FÉLIX HERNÁNDEZ

HALL OF FAME CANDIDATE

Félix Hernández was one of the greatest pitchers of his generation. A true workhorse, King Félix played his entire 15 year career in Seattle, where he was one of the most fearsome and reliable pitchers in the Major Leagues.

King Félix made his Major League debut on August 4, 2005 at the age of 19 years and 118 days, one of four teenagers since 1995 to pitch in a Major League game. From his first full season in 2006 until his last full season without injury in 2015, Félix was nothing short of dominant, amassing over 2,000 strikeouts and 2,000 innings pitched.

Hernández, born in Valencia, Venezuela finished his career as the all-time leader in virtually every major pitching statistic among players born in Venezuela.

He is one of just 5 pitchers with 2,500+ strikeouts and 2,500+ innings pitched for only one franchise, joined by Hall of Famers Walter Johnson-WSH, Bob Gibson-STL and Bob Feller-CLE, and future Hall of Famer Clayton Kershaw-LAD.

He accomplished numerous incredible feats throughout his career, including a 4 strikeout inning and an immaculate inning. He was a 6-time All-Star, including starting the game for the American League in 2014, a Cy Young Award winner in 2010 (and runner-up in 2009 and 2014) won the AL ERA title twice (2010 and 2014), and the Major League ERA title in 2010. But none of those feats were more impressive—or impactful—than his perfect game on August 15, 2012 against the Tampa Bay Rays.

There is no better example of King Félix's impact on Seattle, than the dedicated fans of the "King's Court", who would fill the left field stands with gold shirts and "K" cards, their cheers reverberating around the stadium.

The face of the Mariners franchise for more than a decade, Hernández finished his career as the Mariners all-time leader in strikeouts (2,524), wins (169), starts (418) and innings pitched (2729.2), while his ERA (3.42) is tied for the franchise-best.



AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Cy Young Award Winner** *(2010)*
- **6x AL All-Star** *(2009, 2011-15)*
- **2014 AL All-Star Game Starter**
- **Perfect Game**
  (vs. Tampa Bay Rays, August 15, 2012)
- **1x MLB Era Title** *(2010)*
- **2x AL ERA Title** *(2010 and 2014)*
- **2x Cy Young Award Runner-Up**
  (2009 and 2014)
- **6 finishes in the top 10 of Cy Young voting**
  *(2009, **2010**, 2012-15)*
- **4 Strikeout Inning**
  (vs. Minnesota Twins, June 3, 2010)
- **Immaculate Inning**
  (vs. Miami Marlins, June 17, 2008)
- **4x AL Pitcher of the Month**
  (June 2009, September 2009, August 2012 and June 2014)
- **2x AL Pitcher of the Week**
  (August 19, 2012 and June 8th, 2014)
- **Seattle Chapter BBWAA Mariners Most Valuable Pitcher** *(2008-12, 2014-15)*
- **3x Roberto Clemente Award Nominee**
  (2011-12, 2014)







THE ROAD TO COOPERSTOWN





Mariners Hall of Famer **Félix Hernández** returned to the National Baseball Hall of Fame ballot in 2026 after earning a promising 20.6% (81-of-394) of votes in his first try at Hall of Fame election in 2025. His support among Hall of Fame voters grew by historic levels, earning 46.1% (196-of-425) votes. The 25.5% jump is the largest year-over-year voting jump since 1967, percentage points ahead of Hall of Famer Luis Aparicio (1984).

Félix will again appear on the Hall of Fame ballot in 2027, where he will look to continue his march to Cooperstown where he will join Ken Griffey Jr. (Class of 2016), Edgar Martinez (2019) and Ichiro Suzuki (2025) as the players enshrined with a Mariners cap in the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

LARGEST YEAR-OVER-YEAR HALL OF FAME VOTING JUMP (SINCE 1967)

Rank	Player	Jump	Year 1	Year 2
1.	**Félix Hernández (2026)**	**25.5%**	**20.6%**	**46.1%**
2.	*Luis Aparicio (1984)*	*25.5%*	*41.9%*	*67.4%*
3.	*Barry Larkin (2012)*	*24.3%*	*62.1%*	*86.4%*
4.	*Gil Hodges (1970)*	*24.2%*	*24.1%*	*48.3%*
5.	*Nellie Fox (1976)*	*23.8%*	*21.0%*	*44.8%*

**Italics indicate player was inducted into Hall of Fame*

"There's a throne in Cooperstown for the King – King Félix is doing it again. A decade and a half ago, he was the ground-breaker who changed Cy Young Award voting forever. Now he has turned his sights to Cooperstown"

– Jayson Stark, The Athletic

HERNÁNDEZ'S BBWAA HALL OF FAME VOTING RESULTS

Players must earn 75% of the votes in order to be elected into the Hall of Fame...players remain on the ballot for 10 years provided they receive at least 5% of the vote.

YEAR ON BALLOT	RESULTS
1 (2025)	20.6% (81-of-394)
2 (2026)	46.1% (196-of-425)

AROUND THE LEAGUE

"Félix is without question among the elite pitchers of this century. A great competitor and true workhorse in any era, his devastating stuff, precision, and consistency were overshadowed only by his presence and personality on the mound. For many years he operated without much room for error and regularly responded to the challenge. 'Félix Day' was without question must-watch baseball for over a decade of dominance as the face of a franchise."

– Jerry Dipoto, Mariners President, Baseball Operations



"If you talk to his peers and the people he played against during his career, they would tell you that they were facing a Hall of Fame pitcher."

– Larry Stone, former BBWAA National President



"He had as much charisma as any pitcher I covered. When he was on – which he was most nights for about a 10-year stretch – he was as dominant as any pitcher in baseball."

– Larry Stone, former BBWAA National President

"He's so competitive. He has so much heart. He pitches with guts. Every time he's out there, his team believes it can win. And that's not something every pitcher can do."

– Adrián Beltré, Félix's Teammate from 2005-08

"It's tough with Félix, you think you've got him figured out and you don't. He can throw all his pitches for strikes at all times. He'll mix it up one at-bat, and it's a grind. Obviously, I got him a couple times, but he's gotten me a few times too."

– Mike Trout, 3x MVP winning outfielder



“I’m glad I didn’t have to face this guy every five days because he was pretty tough. Félix Hernández was tough. Not just on me, but a lot of people.”

– Albert Pujols, 3x MVP winning first baseman

“King Félix was one of the best pitchers not only in the AL but in the league. One of the best of our time. He had this ability to always keep hitters off balance and it was uncomfortable facing him. He was a guy you wanted in your dugout so you didn’t need to face him during the season.”

– David Ortiz, Hall of Fame Class of 2022



“He was one of the elite, there’s no getting around that. He could manipulate the ball. That’s the best way I can put it — just the touch and feel he had was phenomenal.”

– Terry Francona, Red Sox Manager (2004-11), Guardians Manager (2013-23), Reds Manager (2025-c)



KEY FACTS AND STATISTICS

**Italics indicate player is still active*, # = Hall of Famer*

PLAYERS WITH 6+ CONSECUTIVE 200+ STRIKEOUT SEASONS

Rank	Player	Seasons
1.	Randy Johnson #	11, 1991-2002
2.	Tom Seaver #	9, 1968-76
T3.	Nolan Ryan #	8, 1972-80
	Max Scherzer	*8, 2012-19*
T5.	Roger Clemens	7, 1986-92
	Chris Sale	*7, 2013-19*
	Walter Johnson #	7, 1910-16
T8.	**Félix Hernández**	**6, 2009-14**
	Bert Blyleven #	6, 1971-76
	Clayton Kershaw	6, 2010-15
	Mickey Lolich	6, 1969-74
	Sam McDowell	6, 1965-70
	Sandy Koufax #	6, 1961-66
	Dylan Cease	*6, 2021-26*

MOST STRIKEOUTS WITH SINGLE FRANCHISE

Rank	Player	SO
1.	Walter Johnson-WSH #	3,515
2.	Bob Gibson-STL #	3,117
3.	Clayton Kershaw-LAD	3,052
4.	Steve Carlton-PHI #	3,031
5.	John Smoltz-ATL #	3,011
6.	Phil Niekro-ATL #	2,912
7.	Don Sutton-LAD #	2,696
8.	Mickey Lolich-DET	2,679
9.	Roger Clemens-BOS	2,590
10.	Bob Feller-CLE #	2,583
11.	Tom Seaver-NYM #	2,541
12.	**Félix Hernández-SEA**	**2,524**
13.	Christy Mathewson-NYG #	2,504

MOST CONSECUTIVE OPENING DAY STARTS FOR SAME TEAM MLB HISTORY

Rank	Player	Age
1.	Jack Morris-DET #	11 (1980-90)
2.	Robin Roberts-PHI #	11 (1950-60)
3.	**Félix Hernández-SEA**	**10 (2009-18)**
4.	Walter Johnson-WSH #	10 (1912-21)
5.	Steve Carlton-PHI #	10 (1977-86)
6.	Tom Seaver-NYM #	10 (1968-77)

YOUNGEST PITCHERS TO START MLB DEBUT (SINCE 1969)

Rank	Player	Age
1.	David Clyde-TEX	18.066
2.	Tim Conroy-OAK	18.081
3.	Mike Morgan-OAK	18.246
4.	Mike McQueen-ATL	19.033
5.	Britt Burns-CWS	19.058
6.	Bert Blyleven-MIN #	19.060
7.	**Félix Hernández**	**19.118**
8.	Wilson Álvarez-TEX	19.122
9.	Dwight Gooden-NYM	19.143
10.	Larry Christenson-PHI	19.154

MOST FANGRAPHS WINS ABOVE REPLACEMENT FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	fWAR
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**50.1**
2.	Justin Verlander	49.4
3.	Clayton Kershaw	47.1
4.	CC Sabathia #	43.4
5.	Cliff Lee	42.5

MOST BASEBALL REFERENCE WINS ABOVE REPLACEMENT FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	bWAR
1.	Clayton Kershaw	48.0
2.	**Félix Hernández**	**47.2**
3.	Justin Verlander	44.3
4.	Zack Greinke	44.2
5.	Cole Hamels	43.6

MOST INNINGS PITCHED FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	IP
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**2,178.0**
2.	James Shields	2,112.2
3.	Justin Verlander	2,100.0
4.	Dan Haren	2,084.0
5.	Mark Buehrle	2,059.1

MOST STRIKEOUTS FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	SO
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**2,065**
2.	Justin Verlander	1,936
3.	Cole Hamels	1,922
4.	James Shields	1,842
5.	CC Sabathia #	1,813





MOST COMPLETE GAMES FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	CG
1.	Roy Halladay #	47
2.	CC Sabathia #	32
3.	Cliff Lee	28
4.	**Félix Hernández**	**25**
5.	James Shields	22

MOST SHUTOUTS FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	SHO
T1.	Roy Halladay #	12
	Clayton Kershaw	12
	Cliff Lee	12
4.	**Félix Hernández**	**11**
5.	CC Sabathia #	10

MOST GAMES WITH 8.0+ IP AND ≤1 ER ALLOWED FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**68**
2.	Cliff Lee	53
3.	Clayton Kershaw	52
4.	Roy Halladay #	47
5.	Cole Hamels	42



MOST GAMES WITH 10+ STRIKEOUTS FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	Clayton Kershaw	42
T2.	Tim Lincecum	36
	Max Scherzer	*36*
4.	**Félix Hernández**	**33**
5.	Cole Hamels	31

MOST QUALITY STARTS (6.0+ IP, ≤3 ER ALLOWED) FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**218**
2.	Dan Haren	207
3.	Cole Hamels	204
4.	Justin Verlander	203
5.	James Shields	202

MOST ULTRA-QUALITY STARTS (7.0+ IP, ≤2 ER ALLOWED) FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**159**
2.	Cole Hamels	134
3.	Justin Verlander	118
4.	Clayton Kershaw	114
T5.	CC Sabathia #	113
	James Shields	113

MOST CONSECUTIVE ULTRA-QUALITY STARTS (7.0+ IP, ≤2 ER) IN MLB HISTORY

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**16, (5/18-8/1/2014)**
T2.	Gaylord Perry #	15 (4/23-7/3/1974)
	Jack Taylor	15 (6/13-8/14/1902)
4.	Randy Johnson #	14 (6/25-8/31/1999)
T5.	6 players tied	13

MOST GAMES WITH 8.0+ IP FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**88**
2.	CC Sabathia #	83
3.	Roy Halladay #	81
4.	Cliff Lee	79
5.	Justin Verlander	67

MOST GAMES WITH 7.0+ IP FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**188**
2.	CC Sabathia #	179
3.	Cole Hamels	177
4.	Justin Verlander	174
5.	James Shields	163

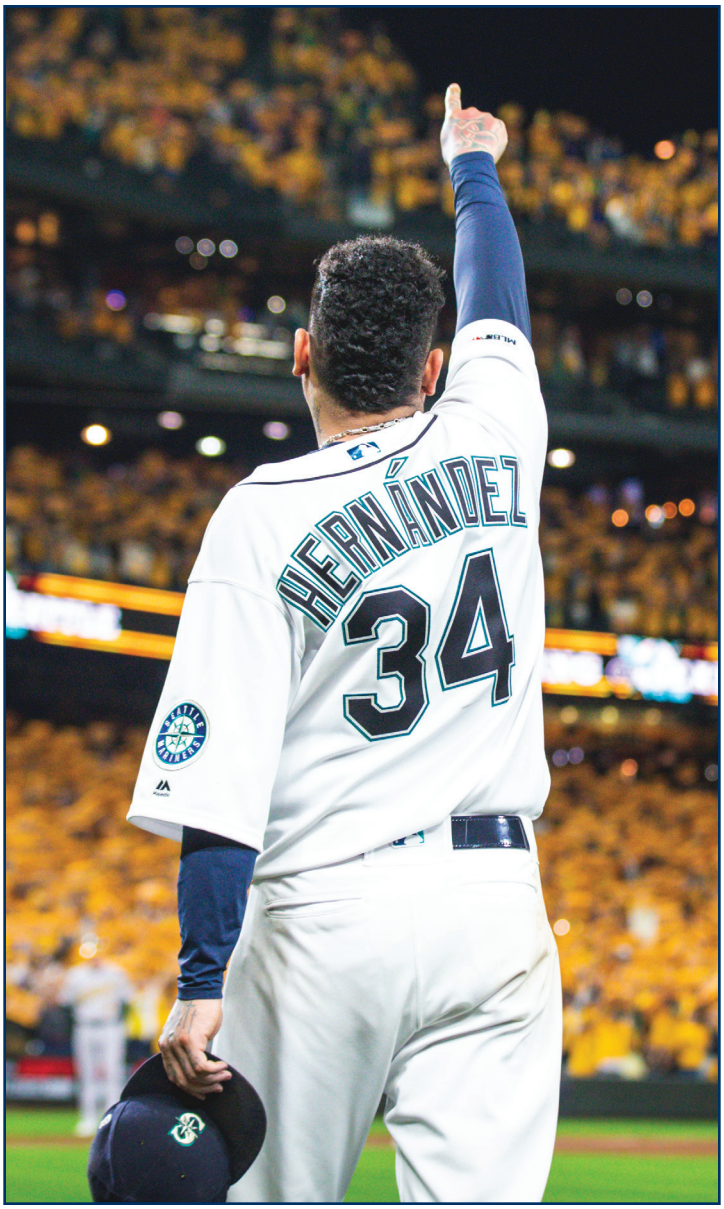
MOST GAMES WITH 6.0+ IP FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	James Shields	264
2.	**Félix Hernández**	**262**
T3.	Dan Haren	254
	Justin Verlander	254
5.	Mark Buehrle	252









MOST GAMES WITH 5.0+ IP FROM 2006-2015

Rank	Player	#
1.	James Shields	305
2.	**Félix Hernández**	**302**
3.	Justin Verlander	300
4.	Dan Haren	297
5.	Mark Buehrle	293

MOST OPENING DAY STARTS FROM 2006-2015

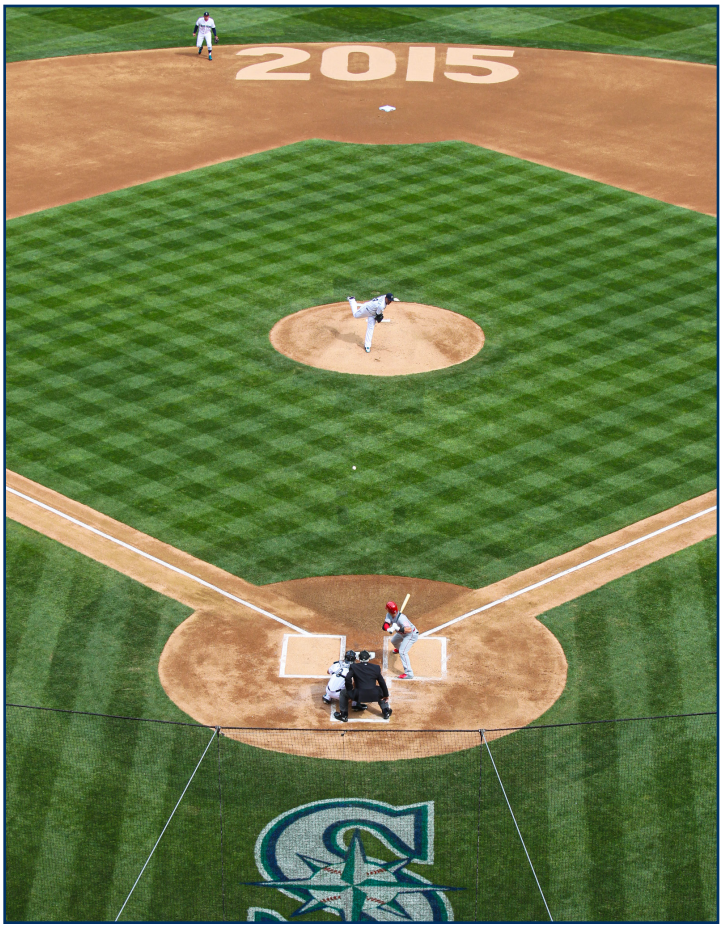
Rank	Player	#
1.	CC Sabathia	9
2.	**Félix Hernández**	**8**
T3.	Roy Halladay #	7
	Justin Verlander	7
	James Shields	7
	Jered Weaver	7

OPENING DAY ARTIST

King Félix was dynamic in each of his franchise record 11 Opening Day starts, including 10-consecutive from 2009-18, going a career 7-2 with a 1.53 ERA (13 ER, 76.2 IP) with 78 SO, 21 BB and 1 CG, while holding opponents to a .147 (38x259) batting average and having a 0.770 WHIP.

Among pitchers who have made at least 5 Opening Day starts since 1920, Félix's 1.53 ERA ranks 9th all-time. Here is a breakdown of each of his Opening Day Starts:

YEAR	PITCHING LINE	OPP
2007	W - 8.0 IP, 3 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 2 BB, 12 SO	vs. OAK
2009	W - 8.0 IP, 5 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 3 BB, 6 SO	at MIN
2010	ND - 6.2 IP, 3 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 6 BB, 4 SO	at OAK
2011	W, CG - 9.0 IP, 5 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 0 BB, 5 SO, 1 HR	at OAK
2012	ND - 8.0 IP, 5 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 0 BB, 6 SO	at OAK
2013	W - 7.2 IP, 3 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 1 BB, 8 SO	at OAK
2014	W - 6.0 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 1 BB, 11 SO, 1 HR	at LAA
2015	W - 7.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 10 SO, 1 HR	vs. LAA
2016	L - 6.0 IP, 1 H, 3 R, 1 ER, 5 BB, 6 SO	at TEX
2017	L - 5.0 IP, 5 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 0 BB, 6 SO, 2 HR	at HOU
2018	W - 5.1 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 2 BB, 4 SO	vs. CLE





MARINERS ALL-TIME RANKS

STRIKEOUTS

Rank	Player	SO
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**2,524**
2.	Randy Johnson #	2,162
3.	Jamie Moyer	1,239
4.	*Logan Gilbert*	*1,089*
5.	Mark Langston	1,078

BASEBALL REFERENCE WAR

Rank	Player	bWAR
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**49.9**
2.	Randy Johnson #	39.0
3.	Jamie Moyer	34.2
4.	Mark Langston	19.2
5.	Freddy Garcia	18.6

FANGRAPHS WINS ABOVE REPLACEMENT

Rank	Player	fWAR
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**54.0**
2.	Randy Johnson #	44.3
3.	Jamie Moyer	30.0
4.	Mike Moore	24.3
5.	Erik Hanson	21.4

WINS

Rank	Player	W
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**169**
2.	Jamie Moyer	145
3.	Randy Johnson #	130
4.	Freddy Garcia	76
5.	Mark Langston	74

GAMES STARTED

Rank	Player	GS
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**418**
2.	Jamie Moyer	323
3.	Randy Johnson #	266
4.	Mike Moore	217
5.	*Logan Gilbert*	*178*

MARINERS ALL-TIME RANKS

INNINGS

Rank	Player	IP
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**2729.2**
2.	Jamie Moyer	2093.0
3.	Randy Johnson #	1838.1
4.	Mike Moore	1457.0
5.	Mark Langston	1197.2

ERA (MIN. 500 IP)

Rank	Player	ERA
T1.	**Félix Hernández**	**3.42**
	Randy Johnson #	3.42
	Hisashi Iwakuma	3.42
	James Paxton	3.42
5.	*Bryan Woo*	*3.45*

SO/9 (MIN. 500 IP)

Rank	Player	SO/9
1.	Randy Johnson #	10.6
2.	*Logan Gilbert*	*9.6*
3.	James Paxton	9.5
4.	*Luis Castillo*	*9.0*
5.	*Bryan Woo*	*8.9*
6.	*George Kirby*	*8.5*
7.	*Bryce Miller*	*8.4*
8.	**Félix Hernández**	**8.3**

WHIP (MIN. 500 IP)

Rank	Player	WHIP
1.	*Bryan Woo*	*1.018*
2.	*Logan Gilbert*	*1.063*
3.	*Bryce Miller*	*1.135*
4.	Hisashi Iwakuma	1.143
5.	*George Kirby*	*1.173*
6.	Luis Castillo	1.178
7.	James Paxton	1.186
8.	**Félix Hernández**	**1.206**

MARINERS ALL-TIME RANKS

OPPONENT BATTING AVERAGE (MIN. 500 IP)

Rank	Player	AVG
1.	Randy Johnson #	.212
2.	*Bryan Woo*	*.216*
3.	*Logan Gilbert*	*.224*
4.	*Bryce Miller*	*.230*
5.	James Paxton	.237
6.	Luis Castillo	.238
7.	Mark Langston	.240
8.	**Félix Hernández**	**242**

OPPONENT OPS (MIN. 500 IP)

Rank	Player	OPS
1.	*Bryan Woo*	*.624*
2.	Randy Johnson #	.646
3.	James Paxton	.653
4.	*Logan Gilbert*	*.662*
5.	**Félix Hernández**	**.673**

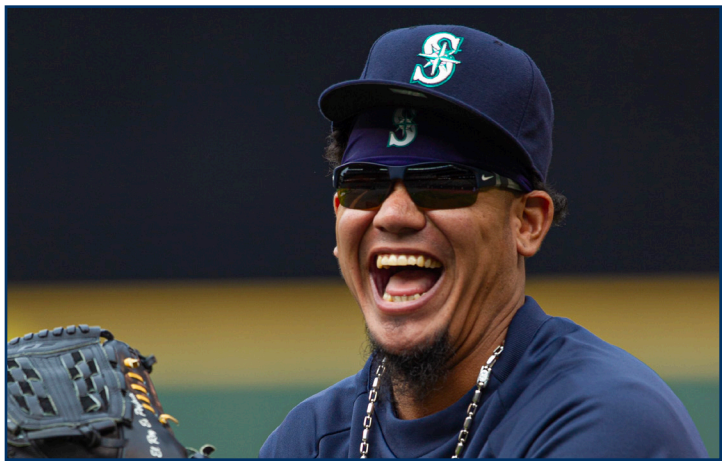
SHUTOUTS

Rank	Player	SHO
1.	Randy Johnson #	19
2.	**Félix Hernández**	**11**
T3.	Mike Moore	9
	Mark Langston	9
5.	Floyd Bannister	7

QUALITY STARTS

Rank	Player	QS
1.	**Félix Hernández**	**258**
2.	Jamie Moyer	188
3.	Randy Johnson	172
4.	Mike Moore	107
5.	Mark Langston	102





FÉLIX FEATS

- Recalled from Triple-A Tacoma and made ML debut Aug. 4, 2005 at Comerica Park vs. Detroit, allowing just two runs, one earned, in 6.0 IP... allowed two hits and two walks to first four batters, but retired 14 of the final 16 batters faced...debut made him just the third 19-year-old to debut as a starting pitcher since 1984 (also: Dwight Gooden, 4/7/84, and Todd Van Poppel, 9/11/91)...only Julio Urías (5/27/16) has done it since.

- Recorded first ML win in second career start on Aug. 9, 2005 vs. Twins, tossing 8.0 scoreless innings, allowing only 5 hits and striking out 6... only 2 players had thrown 8.0+ innings within their first 2 career starts in Mariners history (John Cummings, 4/15/93 and Clint Zavaras, 6/3/89)... only Andrew Moore (7/3/17) has done it since.



- Struck out 11 batters on Aug. 15, 2005 vs. Kansas City, becoming the 12th teenager in MLB history to strikeout double digit batters in a game...he remains the most recent player in MLB history to accomplish the feat.

- Pitched first career shutout Aug. 28, 2006, blanking the Angels 2-0...at just 20 years, 142 days, Hernández, is the most recent player in MLB history to throw a shutout before turning 21 (previous: Kerry Wood (5/6/98, 20 years, 324 days).

- Recorded then career-high 12 strikeouts April 2, 2007, Opening Day vs. Oakland...was the Majors' first Opening-Day pitcher to strike out at least 12 batters without allowing a run since Bob Gibson (STL) in 1967...only Shane Bieber-CLE (2020) has done it since...also became the 4th pitcher since 1900 to start and win an Opening Day game before his 21st birthday and remains the last pitcher to do it.

- Recorded 1,000th career strikeout Aug. 25, 2010 at Boston (6th inning, D. Ortiz)...at the time, became the 4th-youngest pitcher in MLB history to reach 1,000 career K's (24 years, 139 days old).

- Recorded 4 strikeouts in the top of the 8th inning June 3, 2010 vs. Minnesota...became 3rd Mariners pitcher (last: Kazuhiro Sasaki, 4/4/03 at TEX)... only James Paxton has done it since...at the time, was the 22nd in AL history and the 9th AL pitcher to strike out all 4 batters in consecutive order.

- Became the first, and only, Mariners pitcher to hit a home run on June 23, 2008 at Shea Stadium... Félix came to the plate with the bases loaded in the top of the 2nd inning, and hit the first pitch he saw from Johan Santana over the fence in right field for a grand slam...Félix remains the only American League pitcher after 1973 (the first year of the designated hitter in the AL) to hit a grand slam.

- Recorded three starts with 10+ strikeouts and zero walks (5/22/11 at SD - 13 K, 7/5/11 at OAK - 10 K, 8/7/11 at LAA - 12 K) to tie the single-season club record with Randy Johnson (1995)... he matched his franchise record again in 2014, striking out 10+ without a walk on 4/11/14 vs. OAK, 11 K, 6/18/14 at SD, 10 K and 7/25/14 vs. BAL - 10 K...remains the most recent Mariners pitcher to accomplish the feat 3 times in a season.

- Earned a CG victory on Opening Day, April 1, 2011 at Oakland (9.0,5,2,2,0,5,HR)...after allowing a HR in the first inning...retired 23 of last 26 batters faced...first 9.0 CG win by a Mariners starter on Opening Day.

- Led the Majors and set a Mariners record in 2012 with 5 shutouts (6/28 vs. BOS, 7/14 vs. TEX, 8/4 at NYY, 8/15 vs. TB, 8/27 at MIN)...became the first pitcher since Randy Johnson in 1998 to record 5+ shutouts over a 12-start span...joined Bert Blyleven (1989), Roger Clemens (1992) and David Wells (1998) as the only AL pitchers with 5 shutouts in a season (since 1989)...remains the last MLB pitcher to record 5+ shutouts in a single season.

- Recorded three shutouts in 2012 with 12 or more strikeouts, including 2 shutouts with 12+ strikeouts and zero walks (7/14 vs. TEX & 8/15 vs. TB)...only 3 pitchers have accomplished that feat in a single season in MLB history (also: Randy Johnson-SEA/HOU, 4 in 1998 and Pedro Martínez-BOS, 3 in 2000)

- Struck out 10 batters in 4.0 innings Sept. 22, 2013 at LAA, becoming the first pitcher in more than 100 years to post a double-digit strikeout total in a game in which he recorded no more than 12 outs...last pitcher to do this was Smoky Joe Wood (Boston-AL), 10 strikeouts in 4.0 innings of relief at Cleveland on July 17, 1909...10 pitchers have accomplished the feat since.

- Recorded his 100th career victory April 22, 2013 at Houston, at the time, becoming the 6th-youngest pitcher to earn 100th victory among players who began their career since divisional play began in 1969...only 5 have reached 100 wins at a younger age than Hernandez (27 years, 14 days old): Dwight Gooden (24.215), Bert Blyleven (25.076), Fernando Valenzuela (26.162), Don Gullett (26.199), Vida Blue (26.361).

- Was the starting pitcher for the AL in the 2014 All-Star game in Minneapolis (scoreless inning, 2 K)... second pitcher in club history to be named the AL starting pitcher, joining Randy Johnson (1995 & 1997)...first Venezuelan pitcher to start an All-Star game.

- Recorded 2,000th career strikeout May 10, 2014 vs. Oakland, at the time, was the 4th-youngest to reach milestone.

- Struck out a career-high 15 batters June 8, 2014 at Tampa Bay...12th time in club history that a pitcher had at least 15 strikeouts in a game, first since Randy Johnson had 15 on July 11, 1998 vs. Angels...Johnson (17), Mark Langston (2x) and Mike Moore (1)...only James Paxton (5/2/18 vs. OAK) has done it for Seattle since.

- Set Mariners career record for innings pitched April 29, 2015 at Texas, passing Jamie Moyer (who finished with 2,093 innings with Seattle).

- Became Venezuelan "K" king, passed Johan Santana (1,988), May 4, 2015 at LAA

- Became the Mariners all-time leader in strikeouts (4/23/16 at LAA) and wins (5/9/16 vs. TB)

- Tossed 6.0 innings on Opening Day on April 4 at Texas to give him 2,268.1 IP in his MLB career, the most by a Venezuelan-born pitcher, passing Freddy Garcia (2,264.0)

- Recorded 157th career win on June 23, 2017 vs. Houston, surpassing Freddy Garcia for the most career wins by a Venezuelan-born pitcher

- Recorded his 2,500th career strikeout on May 11 at Boston...became the 36th pitcher in Major League history to reach that milestone...at the time, was the 6th-youngest pitcher in Major League history to reach 2,500 strikeouts (33 years, 33 days of age)...he was behind only Nolan Ryan (31.101), Walter Johnson (31.197), Pedro Martinez (32.221), Tom Seaver (32.287) and Bert Blyleven (33.000).

- 1 of 13 pitchers in Major League history to record at least 2,500 strikeouts with one club...joined Walter Johnson-WSH (3,515), Bob Gibson-STL (3,117), Clayton Kershaw-LAD (3,052), Steve Carlton-PHI (3,031), John Smoltz-ATL (3,011), Phil Niekro-ATL (2,912), Don Sutton-LAD (2,696), Mickey Lolich-DET (2,679), Roger Clemens-BOS (2,590), Bob Feller-CLE (2,583), Tom Seaver-NYM (2,541) and Christy Mathewson-NYG (2,504).

- 1 of 5 pitchers to pitch entire career for 1 franchise and record at least 2,500 strikeouts and 2,500 innings pitched...he is joined by Clayton Kershaw-LAD, Bob Gibson-STL, Bob Feller-CLE and Walter Johnson-WSH.

THE PERFECT GAME

King Félix did something special, so often, it started to become ordinary. But on August 15, 2012, he did something that was extraordinary, even by his standards. And it wasn't just extraordinary, it was perfect.

For 9 innings, Félix walked to the mound as he left it, without a base runner ever reaching first base safely. The 23rd perfect game in Major League history against the Tampa Bay Rays at T-Mobile Park (then Safeco Field).

Félix was untouchable that day, striking out 12, including striking out the side in the 6th and 8th innings. Rays hitters only reached 3-ball counts 3 times in the game.

His 12 strikeouts were the 4th-most in a perfect game in MLB history, trailing Sandy Koufax's 14 on Sept. 9, 1965 vs. Chicago-NL, Matt Cain's 14 on June 13, 2012 vs. Houston and Randy Johnson's 13 on May 18, 2004 at Atlanta.

Félix was 26 years, 129 days old, the 5th-youngest player to throw a perfect game in MLB history.

It was the 7th perfect game to end with a 1-0 score.

The perfect game produced a game score of 99, the 4th-highest in any perfect game. Only 7 pitchers have reached a game score of at least 99 in any game since Félix did it in his perfecto.





10 years, 10 months and 12 days separated Félix's perfect game from Domingo Germán's on June 28, 2023, the longest span between perfect games since Len Barker broke a 13-year, 6-day streak on May 15, 1981 vs. Toronto, the first since Catfish Hunter on May 8, 1968 vs. Minnesota.

Hernández became just the 2nd Latin-born player to throw a perfect game, joining Dennis Martínez on July 28, 1991 at Los Angeles-NL. Germán became the 3rd Latin-born player when we completed his perfecto. Félix remains the only Venezuelan pitcher to throw a perfect game.

Felix's is one of 15 American League pitchers to throw a perfect game, and only 10 were after 1973, the first year of the designated hitter in the AL.



MARINERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION





Félix Hernández was inducted to the Seattle Mariners Hall of Fame on August 12, 2023 at T-Mobile Park.

He became the 11th member of the Mariners Hall of Fame, joining **Alvin Davis**, **Dave Niehaus**, **Jay Buhner**, **Edgar Martinez**, **Randy Johnson**, **Dan Wilson**, **Ken Griffey Jr.**, **Lou Piniella**, **Jamie Moyer** and **Ichiro Suzuki**.

His plaque reads:

> *Nicknamed "King Félix." One of the most popular Mariners of all time, the right-hander spent his entire 15-year ML career in Seattle beginning as a 19-year-old graduate of the Mariners farm system. Finished his career as the franchise leader in wins (169), ERA (tied-3.42), starts (418), innings (2,729.2) and strikeouts (2,524). Voted AL Cy Young Award in 2010 and a 2-time runner-up (2009 and 2014). A 6-time All-Star and 2-time AL ERA leader (2010 and 2014). Fired the first perfect game in Mariners history vs. Tampa Bay on August 15, 2012, only the 23rd in ML history. Beginning in 2011, the popular "King's Court" was in session for all his starts at home. Fans with gold t-shirts and "K cards" filled sections in left field to cheer him and every strikeout. Inducted into the Mariners Hall of Fame (August 12, 2023). Born April 8, 1986, in Valencia, Venezuela.*

LOCAL IMPACT



During his time in Seattle, **Félix Hernández** reached out to numerous kids with life-threatening medical conditions to help bring hope and joy to each child. He visited hundreds of kids at local hospitals and granted numerous wishes for kids from the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

He served as a spokesman for numerous community campaigns, including the "Refuse To Abuse" campaign to encourage a commitment to prevent violence in intimate relationships. He also teamed up with Macklemore in 2014 for #ChangeTheGame, an anti-bullying campaign.

In 2012, Félix helped promote the Run of Hope Seattle 5K Run & 3K Walk to benefit Seattle Children's Hospital and the Pediatric Brain Tumor Research Fund. Through television public service announcements, Felix encouraged people to participate in the fourth annual event and help raise funds and awareness for pediatric brain tumor research at Seattle Children's Hospital.

Hernández, a 3-time Roberto Clemente Award Nominee (2011-12, 2014) has supported a number of local charities and non-profit organizations in the Pacific Northwest, including: The Martinez Foundation, Esperanza, South Park Community Center, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Special Olympics of Washington, Boys & Girls Clubs, Humane Society of Seattle/King County and JDRF.

During his career, Félix was involved with Mariners Care, the Seattle Mariners non-profit foundation, and its programs including: Mariners Get Well Tour, Mariners DREAM Team school assembly program, and Mariners HOME Project.

In addition to his accomplishments on the field, he has also played a large role off the field and he continues to have a positive impact on the lives of youth and families in our communities.

KING'S COURT

*Beginning on May 28, 2011, section 150 in left field became the "King's Court" every time King **Félix Hernández** took the mound in Seattle. Decked out in gold t-shirts and waving "K" cards, fans filled the stands and made their voices heard, chanting for a "K" every time Félix reached 2 strikes. The King's Court became a fixture in Seattle from its inception in 2011 until Félix's last year in 2019.*

CAREER STATISTICS

HERNÁNDEZ'S PITCHING RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WP	BK
2003	Everett	7-2	2.29	11	7	0	0	0	55.0	43	17	14	2	8	24	73	7	0
	Wisconsin	0-0	1.93	2	2	0	0	0	14.0	9	4	3	1	0	3	18	0	0
2004	Inland Empire	9-3	2.74	16	15	0	0	0	92.0	85	31	28	5	8	26	114	6	0
2004	San Antonio	5-1	3.30	10	10	1	1	0	57.1	47	23	21	3	4	21	58	2	2
2005	Tacoma	9-4	2.25	19	14	1	0	0	88.0	62	24	22	3	3	48	100	2	2
	SEATTLE	4-4	2.67	12	12	0	0	0	84.1	61	26	25	5	2	23	77	3	0
2006	SEATTLE	12-14	4.52	31	31	2	1	0	191.0	195	105	96	23	6	60	176	11	0
2007	SEATTLE	14-7	3.92	30	30	1	1	0	190.1	209	88	83	20	3	53	165	7	1
2008	SEATTLE	9-11	3.45	31	31	2	0	0	200.2	198	85	77	17	8	80	175	8	1
2009	SEATTLE	19-5	2.49	34	34	2	1	0	238.2	200	81	66	15	8	71	217	17	1
2010	SEATTLE	13-12	2.27	34	34	6	1	0	249.2	194	80	63	17	8	70	232	14	1
2011	SEATTLE	14-14	3.47	33	33	5	0	0	233.2	218	99	90	19	7	67	222	12	1
2012	SEATTLE	13-9	3.06	33	33	5	5	0	232.0	209	84	79	14	12	56	223	13	2
2013	SEATTLE	12-10	3.04	31	31	0	0	0	204.1	185	74	69	15	3	46	216	13	0
2014	SEATTLE	15-6	2.14	34	34	0	0	0	236.0	170	68	56	16	5	46	248	18	0
2015	SEATTLE	18-9	3.53	31	31	2	2	0	201.2	180	80	79	23	9	58	191	10	0
2016	SEATTLE	11-8	3.82	25	25	0	0	0	153.1	138	76	65	19	10	65	122	6	0
	Everett #	0-0	7.36	1	1	0	0	0	3.2	6	3	3	0	0	2	6	0	0
	Tacoma #	1-0	1.59	1	1	0	0	0	5.2	5	1	1	1	0	1	7	0	0
2017	SEATTLE	6-5	4.36	16	16	0	0	0	86.2	86	46	42	17	6	26	78	8	0
	Tacoma #	2-0	4.15	3	3	0	0	0	13.0	9	6	6	1	0	3	16	0	0
2018	SEATTLE	8-14	5.55	29	28	0	0	0	155.2	159	107	96	27	12	59	125	11	0
2019	SEATTLE	1-8	6.40	15	15	0	0	0	71.2	85	58	51	17	6	25	57	5	0
	Tacoma #	0-1	5.06	2	2	0	0	0	5.1	6	3	3	0	2	4	7	1	0
	Everett #	0-0	0.00	2	2	0	0	0	6.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0
	Modesto #	0-0	9.00	1	1	0	0	0	2.0	3	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	0
Minor Lg. Totals		33-11	2.71	68	58	2	1	0	342.0	276	114	103	16	25	132	412	18	4
ML Totals		169-136	3.42	419	418	25	11	0	2729.2	2487	1157	1037	264	105	805	2524	156	7

HERNÁNDEZ'S HITTING RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	TB	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
2006	SEATTLE	.000	31	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	.000	.000
2007	SEATTLE	.250	30	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	.250	.250
2008	SEATTLE	1.000	31	1	1	1	4	0	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.000	4.000
2009	SEATTLE	.000	34	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	.143	.000
2010	SEATTLE	.000	34	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000
2011	SEATTLE	.143	33	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.143	.143
2012	SEATTLE	.333	33	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.333	.667
2013	SEATTLE	.000	31	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	.167	.000
2014	SEATTLE	.000	34	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000
2015	SEATTLE	.000	31	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000
2016	SEATTLE	.000	25	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	.000	.000
2018	SEATTLE	.000	29	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000
2019	SEATTLE	.000	15	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.000	.000
ML TOTALS		.080	419	50	3	4	8	1	0	1	7	7	0	0	2	22	0	0	.115	.160

HERNÁNDEZ'S ALL-STAR GAME RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WP	BK
2009	AMERICAN	0-0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	AMERICAN	0-0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	AMERICAN	0-0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
2015	AMERICAN	0-0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
ASG TOTALS		0-0	0.00	4	0	0	0	0	4.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0

