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MINNESOTA TWINS (12-23) vs. OAKLAND ATHLETICS (23-16)

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021 - 7:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

GAME 36

RHP Matt Shoemaker (2-3, 6.43) vs. RHP Frankie Montas (4-2, 5.50)

HOME GAME 18

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
5/15	vs. Oakland	RHP José Berrios (3-2, 3.49) vs. LHP Cole Irvin (3-4, 3.29)	3:05 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North, FS1	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf
5/16	vs. Oakland	RHP Kenta Maeda (2-2, 5.08) vs. RHP Chris Bassitt (3-2, 3.54)	1:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / twinsbeisbol.com

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Under Baldelli (since '19):	149-108
Home Record:	6-11
Road Record:	6-12
Record in series:	3-7-0
Record in home series:	1-4-0
Record in road series:	2-3-0
Series Openers:	6-6
Series Finales:	5-5
Rubber Games:	3-2
Sweeps/Swept:	0/2
April:	9-15
May:	3-8
June:	
July:	
August:	
September/October:	
Day Games:	7-16
Night Games:	5-7
vs. American League East:	1-3
vs. American League Central:	6-8
vs. American League West:	2-9
vs. National League:	3-3
Games vs. LH Starter:	4-9
Games vs. RH Starter:	8-14
Twins score first:	10-12
Opponent scores first:	2-11
Come-from-behind wins:	2
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	12-4/11-4
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	0-11/0-11
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	0-4/1-4
Extra-innings:	0-7
1-run games:	3-8
Twins out-hit opp.:	10-4
Opp. out-hit Twins:	2-17
Twins/Opp. have = hits:	0-2
Run Differential:	-15 (163-178)
Twins get Quality Start:	6-3
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	7-3
Most games over .500:	3, 4/8
Most games under .500:	11, 5/14
Longest win-streak:	3, 4/3-5
Longest losing-streak:	5, 4/10-14
When Twins score 4+:	9-5
When Twins score 3-:	3-18
Twins get 10+ hits:	5-5
Days in First Place:	7
Days in Second Place:	2
Days in Third Place:	5
Days in Fourth Place:	21
Days in Fifth Place:	5
Walk-Off W/L:	1/4
Shutouts W/L:	2/2
Complete Games:	
Attendance High:	9,997, 5/2 vs. KC
Attendance Total:	142,340
Attendance Average:	8,896
Target Field Sellouts - 2021/All-Time:	8/181

THE TWINS: The Twins went 1-4 in five games on their last roadtrip, going 1-1 in Detroit and 0-3 in Chicago...tonight the Twins will begin a six-game homestand with three vs. the A's this weekend and three vs. the White Sox from Monday-Wednesday...the Twins are 6-11 at home this season and 6-12 on the road.

☞ Twins are 2-9 vs. AL West opponents this season, going 1-2 vs. Seattle, 0-1 vs. Los Angeles-AL, 0-3 vs. Oakland and 1-3 vs. Texas.

TWINS SUFFER SWEEP ON SOUTH SIDE: The Twins lost to the White Sox yesterday afternoon by a score of 4-2, suffering the three-game series sweep, their second of the season (also April 20-21 at Oakland)...Michael Pineda (2-2) was the starter and loser, allowing three runs on four hits in 5.1 innings pitched with a season-high seven strikeouts...the offense recorded just five hits, walked five times and struck out 13 times...Max Kepler hit his third home run of the season in the eighth inning.

☞ Over the three-game series, the Twins totaled 27 hits and struck out 30 times.

NOT SO ATHLETIC: The Twins and Athletics are playing each other for the fourth of six scheduled meetings in 2021...the Twins were swept at the Coliseum in three games from April 20-21, getting outscored 21-12 and suffering shutouts in the first two games comprising a doubleheader...the Twins have gone 16-34 vs. the A's since the start of 2013 for a winning percentage of just .320, the Twins' second-lowest winning percentage against any team in that span (New York-AL - .304).

☞ Nelson Cruz is hitting .260 (174-for-670) with 32 doubles, 37 home runs, 120 RBI, 54 walks and a .795 OPS in 179 career games vs. the A's...among actives, he ranks first in RBI, second in home runs and games, third in walks and fourth in hits.

☞ Josh Donaldson is hitting .305 (29-for-95) with seven doubles, five home runs, 18 RBI, 20 walks, a .431 on-base percentage and a .968 OPS in 26 career games against his former team...he went 6-for-11 with a walk and a home run last series vs. the A's.

☞ Jorge Polanco has reached safely in five of his last six vs. the A's, including four hits in his last game on April 21.

☞ Lifetime vs. Montas: Cruz is 3-for-7 with a double and two home runs...Donaldson is 3-for-4 with two home runs.

POLO ON FIRE: Jorge Polanco has hit safely in a season-long five-straight games, hitting .476 (10-for-21) in that span...in fact, in his last 23 games, dating back to April 14, he is hitting .321 (26-for-81) with six doubles, one triple, three home runs, 12 RBI, eight walks and a .915 OPS.

☞ Additionally, since that date, he is hitting .344 (11-for-32) as a right-handed batter and .306 (15-for-46) as a left-handed batter.

LIVE IN FRONT OF ASTUDILLO AUDIENCE!: Williams Astudillo has hit safely in seven straight games, currently tied for fifth longest active streak in the AL...during the streak, he is hitting .385 (10-for-26) with one double, two home runs, five RBI and three strikeouts...it marks the longest streak of his career, passing his previous high of six, done once in 2019 and once in 2018.

☞ In his last 35 games, dating back to September 26, 2019, he is hitting .320 (33-for-103) with five doubles, five home runs, 18 RBI and a .515 slugging percentage.

INNING BREAKDOWN: Below are the Twins are some numbers and MLB rankings in specific inning groups:
Innings 1-3 270 (111-for-411) w/ 70 runs scored & a .818 OPS 4th in AVG/2nd in OPS
Innings 4-6 244 (100-for-410) w/ 54 runs scored & a .715 OPS 12th in AVG/15th in OPS
Innings 7-9 216 (75-for-347) w/ 37 runs scored & a .678 OPS 19th in AVG/13th in OPS

☞ Twins have an opponent batting average in the first inning of .312 (43-for-138), the second best in baseball, trailing Chicago-AL (.322)...they have eight home runs in the first inning, third most in baseball trailing Atlanta (14) and Philadelphia (12).

HOMER HAPPY: Twins have homered 33 times in their last 19 games, dating back to April 21...they lead baseball since that date, ahead of New York-AL (31), Texas (30) and Toronto (30).

☞ Nelson Cruz has five home runs since that date, tied for ninth-most in the AL.

RAMPING UP TARGET FIELD: With last Thursday's announcement from Governor Tim Walz outlining a three-step timeline to end nearly all state COVID-19 restrictions, the Twins yesterday detailed their own multi-phased ramp up to full capacity for home games at Target Field, along with corresponding ticket details...for the 12 Twins home games scheduled between May 14-30, Target Field will operate at up to 60 percent capacity (tickets are on sale now); for the club's 12 home contests in June, there will be up to 80 percent capacity; lastly, beginning on July 5, Target Field will have full, 100 percent capacity for the Twins' final 40 regular season home games of 2021...tickets for the final 52 scheduled regular season home games, beginning June 8, will go on sale to the general public beginning at noon CT on Thursday, May 20...please note that all planned capacity changes are subject to change, per future public health guidance.

☞ Effective immediately, all guests at Target Field are strongly encouraged, but not required, to wear face coverings while in the ballpark's outdoor spaces, except when actively eating or drinking...per current City of Minneapolis ordinance, face coverings remain mandated for guests ages two (2) and over while in Target Field's indoor dining, bar and retail areas, unless actively eating or drinking.

THIS AND THAT:

☞ Josh Donaldson has reached safely in each of his last 12 starts, dating back to April 28.

☞ Twins enter tonight with an average exit velocity of 89.8, tied for fourth best in baseball with New York-AL and trailing Toronto (90.0) and Atlanta (89.9).

☞ Nelson Cruz has the eighth-best barrels-per-plate appearance percentage in baseball with 11.6.

STREAKS

Current Streak	4 losses
Last 5 games	1-4
Last 10 games	3-7
Last 15 games	5-10
Last 20 games	6-14

TWINS VS. ATHLETICS

2021 Record:	0-3
Current Streak:	3 losses
2021 at Home:	
2021 at Oakland:	0-3
All-Time Record (since '61):	374-369
All-Time at Home:	209-165
All-Time on Road:	165-204

2021 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
4/19	OAK	--	*PPD*
4/20	OAK	0-7	Manaea/Shoemaker
**	OAK	0-1	Luzardo/Berrios/Diekman
4/21	OAK	12-13 (10)	Colomé/Guerra
5/14	MIN		7:10 p.m. (CT)
5/15	MIN		3:05 p.m. (CT)
5/16	MIN		1:10 p.m. (CT)

LAST ROADTRIP (1-4)

Batting average	.266
Runs Per Game	4.60
Home Runs	7
RISP	1.83
Errors	2

Team ERA	7.24
Starters W-L	1-2
Starters ERA	6.20
Relievers W-L-S	0-2-0
Relievers ERA	8.82
Saves/Opps	0/0

BARRELS SINCE APRIL 23

Giancarlo Stanton, NYY	12
Ronald Acuña Jr., ATL	11
Josh Donaldson, MIN	9
Shohei Ohtani, LAA	9
Kyle Seager, SEA	9
Austin Hays, BAL	9
Xander Bogaerts, BOS	9

NELSON CRUZ WITH 2 STRIKES

STAT	MLB RANK	#
OPS	2nd	.922
SLG	1st	.583
HR	T-2nd	5
Exit Velo	2nd	104.0 mph

NELSON CRUZ - HR BY OPPONENT

Los Angeles-AL	50
Oakland	37
Kansas City	31
Cleveland	26
Detroit	26
Houston	25
Toronto	25

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

5/12	RHP Anderson recalled from AAA LHP Smeltzer placed on 10-day IL
5/11	IF/OF Arraez reinstated from 7-day IL IF Gordon optioned to AAA RHP Law selected from AAA RHP Stashak optioned to AAA IF Blankenhorn designated for release or assignment
5/7	OF Buxton placed on 10-day IL OF Larnach recalled from AAA
5/6	LHP Smeltzer recalled from AAA LHP Thorpe optioned to AAA
5/5	LHP Thorpe recalled from AAA LHP Waddell optioned to AAA OF/1B Kirilloff placed on 10-day IL IF Sanó reinstated from 10-day IL
5/4	IF Arraez placed on 7-day IL IF Gordon recalled from AAA

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UPCOMING MILESTONES

PLAYER	CURRENT NO.	MILESTONE WITHIN REACH
Rocco Baldelli	149 wins	Needs 1 to reach 150 for career.
Alex Colomé	399 strikeouts	Needs 1 to reach 400 for career.
Nelson Cruz	426 home runs	Needs 1 to pass Billy Williams and move into sole possession of 51st on MLB all-time list.
Andrelton Simmons	192 doubles	Needs 8 to reach 200 for career.
Miguel Sanó	133 home runs	Needs 8 to tie Michael Cuddyer (141) for 12th on Twins all-time list.
	99 doubles	Needs 1 to reach 100 for career.

ALL-TIME HOME RUN LIST

46) Carlos Beltrán	435
47) Juan Gonzalez	434
Andruw Jones	434
49) Cal Ripken, Jr.	431
50) Mike Piazza	427
51) Nelson Cruz	426
Billy Williams	426



MATT SHOEMAKER

#32

Height: 6-2 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 34 (9/27/86 in Wyandotte, MI)

2021: 2-3, 6.43 ERA CAREER: 45-36, 3.97 ERA

☞ Making his seventh start of the season and the 111th of his career...also his 118th career game.
 ☞ 2021 marks ninth season in the majors and first with the Twins...spent 2013-18 with Los Angeles-AL and 2019-20 with Toronto.

2021 DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opp.	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	Left/Final	Notes	Pitches/K							
4/5	at DET	W1	6.0	3	1	1	1	0	5	15-1/15-6	Twins debut; career-high 15 RS	92/65 (70.7%)							
4/11	vs. SEA	ND	5.0	7	4	4	2	1	7	6-4/6-8	5 shutout IP before allowing 4 ER in 6th	91/59 (64.8%)							
4/20	at OAK-1	L1	3.1	4	5	5	2	4	0	0-3/0-7	Second career app. with 0 K	67/39 (58.2%)							
4/25	vs. PIT	L2	5.1	6	2	2	0	1	2	1-2/2-6	No ER allowed after 2 in 1st	91/57 (62.6%)							
APRIL TOTALS 1-2											19.2 20 12 12 5 6 14	5.49 ERA							
5/1	vs. KC	L3	3.1	8	9	8	2	2	0	0-8/3-11	8 ER tied a career high	68/49 (72.1%)							
5/7	at DET	W2	5.0	4	0	0	2	5	2	2-0/7-3	1st GS w/ 5+ IP and 0 ER since 4/3/19	86/53 (61.6%)							
MAY TOTALS 1-1											8.1 12 9 8 2 4 5	8.64 ERA							
RECORD											IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	ERA	
2021 TOTALS											2-3	28.0	32	21	20	7	10	19	6.43
CAREER TOTALS											45-36	630.1	597	292	278	92	157	559	3.97

LAST TIME OUT: Pitched 5.0 shutout innings a week ago in the series opener at Detroit en route to a 7-3 Twins victory...struck out five, including back-to-back hitters in the fourth inning to help him escape a first-and-third, no-outs jam...earned his second win of the season, snapping his three-start losing skid...the Michigan native improved to 2-0, 0.82 ERA (11.0 IP, 1 ER) in two starts vs. Detroit this season (both at Comerica Park), while he is 0-3, 10.06 ERA (17.0 IP, 19 ER) in his other four starts...was his first start of at least 5.0 innings with no runs allowed since April 3, 2019 vs. Baltimore (7.0 IP, 0 R).

TWO STARTS AGO: Lost his third-consecutive start May 1 vs. Kansas City after allowing nine runs (8 ER) on eight hits in just 3.1 innings...nine runs set a new career high and eight earned runs matched his single-start most, while 3.1 innings tied a season low (also April 20 at OAK-1)...surrendered a two-run homer to Salvador Perez in the third and a solo shot to Ryan O'Hearn leading off the fourth...became the third starting pitcher in Twins history to allow at least eight earned runs, two home runs, two walks and have zero strikeouts in a start, first since Neal Heaton on September 7, 1986 at Boston...picked off Michael A. Taylor in the second inning, his 10th career pickoff and second this season, matching his single-season career-high (also picked off 2 in 2014, 2015 and 2017)...Twins went on to fall to the Royals 11-3

KNOW YOUR ENEMY: Making his 18th career appearance (17th start) vs. Oakland, his most of any opponent...is 6-4, 4.42 ERA (79.1 IP, 39 ER) with 31 walks and 63 strikeouts against the A's...six wins are tied for his most against any opponent (Detroit - 6).

- ☞ From September 1, 2015 to March 31, 2018 went undefeated in seven starts vs. Oakland, going 5-0, 2.38 ERA (41.2 IP, 11 ER) with 18 walks and 35 strikeouts, his longest winning streak vs. any team.
- ☞ Pitched 7.0 shutout innings with no walks and seven strikeouts in his first career start (second appearance) vs. the A's on August 31, 2014 while pitching for Los Angeles-AL.
- ☞ Making his second start vs. Oakland this season...last pitched against the A's on April 20 in the first game of a doubleheader at the Oakland Coliseum...allowed five runs on four hits (2 HR) with four walks and no strikeouts over just 3.1 innings, his shortest outing of the season at the time.

THE WILD, WILD WEST: Is making his 54th career appearance (49th start) against a team from the AL West, by far his highest total out of any division...owns a career 17-16, 4.38 ERA (267.0 IP, 130 ER) with 72 walks and 233 strikeouts in his previous 53 games against the division.

- ☞ Has made two starts against the AL West this season, going 0-1, 9.72 ERA (8.1 IP, 9 ER) with five walks and seven strikeouts against Seattle and Oakland.

SOMETIMES IT'S HOW YOU START: Is allowing an opponent batting average of .191 (9-for-47) his first time through the order...opponent batting average rises to .327 (16-for-49) the second time through, and .438 (7-for-16) the third time around.

- ☞ Allowing a .190 (4-for-21) opponent batting average in the first inning, his lowest of any frame...the first is also the only inning in which he has appeared that he has not allowed a home run.
- ☞ Opponents are hitting .197 (12-for-61) on pitches 1-45 before improving to .392 (20-for-51) on pitches 46-92.

NIGHT OWL: Making his second-consecutive night start...for his career, owns a record of 37-21, 3.68 ERA (462.1 IP, 189 ER) in 84 night games (78 starts) as compared to his 8-15, 4.77 ERA (168.0 IP, 89 ER) in 34 day games (32 starts).

- ☞ Last start was his first and only night start of the year (May 7 at DET - 5.0 IP, 4 H, 0 R, 2 BB, 5 K).
- ☞ Won five consecutive night starts from May 12-June 9, 2017 while pitching for Los Angeles-AL...went 5-0, 2.53 ERA (32.0 IP, 9 ER) with nine walks and 30 strikeouts during that stretch.
- ☞ Has made two previous night starts at Target Field (once each with LAA and TOR), going 0-0, 5.40 ERA (10.0 IP, 6 ER) with seven walks and six strikeouts...his team has won both games, despite Shoemaker not factoring into the decision in either start.

BELOW THE AVERAGE: Held opponents to a .210 batting average last season, the 17th lowest among AL starting pitchers (minimum 100 batters faced)...left-handed batters hit .194 (12-for-62) with two doubles and five home runs while right-handed batters hit .233 (10-for-43) with one double and three home runs.

- ☞ He posted a .272 opponent OBP, which ranked 13th lowest among AL starting pitchers (min. 100 BF)...by comparison, current staff-mate, Kenta Maeda, led the AL (.202).

TROUBLE IN THE TRAINER'S ROOM: After averaging roughly 23 starts per season from 2014-16, he made 14 starts in 2017, seven starts in 2018, five starts in 2019 and six starts in 2020, missing significant time in each season after suffering from injuries...below are his Injured List stints over the last four seasons:

DATES	INJURY	TEAM
June 17-end of 2017 season	Right Forearm Strain	Los Angeles-AL
April 3-September 3, 2018	Right Forearm Strain	Los Angeles-AL
April 21-end of 2019 season	Torn Left ACL	Toronto
August 22-September 21, 2020	Right Shoulder inflammation	Toronto

2020 NOTES:

- ☞ Made six starts for Toronto, going 0-1, 4.71 ERA (28.2 IP, 15 ER), nine walks, 26 strikeouts, a 1.08 WHIP and .210 opponent batting average (22-for-105).
- ☞ Surpassed 600.0 career innings pitched on September 21 vs. New York-AL.
- ☞ Held left-handed batters to a .194 (12-for-62) batting average, the 10th-best mark among American League right-handed starting pitchers (min. 60 opponent at-bats).

TOMORROW'S STARTER - JOSÉ BERRÍOS (2021 SEASON- 3-2, 3.49 ERA // CAREER- 51-40, 4.15 ERA)

Berrios will make his eighth start of the season tomorrow afternoon in the second game of the three-game series with Oakland...will be the 123rd start of his career and 124th appearance...owns a career 0-3, 4.10 ERA (26.1 IP, 12 ER) with 23 strikeouts in five games/starts vs. Oakland...last pitched against the A's on April 20 in the second game of the doubleheader, taking the loss despite allowing just one run on four hits over 5.0 innings in a Twins 1-0 loss...collected his second quality start of the season last Saturday in Detroit but did not factor into the decision, allowing two runs on six hits with five walks and one strikeout...five walks were his most in a game since August 9, 2018 at Cleveland (6 BB) and one strikeout was his fewest in a game since July 24, 2020 at Chicago-AL (also 1).

2021 HIGHS

CG's: --
 SHO's: --
 CG Low Hit: --
 Innings: 6.0, 4/5 at DET
 SO's: 7, 4/11 vs. SEA
 Walks: 4, 4/20 at OAK-1
 Hits: 8, 5/1 vs. KC
 Home Runs: 2, 3x, last 5/1 vs. KC
 Win-Streak: 1, 2x, last 5/7
 Loss-Streak: 3, 4/20-5/1

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: 1, 7/16/16 vs. CWS
 SHO's: 1, 7/16/16 vs. CWS
 CG Low-Hit: 6, 7/16/16 vs. CWS
 Innings: 9.0, 7/16/16 vs. CWS
 SO's: 13, 7/16/16 vs. CWS
 Walks: 4, 5x, last 4/20/21 at OAK-1
 Hits: 12, 8/13/16 at CLE
 Home Runs: 3, 4x, last 8/4/20 at ATL
 Win-Streak: 9, 8/9/14-4/13/15
 Loss-Streak: 4, 4/19-5/11/16

CAREER NOTES

- Has accumulated 7.037 years of major league service time, the third most among current Twins pitchers.
- Became only MLB pitcher (since 1908) with 7.0+ IP, two hits or fewer given up, and no runs allowed in each of his first two games of a season in 2019 with Toronto.
- Named AL Pitcher of the Week in July of 2016.
- Named both the AL Pitcher of the Month and AL Rookie of the Month for August of 2014.
- Finished second in the 2014 AL Rookie of the Year voting behind Chicago-AL's José Abreu.
- Made major league debut on September 20, 2013 for the Angels vs. Seattle.
- Named a Texas League Midseason and Postseason All-Star in 2011
- Named Double-A Arkansas Pitcher of the Year in 2011.
- Named an Angels MiLB.com organization All-Star in 2011.

2021 MISC. NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G/GS	IP	ER	AVG	H	AB	HR	BB	SO
Home:	0	2	9.22	3/3	13.2	14	Vs. Left:	.327	18	55	5	6
Road:	2	1	3.77	3/3	14.1	6	Vs. Right:	.246	14	57	2	4
Day:	1	3	7.83	5/5	23.0	20	TOTALS:	.286	32	112	7	10
Night:	1	0	0.00	1/1	5.0	0	None On:	.260	19	73	4	6
Grass:	2	3	6.43	6/6	28.0	20	Runners On:	.333	13	39	3	4
Turf:	--	--	--	--	--	--						

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS	YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS
2013	1	0	0	2018	7	0	0
2014	20	11	11	2019	5	3	3
2015	24	13	12	2020	6	2	2
2016	27	19	16	2021	6	1	1
2017	14	7	5	TOTALS	110	56	50

MORE 2021 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

	BASE RUNNERS	PICK-OFFS	SB-ATT	GIDP
SHOEMAKER:	43	2	3-3	2

2021 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

INNING:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
RUNS/HITS:	4/4	2/4	2/6	5/8	1/5	4/5	-/-	-/-	-/-

SHOEMAKER VS. OAKLAND

2021 vs. Oakland (1 start): 0-1, 13.50 ERA (3.1 IP, 5 ER), 4 BB, 0 K
 2021 vs. Oakland at Home (0 starts): --
 2021 vs. Oakland on Road (1 start): 0-1, 13.50 ERA (3.1 IP, 5 ER), 4 BB, 0 K
 Career vs. Oakland (17 games, 16 starts): 6-4, 4.42 ERA (79.1 IP, 39 ER), 31 BB, 63 K
 Career vs. Oakland at Home (7 games, 6 starts): 3-2, 4.06 ERA (31.0 IP, 14 ER), 10 BB, 28 K
 Career vs. Oakland on Road (10 games/starts): 3-2, 4.66 ERA (48.1 IP, 25 ER), 21 BB, 35 K

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Shoemaker vs. the Athletics							Montas vs. the Twins						
PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO	PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Lowrie	.261	23	6	1	1	2	Simmons	.273	11	3	0	1	1
Andrus	.273	22	6	0	1	5	Cruz	.429	7	3	2	0	0
Moreland	.500	14	7	5	0	2	Sanó	.000	5	0	0	0	4
Piscotty	.455	11	5	2	1	1	Buxton	.500	4	2	0	0	0
Canha	.143	7	1	0	1	1	Donaldson	.750	4	3	2	0	0
Chapman	.571	7	4	0	3	1	Arraez	.333	3	1	0	0	1
Kemp	.500	4	2	0	0	1	Polanco	.667	3	2	0	1	0
Laureano	.250	4	1	0	1	1	Astudillo	.000	2	0	0	0	0
Olson	.000	4	0	0	4	2	Cave	.000	2	0	0	0	2
Murphy	.000	2	0	0	0	0	Kepler	.000	1	0	0	1	0

LOW RISP, LOW REWARD: Shoemaker is holding hitters to a .182 (4-for-22) opponent batting average with runners in scoring position this season, a substantially lower clip than his .286 overall opponent batting average...this compares to his career .265 opponent average with RISP and career .249 opponent average overall.

- ☞ Has yet to allow a hit in nine opponent at-bats with two outs and runners in scoring position (1 BB, 2 K).

TARGETING FIRST WIN: Looking for his first win at Target Field tonight...owns a career 0-3, 7.90 ERA (27.1 IP, 24 ER) in six games/starts (three with Twins) in his new home ballpark.

2021 ARSENAL: Pitches thrown through six starts in 2021 per Baseball Savant: PITCH (AVG. MPH)..... PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB)..... RESULTS
 Split Finger (84.8).....29.1% (144 pitches, 48/96)..... .268 (11-for-41), 4 2B, 2 HR, 9 K
 Four-Seam Fastball (91.2).....28.5% (141 pitches, 47/94)..... .389 (7-for-18), 1 HR, 1 K
 Slider (82.1).....27.9% (138 pitches, 98/40)..... .229 (8-for-35), 2 HR, 6 K
 Sinker (91.3).....13.9% (69 pitches, 62/7)..... .294 (5-for-17), 1 HR, 3 K
 Curveball (78.4).....0.6% (3 pitches, 1/2)..... 1.000 (1-for-1), 1 HR
 ☞ Only threw his slider 82 times (18.4% of the time) in six starts in 2020...has already thrown it 138 times (27.9% of the time) in 2021, the highest frequency he has thrown the pitch in any single season.

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Most Runs, Game (Team)	15, 4/5 at DET
Most Runs, Inning (Team)	7, 3rd inn, 5/2 vs. KC
Most Hits, Game (Team)	18, 4/21 at OAK
Most Hits, Inning (Team)	5, 3rd inn, 5/2 vs. KC
Most Strikeouts, Batters (Team)	17, 4/5 at DET
Longest Hitting Streak (Individual)	10, Buxton, 4/1-20 (1) & Cruz 4/5-4/16
Consecutive Hits (Individual)	7, Buxton, 4/27-30
Consecutive Hitless At-Bats (Individual)	16, Cave, 4/14-23
Consecutive Scoreless Innings (Batters)	17, 7th inn 4/16-4/20
Most Runs Allowed (Team)	13, 2x, last: 5/12 at CWS
Most Runs Allowed, Inning (Team)	6, 2x, last: 7th inn, 4/16 at LAA
Most Hits Allowed (Team)	14, 2x, last: 5/12 at CWS
Most Hits Allowed, Inning (Team)	6, 7th inn, 4/16 at LAA
Pitchers Used (Team)	7, 4/1 at MIL
Cons. Batters Retired (Team)	17, 4/23 vs. PIT
Scoreless Innings Streak (Team/Pitchers)	10, 1st inn, 4/3-1st inn, 4/4
Most Runs, Starter	9, 2x, last: Happ 5/12 at CWS
Most Home Runs, Starter	3, Maeda, 2x, last: 4/27 at CLE
Most Walks, Starter	4, Shoemaker, 4/20 (1) at OAK
Most Strikeouts, Starter	12, Berrios, 4/3 at MIL
Most Strikeouts, Pitchers (Team)	17, 4/3 at MIL
Most Walks, Pitchers (Team)	7, 4/20 (1) at OAK
Most Cons. Scoreless Innings (Individual)	10.0, Pineda 4/10-15
Most Cons. Batters Retired (Individual)	14, Pineda, 4/15 vs. BOS
Longest Game, Innings	10, 5x, last: 4/26 at CLE
Longest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	3:45, 5/12 at CWS
Longest Game, Time (X Inn.)	4:16, 4/21 at OAK
Fastest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	2:17, 4/23 vs. PIT
Fastest Game, Time (7 Inn.)	2:08, 4/20 (2) at OAK
Largest Margin, Victory	9, 4/5 at DET
Largest Margin, Loss	8, 5/1 vs. KC
Lineups Used	32

SCORE BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	XTRA	TOTAL
OPPONENT	10	22	12	25	20	25	19	16	17	12	178
TWINS	19	18	33	5	21	28	12	22	3	2	163

INJURED LIST

PLAYER	INJURY	DATE ON	RETRO	DATE OFF	GAMES MISSED
Edwar Colina	Right Elbow Inflammation	4/1			35
Josh Donaldson	Mild Right Hamstring Strain	4/3	4/2	4/14	10
Brent Rooker	Cervical Strain	4/7		4/20	9
Andrelton Simmons	COVID IL	4/14			10
Kyle Garlick	COVID IL	4/20			9
Max Kepler	COVID IL	4/20			9
Caleb Thielbar	COVID IL	4/20			4
JT Riddle	COVID IL	4/21			7
Miguel Sanó	Right Hamstring Strain	4/23	4/21	5/5	12
Luis Arraez	Concussion IL	5/4		5/11	5
Alex Kirilloff	Right Wrist Sprain	5/5	5/4		8
Byron Buxton	Right Hip Strain	5/7			5
Devin Smeltzer	Left Elbow Inflammation	5/12			2

BOLD indicates currently on IL

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Buxton	456 ft, 4/1 at MIL (Yardley)
Buxton	451 ft, 4/6 at DET (Cisnero)
Cruz	439 ft, 5/1 vs. KC (Brentz)
Garver	436 ft, 5/2 vs. KC (Keller)
Garver	435 ft, 4/8 vs. SEA (Gonzales)
Buxton	433 ft, 5/4 vs. TEX (Gibson)
Kirilloff	432 ft, 5/1 vs. KC (Duffy)

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Cruz	116.6, 4/5 at DET (HR)
Cruz	115.9, 4/23 vs. PIT (1B)
Buxton	115.6, 5/2 vs. KC (2B)
Cruz	114.6, 4/5 at DET (HR)
Buxton	114.1, 4/6 at DET (HR)
Buxton	113.6, 4/10 vs. SEA (1B)
Donaldson	113.1, 5/8 at DET (HR)

EJECTIONS

DATE	PLAYER/MGR/CH	UMPIRE	REASON	CAREER
April 11 vs. Seattle	Matt Shoemaker	Manny Gonzalez	Balls and Strikes	2

STARTS BY POSITION

	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
Luis Arraez	0	0	10	0	8	10	0	0	0
Williams Astudillo	0	11	2	0	4	0	0	0	0
Byron Buxton	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	0
Jake Cave	0	0	0	0	0	7	9	5	0
Nelson Cruz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Josh Donaldson	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0
Kyle Garlick	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	4	0
Mitch Garver	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Gordon	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ryan Jeffers	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Max Kepler	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	20	0
Alex Kirilloff	0	5	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Trevor Larnach	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
Jorge Polanco	0	0	22	10	0	0	0	0	0
JT Riddle	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Brent Rooker	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0
Ben Rortvedt	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miguel Sanó	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Andrelton Simmons	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Luis Arraez	19	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	4
Williams Astudillo	0	0	0	1	2	2	6	3	3
Byron Buxton	4	1	7	9	1	1	0	0	0
Jake Cave	0	0	0	0	0	5	7	4	5
Nelson Cruz	0	0	25	6	0	0	0	0	0
Josh Donaldson	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kyle Garlick	2	4	0	3	2	0	0	0	1
Mitch Garver	5	0	1	2	4	4	4	1	0
Nick Gordon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ryan Jeffers	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	5
Max Kepler	3	0	0	7	2	2	7	2	0
Alex Kirilloff	0	0	0	1	7	1	1	0	1
Trevor Larnach	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Jorge Polanco	2	7	2	5	9	6	1	0	0
JT Riddle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Brent Rooker	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	2	0
Ben Rortvedt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
Miguel Sanó	0	0	0	1	3	8	6	1	0
Andrelton Simmons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	7

MOST USED LINEUP (2X)

Player	Pos
Arraez	2B
Donaldson	3B
Buxton	CF
Cruz	DH
Kirilloff	LF
Polanco	2B
Kepler	RF
Simmons	SS
Rortvedt	C

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Jake Cave	3
Luis Arraez	2
Kyle Garlick	1
Total	6

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time)
Grand Slam: N. Cruz, 4/5/21 at DET (1 as a team in 2021)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: B. Buxton, 9/15/20 at CWS (1 as a team in 2020, 55 all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (2 as a team in 2019)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: M. LeCroy, 9th inning, 5/19/04 at TOR (15 all-time)
Five-Hit Game: B. Buxton, 4/27/21 at CLE (1 in 2021)
Six-Hit Game: K. Puckett, 5/23/91 vs. TEX (2 all-time, both Puckett)
Two Hits, One Inning: N. Cruz, 8th inning, 8/20/19 vs. CWS (1 as a team in 2019)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: M. Cuddyer, 8/23/09 at KC (1 all-time)
Two-Home Run Game: A. Kirilloff, 4/30/21 vs. KC (4 as team in 2021)
Three-Home Run Game: N. Cruz, 8/3/19 vs. KC (3 as a team in 2019, 12 all-time)
Back-to-Back Home Runs: B. Buxton/J. Donaldson, 4/28/21 at CLE (1 as team in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: M. Cruz/E. Rosario/C. Cron, 4/26/19 vs. BAL (1 in 2019)
Three Home Runs, One Inning: C. Cron/J. Polanco/N. Cruz (2nd), 8/3/19 vs. KC (5 in 2019)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: S. Mack/K. Puckett/K. Hrbek/H. Bush, 5/2/92 at NYY
Walk-Off Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (1 as a team in 2019)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (10 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: K. Garlick, 5/7/2021 at DET (3 as a team in 2021)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: B. Buxton/J. Donaldson, 4/28/21 at CLE
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Last actual pitcher Jim Kaat, 6/11/72 at CLE; Chris Gimenez catcher pitching in relief, 9/3/18 at TEX

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: F. Liriano, 5/3/11 at CWS (6 all-time)
One-Hitter: E. Santana, 4/15/17 vs. CWS (14 all-time)
Two-Hitter: E. Santana, 5/24/17 at BAL (43 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: B. Radke (10.0 innings), 9/21/97 vs. MIL
10+ Strikeouts: 12, J. Berrios, 4/5/21 at MIL (1 as team in 2021)
Complete Game Shutout: J. Berrios, 4/1/18 at BAL (1 as a team in 2018)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Mays/C. Silva, 5/19-20/05 vs. TOR/vs. MIL
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 5/6/19 & 5/7/19 at TOR (2 games, 8-0 and 3-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: Z. Duke, 3/29/18 at BAL (7th inning) (4 times since 1961)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: M. Sanó/J. Schoop/C.J. Cron, 8/7/19 vs. ATL - T. Flowers hitting (14 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: W. Astudillo, 4/16 at LAA (1 in 2021)
Three or more Steals, One Game: E. Adrianza (3), 6/21/17 vs. CWS (1 in 2017)
Steal of Home: C. Thomas, 8/3/13 vs. HOU
Pure Steal of Home: R. Becker, 9/27/97 at CLE
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: E. Rosario, 5/6/15 vs. OAK (1st PA, 1st pitch)

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time)
Grand Slam: M. Olson, 4/20/21 at OAK, Game 1 (3 allowed as team in 2021)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: A. Mondesi, 4/2/19 at KC (44 allowed all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: D. Smith, 7/17/19 vs. NYM (2 allowed in 2019)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: J. Sands, 8/8/15 at CLE
Five-Hit Game: D. Gregorius, 7/23/19 vs. NYY
Six-Hit Game: J. Segura, 5/28/13 at MIL (3 allowed all-time)
Two Hits, One Inning: V. Reyes, 3rd inning, 8/31/19 at DET (1 allowed in 2019)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: D. Nilsson, 5/17/96 vs. MIL
Two-Home Run Game: A. Benintendi, 5/1/21 vs. KC (5 allowed in 2021)
Three-Home Run Game: J. Donaldson, 8/28/16 at TOR
Back-to-Back Home Runs: M. Perez/K. Newman, 4/24/21 vs. PIT (2 allowed in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: A. Jones/V. Castilla/J. Franco, 6/11/02 vs. ATL
Three Home Runs, One Inning: N. Lopez/J. Soler/S. Perez, 8/8/20 at KC (2 in 2020)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: C. Everett/T. O'Leary/J. Varitek/M. Burkhart, 7/3/00 vs. BOS
Walk-off Home Run: J. Luplow, 4/26/21 at CLE (1 allowed in 2021)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: C. Santana, 9/23/11 at CLE (12 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: T. Anderson, 5/13/21 at CWS (2 allowed in 2021)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: S. Smith/M. Machado, 7/7/17 vs. BAL (1 in '17)
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Jon Lester, 7/1/18 at CHC

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: Jer. Weaver, 5/2/12 at LAA (5 all-time)
One-Hitter: C. Kluber, 8/14/15 vs. CLE (23 all-time)
Two-Hitter: R. Halladay, 5/29/05 at TOR (49 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: A. Fernández (10.0 innings), 10/1/95 at CHW
10+ Strikeouts: 10, K. Hendricks, 9/18/20 at CHC (3 times in 2020, other 2 by S. Bieber)
Complete Game Shutout: S. Manaea, 4/20/21 (G1) at OAK (1 time in 2021)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Williams/Jer. Weaver, 5/1-2/12 at LAA
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 4/20/21 Game 1 & 4/20/21 Game 2 at OAK (2 games, 7-0 and 1-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: F. Hernández, 6/3/10 vs. SEA (8th inning)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: J. Donaldson/A. Rosales/C. Carter, 8/21/12 at OAK - T. Plouffe hitting (8 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: H. Castro, 4/5/21 at DET (1 in 2021)
Three or more Steals, One Game: W. Merrifield (3), 7/2/17 at KC (1 in 2017)
Steal of Home: R. Davis, 8/1/18 vs. CLE
Pure Steal of Home: S. Green, 5/26/00 vs. TEX
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: C. Richard, 7/17/00 vs. STL

2021 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

DATE	DELAYED/PPD	NOTES
4/8 vs. Seattle	Delayed	Home Opener delayed for 16 minutes in the 4th inning due to quick rain shower. Grounds crew pulled tarp quick after rain and both starters remained in game.
5/5 vs. Texas	Delayed	Scheduled 6:40 p.m. game delayed for 31 minutes due to rain in the area. Grounds crew began pulling tarp around 6:25 p.m. and game started at 7:11p p.m.
2010: 1 PPD / 1 DEL	2014: 3 PPD / 6 DEL	2018: 4 PPD / 5 DEL
2011: 3 PPD / 3 DEL	2015: 1 PPD / 3 DEL	2019: 1 PPD / 7 DEL
2012: 1 PPD / 4 DEL	2016: 3 PPD / 11 DEL	2020: 1 PPD / 2 DEL
2013: 3 PPD / 4 DEL	2017: 4 PPD / 7 DEL	2021: 0 PPD / 2 DEL

** Target Field has experienced 55 delayed games, 25 postponed games, 1 suspended game and 1 rain-shortened game in the park's history (since 2010). Longest delay: 4:50. **

