



TAMPA BAY RAYS GAME NOTES

AL CHAMPIONS: 2020, 2008 | AL EAST CHAMPIONS: 2021, 2020, 2010, 2008 | AL WILD CARD: 2023, 2022, 2019, 2013

TAMPA BAY RAYS (7-13-2) vs. ATLANTA BRAVES (9-12-3)

RHP Chris Devenski (0-0, 2.25) vs. LHP Max Fried (0-0, 7.20)

Mon., March 18, 2024 • First Pitch: 1:05 p.m. ET • Location: Charlotte Sports Park • Spring Game No./Home Game No.: 23/12

TV: Bally Sports Sun • Radio: MLB.com

SPRING TRAINING ROSTER	
PITCHERS (17+6+3)	Service Time
47 Adam, Jason.....	3.132
14 Alexander, Tyler (L)	4.058
64 Armstrong, Shawn	5.113
11 Baz, Shane.....	2.014
45 Bradley, Taj.....	0.114
34 Civale, Aaron	4.058
60 Cleavinger, Garrett (L).....	2.060
48 Devenski, Chris	7.020
24 Eflin, Zach.....	7.018
29 Fairbanks, Pete	4.057
49 Kelly, Kevin	1.000
52 Littell, Zack	4.043
88 Maton, Phil	6.047
18 McClanahan, Shane (L)*	2.158
44 Pepiot, Ryan	1.005
38 Poche, Colin (L).....	4.114
57 Rasmussen, Drew+	3.111
39 Rodríguez, Manuel	1.031
59 Springs, Jeffrey (L)*	5.055
67 Waguespack, Jacob	1.105
20 Odorizzi, Jake	10.042
61 Ramírez, Erasmo.....	8.132
78 Record, Joe.....	0.000
77 Smith, Burch.....	4.092
63 Uceta, Edwin.....	1.048
36 Uwasawa, Naoyuki	0.000
CATCHERS (1+4)	Service Time
50 Pinto, René.....	0.150
30 Brantly, Rob	2.059
40 Jackson, Alex	1.167
0 Mejía, Francisco.....	5.042
93 Meyer, Nick	0.000
INFIELDERS (10+3)	Service Time
62 Aranda, Jonathan	0.113
37 Basabe, Osleivis	0.050
7 Caballero, José	0.170
2 Díaz, Yandy.....	5.122
5 Franco, Wander.....	2.104
8 Lowe, Brandon	5.058
25 Mead, Curtis.....	0.040
17 Paredes, Isaac.....	2.160
10 Rosario, Amed	6.062
6 Walls, Taylor.....	2.092
19 Chang, Yu	3.142
94 Hinojosa, C.J.	0.000
70 Simon, Ronny.....	0.000
OUTFIELDERS (6+1)	Service Time
56 Arozarena, Randy	3.129
21 DeLuca, Jonny	0.085
15 Lowe, Josh	1.093
1 Palacios, Richie.....	0.156
43 Ramírez, Harold.....	4.124
22 Siri, Jose	2.015
72 Mangum, Jake	0.000
* 60-day IL	
TOTAL: 51 players (14 NRI, 3 IL)	

YESTERDAY'S RECAP—The Rays lost 8-4 to the Pirates on Sunday afternoon...**2B Brandon Lowe** (1-for-3, HR) hit his second homer...**SS José Caballero** (0-for-2, BB, 2SB) collected two stolen bases...**LF Richie Palacios** (1-for-2) extended his hitting streak to seven games.

✦ **RHP Edwin Uceta** (3.0IP, 3H, 1ER, 5SO) struck out five and walked none across 3.0 innings of one-run ball...**RHP Pete Fairbanks** tossed a scoreless inning and has not allowed a run through three appearances (3.0IP).

BATTLE WITH THE BRAVES—Tampa Bay will play Atlanta for the fourth of five Grapefruit League games...the Rays can even the series 2-2 with a victory today...the Rays went 1-2 against the Braves last season during a three-game set at Tropicana Field that signaled both clubs' final series before the All-Star break (July 7-9)...both teams plated 12 runs in the series, with the Rays powered by a 10-4 win in the finale...the Rays are 16-26 (.381) against the Braves all-time, their second-worst winning pct. against a single opponent, ahead of only the Reds (7-14, .333)...the 42 meetings are their second most against any NL club behind Miami (137).

RED-HOT RAYS—Following an 0-for-17 start to the spring, **OF Randy Arozarena** has hit safely in four straight contests, going 5-for-8 (.625) with 1 2B, 3 HR and 4 RBI.

✦ **INF/OF Richie Palacios** has hit safely in seven straight games and eight of his last nine overall since March 3, batting .346 (9-for-26) with 1 2B, 3 HR and 7 RBI during that stretch...it is the second-longest active hitting streak in the Grapefruit League behind **TOR Bo Bichette** (14G).

✦ **OF Jake Mangum** is batting .407 (11-for-27) with three doubles, one homer, three walks and 4 RBI...his four steals are tied with **INF Ronny Simon** for the team lead, while his 11 hits are second behind **INF Jonathan Aranda** (13H).

RECENT TRANSACTIONS—On Friday, the Rays selected **RHP Jacob Waguespack** to the 40-man roster and transferred **LHP Jeffrey Springs** (recovery from Tommy John surgery) to the 60-day IL...the Rays also signed **RHP Jake Odorizzi** to a minor league contract with an invitation to major league camp and reassigned the following players to minor league camp: **LHP Brendan McKay**, **LHP Jacob Lopez** and **RHP Michael Gomez**.

SPRING FEVER—The Rays are scheduled for 30 spring games in 32 days, including split-squad games on March 23 and off days on March 8 and 20...of the Rays 15 home games, 13 will be played at Charlotte Sports Park...they were the home team on March 9 vs. Boston in the Dominican Republic and will host the Tigers at Tropicana Field in their spring finale on March 26.

ROSTER BREAKDOWN—The Rays have 51 players in major league camp, including 13 non-roster invites...the Rays have 26 pitchers (6 NRI), five catchers (4 NRI), 13 infielders (3 NRI) and 7 outfielders (1 NRI).

✦ Eleven players have been added to the Rays 40-man roster since the conclusion of last season: **LHP Tyler Alexander**, **INF José Caballero**, **RHP Yoniel Curet**, **OF Jonny DeLuca**, **RHP Phil Maton**, **OF Richie Palacios**, **RHP Ryan Pepiot**, **RHP Manuel Rodríguez**, **INF Amed Rosario**, **INF Austin Shenton** and **RHP Jacob Waguespack**.

AT THE HELM—Entering his 10th season, Rays manager **Kevin Cash** is the longest-tenured skipper in the majors with his current club...Cash is set to surpass his predecessor, **Joe Maddon** (2006-14), as the longest-tenured manager in Rays history on Opening Day (March 28 vs. TOR)...he sits 16 victories shy of overtaking Maddon (754) as the Rays all-time leader in managerial wins...despite being the seventh-youngest active manager in the majors, he ranks among his peers in career winning pct. (4th, .545) and wins (8th, 739).

✦ He has been named a BBWAA AL Manager of the Year finalist five times in the last six seasons (since 2018), winning the award twice (2020-21) and receiving votes in all six campaigns.

✦ In 2023, Cash became the youngest manager in MLB history to reach the postseason in five consecutive seasons (45), ahead of LAD **Dave Roberts**, who was 48 years old when he clinched his fifth straight postseason berth in 2020 (Elias).

✦ On Feb. 8, the Rays announced that Cash and President, Baseball Operations **Erik Neander** have been signed to long-term contract extensions.

COACHING STAFF—The Rays have announced their 2024 major league coaching staff under manager **Kevin Cash**...**Michael Johns** joins the club as first base coach following 16 seasons in the Rays minor league system, including nine as a manager...**Bobby Kinne** (pitching strategist) has been added to the uniformed coaching staff after spending six years in the Rays organization, most recently as coordinator, major league operations over the last two seasons (2022-23)...returning coaches include **Tomas Francisco** (field coord.), **Rick Knapp** (asst. pitching/rehab), **Rodney Linares** (bench), **Jorge Moncada** (bullpen), **Chad Mottola** (hitting), **Brady North** (asst. hitting), **Kyle Snyder** (pitching) and **Brady Williams** (third base).

ON THE AIRWAVES—All weekend games this spring will air on WDAE 95.3 FM/620 AM, with **Andy Freed** and **Neil Solondz** on the call...Freed begins his 20th season with the Rays while Solondz embarks on his 13th, including his second as part of the primary broadcast duo...all weekday home games will be available on MLB.com, with **Chris Adams-Wall**, entering his first full season with the Rays, providing play-by-play.

✦ Bally Sports Sun will televise 10 of the Rays 13 games at Charlotte Sports Park...**Dewayne Staats**, the Rays play-by-play voice since their inaugural 1998 season, enters his 27th season with the Rays and 49th broadcasting major league games...**Brian Anderson** begins his 15th season as full-time color analyst and 17th on the broadcast team...in-game reporter and host **Tricia Whitaker** enters her sixth season on the telecast

✦ The Rays provide a daily video feed of all non-televised Spring Training games, which features approximately two minutes of highlights plus two short interviews...to receive updates, contact Chris Tilley at raysspringtraining@gmail.com or 727-434-0497.

TODAY'S PITCHERS	
RAYS	
RHP Chris Devenski	
RHP Jason Adam	
LHP Keyshawn Askew	
RHP Jack Hartman	
RHP Phil Maton	
RHP Joe Record	
RHP Manuel Rodríguez	
RHP Burch Smith	
RHP Austin Vernon	
RHP Matt Wyatt	
RHP Alfredo Zarraga	
BRAVES	
LHP Max Fried	
RHP Nolan Kingham	
LHP Zach Logue	
LHP Jake McSteen	
LHP Brian Moran	
RHP Trey Riley	
RHP Brooks Wilson	

SPRING BY THE NUMBERS	
Home Record	4-6-1
Road Record	3-7-1
@ Charlotte Sports Park	4-5-1
Current Streak	L2
Last 5 Games	3-2-0
Last 10 Games	4-6-0
vs. AL	5-8-2
vs. NL	2-5-0
Longest Win Streak	3 (3/13-15)
Longest Losing Streak	4, 2x (3/9-12)
Home Attendance	51,061
Home Avg.	4,641
Home High	11,853 (3/9 vs. BOS)
Road Attendance	78,749
Road Avg.	7,159
Total Attendance	129,811

DAYS UNTIL OPENING DAY	
10	
Thur., March 28 vs. Toronto 4:10 p.m. ET	

RAYS SPRING LEADERS	
HITS	
PLAYER	HITS
Jonathan Aranda	13
Jake Mangum	11
Two players tied	10
RBI	
PLAYER	RBI
Jonathan Aranda	7
Ruben Cardenas	7
Richie Palacios.....	7
HOME RUNS	
PLAYER	HR
Randy Arozarena.....	3
Richie Palacios.....	3
Four players tied	2
STOLEN BASES	
PLAYER	SB
Jake Mangum	4
Ronny Simon	4
Two players tied	3

PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE			
Upcoming Games	Time (ET)	Probable Pitchers (Rays vs. Opp.)	TV & Radio
Tues., March 19 at BOS	1:05 p.m.	TB —LHP Tyler Alexander, RHP Shawn Armstrong, LHP Colin Poche, RHP Pete Fairbanks, RHP Kevin Kelly BOS —RHP Kutter Crawford, RHP Josh Winckowski, RHP Isaiah Campbell, LHP Joely Rodriguez	WDAE 95.3 FM/620 AM
Wed., March 20	OFF	--	--

TODAY'S STARTER: RHP CHRIS DEVENSKI (0-0, 2.25)										
YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G/GS	IP	H	ER	HR	BB-I	SO
2023	LAA/TB	6-4	4.46	38/0	42.1	36	21	6	11-1	42
MLB Career Totals		25-21	3.78	284/7	373.1	315	157	49	97-5	391

2024 SPRING TRAINING

- In two outings, has given up one run on three hits and one walk with two strikeouts across 4.0 innings.
- 2023: Made 38 appearances between the Angels and Rays...opened the season with Triple-A Salt Lake before being selected to the Angels roster on April 29... signed by the Rays on Aug. 29 and spent five days on the bereavement list before being activated on Sept. 2.
- Of his 42 strikeouts, 31 came on his changeup...opponents hit .235 (23-for-98) against the offering with a 35.8 pct. whiff rate.
- Signed with Rays as a minor league free agent, 7/11/23.

GAME	DEC.	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	HB	WP	FINAL
2/28 at TOR	--	0.00	2.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	L, 3-2
3/11 vs. TOR	--	2.25	2.0	3	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	L, 9-2
SPRING TOTALS	0-0	2.25	4.0	3	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	--

ADDITIONAL MAJOR LEAGUE PITCHERS

#47 JASON ADAM (0-0, 0.00)

RHP

- Spring Training: Has not allowed a run across three appearances (3.0 IP, HB, 2SO).
- 2023: Went 4-2 with a 2.98 ERA (54.1IP, 18ER) over 56 relief appearances in his second season with the Rays, setting career highs in saves (12) and wins (4)...was on the 15-day IL with left oblique strains from Sept. 3-21 and Sept. 22-end of season.
- Signed by the Rays as a free agent, March 17, 2022.

#49 KEVIN KELLY (0-0, 8.31)

RHP

- Spring Training: Has allowed five runs (four earned) on eight hits with five strikeouts over 4.1 innings.
- 2023: Posted a 5-2 mark to go with a 3.09 ERA (67.0IP, 23ER) over 57 relief appearances in his first major league season...min. 65.0 IP, his 0.27 HR/9.0 IP was second lowest in the majors behind DET Jason Foley (0.26).
- Acquired from the Rockies in exchange for cash considerations on Dec. 7, 2022...was selected by Colorado in the 2022 Rule 5 Draft from Cleveland.

#88 PHIL MATON (0-0, 0.00)

RHP

- Spring Training: Has not allowed a hit or a run across three appearances (2.1IP, BB, 5SO).
- 2023: Went 4-3 with a 3.00 ERA with 74 strikeouts over 66.0 innings with HOU.
- Signed with the Rays as a free agent on Feb. 14, 2024.

#78 JOE RECORD (0-0, 0.00)

RHP

- Spring Training: Has allowed an unearned run in four appearances (3.1IP, H, R, 2SO).
- 2023: Went 3-2 with a 3.71 ERA (53.1IP, 22ER) and 11 saves in 50 relief appearances for Triple-A Sugar Land...the 11 saves led all Houston minor leaguers while the 50 apperances ranked second.
- Signed as a free agent on Dec. 21, 2023.

#39 MANUEL RODRIGUEZ (0-0, 1.13)

RHP

- Spring Training: His eight appearances lead the Rays...has allowed one earned run in 8.0 innings with 13 strikeouts.
- 2023: Made 15 relief appearances for Triple-A Durham after being acquired from the Cubs on Aug. 1...went 2-0 with a 3.06 ERA (17.2IP, 6ER) and one save for the Bulls...was on the 7-day injured list from Aug. 23-30.
- Acquired from the Cubs along with RHP Adrian Sampson and future considerations in exchange for RHP Josh Roberson and international signing bonus pool space, Aug. 1, 2023.

#77 BURCH SMITH (0-0, 6.75)

RHP

- Spring Training: Has made four appearances, two of which were scoreless... has four strikeouts in 4.0 innings.
- 2023: Made one start for the Hanwha Eagles in the KBO League...suffered a shoulder injury in his lone appearance and was released on April 19...posted a 2.51 ERA (14.1IP, 4ER) in 12 relief appearances for Gigantes del Cibao in the Dominican Winter League.
- Signed a minor league contract with a non-roster invitation to Spring Training, Jan. 2, 2024.

SPRING TRANSACTIONS

FEBRUARY

- 13 Signed RHP Phil Maton to a major league contract; placed LHP Shane McClanahan (recovery from Tommy John surgery) on the 60-day IL.
- 20 Signed INF Yu Chang to a minor league contract with a non-roster invitation to Spring Training.
- 21 Signed INF/OF Amed Rosario to a major league contract; placed RHP Drew Rasmussen (recovery from right elbow surgery) on the 60-day IL.

MARCH

- 1 Signed C Francisco Mejia to a minor league contract with a non-roster invitation to Spring Training.
- 7 Reassigned the following players to minor league camp: INF Evan Edwards, C Dominic Keegan, LHP Mason Montgomery, C Kenny Piper, RHP Nathan Wiles and RHP Logan Workman.
- 11 Reassigned the following players to minor league camp: OF Ruben Cardenas, C Logan Driscoll, OF Niko Hulsizer, LHP Antonio Jimenez, RHP Enmanuel Mejia, OF Kameron Misner, INF Tanner Murray, OF Tristan Peters and INF Carson Williams. ...optioned the following players to minor league camp: INF Junior Caminero, RHP Yoniel Curet, INF/OF Greg Jones and INF Austin Shenton.
- 12 Optioned RHP Colby White to Triple-A Durham.
- 13 Reassigned the following players to minor league camp: RHP Trevor Brigden, RHP Carlos Garcia, RHP Zac Houston and RHP Justin Sterner.
- 15 Signed RHP Jake Odorizzi to a minor league contract with an invitation to major league camp; selected RHP Jacob Waguespack to the 40-man roster; placed LHP Jeffrey Springs on the 60-day IL (recovery from Tommy John surgery); reassigned the following players to minor league camp: LHP Brendan McKay, LHP Jacob Lopez and RHP Michael Gomez.

2024 RAYS SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE									
DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TV/R	TIME/SCORE	RECORD	WINNER/LOSER		ATT.
Sat.	Feb. 24	Atlanta	Charlotte County	W	L, 6-5	0-1-0	Strider (1-0)/Wiles (0-1)		5,538
Sun.	Feb. 25	Detroit	Charlotte County	B/W	T, 9-9	0-1-1	None		5,130
Mon.	Feb. 26	@Baltimore	Sarasota		W, 8-3	1-1-1	Belge (1-0)/Pérez (0-1)		4,622
Tues.	Feb. 27	New York-AL	Charlotte County	B/M	W, 4-2	2-1-1	Gomez (1-0)/Ramírez (0-1)		3,853
Wed.	Feb. 28	@Toronto	Dunedin		L, 3-2	2-2-1	Bash (1-0)/Wiles (0-2)		6,294
Thur.	Feb. 29	Atlanta	Charlotte County	M	L, 12-9	2-3-1	Dodd (1-0)/Eflin (0-1)		2,077
Fri.	March 1	@Pittsburgh	Bradenton		L, 12-8	2-4-1	Keller (1-0)/Ramírez (0-1)		4,715
Sat.	March 2	Boston	Charlotte County	W	L, 3-2	2-5-1	Guerrero (1-0)/White (0-1)		4,017
Sun.	March 3	@Minnesota	Fort Myers	W	T, 4-4	2-5-2	None		6,816
Mon.	March 4	Pittsburgh	Charlotte County	B/M	L, 7-3	2-6-2	Ortiz (1-0)/Civale (0-1)		2,318
Tues.	March 5	@Boston	Fort Myers		L, 7-4	2-7-2	Whitlock (2-0)/Pepiot (0-1)		7,408
Wed.	March 6	@New York-AL	Tampa		W, 4-3	3-7-2	Bradley (1-0)/Rodón (1-1)		9,215
Thur.	March 7	Philadelphia	Charlotte County	B/M	W, 3-2	4-7-2	Lopez (1-0)/Nola (1-1)		4,210
Sat.	March 9	Boston	Dominican Republic	W/S	L, 4-0	4-8-2	Crawford (1-0)/Curet (0-1)		11,853
Sun.	March 10	@Boston	Dominican Republic	W/S	L, 7-6	4-9-2	Murphy (1-0)/Uwasawa (0-1)		11,418
Mon.	March 11	Toronto	Charlotte County	B/M	L, 9-2	4-10-2	White (1-0)/Eflin (0-2)		4,520
Tues.	March 12	@Baltimore	Sarasota		L, 12-8	4-11-2	Wells (2-0)/Ramírez (0-2)		7,524
Wed.	March 13	Minnesota	Charlotte County	B/M	W, 4-3	5-11-2	Lopez (2-0)/Brigham (0-1)		2,910
Thur.	March 14	@Atlanta	North Port		W, 3-1	6-11-2	Littell (1-0)/Sale (0-2)		7,045
Fri.	March 15	Baltimore	Charlotte County	B/M	W, 7-2	7-11-2	Waguespack (1-0)/Suárez (1-1)		4,636
Sat.	March 16	@Minnesota	Fort Myers	W	L, 6-5	7-12-2	Sands (2-1)/Cleavinger (0-1)		7,240
Sun.	March 17	@Pittsburgh	Bradenton	W	L, 8-4	7-13-2	Anderson (2-0)/Ramírez (0-3)		6,452
Mon.	March 18	Atlanta	Charlotte County	B/M	1:05 p.m.				
Tues.	March 19	@Boston	Fort Myers		1:05 p.m.				
Thur.	March 21	@Philadelphia	Clearwater		1:05 p.m.				
Fri.	March 22	Minnesota	Charlotte County	B/M	1:05 p.m.				
Sat.	March 23	Baltimore	Charlotte County	B/W	1:05 p.m.				
		@Atlanta	North Port		1:05 p.m.				
Sun.	March 24	@Detroit	Lakeland	W	1:05 p.m.				
Mon.	March 25	@Philadelphia	Clearwater		1:05 p.m.				
Tues.	March 26	Detroit	Tropicana Field	M	12:35 p.m.				
TV: Bally Sports Sun (B) RADIO: WDAE 95.3 FM/620 AM (W), MLB.com (M), WQBN 106.7 FM/1300 AM - Spanish (S)									

RAYS SPRING TRAINING HISTORY		
YEAR	W-L-T	HOME ATT.
2024	7-13-2	51,061
2023	15-14-1	68,361
2022	6-11-2	28,306
2021	13-15-0	14,651
2020	9-8-4	44,511
2019	13-17-2	74,023
2018	14-16-2	69,731
2017	12-16-5	81,752
2016	12-13-2	68,566
2015	15-13-2	80,406
2014	16-7-4	78,264
2013	15-17-2	90,935
2012	10-16-6	87,916
2011	15-14-2	95,859
2010	20-8-2	97,971
2009	15-16-1	103,255
2008	18-8-2	54,960
2007	10-19-2	79,044
2006	13-16-1	70,756
2005	13-16-0	61,261
2004	11-8-0	43,916
2003	8-19-3	51,324
2002	10-16-1	49,043
2001	12-15-1	57,081
2000	14-17-0	67,089
1999	14-14-1	59,230
1998	12-18-0	66,781
342-379-50		1,796,054