a record of 2-4 (0-3 at St. Louis and 2-1 at Chicago-AL), the Twins began their three-game homestand with a loss and a win against the Astros on Thursday and Saturday...today, Minnesota will play the three-game series finale against Houston...after today's game, the Twins will travel to Kansas City for four games from Monday-Thursday.

THE WINNESOTA TWINS: The Twins beat the Astros yesterday afternoon at Target Field by a score of 6-1...Bailey Ober was the starter but did not factor into the decision, allowing one run on three hits in 4.0 innings pitched, with two walks and five strikeouts, while throwing 84 pitches...Louis Varland (1.0), Cole Sands (1.0), Jorge Alcala (1.0), Justin Topa (1.0) and Jhoan Duran (1.0) all combined to pitch 5.0 scoreless innings of relief, with no walks and seven strikeouts...the offense recorded six hits, led by Jose Miranda, who hit his first home run of the season, a three-run jimmy jack, which highlighted a six-run fourth inning...Minnesota also walked four times after drawing zero walks in their previous two games.

FINAL FOUR: After starting the season 0-4, the Twins have now won three of their last four games...below are their offensive and pitching comparisons over the first eight games:

Table comparing AVG, R, H, 2B, HR, BB%, K%, wOBA, OBP, SLG, OPS for First 4 and Last 4 games.

SPACED OUT: The Twins and Astros are playing the third of six games in 2025...these two teams will play next three times in Houston from June 13-15.

BUCK TRUCK GETTING REVVED UP: Below are Byron Buxton's number comparisons over the first eight games of the season:

Table comparing AVG, H, AB, 2B, HR, RBI, BB%, K%, OBP, SLG, OPS for First 4 and Last 4 games.

MAJORITY RULES: Twins are seeking their second series win this afternoon...they went 26-22-4 in series play last season, going 14-11-1 at home and 12-11-3 on the road...their last series win at Target Field came September 9-11, 2024, taking two of three from the Angels.

NOTHING RUNS LIKE A BEER BUCK: Byron Buxton stole his second base of the season yesterday afternoon...he had seven all of 2024...it marked the 95th stolen base of Buck's career, one short of tying Matt Lawton for ninth on the Twins all-time list:

Table listing players and their stolen bases (SB).

WILL-ITY CONSCIENCE: Willi Castro has reached base safely in all eight of the Twins games...he is one of eight players in the AL to reach safely in all of their games played (min. 8 games), joining Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (9), Jacob Wilson (9), Cal Raleigh (9), Julio Rodriguez (8), Adley Rutschman (8), Kristian Campbell (8) and Isaac Paredes (8).

TWINS MILB WEEKLYS: Triple-A St. Paul right-handed pitcher Zebby Matthews and infielder Luke Keaschall have been named Twins minor league Pitcher and Player of the Week.

LEE-HAB ASSIGNMENT: Infielder Brooks Lee will begin his rehab assignment with Low-A Fort Myers...Lee was placed on the 15-day IL to start the season with a lumbar strain.

HAPPY BERT DAY!: Hall-of-Famer Bert Blyleven turns 74 today...Bert appeared in five games on his birthday, combining to go 2-1, 2.51 ERA (32.1 IP, 9 ER) with 13 walks and 22 strikeouts...he pitched a complete game on his birthday in 1973 against Oakland...Bert retired from the broadcast booth after the 2020 season.

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 1982, the largest crowd ever to see a baseball game in Minnesota, 52,279, showed up for the inaugural game at the brand-new Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome...Twins rookie Gary Gaetti had four hits, including a pair of home runs, but the visiting Seattle Mariners won, 11-7.

STREAKS table showing Current Streak, Last 5 games, Last 10 games, Last 15 games, Last 20 games.

TWINS VS. ASTROS table showing 2025 Record, Current Streak, 2025 at Home, 2025 at Houston, Under Baldelli (since 2019), All-Time Record, All-Time at Home, All-Time at Houston.

2025 Game Logs table with columns: Date, Site, Score, Winner/Loser/Save.

CURRENT HOMESTAND (1-1) table showing Batting average, Runs Per Game, Home Runs, RISP, Errors, Team ERA, Starters W-L, Starters ERA, Relievers W-L-S, Relievers ERA, Saves/Opps.

TEAM OPS table showing OPS for Texas, Pittsburgh, Atlanta, Houston, Kansas City, Tampa Bay, Toronto.

TEAM HOME RUNS table showing Home Runs for Minnesota, Atlanta, Pittsburgh, Colorado, Houston, Kansas City, Tampa Bay, Toronto.

2025 SERIES RESULTS table showing Dates/Opp, GM W/L, Series W/L for 3/27-30 at STL, 3/31-4/2 at CWS, 4/3-6 vs. HOU.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS table listing player movements like RHP Dobnak cleared waivers, RHP McCaughan contract selected, etc.

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UPCOMING MILESTONES table listing players and their current stats vs. milestones like 134 home runs, 95 stolen bases, etc.

CHRIS PADDACK

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Height: 6-5 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 29 (1/8/1996 in Austin, TX)

2025: 0-1, 24.30 ERA CAREER: 27-25, 4.53 ERA

- Making second start of the season and 84th of his career (87th appearance).
Pitching at Target Field for the first time since June 16, 2024 vs. the Athletics (2.1 IP, 5 H, 5 ER) and the 14th time (13th starts) since joining the Twins.
Is facing Houston for the second time in his career and the first in a Minnesota uniform...in previous game on September 5, 2021 at Petco Park, allowed three runs on six hits, including a solo home run to Carlos Correa, over 6.0 innings.

2025 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with 14 columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Rows include 3/31 at CWS, MAR/APR 0-1, and 2025 TOTALS.

2024 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with 14 columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Rows include 4/3 at MIL, 4/10 vs. LAD, 4/16 at BAL, and 2024 TOTALS.

LAST TIME OUT: Took the loss in his first start of the season on March 31 at Chicago-AL...first start since July 14, 2024 at San Francisco...tied his career-high with nine runs allowed on six hits in 3.1 innings...

Was his fourth time allowing more than one multi-run home run in a game (also: May 14, 2019 and August 13, 2020 at Los Angeles-NL; May 31, 2021 at Chicago-NL; April 16, 2024 at Baltimore), and his first time allowing two three-run home runs in a game.

SPRING RECAP: Made five official 2025 Grapefruit League starts in his second spring training with Minnesota, going 1-0, 4.58 ERA (17.2 IP, 2 ER) with 21 strikeouts and four walks...in final spring outing on March 25 vs. Colorado...

Paddack unofficially started on February 24 at Tampa Bay; game was cancelled due to rain after 2.0 innings...struck out one and allowed one baserunner, a Danny Jansen solo home run in the first inning.

2024 RECAP: Went 5-3, 4.99 ERA (88.1 IP, 49 ER) across 17 starts in his third season with Minnesota; Twins were 11-6 in Paddack's starts...went 5.0+ innings in 12 starts and struck out at least six in eight starts...

Twice rebounded from a 7+ run outing with a subsequent scoreless start; nine runs at Baltimore on April 16 to scoreless vs. Chicago-AL on April 22, seven runs at New York-AL on June 5 to scoreless vs. Colorado on June 10...had not done so prior to 2024.

FACING HOUSTON: Only career start against Houston came on September 5, 2021 at Petco Park...did not factor into the decision of a 4-3 Padres walk-off win...allowed three runs on six hits, no walks or strikeouts, in 6.0 innings...

Is the only outing of his career that he did not allow a walk or a strikeout; since then, just eight other pitchers have accomplished the same feat (minimum 4.0 IP in game started).

HOME/ROAD SPLITS: Is making his first start at Target Field since June 16, 2024, Game Two of a doubleheader vs. Athletics (2.1 IP, 5 H, 5 ER, BB)...since joining Minnesota, has gone 4-2 with a 4.26 ERA (61.1 IP, 29 ER) in 13 appearances (12 starts) at home...

In 2024, Paddack went 4-1 in nine starts at Target Field with a 3.61 ERA (47.1 IP, 19 ER); Twins went 8-1...pitched at least 5.0 innings in all but two home starts: his last start on June 16 against the A's and on April 10 vs. Los Angeles-NL (4.2 IP).

In his career, Paddack is 11-13 in 42 starts (43 games) on the road with a 4.51 ERA (215.2 IP, 108 ER), 201 strikeouts and 47 walks, compared to 16-11 in 40 starts (42 games) with a 4.24 ERA (208.0 IP, 98 ER), 216 strikeouts and 42 walks at home.

PLATOON SPLITS: In 2024, right-handed hitters slashed .264/.298/.434 with seven home runs, nine walks and 47 strikeouts against Paddack, while left-handed hitters slashed .303/.347/.455 with seven home runs, 12 walks and 32 strikeouts...in a Twins uniform, Paddack has allowed a .266 BAA with 12 walks and 64 strikeouts against righties...

Last Monday at Chicago-AL, both righties and lefties had a .400 BAA against Paddack...right-handed hitters were 4-for-10 with two home runs, three walks and one strikeout, while lefties were 2-for-5 with a home run, a walk and one strikeout.

THE ARSENAL: In 2024, Paddack had a four-pitch mix, per Baseball Savant...here are his pitch repertoire and results:

Table with 3 columns: PITCH (AVG, MPH), PCT. (# vs. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Rows include 4-Seam Fastball (93.3) and Changeup (82.9).

Of Paddack's 89 pitches thrown Monday at Chicago-AL, 49.4 percent were fastballs, 23.6 percent were sliders, 18.0 percent were changeups, and 9.0 percent were curveballs...his velocity ranged from 74.3 mph (curve) to 96.5 mph (four-seamer)...his 61.0 percent strike rate is his lowest since May 30, 2024 vs. Kansas City (61.0 percent).

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP SIMEON WOODS RICHARDSON (2025: 0-0, 4.50 ERA // CAREER: 5-6, 4.34 ERA)

Right-hander Simeon Woods Richardson is scheduled to start tomorrow's series opener in Kansas City...last started on April 1 at Chicago-AL, did not factor into the decision of Minnesota's 8-3 victory, its first of the season...allowed two runs on five hits over 4.0 innings, with one walk and five strikeouts...

2025 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 3.1, 3/31 at CWS
Pitches: 99, 3/31 at CWS
SO's: 2, 3/31 at CWS
Walks: 4, 3/31 at CWS
Hits: 6, 3/31 at CWS
Home Runs: 3, 3/31 at CWS
Win-Streak: --
Loss-Streak: 1, 3/31-Present

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low-Hit: --
Innings: 8.0, 5/19/24 at CLE
Pitches: 102, 7/27/21 vs. OAK
SO's: 11, 2x, last 6/18/21 vs. CIN
Walks: 4, 2x, last 3/31/25 at CWS
Hits: 12, 2x, last 5/14/24 vs. NYY
Home Runs: 3, 5x, last 3/31/25 at CWS
Win-Streak: 4, 4/22-5/8/2024
Loss-Streak: 3, 3x, last: 9/11/21-4/20/22

CAREER NOTES

- 2025 marks his ninth professional season and fourth with the Twins...is seeking his first unabridged major league season since his rookie year in 2019.
Finished 2024 season on 15-day IL with a right shoulder strain, retroactive July 20.
Pitched a career-high 8.0 inning game on May 19, 2024 at Cleveland...previous high of 7.2 innings, May 6, 2019 and July 17, 2019 with San Diego.
Made two relief appearances in 2023 ALDS vs. Houston, striking out six and allowing one baserunner in 3.2 innings between Games 1 and 4.
In 2023, returned from second Tommy John surgery to make two September relief appearances with Minnesota.
Signed three-year contract extension on January 18, 2023, keeping him in Minnesota through 2025 season.
In 2022, made Minnesota's Opening Day rotation after being acquired from San Diego in April 7 trade...went 1-2 with 4.03 ERA in five starts before suffering right elbow injury and undergoing Tommy John surgery.
In 2021, his third big league season, went 7-7 with 5.07 ERA...oblique and elbow injuries limited him to 108.1 innings...walk rate of 4.8% ranked in MLB's 95th percentile.
Made Postseason debut in 2020 NL Wild Card Series vs. St. Louis, surrendering six earned runs on eight hits in 2.1 innings...credited with loss in Game 1.
In 2020, made Opening Day start and earned win July 24 vs. Arizona...posted 4.73 ERA across 12 regular season outings...became seventh pitcher in San Diego franchise history with 200+ strikeouts in first 35 career starts.
As a rookie in 2019, posted career bests in wins (9), ERA (3.33), innings (140.2) and strikeouts (153)...named to Baseball America's Major League All-Rookie Team.
Made major league debut March 31, 2019 vs. San Francisco, yielding one run on two hits and striking out seven in 5.0-inning no-decision.
Entering 2019, was ranked Padres' No. 4 prospect by ESPN.com, No. 5 by MLB Pipeline and No. 6 by Baseball America.
Missed entire 2017 season rehabbing from first Tommy John surgery in August of 2016.
Acquired by San Diego from Miami in June 30, 2016 trade that sent Fernando Rodney to Marlins.
Made professional debut with Marlins in Gulf Coast League in 2015, going 4-3 with a 2.18 ERA (45.1 IP, 11 ER) in 11 games (seven starts), walking seven and striking out 39.
Selected by Miami in eighth round of 2015 First-Year Player Draft.

2025 MISC. NUMBERS

Table with columns: W, L, ERA, G/GS, IP, ER, AVG, H, AB, HR, BB, SO. Rows include Home, Road, Day, Night, Grass, Turf and Runners On/Scoring Pos.

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Rows include 2019-2022 and TOTALS.

MORE 2025 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

Table with columns: PADDACK, BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GDP. Row shows PADDACK: 10, 0, 2-2, 0.

2025 EARNED RUNS/HITS PER INNING

Table with columns: INNING (1-9), RUNS/HITS. Row shows 3/2, 4/3, 2/1, 0/0, -/-, -/-, -/-, -/-, -/-.

PADDACK VS. HOUSTON

2025 vs. Houston (0 games): --
2025 vs. Houston at Home (0 games): --
2025 vs. Houston on Road (0 games): --
Career vs. Houston (1 start): 0-0, 4.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 3 ER), 0 BB, 0 K
Career vs. Houston at Home (1 start): 0-0, 4.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 3 ER), 0 BB, 0 K
Career vs. Houston on Road (0 games): --

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table with 2 main sections: Paddack vs. Houston and Blanco vs. Minnesota. Each section has columns for PLAYER, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO and corresponding values.

WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS: In his six career starts where the Twins outscored their opponent by at least three runs, Paddack is 5-0 (33.2 IP) with seven runs allowed, five walks and 36 strikeouts, including two 10 strikeout outings (April 22, 2024 and May 8, 2024) and three scoreless outings (April 22, 2024; May 3, 2024; June 10, 2024)...in two such relief appearances, Paddack is 1-0 (5.0 IP) with three runs allowed, one walk and eight strikeouts...in seven starts where the Twins scored two runs or less, including Monday's start at Chicago-AL, Paddack is 1-4 (35.2 IP) with 23 runs allowed, eight walks and 28 strikeouts.

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

- Varland, Sands (W, 1), Alcala, Topa and Duran combined to throw 5.0 scoreless IP w/ no walks and 8 K in yesterday's win vs. HOU.
- Pen went 2-0, 2.70 ERA (20.0 IP, 6 ER) w/ 6 BB, 14 K and 1 SV in six games vs. HOU last season...five out of the six games last season were scoreless.
- Relievers rank 6th in all baseball in ERA (2.25), 13th in opponent batting average (.220) and T-5th for least walks (10)...have allowed only 8 out of 38 runs through eight games this season.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP #66

Height: 6-3 Weight: 205 Age: 29 (7/28/1995 in Bajos de Haina, DR) Acquired: Trade with HOU, 7/27/18
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .444

- Tossed a scoreless 7th inn. escaping bases loaded by striking out Alvarez followed by a Walker fly out to left to maintain 6-1 lead yesterday.
- Went 4-3, 3.24 ERA (58.1 IP, 21 ER) w/ 8 HR, 20 BB, 58 K and 15 HLD last season w/ MIN...did not allow an earned run in 14 of first 15 appearances for Twins from March 30-June 9, posting a 1.89 ERA (19.0 IP, 4 ER) in that span...set career high in HLD (15).
- Owns a 1.74 ERA (10.1 IP, 2 ER) w/ 6 BB, 12 K, 2 HLD and a .184 BAA in 10 career regular season G vs. HOU...hasn't allowed an ER in his last 6 G vs. HOU...came up in Houston org and acquired by Twins as part of trade for Ryan Pressly at deadline in 2018.
- Held RHB to a .193 BAA with a .624 OPS with Minnesota, compared to a .188 BAA with a .618 OPS against LHB.
- 2025 arsenal: 4-seam FB - 31 pitches (52.5%), slider - 12 pitches (20.3%), sinker - 9 pitches (15.3%), curveball - 4 pitches (6.8%) and changeup - 3 pitches (5.1%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/5 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	1
4/3 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4/1 at CWS	HI	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3
3/29 at STL	LI	0.0	2	3	3	0	1	0

DANNY COULOMBE - LHP #54

Height: 5-10 Weight: 190 Age: 35 (10/26/1989 in St. Louis, MO) Acquired: Free agent, 2/7/25
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .222

- Tossed a scoreless 9th inn. allowing just 1 H w/ 1 K in Wednesday's win at CWS.
- Appeared in 29 games for BAL in 2024 before being placed on the 15-day IL w/ left elbow inflammation on 6/11; transferred to the 60-day IL on 7/13 following left elbow surgery to remove bone chips; began a rehab assignment w/ AAA Norfolk on 9/11; reinstated on 9/20 appearing in 5 games (1 Wild Card game) to end the season...went 1-0, 2.12 ERA (29.2 IP, 7 ER) w/ 5 BB, 32 K, 13 HLD and 1 SV.
- Is 0-1, 5.09 ERA (17.2 IP, 10 ER) w/ 12 BB, 9 K and 2 HLD in 23 career games vs. HOU.
- Held LHB to a .175 BAA (7-for-40) w/ 2 2B, 0 HR and 10 K while RHB hit .129 BAA (8-for-62) w/ 1 2B, 3 HR, 5 BB and 22 K in 2024 regular season.
- 2025 arsenal: cutter - 19 pitches (38.0%), sweeper - 13 pitches (26.0%), sinker - 12 pitches (24.0%), 4-seam FB - 5 pitches (10.0%) & knuckle curve 1 pitch (2.0%).
- Elected free agency on November 4 and signed one-year contract with Twins on February 6, 2025...returns to Twins for 2nd time, also 2020-22.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/2 at CWS	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
4/1 at CWS	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/29 at STL	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0

JHOAN DURAN - RHP #59

Height: 6-5 Weight: 230 Age: 27 (1/8/1998 in Esperanza, DR) Acquired: Trade with ARI, 7/27/18
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .250 vs. Right .333

- Tossed a scoreless 9th inn. allowing just 1 H w/ 1 K in yesterday's win vs. HOU.
- Went 6-9, 3.64 ERA (54.1 IP, 22 ER) w/ 4 HR, 15 BB, 66 K, 7 HLD and 23 SV in 58 games last season...started season on the 15-day IL w/ strained right oblique...converted each of first 11 SV opportunities from 4/30-7/16, extending his save streak to a career-long 15-straight which dated back to 9/22/23...Twins went 42-16 in G in which he appeared.
- Is 2-0, tossing 7.0 scoreless IP with 3 BB, 9 K, a .125 BAA (3-for-24) and 2 SV in seven career regular season games vs. HOU.
- Totaled 256 pitches of 100+ mph, fourth-most in baseball last season, trailing Mason Miller (510), Justin Martinez (426) and Emmanuel Clase (285).
- Held LHB to a .218 BAA w/ a .626 OPS and RHB to a .252 BAA w/ a .709 OPS last season.
- 2024 arsenal: 4-seam FB - 359 pitches (40.7%), split finger - 277 pitches (31.4%), knuckle curve - 244 pitches (27.7%) and sweeper - 1 pitch (0.1%)...opponents hit .151 (8-for-53) against his curveball with 27 strikeouts.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/5 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
4/2 at CWS	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/29 at STL	ND	0.1	1	1	1	0	2	1

GRIFFIN JAX - RHP #22

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 Age: 30 (11/22/94 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 3rd RD, 2016 Draft
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .333 vs. Right .400

- Tossed 1.0 scoreless IP allowing 2 H w/ 2 K in Tuesday's win at CWS, earned his 1st HLD of the season.
- Began 2024 season splitting closer role duties w/ Stewart as Duran began season on IL, recording 4 SV (in 4 opps.) in April...finished 5-5, 2.03 ERA (71.0 IP, 16 ER) w/ 15 BB, 95 K and a .184 BAA last season...set career-highs in SV (10), games (72), HLD (24) and K (95)...won 2024 Twins Pitcher of the Year, an award voted on by the Twin Cities chapter of the BBWAA.
- Is 1-0, 0.79 ERA (11.1 IP, 1 ER) w/ 1 BB, 6 K, 2 HLD and a .105 BAA (4-for-38) in seven career regular season games vs. HOU.
- Last season was one of three pitchers in baseball with at least 10 SV, 20 HLD, a BAA of under .200 and a K/9.0 IP ratio of at least 12.00, the others being Aroldis Chapman and Jeff Hoffman...also, only pitcher in Twins history with those numbers in single season.
- Ranked in the 99th percentile in baseball in xERA (2.34) and chase percentage (38.3%), 98th percentile in whiff percentage (37.8%), 97th percentile in xBA (.189) and strikeout percentage (34.4%), and 91st in average fastball velocity (97.0 mph).
- LHB hit .200 (24-for-120) w/ 5 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 8 BB and 40 K while RHB hit .169 (23-for-136) w/ 2 2B, 2 3B, 2 HR, 7 BB and 55 K last season.
- 2024 arsenal: sweeper - 400 pitches (37.5%), 4-seam FB - 326 pitches (30.5%), changeup - 178 pitches (16.7%), sinker - 98 pitches (9.2%) and curveball - 66 pitches (6.2%)...highest putaway percentage pitch was sinker (30.0%)...highest whiff rate was on changeup (47.6%).

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DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/1 at CWS	HI	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	2
3/27 at STL	ND	0.2	1	1	1	1	1	1

DARREN MCCAUGHAN - RHP #51

Height: 6-1 Weight: 200 Age: 29 (3/18/96 in Long Beach, CA) Acquired: Minor league free agent, 12/4/24
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 4 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0ER), 4 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .231

- Made his second scoreless appearance with MIN tossing 2.0 IP allowing just 1 H w/ 2 K on Thursday...struck out Altuve in the 9th inn, giving Jose his first career 5-strikeout game...had his contract selected Monday from AAA St. Paul.
- Split the 2024 season between AAA Columbus, AAA Jacksonville, the Guardians and the Marlins, combining to go 5-4 with a 5.22 ERA (127.2 IP, 74 ER), 45 BB and 120 K in 29 games (22 starts).
- Owns a 10.50 ERA (6.0 IP, 7 ER) w/ 1 BB and 6 K in two career games (1 start) vs. HOU.
- Held LHB to a .294 BAA compared to a .326 against RHB in the majors last year.
- 2025 MLB arsenal: sweeper - 27 pitches (42.2%), 4-seam FB - 19 pitches (29.7%), sinker - 12 pitches (18.8%) and changeup - 6 pitches (9.4%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/3 vs. HOU	ND	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	4
3/31 at CWS	ND	2.2	1	0	0	0	0	2

COLE SANDS - RHP #44

Height: 6-3 Weight: 215 Age: 27 (7/17/1997 in Tallahassee, FL) Acquired: 5th RD, 2018 Draft
 Homestand: 1-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 1-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .143

- Earned his 1st win of the season tossing a scoreless 6th inn. w/ 2 K in yesterday's win vs. HOU.
- Went 9-1, 3.28 ERA (71.1 IP, 26 ER) w/ 6 HR, 12 BB, 85 K, 6 HLD and 4 SV in 62 games last season...27 of final 35 appearances were scoreless from June 20-end of season, posting a 2.11 ERA (38.1 IP, 9 ER) in that span...did not allow an earned run in 15-straight appearances from June 20-August 4 (18.0 IP)...won the Most Improved Twin, an award voted on by the Twin Cities chapter of the BBWAA.
- Is 1-0, 1.74 ERA (10.1 IP, 2 ER) w/ 2 BB and 16 K in six career games vs. HOU.
- Set career-highs in games (62), innings pitched (71.1) and strikeouts (85)...led the AL in relief wins (9) and T-3rd in all of baseball.
- Held RHB to a .193 BAA w/ a .512 OPS and LHB to a .264 BAA w/ a .706 OPS last season...led Twins staff in BB/9.0 IP (1.51).
- 2025 arsenal: cutter - 15 pitches (42.1%), 4-seam FB - 11 pitches (28.9%), split finger - 6 pitches (15.8%), curveball - 3 pitches (7.9%) and sinker - 2 pitches (5.3%)...opponents hit .170 (9-for-53) against splitter and .198 (16-for-81) against his 4-seam fastball last season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/5 vs. HOU	W1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
4/1 at CWS	HI	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
3/27 at STL	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1

JUSTIN TOPA - RHP #48

Height: 6-4 Weight: 200 Age: 34 (3/7/1991 in Binghamton, NY) Acquired: Trade with SEA, 1/29/24
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .167

- Made his fourth appearance with the Twins this season tossing a scoreless 8th inn. in yesterday's win vs. HOU.
- Pitched in seven games for Twins during 2024 spring training but was shut down after experiencing pain in left knee...began season on 15-day IL with left patellar tendinitis; transferred to 60-day IL on 5/28...appeared in 3 games from 9/25-28, pitching 2.1 scoreless IP.
- Owns a 3.24 ERA (8.1 IP, 3 ER) w/ 3 BB, 5 K, 2 HLD and 1 SV in eight career games vs. HOU...earned first career SV vs. HOU on 5/7/23.
- Has held LHB to a .261 BAA w/ a .739 OPS compared to a .261 BAA w/ a .645 OPS against RHB in his career.
- 2025 MLB arsenal: sinker - 21 pitches (34.4%), sweeper - 16 pitches (26.2%), cutter - 14 pitches (23.0%) and changeup - 10 pitches (16.4%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/5 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
3/31 at CWS	ND	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	1
3/29 at STL	ND	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	1
3/27 at STL	ND	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	0

LOUIS VARLAND - RHP #37

Height: 6-1 Weight: 205 Age: 27 (12/9/1997 in St. Paul, MN) Acquired: 15th RD, 2019 Draft
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 3 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1ER), 3 K, 0 BB vs. Left .571 vs. Right .200

- Tossed a scoreless 5th inn. in yesterday's win vs. HOU...threw hardest curveball in Twins history on 4/5 vs. HOU to Jake Meyers (90.5 mph).
- Leads Twins in games, appearing in 5 of 8 games this season.
- 2025 marks his first season in which he plans to solely pitch out of the bullpen after beginning his career as a starter.
- Made 2024 Opening Day roster for first time in career as club's number four starter...finished 0-5, 6.40 ERA (32.1 IP, 23 ER) w/ 9 HR, 11 BB and 28 K in seven starts compared to 0-1, 9.87 ERA (17.1 IP, 19 ER) w/ 3 HR, 5 BB and 21 K in 9 relief appearances with Minnesota.
- Is 1-0, 1.00 ERA (9.0 IP, 1 ER) w/ 1 BB and 8 K in three career appearances (1 start) vs. HOU.
- Threw the fastest pitch of his career on 9/10, a 100.6 mph four-seamer that the Angels' Mickey Moniak fouled off in the 8th inning.
- LHB hit .325 BAA w/ an .883 OPS compared to a .310 BAA w/ a .907 OPS against RHB last season with the Twins.
- 2025 MLB arsenal: 4-seam FB - 33 pitches (40.2%), knuckle curve - 16 pitches (19.5%), slider - 14 pitches (17.1%), sinker - 10 pitches (12.2%) and changeup - 9 pitches (11.0%).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
4/5 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	2
4/3 vs. HOU	ND	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	1
4/1 at CWS	W1	1.0	1	1	1	1	0	2
3/29 at STL	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	3
3/27 at STL	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0

MISC TEAM BULLPEN INFO

Player name	TEAM BULLPEN USAGE										
	1st Batter Avg	BB/9	K/9	Saves/Opps	Holds	IRS%	WHIP	HR	Last game	2 games ago	3 games ago
Jorge Alcala	.250	3.00	15.00	0/0	0	0.0% (0/0)	1.67	0	1.0 IP (23)	1.0 IP (11)	0.0 IP (0)
Danny Coulombe	.333	3.00	3.00	0/0	0	0.0% (0/0)	1.00	0	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)	1.0 IP (12)
Jhoan Duran	.333	7.71	11.57	0/0	0	0.0% (0/0)	2.14	0	1.0 IP (8)	0.0 IP (0)	1.0 IP (11)
Griffin Jax	.000	5.40	16.20	0/0	0	0.0% (0/0)	2.40	1	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)
Darren McCaughan	.000	0.00	11.57	0/0	0	0.0% (0/1)	0.64	0	0.0 IP (0)	2.0 IP (32)	0.0 IP (0)
Cole Sands	.000	0.00	12.00	0/0	0	0.0% (0/0)	0.33	0	1.0 IP (11)	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)
Justin Topa	.000	6.00	12.00	0/0	0	25.0% (1/4)	1.00	0	1.0 IP (17)	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)
Louis Varland	.000	1.80	14.40	0/0	0	100.0% (2/2)	1.60	1	1.0 IP (16)	1.0 IP (20)	0.0 IP (0)

HARRISON BADER - OF #12

Height: 6-0 Weight: 210 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (6/3/1994 in Bronxville, NY)
2025 Average: .211 Streak: 0-5 Series vs HOU: 0-3 Home Runs: 3 (1 2-run, 2 3-run)

- Def. replacement in LF yesterday vs. HOU; no PA...0-for-3 Thursday vs. HOU...leads MIN w/ 3 HR this season and has 3 HR in 7 games...hit 1st career OD HR on 3/27 at STL.
Career 0-for-2 vs. Blanco...career 5-for-32 (.156), 2B, 3 RBI, 2 BB, SB, 4 R in 11 games vs. HOU.
Named to 5th career OD roster in 2025; signed w/ MIN as free agent on 2/7...in 2024, spent season w/ NYM after signing as free agent on 1/4...appeared in a career-high 143 games (108 as starter)...also set career highs in RBI (51), plate appearances (437) and at-bats (402)...hit .236 (95-for-402), 19 2B, 12 HR, 51 RBI, .657 OPS during RS...also appeared in 12 of 13 Postseason games primarily off the bench.

BYRON BUXTON - OF #25

Height: 6-2 Weight: 210 B/T: R/R Age: 31 (12/18/1993 in Baxley, GA)
2025 Average: .214 Streak: 0-5 Series vs HOU: 2-7 Home Runs: 1 (1 1-run)

- 0-for-3, HBP, SB, R yesterday vs. HOU; 95th career SB, 1 shy of tying Matt Lawton for 9th most in MIN history (1961-)...is 5-for-15, HR, 2 RBI, BB, HBP, 6 R, 2 SB in last 4 games after going 1-for-13 in his 1st 4 games to start season.
Career 1-for-3, HR, 3 RBI vs. Blanco...career .227 (25-for-110), 5 2B, 3B, 2 HR, 8 RBI, 3 HBP, 6 BB, 6 SB, 14 R, .631 OPS in 32 RS games vs. HOU.
Enters 2025 as longest-tenured Twin, debuting in 2015; name to 9th career Opening Day roster this season...in 2024, hit .279 (99-for-355), 27 2B, 3 3B, 18 HR, 56 RBI, 20 BB, .859 OPS in 102 G, 2nd most of career...ranked in 97th percentile in avg. sprint speed (29.7 ft./second), 94th in baserunning run value (3), 92nd in xSLG (.516), 89th in xwOBA (.358) and barrel percentage (13.2%), and 87th in average exit velocity (91.7 mph) and hard-hit percentage (48.1%).

WILLI CASTRO - UTL #50

Height: 6-1 Weight: 211 B/T: S/R Age: 27 (4/24/1997 in Rio Piedras, PR)
2025 Average: .231 Streak: 0-5 Series vs HOU: 1-6 Home Runs: 1 (1 1-run)

- 0-for-3, BB yesterday vs. HOU; reached in all 8 G this season...1-for-3, SB Thursday vs. HOU...on 3/31, 6th career pitching app. & threw slowest pitch by MIN in Statcast Era (2015-), 33.1 mph.
Career 1-for-1, 3B, BB vs. Blanco... .289 (11-for-38), 2B, 3B, 2 RBI in last 10 G vs. HOU.
Had XBH and RBI in his 1st 3 games, 4th player in MIN history (1961-) to do so w/ R. Lewis (3/28-6/5/24), O. Cabrera (8/1-8/4/09) & B. Harper (4/5-4/11/89); also 1 of 5 players in MIN history w/ 4+ XBH & 3+ RBI in the team's 1st 3 games of season (also, Gaetti in 1982, Gladden in 1988, Mientkiewicz in 1999 and Cruz in 2020).
Named to 4th career OD roster in 2025...in 2024, became 1st player in baseball history w/ at least 25 games at 5 different positions...had 56 G (51 GS) at SS, 40 games (31 starts) at 2B, 34 games (30 starts) in LF, 30 games (24 starts) in CF, 27 G (14 GS) at 3B and 4 G (2 GS) in RF.
Named Most Valuable Twin by Twin Cities Chapter of BBWAA after setting career highs in G (158), R (89), H (138), 2B (31), HR (12), RBI (60) and BB (51)...set career highs in hard-hit percentage (36.8%) and expected slugging percentage (.389)...named to 1st All-Star team.

CARLOS CORREA - SS #4

Height: 6-4 Weight: 220 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (9/22/1994 in Santa Isabel, PR)
2025 Average: .103 Streak: 1g, 1-4 Series vs HOU: 1-8, RBI Home Runs: 1

- 1-for-4 yesterday vs. HOU...0-for-4 Thursday vs. HOU...snapped season-opening 0-for-18 w/ 2-for-4, 2B, R night 4/2 at CWS.
Career 1-for-3, 2B, RBI, BB vs. Blanco...is just 8-for-56 (.143), 2 2B, HR, 8 RBI, 2 BB, HBP, 3 R, .415 OPS in 15 RS games vs. former team.
Hitting .323 (54-for-167), 13 2B, 3B, 8 HR, 27 RBI, 14 BB, .932 OPS in last 44 G at Target Field.
10th career OD roster in 2025...in 2024, was 4th in the AL in AVG (.310) (min. 350 PA)...also 6th in OBP (.388) and RC-per-27 (.736), 7th in OPS (.905) and 10th in SLG (.517)...named All-Star as reserve, 3rd AS nod of career and 1st as a Twin...played in just 86 games around 2 IL stints...also won Bob Allison Award for leadership, from Twin Cities BBWAA Chapter.

TY FRANCE - IF #13

Height: 5-11 Weight: 215 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (7/13/1994 Downey, CA)
2025 Average: .200 Streak: 1g, 1-4 Series vs HOU: 1-8 Home Runs: 1

- 1-for-4 yesterday vs. HOU...is 5-for-16, 2B, 2 RBI, BB, 2 R in last 4 games.
Career 0-for-6 vs. Blanco...career .335 (86-for-257), 12 2B, 9 HR, 29 RBI, 13 BB, SB, 35 R, .886 OPS in 70 games vs. HOU.
Signed one-year free agent contract w/ MIN on 2/15.
Named to 6th career Opening Day roster in 2024...in 2024, began season w/ SEA, DFA'd on 7/23 and was traded to CIN w/ cash considerations on 7/29...overall hit .234 (112-for-479), 24 2B, 13 HR, 51 RBI, 38 BB, SB, 46 R, .670 OPS in 140 games between 2 teams...missed time on 10-day IL from 6/9-6/18 w/ right heel fracture...
Played in 133 combined games (122 GS) at 1B; also made 1 appearance at 2B...over a 32-game span from 8/5-9/10, hit .336 (37-for-110), the 2nd-highest mark among all qualified NL batters, behind only SD's Luis Arraez (.362).

MICKY GASPER - UTL #11

Height: 5-10 Weight: 207 B/T: S/R Age: 29 (10/11/1995 Merrimack, NH)
2025 Average: .143 Streak: 0-4 Series vs HOU: 0-1 Home Runs: 1

- K as PH in 8th yesterday vs. HOU...K as PH 4/1 at CWS...0-for-2, 2 BB 3/31; 1st career G w/ 2 BB...Twins debut 3/29 at STL; 1-for-3 w/ 1st career hit, infield 1B in 8th.
Facing HOU for 1st time in career this series.
Is the 5th player born in New Hampshire to play for MIN (1961-), joining Stan Williams (1970-71), Bob Tewksbury (1997-98), Sam Fuld (2014) and Ian Hamilton (2022).
Named to 1st career Opening Day roster this season...acquired by MIN via trade from BOS on 12/24/2024...in 2024 in BOS system, began w/ AA Portland and was promoted to Triple-A Worcester on 6/4...contract selected by BOS on 8/12 and made debut that night vs. Texas...reached base in 1st PA, drawing a walk...hit .328 (102-for-311), .970 OPS over 92 minor league games (166 R, 27 2B, 12 HR, 58 RBI, 56 BB, 9 HBP, 4 SF, 4 SB).

RYAN JEFFERS - C #27

Height: 6-4 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 27 (6/3/1997 in Raleigh, NC)
2025 Average: .222 Streak: 0-4 Series vs HOU: 0-3 Home Runs: 1

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- Did not play yesterday vs. HOU...0-for-3 Thursday vs. HOU...2-for-5, RBI, R Tuesday at CWS...1-for-2, 2 BB Monday at CWS, as the DH.
Career 0-for-1, BB vs. Blanco...went 2-for-13, 2B, 2 BB, R in 4 games vs. HOU in 2024.
Hitting .272 (25-for-92), 5 2B, 4 HR, 12 RBI, 8 BB, .787 OPS in last 28 G at Target Field.
Named to 5th career Opening Day roster in 2025...in 2024, was MIN's Opening Day catcher and set career highs in G (122), R (56), H (93), 2B (22), HR (21) and RBI (64)...2nd catcher in MIN history (1961-) w/ at least 90 H, 20 2B, 20 HR, 60 RBI and 50 R, joining Maurer in 2009; was 1 of 4 catchers in MLB to do so (also, Wm. Contreras, W. Smith, S. Perez).

EDOUARD JULIEN - IF #47

Height: 6-2 Weight: 197 B/T: L/R Age: 25 (4/30/1999 in Québec City, CAN)
2025 Average: .143 Streak: 0-7 Series vs HOU: 0-4 Home Runs: 1

- 0-for-2, BB, R yesterday vs. HOU, 1st BB of season...0-for-2 Thursday vs. HOU...1-for-3, game-tying RBI 1B 4/1 at CWS...0-for-3 as PH/2B/SS 3/31 at CWS, 1st MLB app. at SS...def. replacement at 2B 3/30 at STL.
Career 0-for-2 vs. Blanco...career 4-for-22, 3 BB, 2 R in 8 RS games vs. HOU.
Named to 2nd career Opening Day roster in 2025...in 2024, named to 1st career Opening Day roster...posted .890 OPS, 7 HR, 12 RBI in 1st 26 games from 3/28-4/27, but had .454 OPS, 1 XBH in next 32 games from 4/28-6/2...optioned to AAA StP on 6/2...played in 35 G for Saints 6/5-7/14; recalled again by MIN for 5 games...returned to StP and posted .856 OPS in 14 games from 7/28-8/14 and was recalled by Minnesota on 8/15 (Byron Buxton - IL).

DASHAWN KEIRSEY JR. - OF (KER-ZEE) #21

Height: 6-1 Weight: 186 B/T: L/L Age: 27 (5/13/1997 in San Diego, CA)
2025 Average: .000 Streak: 0-3 Series vs HOU: 0-0 Home Runs: 1

- Yet to play in HOU series...R as PR/RF 4/1 at CWS...SB as PR on Opening Day, 1st career SB...1st career OD roster; is extra OF/defensive specialist.
Facing HOU for 1st time in career this series.
In 2024, was AAA StP's Opening Day CF on March 30...hit safely in season-long 14-straight games from 5/21-6/30, hitting .391 (25-for-64), 4 2B, 4 HR, 18 RBI, 1.044 OPS in span...contract selected by MIN 9/5 (Kepler - IL); at time of call-up, was 1 of 2 AAA players w/ at least 100 H, 10 HR and 30 SB...made MLB debut 9/5 at TB; recorded 1st major league hit 9/10 vs. LAA.
Optioned back to StP 9/14; recorded 134th and final hit of minor league season 9/22, setting AAA Saints record...led StP in H (134), R (71), 3B (7) & SB (36), T-1st in 2B (22), and T-4th in HR (14) and BB (48)...recalled by MIN 9/28 and hit 1st career MLB HR 9/29 vs. BAL.

TREVOR LARNACH - OF #9

Height: 6-3 Weight: 230 B/T: L/R Age: 27 (2/26/1997 in Walnut Creek, CA)
2025 Average: .250 Streak: 2g, 2-7, RBI Series vs HOU: 2-7, RBI Home Runs: 2

- 1-for-3, BB, R yesterday vs. HOU...1-for-4, RBI Thursday vs. HOU...hit safely in 5 of 7 games this season...from 9/22/24-3/29/25, had career-best 6-G hit streak...hitting .310 (22-for-71), 2 2B, 5 RBI, .740 OPS in last 21 games, since 9/8/24...
Career 2-for-4, HR, 2 RBI vs. Blanco...career .236 (13-for-55), .745 OPS in 16 RS G vs. HOU.
Named to 2nd career Opening Day roster in 2024, began season on IL w/ turf toe after being optioned to AAA 3/18...reinstated from IL 4/16 and recalled to MIN (Wallner optioned); remained w/ MIN until end of season (placed on 10-day IL 9/28 w/ left hamstring strain)...hit .304 (28-for-92), 15 RBI, .858 OPS in final 29 games from 8/21-end of season...played 52 games (47 GS) in LF and 10 games (5 GS) in RF.

JOSE MIRANDA - IF #64

Height: 6-2 Weight: 222 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (6/29/1998 in Vega Alta, PR)
2025 Average: .174 Streak: 1g, 1-4, HR, 3 RBI Series vs HOU: 1-5, HR, 3 RBI Home Runs: 1 (1 3-run)

- 1-for-4, 3-R HR yesterday vs. HOU; 1st HR of season and 1st since 7/5/24...also snapped 0-for-13 at Target Field...2 of 5 RBI this season have given MIN the lead...1-for-4, 2 RBI Tuesday at CWS; had go-ahead 2-R 1B in 6th.
Career 0-for-2, BB vs. Blanco...career .290 (18-for-62), 2 2B, 3 HR, 11 RBI, HBP, BB, 6 R, .780 OPS in 17 RS games vs. HOU.
Named to 2nd career Opening Day roster this season...in 2024, began season w/ AAA StP and recalled by MIN 4/7; spent rest of season in MLB...from 8th inning 7/3 to 4th inning 7/6, hit safely in 12-straight at-bats, tying AL/NL record shared with Johnny Kling (1902), Pinky Higgins (1938) and Walt Dropp (1952); also reached base safely in 13-straight plate appearances in span (1 HBP), new MIN record (1961-), previously held by Carew (1967), Knoblauch (1996) and Walker (1998), each had 11; Miranda's streak was also longest in MLB since Youkilis also reached safely in 13-straight plate appearances from 7/31-8/2, 2009.

CHRISTIAN VÁZQUEZ - C #8

Height: 5-8 Weight: 211 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (8/21/1990 in Bayamón, PR)
2025 Average: .083 Streak: 1g, 1-2, 2B Series vs HOU: 1-2, 2B Home Runs: 1

- 1-for-4, 2B, BB, R yesterday vs. HOU; 1st hit of season.
Career 1-for-1, RBI vs. Blanco...former Astro is a career .322 (39-for-121), 8 2B, 4 HR, 23 RBI, 7 BB, SB, 18 R, .846 OPS in 38 RS games vs. HOU.
Hitting .273 (24-for-88), 9 2B, 3 HR, 13 RBI, 6 BB, 13 R in last 26 games at Target Field.
Named to 9th career Opening Day roster this season...in 2024, hit .221 (65-for-294), 10 2B, 7 HR, 27 RBI, 11 BB, 29 R, .575 OPS in 93 games for MIN...played in 900th career game on 8/6...celebrated 10 years of major league service on 8/15 in Texas; his wife got a Puerto Rican band to visit the clubhouse and had his locker decorated with balloons and cookies.

MATT WALLNER - OF #38

Height: 6-5 Weight: 244 B/T: L/R Age: 27 (12/12/1997 in Forest Lake, MN)
2025 Average: .160 Streak: 2g, 2-8, 3B, 2B, RBI Series vs HOU: 2-8, 3B, 2B, RBI Home Runs: 2

- 1-for-4, 2B, RBI, R yesterday vs. HOU; has XBH in back-to-back games...1-for-4, leadoff 3B, R Thursday vs. HOU; 1st career leadoff hit.
Never faced Blanco...career 3-for-11 (.273), 2B, 3B, RBI, HBP, BB, 2 R in 4 RS games vs. HOU, all at Target Field.
Named to 2nd career Opening Day roster this season...in 2024, made Opening Day roster for 1st time but went 2-for-25 in 13 G before being optioned to AAA StP 4/16...hit .324 (34-for-105), 6 2B, 12 HR, 28 RBI, 27 R, .724 SLG, 1.127 OPS in 26 G in July, earning International League Player of the Month honors...recalled by MIN 7/7; spent rest of season in majors (placed on IL 9/25 w/ left oblique strain).

TWINS HOME RUN DATA

Table with 6 columns: MULTI-HOMER GAMES (0x), BACK-TO-BACK-TO-BACK (0x), RUNNERS ON, GRAND SLAM (0x), INSIDE-THE-PARK (0x), LEADOFF (0x). Each column lists specific statistics like Solo, 2-run, 3-run, GS, etc.

HITTERS INFO

Table with 4 main columns: LAST HOME RUN, LAST GRAND SLAM, VS. CURRENT OPPONENT 2025, VS. CURRENT OPPONENT CAREER. Each column contains sub-columns for Date, Opp., On, Pitcher, Career #, Avg, H, AB, HR, RBI.

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Most Runs, Game (Team)	8, 4/1 at CWS
Most Runs, Inning (Team)	6, 4th inn, 4/5 vs. HOU
Most Hits, Game (Team)	10, 4/1 at CWS
Most Hits, Inning (Team)	5, 4th inn, 4/5 vs. HOU
Most Strikeouts, Batters (Team)	13, 3/31 at CWS
Longest Hitting Streak (Individual)	4, Castro, 3/27-31
Consecutive Hits/AB (Individual)	2, many
Consecutive Hitless At-Bats (Individual)	18, Correa, 3/27-4/2
Consecutive Scoreless Innings (Batters)	19, 5th inn 3/30-5th inn 4/1
Most Runs Allowed (Team)	9, 2x, last 3/31 at CWS
Most Runs Allowed, Inning (Team)	5, 3rd inn, 3/30 at STL
Most Hits Allowed (Team)	10, 3x, last 3/30 at STL
Most Hits Allowed, Inning (Team)	5, 3rd inn, 3/30 at STL
Pitchers Used (Team)	6, 3x, last 4/5 vs. HOU
Cons. Batters Retired (Team)	8, 2x, last 2nd inn-4th inn, 4/5 vs. HOU
Scoreless Innings Streak (Team/Pitchers)	8, 2nd inn 4/5 vs. HOU-present
Most Innings, Starter	7, López, 4/2 at CWS
Most Runs, Starter	9, Paddock, 3/31 at CWS
Most Home Runs, Starter	3, Paddock, 3/31 at CWS
Most Hits, Starter	8, 2x, last, Ober 3/30 at STL
Most Walks, Starter	4, Paddock, 3/31 at CWS
Most Strikeouts, Starter	6, Ryan, 4/3 vs. HOU
Most Strikeouts, Pitchers (Team)	13, 2x, last 4/5 vs. HOU
Most Walks, Pitchers (Team)	5, 3/29 at STL
Most Cons. Scoreless Innings (Individual)	5, Ryan, 2nd inn 3/29 at STL-1st inn 4/3 vs. HOU
Most Cons. Batters Retired (Individual)	7, 3rd inn-5th inn, López, 3/27 at STL
Longest Game, Innings	9, many
Longest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	2:54 at CWS
Longest Game, Time (X Inn.)	
Fastest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	2:17, 4/2 at CWS
Largest Margin, Victory	5, 2x, last 6-1, 4/2 at CWS
Largest Margin, Loss	9 (0-9), 3/31 at CWS
Lineups Used	7

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Buxton	446 ft. 4/2 at CWS off Burke
Bader	394 ft. 3/27 at STL off Gray
Miranda	389 ft. 4/5 vs. HOU off Arrighetti
Castro	387 ft. 3/30 at STL off Pallante
Bader	378 ft. 4/1 at CWS off Leasure
Bader	355 ft. 4/2 at CWS off Burke

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Buxton	111.7 mph (HR), 4/2 at CWS
Larnach	111.3 mph (GO), 4/1 at CWS
Jeffers	110.4 mph (GO), 4/1 at CWS
Julien	110.1 mph (LO), 4/2 at CWS
Correa	110.1 mph (GO), 4/1 at CWS
Castro	109.9 mph (2B), 3/27 at STL
Miranda	109.7 mph (GO), 4/1 at CWS
Buxton	109.5 mph (FO), 4/1 at CWS

SCORE BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	XTRA	TOTAL
Opponent	6	12	8	3	1	4	2	2	0	0	38
Twins	4	1	0	10	4	6	0	0	3	0	28

INJURED LIST

PLAYER	INJURY	DATE ON	RETRO	DATE OFF	GAMES MISSED
Brooks Lee*	Lumbar Strain	3/27	3/24		8
Royce Lewis*	Left Hamstring Strain	3/27	3/24		8
Brock Stewart^	Left Hamstring Strain	3/27	3/24		8
Michael Tonkin^	Right Shoulder Strain	3/27	3/24		8

BOLD - currently on IL, * - 10-day IL, ^ - 15-day IL, # - 60-day IL

STARTS BY POSITION

	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
Harrison Bader	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0
Byron Buxton	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
Willi Castro	0	0	5	0	2	1	0	0	0
Carlos Correa	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Ty France	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mickey Gasper	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ryan Jeffers	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Edouard Julien	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Trevor Larnach	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4
Jose Miranda	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
Christian Vázquez	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matt Wallner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Harrison Bader	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
Byron Buxton	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Willi Castro	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	0
Carlos Correa	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ty France	0	0	0	1	4	3	0	0	0
Mickey Gasper	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Ryan Jeffers	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0
Edouard Julien	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Trevor Larnach	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Jose Miranda	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1
Christian Vázquez	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Matt Wallner	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MOST USED LINEUP (2X)

Player	Pos.
Wallner	RF
Correa	SS
Buxton	CF
Larnach	LF/DH
Jeffers	C
France	1B
Castro	2B
Miranda	3B
Bader	LF

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Matt Wallner	1
Total	1

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time)
Grand Slam: C. Correa, 7/6/24 vs. HOU (1 as a team in 2024)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: B. Buxton, 9/15/20 at CWS (1 as a team in 2020, 54 all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: K. Farmer, 8/13/24 vs. KC (2 as a team in 2024)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: M. LeCroy, 9th inning, 5/19/04 at TOR (15 all-time)
Five-Hit Game: J. Miranda, 7/4/24 vs. DET (2 as a team in 2024)
Six-Hit Game: K. Puckett, 5/23/91 vs. TEX (2 all-time, both Puckett)
Two Hits, One Inning: E. Julien, 1st inning, 4/13/23 at NYY (1 as a team in 2023)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: M. Cuddyer, 7th inning, 8/23/09 at KC (1 all-time)
Two-Home Run Game: T. Larnach, 8/24/24 vs. STL (8 as team in 2024)
Three-Home Run Game: M. Sanó, 5/18/21 vs. CWS (1 as a team in 2021, 13 all-time)
Back-to-Back Home Runs: B. Buxton/T. Larnach, 7/26/24 at DET (7 as team in 2024)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: M. Taylor/E. Julien/C. Correa, 1st inning, 4/13/23 at NYY (1 in 2023)
Three Home Runs, One Inning: M. Taylor/E. Julien/C. Correa, 4/13/23 at NYY (1 in 2023)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: M. Sanó/R. Jeffers/M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET (1 in 2021)
Walk-Off Home Run: C. Vázquez, 7/7/24 vs. HOU (1 as a team in 2024)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (9 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: W. Castro, 8/15/24 vs. STL (4 as a team in 2024)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/25/21 vs. LAA (2 as team in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs to Start Game: L. Arraez/B. Buxton/C. Correa, 6/9/22 vs. NYY
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Last actual pitcher Jim Kaat, 6/11/72 at CLE; Chris Gimenez catcher pitching in relief, 9/2/18 at TEX

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: F. Liriano, 5/3/11 at CWS (6 all-time)
One-Hitter: E. Santana, 4/15/17 vs. CWS (14 all-time)
Two-Hitter: E. Santana, 5/23/17 at BAL (43 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: B. Radke (10.0 innings), 9/21/97 vs. MIL
10+ Strikeouts: 12, B. Ober, 9/18/24 at CLE (11 as team in 2024)
Complete-Game Shutout: P. López, 7/5/23 vs. KC (2 as a team in 2023)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Mays/C. Correa, 5/19-20/05 vs. TOR/vs. MIL
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 3/30/23 & 4/1/23 at KC (2 games, 2-0 and 2-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: Z. Duke, 3/29/18 at BAL (7th inning) (4 times since 1961)
Immaculate Inning: Never in MIN/WAS history (1901-present)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: J. Miranda/C. Correa, 8/22/22 vs. TEX - N. Lowe hitting (17 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: W. Castro, 3/31/25 at CWS (1 in 2025)
Three or more Steals, One Game: E. Adriaenza (3), 6/21/17 vs. CWS (1 in 2017)
Steal of Home: W. Castro, 8/9/24 (G1) vs. CLE (1 as a team in 2024)
Pure Steal of Home: R. Becker, 9/27/97 at CLE
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: E. Rosario, 5/6/15 vs. OAK (1st PA, 1st pitch)

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time)
Grand Slam: E. De La Cruz, 9/13/24 vs. CIN (4 allowed as team in 2024)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: R. Arozarena, 6/10/22 vs. TB (46 allowed all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: K. Wong, 7/24/23 vs. SEA (1 allowed in 2023)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: C. Raleigh, 5/7/24 vs. SEA (12 allowed all-time)
Five-Hit Game: W. Wagner, 8/31/24 vs. TOR (2 allowed in 2024)
Six-Hit Game: J. Segura, 5/28/13 at MIL (3 allowed all-time)
Two Hits, One Inning: T. Friedl, 4th inning, 9/14/24 vs. CIN (1 allowed in 2024)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: D. Nilsson, 5/17/96 vs. MIL
Two-Home Run Game: E. Rivera, 9/28/24 vs. BAL (5 allowed in 2024)
Three-Home Run Game: T. Casas, 9/22/24 (1) at BOS (27 allowed since 1961)
Back-to-Back Home Runs: C. Walker/J. Peña, 4/3/25 vs. HOU (1 allowed in 2025)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: C. Bellinger/G. Lux/A. Barnes, 4/13/22 vs. LAD
Three Home Runs, One Inning: E. Montero/S. Bouchard/B. Doyle, 9/30/23 at COL (3 in 2023)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: C. Everett/T. O'Leary/J. Varitek/M. Burkhart, 7/3/00 vs. BOS
Walk-Off Home Run: W. Brennan, 5/19/24 at CLE (2 allowed in 2024)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: C. Santana, 9/23/11 at CLE (12 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: S. Kwan, 8/10/24 vs. CLE (4 allowed in 2024)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: S. Smith/M. Machado, 7/7/17 vs. BAL (1 in '17)
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Jon Lester, 7/1/18 at CHC

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: Jer. Weaver, 5/2/12 at LAA (5 all-time)
One-Hitter: D. Cease, 9/3/22 at CWS (25 all-time)
Two-Hitter: R. Halladay, 5/29/05 at TOR (49 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: A. Fernández (10.0 innings), 10/1/95 at CHW
10+ Strikeouts: 10, T. Bradley, 9/5/24 at TB (7 times in 2024)
Complete Game Shutout: G. Cole, 4/16/23 at NYY (2 times in 2023)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Williams/Jer. Weaver, 5/1-2/12 at LAA
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 5/15/24 & 5/16/24 vs. NYY (2 games, 4-0 and 5-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: F. Hernández, 6/3/10 vs. SEA (8th inning)
Immaculate Inning: M. Kopech, 7/10/24 at CWS (G1) (9th inning) (2 times in MIN/WAS history)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: J. Donaldson/A. Rosales/C. Carter, 8/21/12 at OAK - T. Plouffe hitting (8 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: A. Hicks, 4/27/24 at LAA (2 in 2024)
Three or more Steals, One Game: A. Volpe (3), 4/15/23 at NYY (1 in 2023)
Steal of Home: B. Shewmake, 4/24/24 vs. CWS (1 in 2024)
Pure Steal of Home: S. Green, 5/26/00 vs. TEX
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: Se. Alcantara, 9/26/20 vs. DET

2025 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

DATE	DELAYED/PPD	NOTES	
2010: 1 PPD / 1 DEL	2014: 3 PPD / 6 DEL	2018: 4 PPD / 5 DEL	2022: 1 PPD / 6 DEL / 1 SUS
2011: 3 PPD / 3 DEL	2015: 1 PPD / 3 DEL	2019: 1 PPD / 7 DEL	2023: 1 PPD / 5 DEL
2012: 1 PPD / 4 DEL	2016: 3 PPD / 10 DEL	2020: 1 PPD / 2 DEL	2024: 3 PPD / 6 DEL / 1 time adjustment (moved forward) / 1 called official early
2013: 3 PPD / 4 DEL	2017: 4 PPD / 7 DEL	2021: 1 PPD / 4 DEL	2025: - / - / -

