



# GAME NOTES

## CARDINALS 2026 SPRING RECAP

Record	Attendance
vs. NL.....2-2-0	Home (2).....8,013
vs. AL.....1-0-0	Home Avg .....4,007
at Home .....1-1-0	Road (3).....9,748
on Road .....2-1-0	Road Avg .....3,249
at RDCS* .....1-1-0	Total.....17,761
	Home High.....4,267
	Feb. 21 vs. Nationals

\*Includes road games at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium

## RECENT CARDINALS SPRING TRAININGS

Year	W-L-T	Team BA	Team ERA
2026	3-2-0	.188	4.30
2025	12-15-3	.228	4.16
2024	13-12-5	.248	4.52
2023	17-7-5	.254	4.00
2022*	9-5-0	.277	4.54
2021*	8-10-6	.244	3.98
2020*	10-9-2	.246	3.52
2019*	12-15-4	.239	4.57
2018	17-13-2	.253	3.93
2017	20-8-4	.255	3.28

\*Reached Postseason

## GOLD GLOVES BY TEAM - MLB HISTORY

1. Cardinals .....100	6. Pirates.....50
2. Orioles .....72	7. Red Sox .....49
3. Yankees .....68	8. Phillies .....48
4. Braves.....59	9. Dodgers .....47
5. Reds.....55	10. Twins/Giants/Cubs.44

## STL 2026 FARM SYSTEM RANKINGS

Baseball America.....2	The Athletic.....11
Baseball Prospectus ..2	MLB Pipeline.....TBA
ESPN.....7	FanGraphs.....TBA

## TOP 30 CARDINALS PROSPECTS

1. SS JJ Wetherholt	16. RHP Tink Hence
2. LHP Liam Doyle	17. OF Emanuel Luna
3. C Rainiel Rodriguez*	18. INF Jesus Baez
4. OF Joshua Baez	19. OF Nathan Church
5. LHP Quinn Mathews	20. OF Tai Peete*
6. SHP Jurrangelo Cijntje	21. LHP Cooper Hjerpe
7. LHP Brandon Clarke	22. LHP Cade Crossland
8. RHP Tanner Franklin	23. 1B/3B Denzil Ortíz
9. LHP Ixan Henderson	24. LHP Brycen Mautz
10. C Jimmy Crooks	25. LHP Braden Davis
11. C Leo Bernal	26. 1B Jack Gurevitch*
12. RHP Yhoiker Fajardo	27. RHP Frank Elissalt
13. SS Yairo Padilla	28. RHP Nate Dohm
14. SS/OF Ryan Mitchell	29. OF Bryan Torres
15. RHP Tekoah Roby	30. OF Zach Levenson*

\*Has appeared in 2026 MLB Spring Training

## CARDINALS ON WBC ROSTERS (12)

RHP Riley O'Brien	Korea
C Leo Bernal	Panama
RHP Gordon Graceffo	Italy
INF Thomas Saggese	Italy
RHP Luis Gastelum	Mexico
OF Bryan Torres	Puerto Rico
ATC Chris Conroy	Puerto Rico
COA Stubby Clapp	Canada
COA Julio Rangel	Panama
OF Matt Koperniak	Great Britain
INF Noah Mendlinger*	Israel
OF Zach Levenson*	Israel

\*Minor League Camp

## ALL-TIME CARDINALS MANAGER WINS

Cardinals Rank	Wins	Seasons
1. Tony La Russa	1,408	1996-2011
2. Red Schoendienst	1,041	1965-76, 80, 90
3. Whitey Herzog	822	1980-90
4. Billy Southworth	620	1929-45
5. Mike Matheny	591	2012-18
6. Frankie Frisch	458	1933-38
7. Branch Rickey	458	1919-25
8. Eddie Dyer	446	1946-50
9. Joe Torre	351	1990-95
10. Miller Huggins	346	1913-17
11. Oliver Marmol	325	2022-25

## RECENT CARDINALS TRANSACTIONS

**February 21:** Signed INF Ramón Urías to a free agent contact for 2026 with a mutual option for 2027. Designated RHP Zak Kent for assignment.



# St. Louis Cardinals (3-2-0) vs. Houston Astros (1-2-1)

Spring Training Game No. 6 • Thursday, February 26, 2026

Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium • Jupiter, Florida

LHP Matthew Liberatore (0-0, 0.00) vs. RHP Peter Lambert (0-0, 0.00)

**THE GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE:** The St. Louis Cardinals enter their 135th season of play in the National League and are conducting their 29th Spring Training at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium (1998-2026) ... The Cardinals previously hosted spring training at Al Lang Stadium (1947-1997) in St. Petersburg.

**THE GRAPEFRUIT GANG:** The 2026 Cardinals Major League Spring Training roster sports 68 players with 28 non-roster invitees ... 49 in camp were signed/drafted and developed by the Cardinals, including seven first round picks: INF Nolan Gorman (2018), LHP Zack Thompson (2019), OF Jordan Walker (2020), RHP Michael McGreevy (2021), LHP Cooper Hjerpe (2022), OF Chase Davis (2023), and INF JJ Wetherholt (2024).

**GEORGE KISSELL AWARD:** Dominican Summer League Cardinals (R) Manager Fray Peniche was named the 2025 recipient of the George Kissell Award last night ... Since 2008, winners have been selected by a poll of Cardinals minor league staff ... The award is presented to a Cardinals staffer who exhibits excellence in player development ... Peniche, 52, enters his 16th season as a coach in the Cardinals organization (28th overall), all as manager for the DSL Cardinals at the Cardinals Dominican Academy in Boca Chica ... The Dominican native has compiled a 449-462 record since he was hired in 2011.

**100:** Masyn Winn was named the 2025 winner of the Rawlings Gold Glove Award at shortstop, the first of his career and the 100th by the Cardinals - the most all-time for any MLB franchise since the award's inception in 1957 ... Winn joined Ozzie Smith (11 times), Édgar Rentería (2), and Dal Maxvill (1) as the fourth Cardinals shortstop to win the award.

**WORLD CLASS:** The Cardinals have nine players, two coaches, and one athletic trainer on provisional rosters for the 2026 World Baseball Classic taking place from March 5-17 ... Among those in Major League camp include Riley O'Brien (Korea), Leo Bernal (Panama), Gordon Graceffo (Italy), Thomas Saggese (Italy), Luis Gastelum (Mexico), Matt Koperniak (Great Britain), Bryan Torres (Puerto Rico), coaches Stubby Clapp (Canada), Julio Rangel (Panama), and Certified Asst. Athletic Trainer Chris Conroy (Puerto Rico).

**PARDON OUR DUST:** St. Louis moved into its newly-renovated Cardinals Complex this spring, featuring a new performance center, conference center, clubhouse and "Birdfeeder" dining hall...the final phase of the three phase project that began back in 2023 is slated to be completed later this year.

**THE NEST:** A newly-released Cardinals Productions feature about Matthew Liberatore has debuted online at [youtube.com/Cardinals](https://youtube.com/Cardinals) ... The 20-minute long-form video offers Cardinals fans an inside look at a Major League offseason alongside the starting pitcher and his wife, Natalie, at their home in Arizona.

**IN FULL BLOOM:** The Cardinals introduced Chaim Bloom on Sept. 30 as the team's new President of Baseball Operations taking the post that had been held by John Mozeliak who headed the team's baseball operations since Oct. of 2007 ... Bloom, who worked previously with the Boston Red Sox (2020-23) and Tampa Bay Rays (2005-19) had served as an advisor for the Cardinals the past two seasons.

**NEW FACES IN NEW SPACES:** Acquired during the offseason and appearing in their first Cardinals spring camp include pitchers Scott Blewett (FA), Justin Bruihl (Trade), Jurrangelo Cijntje (Trade), Hunter Dobbins (Trade), Richard Fitts (Trade), Dustin May (FA), Matt Pushard (Rule 5), Jared Shuster (FA), George Soriano (Trade); Ryne Stanek (FA), and Bruce Zimmermann (FA); infielder Ramón Urías (FA); and outfielder Nelson Velázquez (FA).

**BE OUR GUEST:** Those scheduled to visit Jupiter in a coaching capacity this Spring Training include special Guest Instructors David Freese, Kolten Wong, Adam Wainwright, and Ozzie Smith, and Cardinals Special Assistants Yadier Molina and Willie McGee.

**LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION:** The Cardinals are launching a new way for fans to watch the games this season on MLB produced Cardinals.TV ... Chip Caray, Brad Thompson, Dani Wexelman, and Stefan Caray will be part of the team calling games this spring ... 16 Spring Training games on Cardinals.TV/MLB.TV will be free to stream with an MLB.com account ... Additionally, eight of the Cardinals.TV Spring telecasts will be simulcast locally on free, over-the-air Matrix Midwest.

## CARDINALS 2026 SPRING SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date/Opp.	Time/Result	Probable Starters/ Winner-Loser-Save	Record	Att.	Broadcast Details/ Game Highlights
2/21 vs. WSH	L, 6-2	Yean-Fernandez	0-1-0	4,267	Church HR; Liberatore 2.0 IP, 4 K; Gorman 1-2
2/22 at HOU	W, 6-5	Rajcic-Muñoz-Saladin	1-1-0	2,598	Rajcic 2.0 IP; Rodriguez 2B; Pozo 2B, 2 RBI
2/23 vs. MIA	W, 5-4	Bedell-Martin	2-1-0	3,746	Mautz 2.0 IP; Rivas 2-2, game-tying RBI 2B
2/24 at WSH	L, 6-1	Luckham-Molina	2-2-0	2,228	Pallante 2.0 IP; Mendoza 2-3; Rivas 1-1
2/25 at NYM	W, 3-0	Fitts-Tong	3-2-0	4,922	Fitts 2.0 IP; Gorman 3-R HR; Davis 2-3, 2 RBI
2/26 vs. HOU	1:05	LHP Matthew Liberatore vs. RHP Pete Lambert			Cardinals.com
2/27 vs. NYM	1:05	LHP Quinn Mathews vs. RHP Freddy Peralta			KMOX
2/28 at MIA^	1:10				KMOX
3/1 vs. PIT	1:05				KMOX
3/2 vs. MIA	1:05				KMOX
3/3	OPEN DATE				
3/4 vs. NICARAGUA	1:05				KMOX
3/5 at PIT	1:05				SportsNet Pittsburgh
3/6 at BAL	1:05				Mid-Atlantic Sports Network
3/7 vs. NYM	1:05				KMOX/Cardinals.com
3/8 at MIA^	1:10				KMOX/Cardinals.com
3/9 vs. BAL	1:05				Cardinals TV/Cardinals.com
at HOU	1:05				Astros Radio (KMBE)
3/10 at NYM	1:10				Cardinals.com/SNY
3/11 at WSH	1:05				Cardinals.com
3/12 vs. NYM	1:05				KMOX/Cardinals TV
3/13 vs. HOU	6:05				KMOX/Cardinals TV
3/14 at MIA^	1:10				KMOX
3/15 vs. WSH	1:05				KMOX
3/16	OPEN DATE				
3/17 at WSH	1:05				Nationals TV/Cardinals.com
3/18 vs. HOU	1:05				KMOX/Cardinals TV
3/19 vs. WSH	1:05				KMOX
Spring Breakout vs. WSH					
3/20 at NYM	1:10				Cardinals.com/SNY
3/21 vs. MIA	1:05				KMOX
3/22 at HOU	12:05				KMOX/Space City TV
3/23 at Spfld. (AA)	7:05				KMOX/Matrix Midwest

Game times are local and subject to change

^ Cardinals are "visiting" team at Roger Dean

# TODAY'S PITCHERS

## #32 MATTHEW LIBERATORE · LHP · 6-5 · 220 LBS · AGE 26

- Chose to switch to uniform No. 32 prior to 2026 season in honor of Hall of Fame left-handed pitcher Sandy Koufax, whom he grew up admiring.
- Made his Major League debut at Pittsburgh on May 21, 2022 at PNC Park, a day after childhood friend and Cardinals teammate Nolan Gorman did so at PNC Park.
- Made full-time transition to the starting rotation in 2025 and set single-season career highs in nearly every category.
- His 29 starts in 2025 were the most by a St. Louis southpaw since Jaime García (32 in 2011), and the most by any Cardinals left-hander age 25 or younger since the same 24-year-old García in 2011.
- Was acquired by the Cardinals from the Rays in a four-player trade in 2020, with a compensation pick that netted the Cardinals RHP Tink Henge.
- Is a career 13-21 with a 4.87 ERA (253.0 IP) in his 53 career starts opposed to 3-3 with a 3.89 ERA (81.0 IP) in 67 career relief appearances.

## #59 JOJO ROMERO · LHP · 5-11 · 215 LBS · AGE 29

- Acquired at the 2022 trade deadline from the Philadelphia Phillies in exchange for infielder Edmundo Sosa on July 30.
- Set career highs in 2025 in innings pitched (61.0), strikeouts (55), saves (8)
- Has appeared in a career-high 65 games in each of the last two seasons, the first Cardinals pitcher with 65+ outings in back-to-back seasons since Kevin Siegrist from 2015-16, and his team-leading 130 outings in that span rank 13th in the National League.
- His 30 holds in 2024 ranked 2nd among Cardinals relief pitchers and T-5th all-time for single-season in franchise history with Kyle McClellan (2008). Only Ray King (31 in 2004) had more among Cardinals southpaws all-time. Also led all left-handed pitchers with 54 holds from 2024-25, ranking second, overall, in the NL (5th in MLB), behind Tyler Rogers (65). Ranks T-6th with Randy Flores in Cardinals history with 57 holds.
- Held left-handed batters to a .185 BA (48-259) with 4 HR in his career (Last: 8/8/24 to B. Lowe vs. TB). Since 2022, his .175 opp. BA (38-217) vs. LH batters ranks 4th in NL (min. 200 batters faced).

## #78 JARED SHUSTER · LHP · 6-2 · 210 LBS · AGE 27

- Signed as a minor league free agent in December 2025 and added to the Cardinals as a non-roster Spring Training invite. Enters with the 17th-most service time (1.148); and most of any non-roster invite who had not previously played for the Cardinals (Zack Thompson & Packy Naughton).
- Has appeared in 62 Major League games over the last three seasons (2023-25) with the Atlanta Braves (11) and the Chicago White Sox (51).
- Pitched out of the bullpen for the majority of the 2025 season in Chicago (AL) appearing in 12 Major League games with two starts; his final two appearances of the season. Began the season in Charlotte (AAA) and was first recalled to Chicago on April 19.
- Originally a first round selection (25th overall) by the Braves in the 2020 MLB Draft.
- Entered the 2023 season ranked as the No. 1 prospect in the Braves organization by MLB.com.
- Was selected to the Braves' Opening Day roster in 2023.

## #70 NICK RAQUET · LHP · 6-0 · 215 LBS · AGE 30

- Made MLB League debut at Seattle on Sept. 8, 2025 and pitched two scoreless appearances on consecutive days.
- Originally selected by the Nationals in the 3rd Round of the 2017 Major League Baseball Draft.
- Spent two seasons out of baseball (2021-22) working as a consultant for Ernst & Young.
- Signed as a minor league free agent by the St. Louis Cardinals in January 2024.
- Tied for the 2025 Cardinals minor league lead with 10 wins. Became the first Cardinals minor league pitcher to post double-digit wins in relief since Tyler Bray (10) in 2016.
- Named the York Revolution Pitcher of the Year and the Atlantic League Co-Pitcher of the Year in 2023 going 13-7 with a 3.71 ERA and 24 starts in his first year returning to organized baseball.

## #66 SCOTT BLEWETT · RHP · 6-6 · 245 LBS · AGE 29

- Originally a 2nd round draft pick by the Kansas City Royals in 2014 out of Baker High School in Baldwinsville, N.Y.
- Signed by the Cardinals as a minor league free agent with 2026 invite to MLB Spring Training.
- Has been signed as a minor league free agent by the White Sox (2022), Braves (2023) and Twins (2024). Was traded twice from the Braves to Orioles and back to the Braves six weeks later.
- Played the second half of the 2023 season with the Uni-President 7-Eleven Lions with the Chinese Professional Baseball League.
- Pitched in 43 career Major League games posting a 4-1 record with a 4.21 ERA and 61 strikeouts

# PITCHING LOGS

SCOTT BLEWETT (RHP)											RILEY O'BRIEN (RHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/22-HOU	---	1.0	2	1	1	2	1	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	2	1	1	2	1						
JUSTIN BRUIHL (LHP)											ANDRE PALLANTE (RHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/24-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2/24-WSH	---	2.0	0	1	1	1	2						
JURRANGELO CIJNTJE (RHP)											MATT PUSHARD (RHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/25-NYM	---	2.0	1	0	0	1	2	2/25-NYM	---	2.0	1	0	0	1	2						
RYAN FERNANDEZ (RHP)											MAX RAJICIC (RHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/21-WSH	L-1	0.2	2	4	4	2	1	2/22-HOU	W-1	2.0	0	0	0	0	1						
RICHARD FITTS (RHP)											NICK RAQUET (LHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/25-NYM	W-1	2.0	2	0	0	0	1	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2						
LUIS GASTELUM (RHP)											HANCEL RINCÓN (RHP)										
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
2/21-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2/23-MIA	---	1.2	3	1	1	1	1						
2/25-NYM	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	JOJO ROMERO (LHP)													
GORDON GRACEFFO (RHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/23-MIA	---	1.0	1	1	1	1	0						
2/25-NYM	H-1	1.0	3	0	0	0	0	CHRIS ROYCROFT (RHP)													
SKYLAR HALES (RHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	H-1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0						
2/21-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	3	2/25-NYM	H-2	1.0	1	0	0	0	0						
2/24-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	JARED SHUSTER (LHP)													
TINK HENCE (RHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	1						
2/24-WSH	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	GEORGE SORIANO (RHP)													
MATTHEW LIBERATORE (LHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	2.0	1	1	1	0	3						
2/21-WSH	---	2.0	2	0	0	0	4	RYNE STANEK (RHP)													
KYLE LEAHY (RHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	2.0	1	1	1	0	3						
2/22-HOU	---	2.0	1	1	1	0	3	MATT SVANSON (RHP)													
AUSTIN LOVE (RHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/25-NYM	H-1	1.0	1	0	0	0	1						
2/21-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	BRUCE ZIMMERMANN (RHP)													
2/24-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO						
QUINN MATHEWS (RHP)											2/25-NYM	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1						
2/21-WSH	---	1.2	2	2	2	2	2	JARED SHUSTER (LHP)													
BRYCEN MAUTZ (LHP)											DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2						
2/23-MIA	---	2.0	1	0	0	2	1	MICHAEL MCGREEVY (RHP)													
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DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/23-MIA	---	2.0	2	1	1	0	2						
2/23-MIA	---	2.0	2	1	1	0	2	GERSON MORENO (RHP)													
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DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/22-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2						
2/22-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	PACKY NAUGHTON (LHP)													
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DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/21-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1						
2/21-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2/24-WSH	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2						
2/24-WSH	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2														

# DAILY BATTING LOGS

Player	2/21	2/22	2/23	2/24	2/25	2/26	2/27	2/28	3/1	3/2	3/4	3/5	3/6	3/7	3/8	3/9	3/10	3/11	3/12	3/13	3/14	3/15	3/17	3/18	3/19	3/20	3/21	3/22	3/23
Antico	wk	oo		k	k																								
Báez	ok		o1		kk																								
Bernal	kw		wo		1oh																								
Burleson	wo		wok																										
Church	4o		kk		hoo																								
Crooks			kk																										
C.Davis		k		k	1o1																								
Fermín	o2		1e		oo1																								
Gorman	o1		ko		o4o																								
Herrera																													
B.Jordan	ko	kow		ko	cow																								
Koperniak	ko		wk																										
Linárez					o																								
Mendoza	ok	1k		1k	ko																								
B.Moore	ko			o	ko																								
Nootbaar																													
Pagés	wo			kk																									
Pozo		o2w		ww	wo																								
Prieto		ooo		ook																									
Rivas	oo		12	1																									
Saggese		o1k		owo																									
Scott II		kbo		obk																									
Tarlow			o		oo																								
Torres		wko		woe																									
Urías																													
Velázquez		c1w		owo	ko2																								
Walker		1ew		ock																									
Wetherholt	cw		ww		owo																								
Winn	ko		odk																										
Yerzy		1o		o																									

Key: 1-Single, 2-Double, 3-Triple, 4-Home Run, o-Out, k-Strikeout, w-Walk, h-HBP, e-Reached on error, b-SacBunt, f-SacFly, c-Fielder's Choice, d-double play; Note: Read left-to-right for first-to-last AB.