



St. Louis Cardinals (10-12-2) vs. Miami Marlins (7-12-4)

Spring Training Game No. 25 • Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium • Jupiter, Florida

RHP Miles Mikolas (0-1, 3.29) vs. RHP Connor Gillispie (0-0, 0.00)

REMAINING SPRING SLATE: The St. Louis Cardinals enter their final week of Grapefruit League play today when they face the Miami Marlins at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium, the 25th of 30 scheduled Spring Training games for the Redbirds.

- St. Louis will break camp in Florida on Monday to fly to Memphis to play the "Battle of the Birds" exhibition with the Triple-A Redbirds at AutoZone Park.
- In nine days, St. Louis will host the Minnesota Twins on Opening Day on March 27, the earliest game in franchise history.

ANDERSON RE-ASSIGNED: The Cardinals reduced their Spring Training roster to 30 players this morning after re-assigning RHP **Nick Anderson** to minor league camp.

- INF/OF **José Barrero** is the lone non-roster invitee remaining in Major League camp.

GRAY TO START OPENING DAY: RHP **Sonny Gray** as the Cardinals Opening Day starter vs. Minnesota on March 27 at Busch Stadium.

- Gray has been the Opening Day starter for his team three times (Oakland 2013 & 2014; Cincinnati 2020); Gray, who was scratched from making the 2016 Athletics Opening Day start due to food poisoning, is lifetime 2-0 with an 0.45 ERA in his three Opening Day starts.
- The three-time All-Star had been named the Cardinals 2024 Opening Day starter before suffering hamstring injury in his 2nd Grapefruit League start on March 4.
- With the start, the Cardinals will have sent a right-hander to the mound on Opening Day in 26 consecutive seasons since 2000 ... LHP **Donovan Osborne** in 1999 vs. Milwaukee was the last St. Louis southpaw.
- The 35-year-old Gray follows **Miles Mikolas**, who started the 2024 opener at 35 years of age ... It marks the first time in Cardinals history in which the Redbirds had two different Opening Day pitchers age 35-or-older in consecutive seasons ... Hall of Famer **Bob Gibson** made five consecutive Opening Day starts at age 35-or-older from 1971-75.

2025 SPRING BREAKOUT HONORS: Starting pitcher **Quinn Mathews** was named to MLB's All-Spring Breakout Second Team by *MLB Pipeline* ... Mathews hurled 3.0 innings of one-hit ball with three strikeouts in the Cardinals come-from-behind 3-3 tie vs. Miami.

- The 24-year-old southpaw enters the season ranked as the organization's No. 2 prospect by *Baseball America* (No. 41 in MLB's Top 100).

Grapefruit League Rankings		
Cardinal	Stat	
Victor Scott II	Stolen Bases: 5	T-3rd
Luken Baker	Home Runs: 4	T-3rd
Nolan Gorman	At-Bats: 46	2nd
	Plate Appearances- 49	3rd
César Prieto	Doubles: 5	T-2nd
	Extra-Base Hits: 6	T-7th
José Fermain	Doubles: 5	T-2nd
Iván Herrera	Extra-Base Hits: 6	T-7th
Lars Nootbaar	Walks: 10	T-2nd
Michael Helman	Sacrifice Flies: 3	T-1st
	Hit By Pitches: 3	T-1st
Ryan Fernandez	Appearances: 8	T-3rd
	Holds: 4	T-2nd
Ryan Helsley	Appearances: 8	T-3rd
	Holds: 4	T-2nd
John King	Holds: 4	T-2nd

CARDINALS MEDIA GUIDE AVAILABLE NOW: The 2025 St. Louis Cardinals Media Guide can be downloaded now at CardinalsPressbox.com, while printed copies are available for purchase for \$20 at Cardinals.com/mediaguide and at Busch Stadium near Opening Day ... The 2025 edition features **Lars Nootbaar**, **Willson Contreras**, **Masyn Winn**, **Brendan Donovan**, and **Sonny Gray** on the cover.

ANNIVERSARIES: 2025 marks the 20th season of Busch Stadium III (2006-present), 40th anniversary of the 1985 National League Champion Cardinals, and 30th season since **Bill DeWitt, Jr.** led the purchase of the Cardinals from Anheuser Busch when he and his partners acquired controlling interest in the franchise (1996-present).

CARDINALS 2025 SPRING SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date/Opp.	Time/Result	Probable Starters/ Winner-Loser-Save	Record	Att.	Broadcast Details/ Game Highlights
2/22 at MIA^	L, 7-6	Rooney-Svanson-Pushard	0-1	3,996	Arenado 1-2; Barrero 1-2, 2 RBI; Liberatore 2.0 IP
2/23 vs. HOU	L, 11-6	Blubaugh-Robberse	0-2	4,841	Wetherholt 2-3, HR, 3 RBI; Yeager 2-2, HR
2/24 vs. NYM	W, 7-4	Leahy-Suarez-Muñoz	1-2	4,633	Baker 1-4, HR, 4 RBI; Barrero HR; Contreras 2-3
2/25 at TOR	L, 3-2	Y.Garcia-Bedell-Juenger	1-3	5,495	Scott 2-3, 3B, HR; Mathews 2 IP, 0 R, 3 K
2/26 at NYY	L, 7-0	Warren-Hence	1-4	8,655	McGreevy 2.0 IP, 2 K; Fernandez 1.0 IP, 3 K
2/27 vs. MIA	W, 8-4	Liberatore-Bellozo	2-4	4,318	Arenado 3-R HR; Contreras 2-2; Scott 2 SB
2/28 at HOU	L, 3-2	Walter-Fedde-Gusto	2-5	2,377	Prieto 1-1, 2B; Bernal 1-1; Roby 3.0 IP
3/1 vs. WSH (ss)	W, 3-2	Svanson-Grisso, Jr.	3-5	4,670	Contreras 2-run HR; Saggese walk-off 1B
3/2 at MIA^	L, 5-3	Soriano-King-Belgrave	3-6	3,599	Nootbaar 2B, BB; Baker 2-run HR; Walker SF
3/3	OPEN DATE				
3/4 vs. NYM	W, 6-1	Pallante-Megill	4-6	4,899	Scott 2B, SB; Arenado 2-run 2B; Koperniak HR
at WSH	W, 6-4	Rajcic-Lara	5-6	2,071	Saggese HR; Y. Peña GW 2-run HR
3/5 at HOU	L, 6-5	Ullola-Loutos	5-7	2,338	Baker HR; Barrero HR; Herrera 2 2B
3/6 vs. WSH	L, 12-1	Soroka-Roby	5-8	4,811	Contreras 2-3; Fedde 3.0 IP, 0 H; Nootbaar 1-2
3/7 vs. HOU	W, 6-4	Anderson-Blubaugh-Gomez	6-8	5,182	Herrera HR; Bernal HR; Fermin 1-2, 2 BB
3/8 at WSH	W, 5-3	Matz-Herz-Leahy	7-8	3,818	Saggese 2-3, 2 R; Pages 1-3, 2 R; Baker 2 BB
3/9 vs. NYY	W, 6-5	Romero-Cohen-Roycroft	8-8	7,463	Preito GW HR; Koperniak GT HR; Gorman HR
3/10 at NYM	L, 8-0	Canning-Gray	8-9	6,097	Barrero 1-1, 2B; Baker 1-3; Gorman 1-3
3/11 vs. MIA	L, 12-5	Weathers-Fedde	8-10	4,675	Barrero 2-3; Herrera 2B; Prieto 1-2
3/12 vs. NYM	L, 2-0	Blackburn-Miolas-Shook	8-11	5,807	Mikolas 5.0 IP; Pages 1-3, 2B; Scott 1-3, SB
3/13 at HOU	T, 1-1	---	8-11-1	2,756	Herrera 3B, Koperniak 2B; Matz 4.2 IP
3/14 SPG Breakout	T, 3-3	at Miami Marlins	---	---	Mathews 3.0 IP; Prieto 2-2, 2B
at NYM	T, 3-3	---	8-11-2	7,142	McGreevy 4.0 IP; Pozo 2-R HR; Koperniak 2-4
3/15 vs. TOR	W, 9-5	Pallante-Little	9-11-2	6,041	Burleson HR; Nootbaar HR; Donovan 3-4
3/16 at MIA^	L, 11-5	Quantrill-Gray	9-12-2	6,838	Baker 2-R HR; Herrera 2-2; Scott 1-2, 2B, BB
3/17 at WSH	W, 6-2	Fedde-Gore	10-12-2	3,442	Scott 2-4, HR; Fermin 2-5, 2 2B, 4 RBI
3/18 vs. MIA	1:05	RHP Miles Mikolas vs. RHP Connor Gillispie			FanDuel Sports Network // Cardinals.com
3/19 vs. WSH	1:05	LHP Steven Matz vs. TBA			FanDuel Sports Network // KMOX
3/20	OPEN DATE				
3/21 vs. HOU	1:05	RHP Sonny Gray vs. TBA			KMOX
at NYM	1:10	RHP Michael McGreevy vs. RHP Clay Holmes			MLB.TV
3/22 at MIA (ss)^	1:10				KMOX
3/23 vs. WSH (ss)	1:05				KMOX
3/24 at Memphis	7:15				KMOX

Game times are local and subject to change

^ Cardinals are "visiting" team at Roger Dean



CARDINALS 2025 SPRING RECAP

Record	Attendance
vs. NL.....8-7-1	Home (11).....57,340
vs. AL.....2-5-1	Home Avg5,213
at Home7-4-0	Road (13).....58,624
on Road3-8-2	Road Avg4,599
at RDCS*7-7-0	Total.....115,964
*Includes road games at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium	
	Home High.....7,463
	March 9 vs. Yankees

ST. LOUIS OPENING DAY FORECAST

March 27 at 3:15pm CT vs. Minnesota Twins

Day: Morning sun w/ increasing clouds. High: 65°
Winds SSW at 5-10 mph. Chance of rain 20%

Night: Mostly cloudy skies. Low: 46°
Winds ESE at 5-10 mph. Chance of rain 25%

RECENT CARDINALS SPRING TRAININGS

Year	W-L-T	Team BA	Team ERA
2025	10-12-2	.224	4.53
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
2016	11-13-3	.263	3.81

*Reached Postseason

CARDINALS SPRING TRAINING RECORDS AT STADIUMS SINCE 2006

at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium... 172-133-30
as the home team 149-103-23
as the visiting team vs. Marlins 23-30-7
at Clover Park..... 25-25-7
at CACTI Park of the Palm Beaches..... 24-19-5
vs. the Nationals 18-7-1
vs. the Astros 6-12-4
at George M. Steinbrenner Field..... 4-2-0
at TD Ballpark..... 0-1-0

RECENT NON-ROSTER INVITEES TO MAKE CARDS OPENING DAY ROSTERS

2024: OF Victor Scott II **2015:** RHP Carlos Villanueva
2023: INF Taylor Motter **2014:** RHP Pat Neshek
OF Jordan Walker **2013:** none
2022: RHP Aaron Brooks **2012:** RHP Scott Linebrink
RHP Andre Pallante **2011:** RHP Miguel Batista
2021: none **2010:** none
2020: RHP Kodi Whitley **2009:** OF Colby Rasmus
2019: C Matt Wieters 3B David Freese
2018: C Francisco Peña INF Joe Thurston
2017: C Eric Fryer **2008:** LHP Ron Villone
2016: C Eric Fryer INF Rico Washington
OF Jeremy Hazelbaker

RECENT CARDINALS TRANSACTIONS

March 18: Re-assigned RHP **Nick Anderson** to minor league camp.

March 16: Optioned INF **Michael Helman**, INF **Thomas Saggese**, and OF **Matt Koperniak** to Memphis (AAA) following the game. Re-assigned RHP **Michael Gomez**, RHP **Andre Granillo**, C **Gavin Collins**, C **Wade Stauss**, C **Chance Sisco**, C **Yohel Pozo**, INF **César Prieto**, INF **RJ Yeager**, OF **Nathan Church**, and OF **Ryan Vilade** to minor league camp following the game.

March 15: Optioned RHP **Riley O'Brien** to Memphis (AAA).

March 14: Optioned RHP **Rodderly Muñoz** to Memphis (AAA) following the game.

March 13: Signed RHP **Phil Maton** to a one-year contract for 2025 ... Optioned RHP **Gordon Graceffo** to Memphis (AAA) before the game.

TODAY’S PITCHERS

#39 MILES MIKOLAS (RHP) · R/R · 36 yrs · 6-4, 225 lbs

- Enters his 8th season (was injured in 2020) with the Cardinals in 2025. Leads active pitchers in innings pitched (1,004.2), wins (60), strikeouts (733) and games started (172) as a Cardinal.
- Did not commit an error between 8/3/18 and 8/31/24, a span of 146 errorless games (145 starts) and 155 total chances, and was one of only two pitchers with at least 75 total chances and zero errors in that span, along with teammate Andre Pallante (76 TC).
- Pitched at least 200.0 innings in 2022 and 2023 to become the first Cardinals pitcher with consecutive 200+ inning seasons since Adam Wainwright and Lance Lynn in 2013-14.
- Has thrown 10,582 of his overall 15,634 pitches for strikes (67.7%) since 2018.
- Two-time National League All-Star (2018 and 2022).
- Posted a career-high 72.1% first strike percentage in 2024 that is the highest single-season mark by a Cardinals qualified pitcher since the stat was first tracked in 1988.
- Led MLB with 15 starts without a walk, his single-season career-high, the third-most by a Cardinals pitcher all-time, trailing only Bob Tewksbury's 19 in 1992 and 16 in 1993, and the most by a National League pitcher since Bartolo Colón had 15 in 2015 for the New York Mets.

#56 RYAN HELSLEY (RHP) · R/R · 30 yrs · 6-1, 235 lbs

- Helsley is the longest tenured player in the Cardinals organization, drafted in the 5th round in 2015.
- Led Major League Baseball and established a new Cardinals single-season franchise record in saves (49) in 2024, breaking Trevor Rosenthal's record of 48 saves from 2015. Was named the 2024 Trevor Hoffman National League Reliever of the Year.
- Two-time National League All-Star (2022 & 2024).
- His 84 career saves tie Ryan Franklin for 6th all-time in Cardinals history.
- Did not allow a run in an MLB-best 44 of 53 save opportunities in 2024, while 53 of his overall 65 outings were scoreless.
- Has averaged 98.8 MPH on his fastball since his MLB debut season in 2019, 2nd-fastest in MLB behind Emmanuel Clase (99.6) - *minimum 2,000 pitches*.

#58 CHRIS ROYCROFT (RHP) · R/R · 27 yrs · 6-7, 240 lbs

- Signed by the Cardinals as a minor league free agent, two days after his 25th birthday, following playing two seasons in the independent leagues for Joliet Slammers of the Frontier League, the local team near his hometown and college.
- Profiled the lowest hard hit percentage (exit velocity of 95 MPH or more) on a four-seam fastball (13.0%) of pitchers facing 40 or more batters in 2024.
- Climbed three levels during the 2023 season from Peoria (High-A) to Memphis (AAA) before making his Major League debut in 2024.
- Appeared in a career-high 63 games between Memphis (36) and St. Louis (27).
- Began the season in Memphis (AAA) before his contract was selected on May 7 and made his MLB debut that night against the Mets. Struck out the side in the 9th inning while allowing one run. Fanned Francisco Lindor swinging for his first Major League strikeout. Surrendered a home run to two-time All-Star Game Home Run Derby Winner, Pete Alonso, as the next batter, challenging him on a 1-2 pitch.
- Did not allow another Major League home run until July 29, a span of 120 batters over 21 appearances (26.1 IP).
- Was a two-sport athlete in high school and college, playing basketball.

PITCHING LOGS

NICK ANDERSON (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-NYM	---	1.0	1	1	1	0	1
2/27-MIA	---	1.0	2	0	0	0	0
3/4-WSH	---	0.1	3	4	4	2	1
3/7-HOU	W-1	1.0	3	1	1	0	1
3/11-MIA	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/15-TOR	---	1.0	2	2	2	0	1

ERICK FEDDE (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22-MIA	---	1.0	2	0	0	0	0
2/28-HOU	L-1	2.0	1	1	1	0	3
3/6-WSH	---	3.0	0	0	0	2	1
3/11-MIA	L-2	4.0	7	6	6	1	0
3/17-WSH	W-1	5.0	3	1	0	1	4

RYAN FERNANDEZ (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22-MIA	H-1	1.0	2	0	0	1	1
2/26-NYY	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	3
3/1-WSH	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/4-NYM	H-2	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
3/7-HOU	H-3	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/10-NYM	---	1.0	2	2	2	0	0
3/14-NYM	H-4	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/17-WSH	---	1.0	2	1	1	0	0

ANDRE GRANILLO (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/23-HOU	---	0.2	2	2	0	1	1
3/2-MIA	---	0.1	0	0	0	1	1
3/5-HOU	---	0.1	0	0	0	0	1
3/10-NYM	---	0.1	0	0	0	0	1
3/16-MIA	---	1.1	0	0	0	0	2

SONNY GRAY (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
3/5-HOU	---	2.2	4	3	3	0	3
3/10-NYM	L-1	4.0	6	4	4	1	4
3/16-MIA	L-2	3.0	6	8	8	5	5

RYAN HELSLEY (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-NYM	H-1	1.0	3	2	2	0	0
2/28-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/4-NYM	H-2	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/8-WSH	H-3	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/11-MIA	---	1.0	1	1	0	0	1
3/15-TOR	H-4	1.0	0	0	0	0	0

JOHN KING (LHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/23-HOU	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
2/27-MIA	---	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
3/2-MIA	L-1	0.2	5	3	3	1	0
3/5-HOU	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/8-WSH	H-2	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
3/12-NYM	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/14-NYM	H-3	1.0	3	1	1	0	0
3/17-WSH	H-4	1.0	0	0	0	0	1

KYLE LEAHY (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-NYM	---	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
2/27-MIA	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/4-NYM	H-2	2.0	1	0	0	0	3
3/8-WSH	S-1	2.0	2	0	0	0	1
3/13-HOU	---	2.0	1	0	0	0	3
3/17-WSH	---	2.0	2	0	0	0	3

MATTHEW LIBERATORE (LHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22-MIA	---	2.0	0	0	0	0	1
2/27-MIA	---	2.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/4-WSH	---	3.0	0	0	0	1	2
3/10-NYM	---	2.2	4	2	2	1	1
3/16-MIA	---	3.0	3	0	0	0	2

STEVEN MATZ (LHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24-NYM	---	2.0	0	0	0	1	0
3/2-MIA	---	3.0	2	1	1	2	3
3/8-WSH	W-1	4.0	5	2	2	0	3
3/13-HOU	---	4.2	2	1	1	2	3

MICHAEL MCGREEVY (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/26-NYY	---	2.0	0	0	0	0	2
3/4-WSH	---	3.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/9-NYY	---	2.2	5	1	1	0	1
3/14-NYM	---	4.0	3	1	1	0	4

MILES MIKOLAS (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/23-HOU	---	2.0	2	0	0	1	0
3/1-WSH	---	2.2	3	2	2	0	1
3/7-HOU	---	4.0	4	2	2	1	3
3/12-NYM	L-1	5.0	5	1	1	1	3

ANDRE PALLANTE (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/27-MIA	---	1.0	5	4	4	2	0
3/4-NYM	W-1	3.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/9-NYY	---	4.0	8	4	4	1	2
3/15-TOR	W-2	5.0	6	3	2	2	5

JOJO ROMERO (LHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/23-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	2	3
2/27-MIA	H-1	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/2-MIA	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
3/5-HOU	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	3
3/9-NYY	W-1	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
3/13-HOU	---	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/15-TOR	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	2

CHRIS ROYCROFT (RHP)							
DATE-OPP	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/22-MIA	H-1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
2/26-NYY	--	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
3/2-MIA	---	1.0	1	0	0	1	1
3/5-HOU	---	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
3/9-NYY	S-1	1.0	0	0	0	0	3
3/13-HOU	---	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
3/15-TOR	---	1.0	1	0	0	1	1