



GAME NOTES

2024 SPRING TRAINING



St. Louis Cardinals (8-9-4) vs. Houston Astros (10-11-0)

Spring Training Game No. 22 • Sunday, March 17, 2024 • Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium • Jupiter, Fla.
LHP Matthew Liberatore vs. LHP Framber Valdez

CARDINALS 2024 SPRING RECAP

Record	Attendance
vs. NL.....5-7-2	Home (10).....54,346
vs. AL.....3-2-2	Home Avg5,435
at Home2-6-2	Road (11).....52,947
on Road6-3-2	Road Avg4,813
at RDCS*3-6-3	Total.....107,293
*Includes road games at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium	
	Home High.....6,385
	March 9 vs. NY Mets

RECENT CARDINALS SPRING TRAININGS

Year	W-L-T	Team BA	Team ERA
2024	8-9-4	.245	4.45
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

CARDINALS SPRING TRAINING RECORDS AT STADIUMS SINCE 2006

at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium...	163-125-29
as the home team	140-98-22
as the visiting team vs. Marlins	23-27-7
at Clover Park.....	25-23-6
at CACTI Park of the Palm Beaches.....	20-16-4
vs. the Nationals	14-7-1
vs. the Astros	6-9-3
at Hammond Stadium	6-6-2
at JetBlue Park.....	5-3-0

RECENT NON-ROSTER INVITEES TO MAKE CARDS OPENING DAY ROSTERS

2023: INF Taylor Motter & OF Jordan Walker
2022: RHP Aaron Brooks & RHP Andre Pallante
2021: none
2020: RHP Kodi Whitley
2019: C Matt Wieters
2018: C Francisco Peña
2017: C Eric Fryer
2016: C Eric Fryer & Jeremy Hazelbaker
2015: RHP Carlos Villanueva
2014: RHP Pat Neshek
2013: none
2012: RHP Scott Linebrink
2011: RHP Miguel Batista
2010: none
2009: OF Colby Rasmus, 3B David Freese, & INF Joe Thurston
2008: INF Rico Washington & LHP Ron Villone

RECENT CARDINALS RECORDS FOLLOWING LOSING SEASONS

Year	W-L	Win Increase	Postseason
2008	86-76	+8	---
2000	95-67	+20	Lost NLCS
1998	83-79	+4	---
1996	88-74	+14	Lost NLCS
1995	62-81	+9	---
1991	84-78	+14	---
1989	86-76	+10	---
1987	95-67	+16	Lost World Series
1984	84-78	+5	---
1982	92-70	+33	Won World Series

*St. Louis has not recorded back-to-back sub-.500 full seasons since 1958 (72-82) and 1959 (71-83), longest active in Major League Baseball.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

March 15: Signed manager **Oliver Marmol** to a contract extension through the 2026 season.

March 14: Optioned RHP **Sem Robberse** to Memphis (AAA) and re-assigned RHP **Gordon Graceffo**, RHP **Ryan Loutos**, RHP **Michael McGreevy**, RHP **Tekoah Roby**, LHP **Connor Thomas**, C **Aaron Antonini**, C **Jimmy Crooks**, INF **Arquímedes Gamboa**, and INF **Jeremy Rivas**.

THE GRAPEFRUIT GANG: The defending Grapefruit League champion St. Louis Cardinals will wear special **green** hats on St. Patrick's Day as they face the visiting Houston Astros at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium this afternoon ... One week from today, St. Louis will break camp in Florida and play the division-rival Chicago Cubs in a pair of Spring Training games (March 25-26) at Sloan Park in Mesa, Arizona before opening the 2024 regular season at the Los Angeles Dodgers (March 28-31).

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY: The Cardinals are 6-7-1 on St. Patrick's Day (3-2 in Jupiter) referencing Spring Training info dating back to 2006.

- Last season, the visiting Cardinals topped the Miami Marlins, 16-2, at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium thanks to a nine-run second inning.
- Since 2006, St. Louis and Houston have played once on St. Patrick's Day, a 4-4 tie in West Palm Beach in 2021.
- Today marks the first St. Patrick's Day holiday that St. Louis has been the home team since 2011.

IT IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Happy 34th birthday to RHP **Andrew Kittredge** and 24th birthday to RHP **Gordon Graceffo**.

- Other former Cardinals players and coaches born on St. Patty's Day include outfielder **Hank Sauer** (1956) and coach **Bill Mueller** (2015-18).

CARDINALS SPRING ROSTER STANDS AT 46: The Cardinals reduced their Spring Training roster to 46 players on Thursday by optioning RHP **Sem Robberse** to Memphis (AAA) and re-assigning RHP **Gordon Graceffo**, RHP **Ryan Loutos**, RHP **Michael McGreevy**, RHP **Tekoah Roby**, LHP **Connor Thomas**, C **Aaron Antonini**, C **Jimmy Crooks**, INF **Arquímedes Gamboa**, and INF **Jeremy Rivas** to minor league camp.

NON-ROSTER CAMPERS REMAINING: St. Louis currently has 38 Major League roster players and eight non-roster invitees remaining in Major League camp:

- right-handed pitchers **Kyle Leahy** & **Wilking Rodríguez**
- catchers **Nick Raposo** & **Wade Stauss**
- infielders **César Prieto** & **Thomas Saggese**
- outfielders **Matt Koperniak** & **Victor Scott II**

LUCK O' THE IRISH: Six Irish-born players have appeared for the Cardinals since St. Louis joined the NL in 1892:

- P **Con Lucid** (1897)
- LHP **Pete Daniels** (1898)
- OF **Patsy Donovan** (1900-03)
- C **Jack O'Neill** (1902-03)
- LHP **Mike O'Neill** (1901-04)
- C **Paddy O'Connor** (1914)

Other "**green**" notables for the St. Louis Cardinals include:

- OF **David Green** (1981-84, 87)
- OF **Gene Green** (1957-59)
- OF **Scarborough Green** (1997)
- SS **Khalil Greene** (2009)
- INF **Tyler Greene** (2009-12)
- LHP **Nick Greenwood** (2014-15)

SPRING BREAKOUT: The Cardinals play their 2nd Spring Breakout Game at 10 a.m. ET this morning against the Astros before St. Louis and Houston face off in Grapefruit League play.

- The Cardinals and Reds are the only two MLB teams with two Spring Breakout games.
- St. Louis is one of five MLB clubs that made all of their top 10 prospects available, with 26 of the Cardinals Top 30 prospects participating (*MLB Pipeline*).

IN THE TRAINING ROOM:

- RHP **Sonny Gray**, who suffered a mild right hamstring strain on March 4, will pitch in a simulated pregame situation at the Cardinals Complex today.
- OF **Lars Nootbaar** has two non-displaced fractured ribs on his left side from colliding with an outfield wall.
- OF **Tommy Edman** (offseason right wrist surgery) and RHP **Keynan Middleton** (right forearm strain) are expected to begin the season on the Injured List.

CARDINALS MANAGER OLIVER MARMOL SIGNED THRU 2026: The Cardinals announced on Friday that the team has signed Manager **Oliver "Oli" Marmol** to a contract extension through the 2026 season.

- Marmol, 37, has piloted the team over the past two seasons (2022-23), earning an NL Central title in his first season with a Cardinals team that won 93 games.
- It was the team's first division title since 2019, and at age 36, Marmol became the youngest manager to lead his team to the postseason since 1948 when **Lou Boudreau** led Cleveland to a World Series title at age 31.

CARDINALS 2024 SPRING SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date/Opp.	Time/Result	Probable Starters/ Winner-Loser-Save	Record	Att.	Broadcast Details/ Game Highlights
2/24 vs. MIA	L, 9-8	Emanuel-King-Lindgren	0-1-0	5,361	Arenado 2-2, 2B; Gorman 1-1, 2B, BB
at NYM	W, 10-5	Thompson-Megill	1-1-0	6,535	Thompson 2.0 IP; Nootbaar 2-2, Donovan 1-1
2/25 at HOU	W, 3-0	Rom-Sousa-Leahy	2-1-0	3,233	Rom 2.0 IP; Winn 3-3, 2B, SB; Young 2-3, 2B
2/26 at MIA^	T, 1-1	---	2-1-1	2,575	Robberse & Hjerpe 2.0 IP; Herrera 1-3, RBI
2/27 vs. BOS	T, 3-3	---	2-1-2	5,528	Gray 2.0 IP; Baker 2-2; Donovan 1-3
2/28 at NYM	L, 3-0	Battenfield-Romero-Ramos	2-2-2	4,320	Mikolas 2.0 IP; Burleson 2-3; Pagés 2B
2/29 vs. WSH	L, 3-1	Corbin-Gibson-Willingham	2-3-2	4,475	McGreevey & Kloffenstein 2.0 IP; Winn 2B
3/1 vs. NYM	W, 3-2	Liberatore-Tidwell-Fernandez	3-3-2	5,245	Fermin 3-3; Burleson 2-3, RBI; Walker 3B, 2R
3/2 at HOU	L, 7-1	Javier-Thompson	3-4-2	4,093	Scott II 3B; Baker 2B; Nootbaar 1-2, BB
3/3 vs. MIA	---	Cancelled (rain)			
3/4 at WSH	L, 1-0	Law-Romero-La Sorsa	3-5-2	2,694	Contreras 2B; Scott II SB; Hence 2.0 IP
3/5 vs. MIN	W, 5-4	Mikolas-Paddack-Rajcic	4-5-2	4,785	Goldschmidt 1-1, HR, BB; Herrera 1-1, 2B, BB
3/6	OPEN DATE				
3/7 vs. HOU	L, 6-3	Javier-Gibson-Washington	4-6-2	5,116	Walker HR; Carpenter HR; Burleson 2B, 2 BB
3/8 at WSH	W, 7-6	Mautz-Js. Gray-Thompson	5-6-2	3,539	Gorman HR, Scott 2-4, SB; Walker 1-1, 2 BB
3/9 vs. NYM	L, 9-3	Manaea-Matz	5-7-2	6,385	Saggese HR; Pages HR; Prieto 1-1
3/10 at MIA^	W, 12-8	Roycroft-Andriese	6-7-2	4,169	Saggese 4-4, 2B, 6 RBI; Rom 3 IP, 0 R, 4 K
3/11 vs. WSH	L, 11-4	Ward-Romero	6-8-2	5,272	Goldschmidt 2-2, 2 2B, RBI; Donovan 2-2, 3 R
3/12 at BOS	W, 8-6	Liberatore-Bello-T.Baker	7-8-2	#9,738	Burleson 2-3, HR, 2 RBI; Scott 3-3, 2 R, SB
3/13 at MIN	T, 1-1	---	7-8-3	8,153	Thompson 4.0 IP; Carlson HR; Burleson 2B
3/14 vs. NYM	T, 0-0	---	7-8-4	6,240	Lynn 4.0 IP, 4 K; Contreras 1-2; Carpenter 1-3
3/15 Spring Breakout	L, 3-2	Miller-Rajcic-Maldonado	---	---	Hence 2.0 IP, 3 K; Levenson HR; Prieto 3B
vs. MIA	L, 8-4	Weathers-Rom-Chirinos	7-9-4	5,939	Siani 2-5, 2B; Fermin HR; Gorman 2B
3/16 at WSH	W, 8-5	Mikolas-Perdomo-O'Brien	8-9-4	3,898	Mikolas 6.0 IP, 2 R; Prieto 2-3, 2B, 5 RBI
3/17 Spring Breakout 10:05a		RHP Adam Kloffenstein vs. RHP Spencer Arrighetti			MLB.TV // Astros radio
vs. HOU	1:05	LHP Matthew Liberatore vs. LHP Framber Valdez			Bally Sports // KMOX
3/18	OPEN DATE				
3/19 vs. MIA	1:05	RHP Kyle Gibson vs. TBA			KMOX
at NYM	6:10	RHP Lance Lynn vs. LHP Sean Manaea			MLB.TV (SNY)
3/20 at WSH	6:05				KMOX
3/21 vs. HOU	1:05				Bally Sports // MLB app (radio)
3/22 at MIA^	6:40				Bally Sports // KMOX
3/23 vs. WSH	1:05				KMOX
3/24 at HOU	12:05				MLB.TV (Space City) // KMOX
3/25 at CHI	4:05				MLB Network // Marquee Sports // KMOX
3/26 at CHI	3:05				MLB.TV (Marquee Sports)

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^ Cardinals are "visiting" team at Roger Dean

TODAY’S PITCHERS

#52 • Matthew Liberatore • LHP • 24 yrs

- Making his 5th appearance (4th start) of the Spring today.
- Made his Major League debut for the Cardinals in 2022 and has appeared in 31 games (18 starts).
- Major League debut came at PIT (5/21/22) at PNC Park tossing 4.2 innings in a no decision.
- Has held opposing left-handed batters to a .193 BA (16-83, HR) over his career, 2nd-lowest mark among Cardinals pitchers from 2022-23 with 95 or more batters faced (Ryan Helsley, .173).
- Started the second game of the 2023 London Series vs. CHI (6/25/23) after Jack Flaherty was a late scratch. Pitched 2.1 IP and did not factor into the decision as the Cardinals rallied for a 7-5 win.
- 2021 Cardinals Minor League Pitcher of the Year.

#56 • Ryan Helsley • RHP • 29 yrs

- Making his 6th appearance of the season. Has allowed just two hits and no runs.
- Named a 2022 National League All-Star, voted as one of two relief pitchers to the All-MLB Second Team, and finished 12th in the NL Cy Young Award voting.
- Since the beginning of the 2022 season, ranks 2nd among qualified MLB relievers in ERA (1.69), average against (.145), opponent OBP (.229), opponent slugging (.247), opponent OPS (.476), baserunners/9 (7.82), hits/9 (4.44), and WHIP (0.86), and 3rd in strikeout pct. (37.9).
- Ranked 3rd among qualified 2022 MLB relievers in strikeout rate (39.3%) behind Edwin Diaz (50.2%) and Devin Williams (40.0%).LHP JoJo Romero.

#59 • JoJo Romero • LHP • 27 yrs

- Making his 7th appearance of the spring.
- Has held left-handed batters to a .111 BA (6-54) with one home run allowed (Oneil Cruz, at PIT, 9/10/22) through his 42 appearances since joining the Cardinals, marking the lowest opponent average vs. LHB among Cardinals pitchers in that span with at least three LHB faced.
- In 2023, set career bests in games pitched (27), games finished (13), wins (4), saves (3), ERA (3.68), innings pitched (36.2), strikeouts (42), WHIP (1.06) and strikeouts/9 IP (10.3).
- Struck out the side on 12 pitches in his MLB debut at Atlanta (8/21/20), becoming the 2nd Phillie since 1957 to strike out the side in his MLB debut.

#65 • Giovanni Gallegos • RHP • 32 yrs

- Making his 7th appearance of the spring today. Has struck out eight over 6.0 IP, including at least one batter in each appearance
- Has fanned 321 in his 270 outings with St. Louis, the 3rd-most by a Cardinals reliever in his first 270 games with the franchise behind Trevor Rosenthal (379), and Al Hrabosky (351).
- Has made 268 relief outings since 2019, 12th-most in MLB and the most by a pitcher exclusively for one team.
- Has converted double-digit saves in three straight seasons (14 in 2021, 14 in 2022, and 10 in 2023), becoming the first Cardinal to do so since Trevor Rosenthal (2014-17).
- Sports the 5th-lowest WHIP in Major League Baseball (0.95) since being acquired by the Cardinals at the 2018 MLB trade deadline (July 28, 2018), trailing Jacob deGrom (0.84), Liam Hendricks (0.88), Justin Verlander (0.92), and Yusmeiro Petit (0.94).

PITCHING LOGS

RYAN FERNANDEZ (RHP)								STEVEN MATZ (LHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-MIA	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	3/4-WSH	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
2/27-BOS	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3/9-NYM	L-1	3.0	5	4	4	0	2
3/1-NYM	S-1	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	3/15-MIA	---	3.0	4	3	3	2	4
3/5-MIN	--	1.0	1	1	1	0	1	KEYNAN MIDDLETON (RHP)							
3/9-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/13-MIN	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2/27-BOS	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/16-WSH	--	1.0	3	3	3	0	0	3/3-HOU	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
								3/7-HOU	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
GIOVANNY GALLEGOS (RHP)								MILES MIKOLAS (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/26-MIA	--	1.0	1	1	1	2	1	2/28-NYM	--	2.0	2	0	0	0	1
2/29-WSH	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3/5-MIN	W-1	4.0	3	2	1	0	4
3/4-WSH	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	3/11-WSH	--	4.0	6	1	1	0	5
3/8-WSH	--	1.0	1	1	0	1	1	3/16-WSH	W-2	6.0	7	2	2	1	2
3/11-WSH	--	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	RILEY O'BRIEN (RHP)							
3/14-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
KYLE GIBSON (RHP)								2/24-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/27-BOS	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
2/29-WSH	L-1	2.0	3	1	3	0	2	3/1-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/7-HOU	L-2	3.0	5	4	4	0	3	3/5-MIN	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
SONNYY GRAY (RHP)								3/9-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	1	0
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	3/13-MIN	--	1.0	2	1	1	1	2
2/27-BOS	--	2.0	2	0	0	2	2	3/16-WSH	S-1	1.0	2	0	0	0	0
3/4-WSH	--	1.2	1	0	0	0	1	ANDRE PALLANTE (RHP)							
RYAN HELSLEY (RHP)								DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/24-MIA	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
2/24-MIA	--	1.0	1	0	0	1	2	2/27-BOS	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
2/28-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3/1-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/8-WSH	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	3/5-MIN	--	1.0	4	1	1	0	0
3/11-WSH	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3/9-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/14-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3/13-MIN	--	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
JOHN KING (LHP)								NICK ROBERTSON (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-MIA	L-1	1.0	4	3	3	0	1	2/24-NYM	--	1.0	3	2	2	1	1
2/27-BOS	--	1.0	3	2	2	2	0	2/27-BOS	--	1.0	0	1	0	2	1
3/3-HOU	--	1.0	2	0	0	1	1	3/1-NYM	--	1.0	3	1	1	0	0
3/7-HOU	--	1.0	3	2	1	0	2	3/5-MIN	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/10-MIA	--	1.0	2	1	1	1	0	3/9-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/13-MIN	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	3/13-MIN	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/15-MIA	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3/15-MIA	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
ANDREW KITTREDGE (RHP)								WILKING RODRÍGUEZ (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/26-MIA	--	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	2/24-MIA	--	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
2/29-WSH	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2/27-BOS	--	1.0	2	0	0	0	2
3/7-HOU	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3/3-HOU	--	0.2	3	3	3	1	0
3/10-MIA	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	3/9-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	1	0
3/14-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3/11-WSH	--	0.2	1	4	4	3	2
3/16-WSH	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	DREW ROM (LHP)							
KYLE LEAHY (RHP)								DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2/25-HOU	W-1	2.0	0	0	0	1	1
2/25-HOU	S-1	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3/10-MIA	---	3.0	1	0	0	0	4
2/28-NYM	---	1.0	1	1	1	0	1	3/15-MIA	L-1	2.1	9	4	4	2	2
3/4-WSH	--	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	JOJO ROMERO (LHP)							
3/8-WSH	--	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/11-WSH	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	2/24-MIA	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/14-NYM	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2/28-NYM	L-1	1.0	1	1	1	0	1
MATTHEW LIBERATORE (LHP)								3/4-WSH	L-2	1.0	1	1	1	2	2
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	3/8-WSH	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
2/24-MIA	--	2.0	2	2	2	1	1	3/11-WSH	L-3	1.0	5	4	4	0	0
3/1-NYM	W-1	3.0	2	1	1	1	0	3/14-NYM	--	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/7-HOU	--	3.0	5	0	0	0	2	ZACK THOMPSON (LHP)							
3/12-BOS	W-2	4.0	7	5	5	0	5	DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
LANCE LYNN (RHP)								2/24-NYM	W-1	2.0	2	0	0	1	1
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	3/2-HOU	L-1	3.0	3	2	2	0	3
3/8-WSH	--	2.0	3	4	4	3	2	3/8-WSH	S-1	3.0	1	1	1	2	3
3/14-NYM	--	4.0	1	0	0	0	4	3/13-MIN	---	4.0	0	0	0	1	5