



**POSTGAME NOTES**  
**NEW YORK YANKEES (76-75) vs. TORONTO BLUE JAYS (84-67)**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**



	R	H	E	LOB	SERIES
<b>TORONTO BLUE JAYS</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>NEW YORK YANKEES</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

**STARTING TIME:** 7:09 p.m.

**GAME-TIME TEMPERATURE:** 70 degrees

**WINNING PITCHER:** Yusei Kikuchi (10-6)

**LOSING PITCHER:** Clarke Schmidt (9-9)

**SAVE:** None

**TIME OF GAME:** 2:43

**ATTENDANCE:** 38,545

**PITCH COUNTS (Total Pitches/Strikes):**

**Yankees:** Clarke Schmidt (91/52)

**Blue Jays:** Yusei Kikuchi (82/50)

**HOME RUNS (2023 TOTAL / INNING / RUNNERS ON BASE / OUTS / COUNT / PITCHER / SCORE AFTER HR)**

**YANKEES**

None

**BLUE JAYS**

George Springer (#20 / 1<sup>st</sup> / solo / 0 out / 3-1 / Schmidt / NYY 0 – TOR 1)

Bo Bichette (#19 / 5<sup>th</sup> / 1 on / 2 outs / 1-0 / Schmidt / NYY 1 – TOR 4)

Alejandro Kirk (#7 / 9<sup>th</sup> / 1 on / 0 out / 3-2 / McAllister / NYY 1 – TOR 6)

**NEW YORK YANKEES NOTES**

- The Yankees dropped their series opener vs. the Blue Jays...have lost back-to-back games after winning their previous three games.
  - Are still 6-3 in their last nine games (since 9/10), 14-7 in their last 21 games (since 8/28) and 16-10 in their last 26 games (since 8/23).
- RHP Clarke Schmidt** (5.0IP, 4H, 4ER, 2BB, 1K, 2HR) started and took the loss...allowed more than 3ER for just the second time in his last 21 starts (since 5/19), the third time in his last 24 starts (since 5/3) and just the fourth time in his last 26 starts (since 4/23).
- 2B Gleyber Torres** (2-for-4, 1 double, 1RBI) drove in the Yankees' only run of the game with a game-tying RBI double in the first inning...is batting .315/.406/.562 (51-for-162) with 27R, 13 doubles, 9HR, 22RBI, 23BB, 2HP and 5SB in 43 games (since 8/1)...has hit safely in 30 of those games and has reached base safely in 36 of those contests.
  - Has recorded multiple hits in two of his last three games (since 9/16) and four of his last seven games (since 9/12-G2).
  - Has reached base multiple times in 12 of his last 19 games (since 8/28) and 14 of his last 23 games (since 8/24).
  - Since 7/6, is batting .308/.376/.525 (74-for-240) with 37R, 14 doubles, 1 triple, 12HR, 30RBI, 26BB, 2HP, 3SF and 6SB in 62 games.
- 1B DJ LeMahieu** (1-for-3, 1BB) reached base twice...has hit safely in each of his last six games (since 9/12-G1), batting .360/.407/.480 (9-for-25) with 4R, 3 doubles, 5RBI and 2BB.
  - Has reached base in 16 of his last 17 games (since 8/30), 34 of his last 37 games (since 8/1), 51 of his last 56 games (since 7/4) and 58 of his last 65 games (since 6/23).
  - Is a career .332/.387/.524 (90-for-271) batter with 42R, 20 doubles, 1 triple, 10HR, 31RBI, 23BB and 4SB in 70 games vs. the Blue Jays...in 67 games vs. Toronto as a Yankee, has hit .336/.392/.531 (88-for-262) with 42R, 19 doubles, 1 triple, 10HR, 31RBI, 23BB and 4SB...owns the highest BA among players with at least 100PA against the Blue Jays as a Yankee (next: Oscar Gamble, .331, 48-for-145).
- RF Aaron Judge** (2-for-4, 1R) has reached base in 27-of-63 plate appearances over his last 14 games (since 9/5), posting a .429 OBP in that span (11H, 16BB).
  - Has reached base safely in 79 of his 97 games this season...has hit safely in 57 of those games...has reached base safely in 56 of his last 68 games (since 5/12).
  - Has reached base multiple times in 49 of his 97 games this year, including 37 of his last 68 games (since 5/12).
- LHP Nick Ramirez** (1.1IP, 2H, 1K) and **RHP Greg Weissert** (1.2IP, 1H, 1BB) were both scoreless in relief.
- RHP Zach McAllister** (1.0IP, 3H, 3R/2ER, 1HR) allowed 3R/2ER in the ninth inning.

**TORONTO BLUE JAYS NOTES**

- The Blue Jays defeated the Yankees in the first game of a three-game set...are 1-0 on their six-game road trip.
  - Improve to 23-11 over their last 34 road games (since 6/20).
  - Have won 12 of their last 18 games (since 8/29), 16 of their last 27 games (since 8/19) and 30 of their last 52 games (since 7/23).
  - Improve to 4-4 vs. the Yankees this season.
  - Are 51-79 all-time at the current Yankee Stadium.
- LHP Yusei Kikuchi** (5.0IP, 4H, 1ER, 1BB, 7K) earned his 10<sup>th</sup> win of the season after allowing just 1ER over 5.0IP...marks his first career season with double-digit wins...has also recorded 30-or-more starts in his second career season (also 32GS in 2019 with Seattle).
  - Tossed at least 5.0IP with 1R-or-fewer allowed for the 14<sup>th</sup> time this season...entered tonight tied for the second-most such starts in the Majors this season (tied for the most in the AL).
  - Has recorded 7K-or-more in four of his last seven starts (since 8/15).
  - In 12 career appearances (10 starts) vs. the Yankees, is 4-3 with a 3.57 ERA (53.0IP, 21ER) and 49K.
  - Was removed from tonight's game with a left upper trap muscle cramp.

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- **RF George Springer** (2-for-4, 2R, 1HR, 1RBI, 1BB) hit his 20<sup>th</sup> home run of the season with a leadoff HR in the first inning.
  - His home run marked his fifth leadoff home run of the season and the 57<sup>th</sup> of his career...his 57 such home runs are the second-most all-time, trailing only Rickey Henderson's 81 career leadoff home runs.
  - Has reached 20 home runs for the eighth time in his career (also 2014, 2016-19, 2021-22).
  - Is one of seven players to hit 20-or-more home runs in at least eight seasons since 2014...joins Manny Machado, Nolan Arenado, Paul Goldschmidt, J.D. Martinez, Anthony Rizzo and Giancarlo Stanton (all with eight).
  - 12 of his 20 home runs this season have either given his team the lead (11) or tied the game (one).
  - Turned 34 years old today, marked the first time in his career he has recorded a home run on his birthday...became the 16<sup>th</sup> Blue Jay (17<sup>th</sup> time) to homer on his birthday and the first since Randal Grichuk on 8/13/19 vs. Texas.
  - Is batting .417/.462/.625 (10-for-24) with 5R, 2 doubles, 1HR, 2RBI and 2BB over his last six games at Yankee Stadium (since 8/18/22).
- **SS Bo Bichette** (2-for-4, 2R, 1HR, 2RBI, 1BB) hit his 19<sup>th</sup> home run of the season with a two-run shot in the fifth inning.
  - Is hitting .328/.360/.513 (87-for-265) with 36R, 15 doubles, 2 triples, 10HR, 35RBI, 11BB, 2HP and 2SB in 61 road games this season.
  - In eight games vs. the Yankees this season, is batting .333 (11-for-33) with 6R, 2 doubles, 2HR, 5RBI and 3BB...has also hit safely in 11 of his last 12 games against the Yankees (since 8/21/22), batting .360/.396/.540 (18-for-50) with 7R, 3 doubles, 2HR, 6RBI and 3BB in that span.
- **C Alejandro Kirk** (1-for-4, 1R, 1HR, 2RBI) hit his seventh home run of the season with a two-run shot in the ninth inning.
  - Marked his first home run since 7/29 vs. Los Angeles-AL...snapped a 34-game homerless streak, the longest of his career.
- **1B Cavan Biggio** (2-for-5, 1RBI) hit a go-ahead RBI single in the fourth inning.
  - Has recorded multiple hits in consecutive games for the third time this season (also 6/11-13 and 6/21-25).
  - Has reached base in six of his last 11PA over his last three games (since 9/16: 5H, 1BB).
- **RHP Jordan Hicks** (1.0IP, 1K) tossed a scoreless eighth inning.
  - Nine of his last 10 outings have been scoreless (since 8/27).
  - Since being acquired by the Blue Jays at the trade deadline (since 8/1), has gone 2-2 with four saves, a 2.37 ERA (19.0IP, 5ER) and 16K in 21 appearances.
- **RHP Yimi García** (1.0IP, 1H, 1K) tossed a scoreless inning of relief.
  - Stranded an inherited runner after entering the game in the sixth inning...has stranded 28 of his 35 inherited runners this season...entered tonight with the fifth-best inherited runners scored percentage in the AL (ninth-best in the Majors).

#### UPCOMING PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time-ET	TV
Wed., 9/20	vs. Toronto	RHP Michael King (4-6, 2.77) vs. RHP Kevin Gausman (11-9, 3.40)	7:05 p.m.	Amazon
Thurs., 9/21	vs. Toronto	RHP Gerrit Cole (13-4, 2.81) vs. RHP José Berríos (11-10, 3.49)	7:05 p.m.	YES

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