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'24 '87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (26-38) vs. HOUSTON ASTROS (36-28)

SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021 - 1:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF, TWINSBEISBOL.COM

RHP Michael Pineda (3-3, 3.46) vs. LHP Framber Valdez (2-0, 1.47)

GAME 65

HOME GAME 35

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
6/14	vs. Seattle	RHP Kenta Maeda (2-2, 5.27) vs. LHP Marco Gonzales (1-4, 5.45)	9:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None
6/15	vs. Seattle	LHP J.A. Happ (3-2, 5.75) vs. RHP Chris Flexen (5-3, 4.68)	9:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None
6/16	vs. Seattle	RHP Bailey Ober (0-0, 4.85) vs. LHP Justus Sheffield (5-5, 4.91)	9:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None
6/17	OFF DAY				

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Under Baldelli (since '19):	163-123
Home Record:	14-20
Road Record:	12-18
Record in series:	5-12-3
Record in home series:	2-8-0
Record in road series:	3-4-3
Series Openers:	9-12
Series Finales:	9-11
Rubber Games:	4-6
Sweeps/Swept:	1/2
April:	9-15
May:	13-16
June:	4-7
July:	
August:	
September/October:	
Day Games:	15-21
Night Games:	11-17
vs. American League East:	6-8
vs. American League Central:	12-14
vs. American League West:	4-14
vs. National League:	3-3
Games vs. LH Starter:	7-14
Games vs. RH Starter:	19-24
Twins score first:	17-18
Opponent scores first:	9-20
Come-from-behind wins:	10
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	21-4/21-4
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	3-23/1-22
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	1-6/3-7
Extra-innings:	2-8
1-run games:	10-12
Twins out-hit opp.:	18-5
Opp. out-hit Twins:	5-29
Twins/opp. have = hits:	3-3
Run Differential:	-39 (296-335)
Twins get Quality Start:	11-4
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	15-6
Most games over .500:	3, 4/8
Most games under .500:	14, 5/20
Longest win-streak:	4, 5/23-27
Longest losing-streak:	5, 2x, last 5/8-5/14
When Twins score 4+:	20-13
When Twins score 3-:	6-25
Twins get 10+ hits:	9-12
Days in First Place:	7
Days in Second Place:	2
Days in Third Place:	5
Days in Fourth Place:	36
Days in Fifth Place:	23
Walk-Off W/L:	3/5
Shutouts W/L:	3/2
Complete Games:	
Attendance High:	18,767, 6/12 vs. HOU
Attendance Total:	369,588
Attendance Average:	11,200
Target Field Sellouts - 2021/All-Time:	8/181

THE TWINS: Have gone 2-3 through five games on their six-game homestand, going 1-2 against New York-AL and 1-1 against Houston the last two nights...today they will complete the homestand with the three-game series finale against the Astros...after the game, the Twins will travel to Seattle to begin a six-game, seven-day roadtrip with three against the Mariners from Monday-Wednesday, an off-day Thursday and three against the Rangers next weekend...the Twins have gone 14-20 at home this season and 12-18 on the road.

JOSÉ NIGHT AT TARGET FIELD: The Twins beat the Astros last night by a score of 5-2, evening the three-game series at one game apiece...José Berrios (7-2) was the starter and winner, allowing two runs on five hits in 7.0 innings pitched, with one walk and eight strikeouts...74 of his 99 pitches were strikes (74.7%)...the win tied him for second in the AL in victories this season...it marked his 32nd career win at Target Field, tying Kyle Gibson for most in the park's history...the offense recorded eight hits, three from Jorge Polanco, who singled twice, hit his ninth home run and drove in three of the Twins five runs.

TWINS-ASTROS: The Twins and Astros are playing each other for the third of seven scheduled meetings in 2021...the Twins will visit Houston for four games from August 5-8...the Twins are 32-34 all-time against the Astros in the regular season, including a record of 21-25 since Houston joined the American League in 2013.

⚡ Josh Donaldson is hitting .325 (69-for-212) with 16 doubles, two triples, 13 home runs, 42 RBI, 38 walks and a 1.050 OPS in 60 career games against the Astros...he has reached safely in 14 of his last 15 games vs. Houston.

⚡ Andrelton Simmons has 81 career hits in 81 games against the Astros, tied for his second most against any opponent (New York-NL - 81).

⚡ Jorge Polanco is hitting .364 (28-for-77) with three doubles, two triples, four home runs, 12 RBI and a 1.015 OPS in 20 career regular season games vs. Houston.

OVER THE RIVER UPDATE: Luis Arraez played his second game on rehab assignment last night for Triple-A St. Paul, going 1-for-4 with a walk while playing all nine innings at second base...he is now 2-for-8 with two RBI and one walk in two rehab games...Arraez has missed the last 18 games with a right shoulder strain...Byron Buxton played in his third rehab game for the Saints, going 1-for-4 while playing all nine innings in centerfield...Buck has gone 5-for-9 with a double, a triple, two home runs, seven RBI and two walks in his three games with the Saints...Buxton was placed on the 10-day Injured List on May 7 with a right hip strain and has missed the Twins' last 34 games.

TWINS DIG THE LONG BALL: The Twins have hit 93 homers on the season, the most in baseball, ahead of San Francisco (91), Toronto (91) and Atlanta (91)...Twins have 47 home runs at Target Field and 46 on the road.

STREAKING SANÓ: Miguel Sanó has hit safely in a season-long eight straight games, tied with Xander Bogaerts for second-longest active streak in the AL, trailing Isiah Kiner-Falefa (10)...during the streak, Sanó is hitting .303 (10-for-33) with two doubles, four home runs, nine RBI and a 1.030 OPS...his career-long for a hitting streak is 11, from June 28-July 14, 2019.

THE BRINGER OF RAIN: Josh Donaldson is hitting .310 (13-for-42) with three doubles, five home runs, six RBI, six walks, eight runs scored, a .408 on-base percentage and a 1.146 OPS in his last 11 games, since May 31...since that date, his OPS ranks ninth in the AL and 10th in baseball.

HOT JORGE: Jorge Polanco is hitting .321 (18-for-56) with four doubles, five home runs, 11 RBI, five walks and a 1.042 OPS in his last 14 games...Polanco has the third-highest slugging percentage among AL second basemen this season at .458, trailing Marcus Semien (.538) and Jose Altuve (.484).

SERIES NOTES: Twins are 5-12-3 in series play this season, going 2-8-0 in home series and 3-4-2 in road series...their five series wins are: April 1-4 at Milwaukee (2-1), April 5-7 at Detroit (2-1), April 30-May 2 vs. Kansas City (2-1), May 21-23 at Cleveland (2-1) and May 24-26 vs. Baltimore (3-0)...they are seeking their second straight regular season series win over Houston after taking three of four at Target Field April 29-May 2, 2019.

TWINS ML WEEKLYS: Single-A Cedar Rapids infielder Spencer Steer and Cedar Rapids right-hander Jordan Gore have been named Twins minor league Player and Pitcher of the Week.

⚡ Steer played in six games for the Kernels, hitting .333 (9-for-27) with one double, six home runs, 11 RBI, four walks and a 1.456 OPS, including two two-homer games, one on Sunday at Fort Wayne and one on Wednesday at Beloit...the 23-year-old was drafted by the Twins in the third round of the 2019 First-Year Player Draft out of the University of Oregon.

⚡ Gore made two relief appearances for the Kernels, combining to allow one run on one hit in 5.0 innings with no walks and 12 strikeouts...the former infielder was drafted by the Twins in the 19th round of the 2017 First-Year Player Draft out of Coastal Carolina University.

VAX FACTS: The Twins, in partnership with CUB Pharmacy, are hosting on-site vaccination opportunities at Target Field for fans attending this series vs. the Astros...additionally, all fans 18-and-over who choose to receive the one-dose, Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine at Target Field will receive a voucher good for one complimentary ticket to a future Twins regular season home game in 2021...vaccinations will be available inside Gate 34 today, beginning when gates open and lasting through the seventh inning.

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 2017, the Twins set a franchise record with 28 hits in a 20-7 victory over the Mariners at Target Field...Eddie Rosario hit three homers and drove in five runs...the 28 hits were the most by any major league team since the Rangers had 29 when they scored 30 runs in a game against the Orioles on August 22, 2007.

MAUER AND FRIENDS: Joe and Maddie Mauer are hosting the Mauer and Friends Kids Classic on Tuesday, benefiting Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare...athletes will compete in a slow pitch softball style home run derby at Target Field...participants for the event include Joe's former teammates: Brian Dozier, Brian Duensing, Garrett Jones, Jason Kubel, Joe Nathan, Glen Perkins, Trevor Plouffe, Jim Thome, Darin Mastroianni, Justin Morneau and Nick Punto...joining them will be former Viking Chad Greenway, current Wild player Zach Parise and former Wild player Mark Parrish...honorary managers for the event will be Ron Gardenhire and Joe Vavra.

STREAKS

Current Streak:	1 win
Last 5 games:	2-3
Last 10 games:	4-6
Last 15 games:	6-9
Last 20 games:	10-10

TWINS VS. ASTROS

2021 Record:	1-1
Current Streak:	1 win
2021 at Home:	1-1
2021 at Houston:	
All-Time Record:	32-34
All-Time at Home:	17-17
All-Time at Houston:	15-17

2021 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
6/11	MIN	4-6	Staneck/Shoemaker/Pressly
6/12	MIN	5-2	Berrios/García/Rogers
6/13	MIN		1:10 pm (CT)
8/5	HOU		7:10 pm (CT)
8/6	HOU		7:10 pm (CT)
8/7	HOU		6:10 pm (CT)
8/8	HOU		1:10 pm (CT)

CURRENT HOMESTAND [2-3]

Batting average	.273
Runs Per Game	5.20
Home Runs	10
RISP	.303
Errors	8
Team ERA	5.80
Starters W-L	1-1
Starters ERA	6.23
Relievers W-L-S	1-2-1
Relievers ERA	5.21
Saves/Opps	1/2

MLB TEAM OPS LEADERS

Houston	.779
Toronto	.765
Cincinnati	.760
Chicago-AL	.751
Los Angeles-NL	.751
Boston	.749
Minnesota	.747

NELSON CRUZ - HR BY OPPONENT

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

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

6/9	OF Garlick placed on 10-day IL
	OF Celestino recalled from AAA
	RHP Stashak placed on 10-day IL
6/8	OF Refsnyder reinstated from 7-day IL
	OF Celestino optioned to AAA
	RHP Minaya cleared waivers and accepted assignment to AAA
6/6	RHP Ober recalled from AAA
	RHP Anderson placed on 10-day IL
6/5	RHP Jax contract selected from AAA
	RHP Minaya designated for release or assignment
	RHP Chalmers claimed by CHC
6/3	LHP Thielbar placed on 10-day IL
	RHP Anderson recalled from AAA

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UPCOMING MILESTONES

PLAYER	CURRENT NO.	MILESTONE WITHIN REACH
Nelson Cruz	429 home runs	Needs 2 to tie Cal Ripken Jr. (431) for 49th on MLB all-time list.
	981 runs scored	Needs 19 to reach 1,000 for career.
Josh Donaldson	239 doubles	Needs 11 to reach 250 for career.
Andrelton Simmons	195 doubles	Needs 5 to reach 200 for career.
Miguel Sanó	144 home runs	Needs 19 to tie Tom Brunansky (163) for 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).

ALL-TIME HOME RUN LIST

44) Paul Konerko	439
45) Andre Dawson	438
46) Carlos Beltrán	435
47) Juan Gonzalez	434
Andruw Jones	434
49) Cal Ripken Jr.	431
50) Nelson Cruz	429



MICHAEL PINEDA

#35

Height: 6-7 Weight: 280 B/T: R/R Age: 32 (1/18/1989 in Yaguatae, DR)

2021: 3-3, 3.46 ERA CAREER: 56-49, 3.99 ERA

- ☞ Making his 11th start of the season and eighth at home...tied for team lead with four quality starts.
- ☞ Making the 159th start and appearance of career, 10th against the Astros.
- ☞ Is 0-1, 8.59 ERA (7.1 IP, 7 ER) in his last two starts after going 3-2, 2.62 (44.2 IP, 13 ER) in his first eight outings.

2021 DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opp.	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	Left/Final	Notes	Pitches/K
4/4	at MIL	W1	5.0	4	1	0	0	2	5	2-1/8-2	Stranded 6 baserunners over 5.0 IP	81/57 (70.4%)
4/10	vs. SEA	ND	6.0	4	2	2	2	0	6	2-2/3-4	Quality start; allowed just 2 solo HR	75/58 (77.3%)
4/15	vs. BOS	ND	7.0	2	0	0	0	1	6	3-0/4-3	Longest 2021 start to date for MIN	88/61 (69.3%)
4/24	vs. PIT	L1	4.1	6	5	4	2	1	5	1-5/2-6	1st loss since July 16, 2019	90/59 (65.6%)
4/30	vs. KC	W2	5.0	3	1	1	1	2	5	5-1/9-1	Hit on wrist w/ 1 out in 5th	71/42 (59.2%)
APRIL TOTALS	2-1	27.1	19	9	7	5	6	27				2.30 ERA
5/6	vs. TEX	ND	6.0	6	2	2	1	1	5	3-2/3-4	Rangers rallied off Twins 'pen	87/59 (67.8%)
5/13	at CWS	L2	5.1	4	3	3	2	3	7	1-2/2-4	Then-season highs pitches & Ks	96/63 (65.6%)
5/26	vs. BAL	W3	6.0	3	1	1	1	2	8	0-1/3-2	Activated off IL that morning	101/68 (67.3%)
MAY TOTALS	1-1	17.1	13	6	6	4	6	20				3.12 ERA
6/1	at BAL	L3	3.0	7	5	5	0	0	1	1-5/4-7	Shortest start since July 5, 2017	53/37 (69.8%)
6/8	vs. NYY	ND	4.1	4	2	2	0	2	2	2-1/4-8	Had start pushed back 1 day	76/56 (73.5%)
JUNE TOTALS	0-1	7.1	11	7	7	0	2	3				8.59 ERA
			RECORD	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO		ERA
2021 TOTALS			3-3	52.0	43	22	20	9	14	50		3.46
CAREER TOTALS			56-49	904.2	861	430	401	123	206	902		3.99

LAST START: Pineda did not factor into the decision in Tuesday's homestand-opening, 8-4 loss to the New York Yankees, getting knocked out in the fifth inning with the bases loaded, one out and a 2-1 lead...worked 4.1 innings, allowing two runs (one of his inherited runners scored) on four hits, with two walks and two strikeouts.

- ☞ Was pitching on six days rest after experiencing right forearm soreness following his previous start, June 1 in Baltimore.
- ☞ Blanked the Yankees on two hits over the first 4.0 innings, sitting down 11 in a row at one point...retired the leadoff batter in the fifth, before allowing four straight baserunners (2 H, 2 BB)...was removed after walking Aaron Judge on a full count to force in New York's first run of the game; marked the first bases-loaded walk Big Mike has issued in his career, in 158 starts.

ROUGH START TO JUNE: Big Mike entered the month of June at 3-2, 2.62 ERA (44.2 IP, 13 ER) over his first eight starts, but is 0-1, 8.59 (7.1 IP, 7 ER) in two trips to the hill this month.

- ☞ His start June 1 in Baltimore was his shortest as a Twin, as he worked just 3.0 innings and was shouldered with a 7-4 loss (7 H, 5 R/ER, 0 BB, 1 SO)...matched the second-briefest outing of his career and was his shortest since also pitching just 3.0 innings on July 5, 2017 vs. Toronto (with New York-AL).
- ☞ **Has failed to pitch at least 5.0 innings in back-to-back starts within the same season for just the second time in his career...**...the only other occurrence was a career-worst three-start stretch September 4-14, 2016 with the Yankees (4.0 IP, 4.2 IP and 4.0 IP).
- ☞ Opponents are 11-for-34 (.324) with two doubles, one triple and two walks (.361 on-base percentage and a .441 slugging mark) off Pineda in his June starts...he held opposing batters to a .198/.251/.395 slash line (32-for-16) with five doubles, nine home runs and 12 walks in his first eight efforts.
- ☞ **Pineda's last two outings mark the first time in his career he has struck out two-or-fewer batters in consecutive starts (1 on June 1 in Baltimore, 2 on Tuesday vs. New York-AL).**

MINNESOTA MIKE: Big Mike has made 41 starts in a Minnesota uniform, going 16-8, 3.81 ERA (224.2 IP, 95 ER)...the Twins are 25-16 when he toes the rubber.

- ☞ He has a 4.39 strikeout-to-walk ratio since 2019, along with a 1.15 WHIP...those stats, along with his ERA, are all better than his career numbers (4.38, 1.18 and 3.99).
- ☞ His 4.2 WAR (per Fangraphs) since 2019 is 16th among AL starters (min 220.0 IP).
- ☞ **Beginning June 29, 2019, Pineda is 12-4, 3.13 ERA (144.0 IP, 50 ER), 35 walks, 148 strikeouts and a .230/.278/.376 opponent slash line over his last 26 starts (Minnesota is 17-9 in those games).**

HOUSTON PROBLEMS: Pineda is set to make his 10th career start vs. Houston, having gone 3-4, 5.06 ERA (53.1 IP, 30 ER) over his previous nine efforts...has not defeated the Astros since June 30, 2017, a 13-4 victory for the Yankees at Minute Maid Park (6.0 IP, 7 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 0 BB, 3 K).

- ☞ Started twice vs. Houston in 2019, both Twins losses...personally went 0-1, 7.84 ERA (10.1 IP, 9 ER)...allowed five runs on nine hits in 5.0 innings of an 11-0 loss at Target Field on April 30 of that year, opposite Gerrit Cole.
- ☞ Was on the Twins' roster for the 2020 American League Wild Card Series vs. Houston, but did not pitch.

HOME COOKING: Pineda will make his seventh home start of the season in this afternoon's game...is 2-1, 2.79 ERA (38.2 IP, 12 ER) and a 0.96 WHIP over his first six Target Field outings of 2021.

- ☞ **Has allowed two-or-fewer runs in six of his seven home efforts this season, logging four quality starts...**...opponents are slashing just .197/.245/.380 off Big Mike at Target Field in 2021, going 28-for-142 with five doubles, seven home runs, nine walks and 37 strikeouts.
- ☞ Is 6-4, 3.59 ERA (133.0 IP, 53 ER) in 24 career home starts with the Twins, including 5-2, 2.90 (102.1 IP, 33 ER) in his last 18 efforts.

DAYTIME DRAMA: When he takes the ball this afternoon, Pineda will make his eighth day start of the season (of 11 outings overall)...during his Twins tenure, Big Mike has actually pitched more under the sun (22 day starts) than under the lights (19 night starts).

- ☞ Pineda is 2-2, 2.72 ERA (39.2 IP, 12 ER) in his first eight day starts this year; 8-5, 3.57 (121.0 IP, 48 ER) as a Twin; and 21-18, 3.78 (359.1 IP, 151 ER) in 64 career starts under the sun.
- ☞ At night, Big Mike is 1-1, 5.84 ERA (12.1 IP, 8 ER) in 2021; 8-3, 4.08 (103.2 IP, 47 ER) with Minnesota and 35-31, 4.13 (545.1 IP, 250 ER) lifetime (94 starts).

START 'EM WITH STRIKE ONE, THEN GET 'EM TO CHASE: Pineda ranks eighth in the American League (min. 50.0 IP) by pouring in strike one at a 67.9 percent clip...he has also induced opposing batters to chase his pitches, in any count, 34.2 percent of the time to rank in the 94th percentile among all big league hurlers...for his career, Big Mike owns a 65.4 percent first-strike rate and a 33.5 percent chase rate.

THOSE PESKY LEADOFF HITTERS: Opposing leadoff batters have hit Pineda to the tune of a .407/.448/.741 slash line this season (11-for-21 with 1 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR and 2 BB)...the two through nine spots in the order are slashing a combined .183/.234/.337 (32-for-175 with 6 2B, 7 HR and 12 BB).

- ☞ Big Mike has been particularly nasty to five-hole hitters (.136/.136/.182; 3-for-22 with 1 2B), cleanup batters (.160/.192/.320; 4-for-25 with 1 2B, 1 HR and 1 BB) and those batting second (.154/.214/.385; 4-for-26 with 2 HR and 2 BB).

FLYING SOLO: Pineda has not allowed a home run with a runner on base since the White Sox' José Abreu got him for a third-inning, two-run homer on August 20, 2019 at Target Field, a span of 12-straight solo roundtrippers...of the 32 home runs he has allowed with the Twins, 25 have been solo.

- ☞ Big Mike has yielded nine homers (all solo) in 47.2 innings pitched this season, after not surrendering a single longball in his 26.2 innings in 2020...extrapolated over a full season, his 1.70 HR/9.0 rate and 4.69 home run percentage would both be the second highest of his career.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP KENTA MAEDA (2021 SEASON: 2-2, 5.27 ERA // CAREER: 55-38, 3.84 ERA)

Maeda is scheduled to be returned from his rehab assignment with Triple-A St. Paul and activated from the 10-day Injured List to start tomorrow night's series and roadtrip opener in Seattle...was placed on the IL May 23 with a right adductor strain and will have missed 19 games overall...made one rehab start June 9 with the Saints against Omaha at CHS Field, allowing just one hit and one run (a solo homer) over 4.0 innings, with one walk and five strikeouts...threw 54 pitches, 33 for strikes...Minnesota's Opening Day starter struggled this season prior to IL stay, going 2-2, 5.27 ERA (42.2 IP, 25 ER) in nine starts...last pitched in the big leagues on May 22 at Cleveland, getting pulled after 5.0 innings and 73 pitches due to the injury...will be his first career start and appearance vs. the Mariners...is 3-4, 5.66 ERA (49.1 IP, 31 ER) and one save in 12 lifetime outings (10 starts) against the AL West.

2021 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 7.0, 4/15 vs. BOS
SO's: 8, 5/26 vs. BAL
Walks: 3, 5/13 at CWS
Hits: 7, 6/1 at BAL
Home Runs: 2, 3x, last: 5/13 at CWS
Win-Streak: 1, 3x, last: 5/26
Loss-Streak: 1, 3x, last: 6/1

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: 1, 6/28/15 at HOU
SHO's: --
CG Low-Hit: 7, 6/28/15 at HOU
Innings: 8.0, 3x, last: 6/28/15 at HOU
SO's: 16, 5/10/15 vs. BAL
Walks: 5, 3x, last: 7/21/19 vs. OAK
Hits: 11, 6/22/15 vs. PHI
Home Runs: 4, 4/24/16 vs. TB
Win-Streak: 8, 7/26/19-4/4/21
Loss-Streak: 3, 3x, last: 4/18/19-5/11/19

CAREER NOTES

- Missed last 21 games of 2019, the entire ALDS and the first 36 contests of 2020 due to a 60-game suspension for violating MLB's Joint Drug and Prevention Treatment Program.
- Spent the entire 2018 season on the Injured List, recovering from Tommy John surgery on right elbow...also missed the entire 2012 campaign with New York-AL recovering from right shoulder surgery, and was out of the majors in 2013 while rehabbing.
- Struck out 207 batters over 175.2 innings pitched in 2016, setting the fifth-lowest innings total for a pitcher who recorded 200+ strikeouts in American League history.
- Was an AL All-Star in 2011 as a member of the Seattle Mariners, posting a 3.03 ERA (113.0 IP, 38 ER) with 113 strikeouts and an opponents average of .198 in the first half, and finished the year fifth in the AL Rookie of the Year voting.
- In 2011, he became one of 27 rookie pitchers in the Expansion Era (1961-present) to throw at least 171.0 innings and strikeout 173 or more batters, and first since Daisuke Matsuzaka (Boston, 2007).
- Was signed by Seattle as a 16-year-old undrafted free agent December 12, 2005...signed by Patrick Guerrero, brother of Fred Guerrero, Twins' Director of Latin American Scouting & U.S. Integration.
- He owns a farm in his native Dominican Republic, where he raises chickens in addition to growing a number of crops.

2021 MISC. NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G/GS	IP	ER		AVG	H	AB	HR	BB	SO	
Home:	2	1	2.79	7/7	38.2	12		Vs. Left:	.232	23	99	5	6	24
Road:	1	2	5.40	3/3	13.1	8		Vs. Right:	.206	20	97	4	8	26
Day:	2	2	2.72	7/7	39.2	12		TOTALS:	.219	43	196	9	14	50
Night:	1	1	5.84	3/3	12.1	8		None On:	.220	29	132	9	9	35
Grass:	3	3	3.46	10/10	52.0	20		Runners On:	.219	14	64	0	5	15
Turf:	--	--	--	--	--	--								

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS	YEAR	STARTS	6.0+ IP	QS
2011	28	22	19	2017	17	10	9
2014	13	10	9	2019	26	14	13
2015	27	17	12	2020	5	2	2
2016	32	15	11	2021	10	4	4
				TOTALS	158	94	79

2021 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

	BASE RUNNERS	PICK-OFFS	SB-ATT	GIDP
PINEDA:	57	1	1-4	1

2021 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

INNING:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
RUNS/HITS:	3/8	6/7	7/12	1/6	4/9	1/0	0/1	-/-	-/-

PINEDA VS. HOUSTON

2019 vs. Houston (2 starts): 0-1, 7.84 ERA (10.1 IP, 9 ER), 3 BB, 6 K
2019 vs. Houston at Home (1 start): 0-1, 9.00 ERA (5.0 IP, 5 ER), 1 BB, 2 K
2019 vs. Houston on Road (1 start): 0-0, 6.75 ERA (5.1 IP, 4 ER), 2 BB, 4 K
Career vs. Houston (9 starts): 3-4, 5.06 ERA (53.1 IP, 30 ER), 8 BB, 43 K
Career vs. Houston at Home (5 starts): 1-3, 7.00 ERA (27.0 IP, 21 ER), 4 BB, 20 K
Career vs. Houston on Road (4 starts): 2-1, 3.08 ERA (26.1 IP, 9 ER), 4 BB, 23 K

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS (RS & PS)

Pineda vs. the Astros (Regular Season)						Valdez vs. the Twins (RS & PS)							
PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO	PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Altuve	.318	22	7	0	0	2	Simmons	.125	16	2	2	2	4
Correa	.556	18	10	3	2	1	Polanco	.500	8	4	0	0	2
Bregman	.143	14	2	0	0	3	Cruz	.143	7	1	0	0	4
Castro	.000	10	0	0	2	4	Kepler	.167	6	1	0	0	1
Gurriel	.000	7	0	0	0	1	Buxton	.000	4	0	0	0	3
Brantley	.167	6	1	0	0	0	Garver	.250	4	1	0	0	1
Diaz	.000	6	0	0	0	0	Astudillo	.333	3	1	1	0	0
Maldonado	.200	5	1	0	0	0	Sanó	.500	2	1	0	0	0
							Arraez	.000	1	0	0	1	0

THE "RIGHT" STUFF: Beginning with his first start of the 2020 season (which came September 1), Pineda has held right-handed batters to a .199/.252/.322 slash line (29-for-146 with 6 2B, 4 HR, 10 BB and 37 K).

- ☞ Pineda's .184 opponent batting average by right-handed hitters in that span is ninth best in the American League (min. 150 batters faced).

2021 ARSENAL: Below is a breakdown of Pineda's 2021 three-pitch repertoire, according to Baseball Savant, which follows a similar pattern to what he featured in 2020.

- ☞ **Since the start of the 2020 season, opponents are hitting .153 (17-for-111) with 44 strikeouts against Pineda's slider.**

☞ In two-plus seasons with the Twins, he has used his four-seam fastball more than half the time (52.3% in 2021, 50.1% in 2020, 54.1% in 2019)...after a career-high 59.5% use rate as a Mariners rookie, he never topped 47.7% as a Yankee.

PITCH (AVG. MPH)	PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB)	RESULTS
4-Seam Fastball (91.0)	52.3% (428 pitches, 223/205)	.252 (26-for-103), 4 2B, 1 3B, 7 HR, 22 K
Slider (81.8)	33.5% (274 pitches, 189/85)	.174 (12-for-69), 3 2B, 2 HR, 27 K
Changeup (85.6)	14.2% (116 pitches, 18/98)	.208 (5-for-24), 1 K

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

- Twins bullpen went 0-1-1, posted a 7.41 ERA (17.0 IP, 14 ER), 1 hold, 11 BB & 16 K in 7 games vs. HOU in 2019...since 2017 the Twins bullpen has gone 1-6-4, with 9 holds, 7.14 ERA (74.1 IP, 59 ER) with 38 BB, 54 K & a .311 (97-for-312) BAA in 23 games vs. HOU, including last night's game...also in two postseason games in 2020, relievers went 0-2, 3.38 ERA (8.0 IP, 3 ER) with 3 BB & 4 K in those two games...the Twins bullpen is 8-17-15, 4.62 ERA (230.0 IP, 118 ER), 96 BB, 246 K, 37 holds and a .247 BAA in 64 games this season...also 2-3-3, 4.20 ERA (45.0 IP, 21 ER) 15 BB & 39 K in 11 games in the month of June...15 SV in 25 SVO (SV% - 60.0), 11th lowest in MLB & 6th for lowest in the AL...has allowed 45 of 74 inherited runners to score this season 4th most in MLB behind LAA (47)...pen's 9.63 K/9.0 IP ratio is 7th in the AL.
- Twins bullpen is 3-9-8, 4.82 ERA (104.2 IP, 56 ER), 50 BB, 121 K, .241 BAA (96-for-399) in 30 road games, compared to 5-8-7, 4.45 ERA (125.1 IP, 62 ER), 46 BB, 125 K and a .253 BAA (120-for-475) in 34 home games this season.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP #66

Height: 6-3 Weight: 205 Age: 25 (7/28/95 in Bajos De Haina, DR) Acquired: Trade with HOU, 7/27/18
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 3.00 (3.0 IP, 1 ER), 3 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 9.00 (1.0 IP, 1ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .207 vs. Right .148

- Originally signed by the Astros as an international free agent on 12/3/14...has a 5.40 ERA (5.0 IP, 3 ER) w/ 1 BB & 4 K in 7 career app. vs. AL West...recorded 2nd BS on 6/11 in 1st app vs. HOU (1.0 IP, 1 ER) a HR...career 3-2, 3.00 ERA (51.0 IP, 17 ER) with 15 BB & 50 K in 44 career games with MIN (all in relief)...8 of his last 12 games at home have been scoreless this season, going 1-0, 2 holds, 3.27 ERA (11.0 IP, 4 ER) with 3 BB & 9 K in that span.
- Career 1.86 ERA (29.0 IP, 6 ER)/.230 BAA in 24 career home G, compared to 4.50 ERA (22.0 IP, 11 ER)/.173 BAA in 20 career road G.
- Has appeared 2x in 4th, 1x in 5th, 5x in 6th, 5x in 7th, 7x in 8th, 5x in 9th, 1x in 10th this season...owns 1.17 ERA (8.0 IP, 1 ER) pitching in the 9th-or-later this season...has stranded 9 of 13 inherited runners this season.
- 2021 arsenal: 4-Seam Fastball - 51.3% (178 pitches), Slider - 39.2% (136 pitches), Changeup - 9.5% (33 pitches).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/11 vs. HOU	BS2	1.0	1	1	1	0	0	1
6/10 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
6/8 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	1	1	0	0	0	1
6/6 at KC	H2	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
6/4 at KC	ND	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	1
6/2 at BAL	ND	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5/29 vs. KC	H1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5/24 vs. BAL	BS1/W1	1.0	2	2	2	1	0	1
5/22 at CLE	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
5/21 at CLE	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1

ALEX COLOME - RHP #48

Height: 6-1 Weight: 225 Age: 32 (12/31/88 in Santo Domingo, DR) Acquired: Signed as FA, 2/12/21
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.2 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .333 vs. Right .212

- Is 2-1-5 (5-for-7 in SVO), 6 holds, 1.02 ERA (17.2 IP, 2 ER), 8 BB, 12 K, .153 BAA (9-for-59) in 17 career app. vs. HOU...his 1.02 career ERA vs. HOU is the 2nd-lowest ERA against any opponent he has faced in his career...appeared in 3 games vs HOU in 2019, going 1-0 in 3.1 IP with 2 BB & 2 K...career 7-7-26, 2.54 ERA (109.2 IP, 31 ER) with 43 BB, 95 K & 16 holds in 81 app. vs. AL West...his 3 blown saves this season are T-4th in AL, T-8th in MLB...has allowed 2 of 2 inherited runners to score this season.
- Has a 6.35 ERA (5.2 IP, 4 ER) in last 8 app. (since 5/22) after recording 7-straight scoreless app. 5/1-5/19 (7.2 IP, 2 H, 4 BB, 8 K, .083 BAA in span).
- LHB are hitting .333 (12-for-36), while RHB are hitting .212 (11-for-52)...opponents are batting .280 (7-for-25) off him with RISP.
- Fanned R. Laureano on 5/15 for 400th career K...also on 4/1 at ML (Opening Day), recorded 1st BS since 8/28/20; became 1st MIN RP to record BS while allowing 0 ER, 1 HB and at least 2 H since Terry Leach on 8/15/1990.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/9 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
6/8 vs. NYY	ND	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0
6/2 at BAL	ND	0.1	2	2	2	1	1	0
6/1 at BAL	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0
5/30 vs. KC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5/25 vs. BAL	H2	0.2	3	1	1	1	0	1
5/24 vs. BAL	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5/22 at CLE	L4	0.0	1	2	1	1	0	0
5/19 vs. CWS	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5/18 vs. CWS	ND	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	2

TYLER DUFFEY - RHP #21

Height: 6-3 Weight: 220 Age: 30 (12/27/90 in Houston, TX) Acquired: 5th Round, 2012 Draft
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 10.80 (1.2 IP, 2 ER), 0 K, 1 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 13.50 (0.2 IP, 1ER), 0 K, 1 BB vs. Left .265 vs. Right .208

- Has appeared 1x in 4th, 4x in 5th, 4x in 6th, 9x in 7th, 6x in 8th, 1x in 9th, 1x in 10th so far this season...has not allowed ER in 20 of 26 G.
- Has allowed 9 of 11 inherited runners to score this season...allowed ER on a walk on 6/11 (no hits)...career 1-0, (2 starts) w/ 1 hold, 4.41 ERA (16.1 IP, 8 ER) w/ 6 BB & 19 K in 7 app. vs. HOU since 2015...also appeared vs. HOU in two games in AL Wild Card Series in 2020, allowing one run on three hits over 1.0 IP in game 1 on 9/29 & 1.0 scoreless inning in game 2 on 9/30.
- Earned 8th hold of the season on 6/6 (1.0 IP, K)...missed 2 G (suspension); after being ejected for throwing behind Y. Mercedes in 7th 5/18, 1st career ejection...LHB are hitting .265 (9-for-34) with 5 BB and 6 K while RHB are hitting .208 (11-for-53) w/ 8 BB and 16 K this season.
- Attended Rice University from 2010-12...is career 8-5 (8 starts), 4.45 ERA (87.0 IP, 43 ER) with 24 BB & 81 K in 47 app. vs. AL West.
- Has posted 3.00 ERA (12.0 IP, 4 ER) and .167 BAA in 13 home app. this season, compared to 6.00 ERA (12.0 IP, 8 ER) and .289 BAA in 13 road G.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/11 vs. HOU	ND	0.2	0	1	1	0	1	0
6/10 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	3	1	1	0	0	0
6/6 at KC	H8	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
6/5 at KC	H7	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6/3 at KC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5/29 vs. KC	H6	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3
5/26 vs. BAL	H5	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2
5/23 at CLE	S1	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2
5/22 at CLE	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
5/20 at LAA(1)	ND	1.0	4	3	3	1	0	1

LUKE FARRELL - RHP #51

Height: 6-0 Weight: 200 Age: 29 (6/7/1991 in Westlake, OH) Acquired: Signed as ml FA, 12/14/20
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 1 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .190 vs. Right .217

- Recorded 5-straight scoreless appearances (4/20-5/30)...has allowed 13 base runners this season (9 H, 4 BB) one have scored (allowed HR on 6/1)...recorded 1st win on 6/6...is 1-0, 4.0 IP with one walk & 5 K in last 4 app...first batters faced are 0-for-9 with a BB against him this season...has never appeared against HOU...career 4.70 ERA (7.2 IP, 4 ER) w/ 6 BB & 8 K in 6 app. vs. AL West since 2019.
- LHB are hitting .190 (4-for-21) with 2 BB & 6 K while RHB are hitting .217 (5-for-23) w/ 2 BB and 7 K.
- Made 7 Grapefruit League appearances for the Twins in 2021, pitching 6.1 scoreless innings w/ .167 BAA (4-for-24), 0 BB, 10 K, 0.63 WHIP.
- Contract selected 5/19 (Pineda - IL); 2nd stint w/ MIN, also 4/20-24...is son of former Red Sox and Blue Jays manager, John Farrell.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/10 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
6/8 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	1
6/6 at KC	W1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/3 at KC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/1 at BAL	ND	2.0	1	1	1	1	1	2
5/30 vs. KC	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
5/28 vs. KC	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
5/24 vs. BAL	H1	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	1

GRIFFIN JAX - RHP #83

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 Age: 26 (11/22/94 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 3rd Round, 2016 Draft
 Homestand: 0-0-0, 8.31 (4.1 IP, 4 ER), 3 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .400 vs. Right .308

- Contract selected 6/5 from Triple-A St. Paul...made ML debut & recorded his 1st career strikeout on 6/8, now career (4.1 IP, 4 ER, 4 H, 2 HR & 3 K)... spent the 2020 season at the alternate training site in St. Paul...did not play an official baseball professional game, but participated in the Twins Fall Instructional League during October 2020 in Ft. Myers, FL.
- Made five starts for the Saints before being selected today, going 3-1 with a 3.33 ERA (27.0 IP, 10 ER), 10 walks, 29 strikeouts and a 1.33 WHIP.
- Is a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force Reserve, and was promoted to Captain in May 2021...his wife is an intelligence officer in the Air Force as well...nine total players have been drafted out of the Air Force Academy (he was the sixth)...became the first to be drafted and play in MLB on 6/8...was named as having the best control in the Twins' system by Baseball America in 2019.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/9 vs. NYY	ND	3.1	3	1	1	0	0	2
6/8 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	3	3	3	2	0	1

HANSEL ROBLES - RHP #57

Height: 6-0 Weight: 220 Age: 30 (8/13/90 in Bona0, DR) Acquired: Signed as FA, 12/29/20
 Homestand: 1-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 1 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0ER), 0 K, 1 BB vs. Left .122 vs. Right .207

- Has appeared in 29 of 64 games this season for the Twins (leads Twins) ahead of Tyler Duffey & Jorge Alcala (26)...recorded 2nd win on 6/10, recorded 5th save on 6/5, now T-1st in saves with 5 in 7 Sv OP with Taylor Rogers...also earned 2nd loss of the season on 6/3 (unearned run).
- Recorded team-leading 11th hold last night...is also T-5th in games & 2nd in holds among AL relievers this season.
- Owens 14 career appearances vs. HOU, 0-0-2, 4.70 ERA (15.1 IP, 8 ER) 8 BB, 14 K, .259 BAA (15-for-58), including 2 app. in 2020, (2.0 IP, 5 ER, BB & 2 K) in those two games...career 5-2-12 (12-for-18 in SVO), 3.46 ERA (83.1.0 IP, 32 ER), 31 BB, 88 K, .226 BAA (69-for-305) in 79 games vs. AL West.
- Has posted 1.76 ERA (15.1 IP, 3 ER) in 16 road games this season, compared to 4.05 ERA (13.1 IP, 6 ER) w/ 10 K in 13 home games.
- 2021 arsenal: 4-Seam Fastball - 45.2% (225 pitches), Changeup - 44.0% (219 pitches), Slider - 10.0% (50 pitches), sinker - 0.8% (4 pitches).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/12 vs. HOU	H11	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
6/10 vs. NYY	W2	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/6 at KC	H10	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
6/5 at KC	S5	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
6/3 at KC	L2	1.0	0	1	0	0	0	2
5/31 at BAL	L4	1.0	1	1	0	0	1	2
5/29 vs. KC	H9	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	0
5/26 vs. BAL	S3	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0
5/25 vs. BAL	H8	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5/23 at CLE	BS2/W1	1.0	1	1	1	0	1	1
5/22 at CLE	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	1

TAYLOR ROGERS - LHP #55

Height: 6-3 Weight: 190 Age: 30 (12/17/90 in Denver, CO) Acquired: 11th Round, 2012 Draft
 Homestand: 0-1-1, 7.71 (2.1 IP, 2 ER), 3 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.1 IP, 0ER), 3 K, 0 BB vs. Left .182 vs. Right .284

- Recorded 6th hold on 6/5, his 47th career save last night (Leads Twins)...also earned 2nd loss on 6/8, allowed 3 hits, 2 ER over 1.0 IP...just 5 BB compared to 37 K this season...his 7.55 K/BB ratio since 2019 (151 K, 20 BB) is 2nd among AL relievers.
- Career 0-1-1, 3 holds, a 5.14 ERA (7.0 IP, 4 ER) with 5 BB & 7 K in 10 app. vs. HOU, including two games during the AL Wild Card series in 2020, allowing one run on two hits in 1.0 inning pitched with one strikeout.
- Has opponent BA of .250 (25-for-100) w/ 1.13 WHIP...LHB hitting .182 (6-for-33) w/ 2 2B, 2 HR and RHB hitting .284 (19-for-67) w/ 3 2B & HR.
- Has appeared 2x in 6th inning, 6x in 7th inning, 7x in 8th inning, 11x in 9th inning-or-later...1.1 IP (3 K) this series against HOU...has allowed 5 of 11 inherited runners to score this season.
- 2021 arsenal: Slider - 53.3% (216 pitches), Sinker - 46.7% (189 pitches).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/12 vs. HOU	S6	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/11 vs. HOU	ND	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
6/8 vs. NYY	L2	1.0	3	2	2	0	0	0
6/6 at KC	S5	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
6/5 at KC	H6	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5/31 at BAL	W2	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5/29 vs. KC	S4	1.0	2	2	2	1	0	2
5/25 vs. BAL	S3	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	0
5/23 at CLE	H5	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0
5/20 at LAA(2)	H4	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3

MATT SHOEMAKER - RHP #32

Height: 6-2 Weight: 225 Age: 34 (9/27/86 in Wyandotte, MI) Acquired: Signed as minor league free agent, 2/19/21
 Homestand: 0-1-0, 9.00 (2.0 IP, 2 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs HOU: 0-1-0, 9.00 (2.0 IP, 2ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .317 vs. Right .261

- Was scheduled to make his 12th start of the season on 6/11 vs. HOU, instead made his 9th career relief appearance, 1st since 7/12/15 at SEA...took his American League-leading 8th loss of the season, allowing 2 ER on three hits with 2 K in 2.0 innings out of the 'pen.
- Is 0-1, 9.00 ERA (2.0 IP, 2 ER) with 2 K (as a reliever) this season (all on 6/11)...allowed career-high-tying 9 runs (8 ER) on 6 H with 2 BB & 1 K in just 0.1 innings, the shortest start of his career last Friday in KC.
- Career 2-2, 5.09 ERA (17.2 IP, 10 ER) with 3 BB, 17 K and a BAA of .250 (17-for-68) as a reliever in 9 app. at the major league level (last, 7/12/15)...career vs. HOU (13 G/10 GS), 3-6, 4.13 ERA (69.2 IP, 32 ER) 16 BB & 67 K.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/11 vs. HOU	L8	2.0	3	2	2	0	0	2
6/4 at KC	L7	0.1	6	9	8	1	2	1
5/30 vs. KC	L6	4.1	6	5	5	0	1	5
5/24 vs. BAL	ND	6.0	5	1	1	0	2	3
5/19 vs. CWS	L5	6.0	5	2	2	0	4	2
5/14 vs. OAK	L4	6.0	5	5	5	3	2	4
5/7 at DET	W2	5.0	4	0	0	0	2	5
5/1 vs. KC	L3	3.1	8	9	8	2	2	0

2021 BULLPEN INFO

Player name	1st Batter Avg	BB/9	K/9	Saves/Opps	Holds	IRS%	WHIP	HR	TEAM BULLPEN USAGE		
									Last game	2 games ago	3 games ago
Jorge Alcala	.217	2.13	7.82	0/2	7	30.8% (4/13)	0.79	6	0.0 IP (0)	1.0 IP (15)	1.0 IP (7)
Alex Colome	.429	4.50	9.41	2/5	3	100.0% (2/2)	1.55	5	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)
Tyler Duffey	.217	4.88	8.25</								

WILLIAMS ASTUDILLO - C/IF #64

Height: 5-9 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 29 (10/14/91 in Barcelona Anzoategui, VZ)
2021 Average: .252 Streak: 1g, 1-1 Series vs HOU: 0-0 Home Runs: 4 (4 1-run)

Pinch hit in 9th Thursday, 3rd career pinch hit, scored on Cruz's walk-off HR...went 2-for-4 w/HR & 6th multi-hit game on 6/1 at BAL...marked 1st multi-hit G since 5/11 and 1st HR since 5/4...is hitting .252 (29-for-115) w/ 8 R, 4 2B, 4 HR, 12 RBI & a .654 OPS in 37 games this season...is just 5-for-39 (.128) in last 13 games after his career-best 8-game hit streak from 4/27-5/14...his a 9.6 called strike % this season is 6th in MLB (min. 110 PA) per Fangraphs.
Made his 4th career pitching appearance in 8th on 6/4, now 2nd most by a position player in Twins history, behind Chris Gimenez (7)...threw 41.3 mph pitch, 3rd slowest in MLB this season.
Career 2-for-5, HR, RBI in 2 games vs. HOU in the regular season...batting .313 (10-for-32) w/ 2B, HR, 4 RBI R, HBP, .771 OPS in 11 games this season vs. the AL West.

GILBERTO CELESTINO - OF #79

Height: 6-0 Weight: 170 B/T: R/L Age: 22 (2/13/99 in Santo Domingo, DR)
2021 Average: .130 Streak: 3g, 3-11, 2B Series vs HOU: 1-3, 2B Home Runs: 3-11, 2B

Did not play last night...went 1-for-4 Friday night, w/ 1st career 2B in 5th inning...has hit safely in each of his last 3 games (3-for-11, 2B, R), after starting his career 0-for-15.
Acquired by Twins from Houston, along with RHP Jorge Alcala, in exchange for RHP Ryan Pressly on 7/27/18...recalled 6/9 from Triple-A St. Paul (Garlick - IL); 2nd stint w/ MIN (6/2-8)...went 0-for-12 in 4 games in 1st stint...recalled 6/2 (Refsnyder - IL); made MLB debut starting in CF and batting 9th that night (0-for-2).
Began the season at Double-A Wichita, hitting .250 (21-for-84) w/ 5 2B, 2 HR, 7 RBI, 11 BB, 10 R in 21 games for the Wind Surge...promoted to Triple-A St. Paul 5/31 but did not appear in a game for the Saints...currently ranked as the No. 8 prospect in Twins' system, per MLB.com.

NELSON CRUZ - DH #23

Height: 6-2 Weight: 230 B/T: R/R Age: 40 (7/1/80 in Las Matas De Santa Cruz, DR)
2021 Average: .283 Streak: 0-3 Series vs HOU: 1-6, HR Home Runs: 4-12, 2 HR, 2B, 5 RBI

Went 0-for-3, BB last night and has reached base safely in 8-straight games (.485 OBP in span)...hit solo HR Friday night, homering in back-to-back games for 70th time in his career, 2nd this season (4/5-4/6)...hit 6th career walk-off HR Thursday vs. NYY, his first walk-off homer as a Twin and first since 9/22/17 vs. CLE (w/SEA)...homer traveled 457 feet, 2nd-longest by a Twin this season, and snapped his 12-game homerless streak, his longest single-season drought in a Twins uniform...marked his 14th career walk-off plate appearance, first since 8/3/20 vs. Pittsburgh...
Has a hit in 7 of last 8 games, batting .360 (9-for-25), 3 2B, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 7 BB, .485 OBP in span...missed 2 games w/ leg soreness...went 2-for-3, 2B, SB, R, BB on 6/5 at KC; 1st SB since 5/12/18 (2) & became 1st Twin age 40+ w/ SB in a game since T. Hunter on 8/7/15...2nd on Twins w/ 14 multi-hit games this season...on 6/1 at BAL reached base 4x in a game for 1st time this season, 1st since 9/8/20 (2); also tied career high w/ 3 BB...drove in Donaldson in 1st on 5/29 vs. KC, driving in 2 millionth R in MLB history.
Enters today 10th in MLB in hard hit % (54.7%) and 5th in barrels/PA% (11.4)...also enters today T-17th in AL in HR (12); is the only 40-year-old in top 20 in league in HR.
Leads baseball in home runs since 2014 with 272...ranks 50th on MLB all-time list in homers with 429...next up is Cal Ripken Jr. in 49th with 431.

JOSH DONALDSON - 3B #20

Height: 6-1 Weight: 210 B/T: R/R Age: 35 (12/8/85 in Pensacola, FL)
2021 Average: .246 Streak: 0-3 Series vs HOU: 2-7, 2 HR Home Runs: 4-20, 3 HR, 4 RBI

Went 0-for-3, BB last night...recorded 22nd multi-HR game Friday, w/ solo shots in 3rd & 8th innings; also 2nd this season (also 6/3 at KC)...6/10-11, homered in back-to-back games for 34th time in his career, 1st since 9/6-9/7/19...hit game-tying 2-R HR in 9th Thursday.
On 6/4 at KC, recorded 2nd-straight multi-hit game and reached base 3x for 2nd game in a row...on 6/2 at KC, recorded 21st career multi-HR game, 1st as a Twin and 1st since 8/25/19 at NYM; also 10th career game w/ 3 XBH, 1st since 9/25/19 at KC.
From 5/30-6/4, reached base at least 2x in 6-straight games (.571 OBP), longest such streak since also doing so from 7/17-23/19...enters today 6th in MLB in barrels/PA (11.3).
Batting .310 (13-for-42), 3 2B, 5 HR, 6 RBI, 6 BB, 8 R, .408 OBP, 1.146 OPS in last 11 games...scored 2 millionth R in MLB history in 1st inning on 5/29 vs. KC at Target Field.
Career .325 (69-for-212), 16 2B, 2 3B, 13 HR, 42 RBI, .446 OBP in 60 RS games vs. HOU.

NICK GORDON - IF #1

Height: 6-0 Weight: 160 B/T: L/R Age: 25 (10/24/1995 in Avon Park, FL)
2021 Average: .355 Streak: 1g, 1-4 Series vs HOU: 1-8 Home Runs: 3-11

Went 1-for-4, 2 SB last night; his 5 SB thru 1st 10 career G are tied w/ Johnny Velaz (5 in 1939) for most in Twins/Senators history through a player's 1st 10 career G...also 1st player in Twins/Senators history w/ multiple multi-steal games within 1st 10 career G...has appeared in CF in 2 of last 4 games; 1st career pro app. in OF...hit 1st career homer 6/4 at KC, going back-to-back w/ M. Sanó in 8th inning & setting single-game career high w/ 3 H.
Batting .370 (10-for-27) w/ HR, 2 RBI, 4 R, .852 OPS in 8 games since 6/2...made ML debut on 5/6, recorded his 1st major league hit, went 1-for-2 w/ BB & became 1st player in Twins history with multiple stole bases MLB debut...recalled on 5/23 for 3rd time this season (4/23 & 5/4)...
Is the half-brother of infielder/outfielder Dee Strange-Gordon and son of three-time All-Star RHP Tom "Flash" Gordon, who attended the game on 6/4 and saw Nick's 1st career homer.

RYAN JEFFERS - C #27

Height: 6-4 Weight: 235 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (6/3/97 in Raleigh, NC)
2021 Average: .190 Streak: 0-9 Series vs HOU: 0-4 Home Runs: 2-13, 2B, 2 RBI

Did not play last night...is batting .241 (7-for-29), 2B, 3B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 3 R, .793 OPS, 3 multi-hit games and 3 multi-RBI games in 8 games since recall from AAA on 6/2...went 2-for-4 6/3 (his 24th birthday), becoming 1st MIN catcher w/ 2+ H on birthday since Mike Redmond on 5/5/06...had 3B, HR 6/2 at BAL, 1st career game w/ multiple XBH...became 1st Twin w/ 3B & HR 1st catcher since Marcus Jensen on 4/19/00 vs. KC...HR traveled 441 ft., marking longest home run of his career...went 0-for-5 in 2 games in the 2020 ALWC vs. HOU.
Recalled from AAA 6/2 (Garver - IL), 2nd stint w/ MIN in 2021 (Opening Day-4/29).
Has 42 career games at C (35 starts)...threw out A. Benintendi on 6/3 for 2nd career CCS.

ALEX KIRILLOFF - 1B/OF #19

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 B/T: L/L Age: 23 (11/9/97 in Pittsburgh, PA)
2021 Average: .254 Streak: 0-3 Series vs HOU: 1-7 Home Runs: 5-13, 3B

Went 0-for-3, BB last night, snapping hit streak...maintains 8-game on-base streak, one shy of his career high (9 games, 4/26-5/22)...batting .308 (8-for-26) w/ 3B, 2 R, RBI over last 8 games...was 3-for-4, BB 5/30, setting a new single-game career high in hits and reaching base 4x in a game for 1st time in career...11 of his 30 career hits have been XBH (6 2B, 3B, 4 HR)...since 4/30, ranks 3rd among major league rookies (min. 75 AB) w/ .840 OPS and 4th w/ .293 AVG in span...batting .458 (22-for-48) w/ runners on base and .379 (11-for-29) w/ RISP.
Made MLB debut on September 30 in Game 2 of 2020 AL Wild Card Series vs. Houston; went 1-for-4, singling in 2nd AB off José Urquidy and becoming 1st player in MLB history to record a Postseason hit before a regular season one.

TREVOR LARNACH - OF #24

Height: 6-4 Weight: 223 B/T: L/R Age: 24 (2/26/1997 in Walnut Creek, CA)
2021 Average: .253 Streak: 1g, 1-3 Series vs HOU: 1-7 Home Runs: 5-18

Went 1-for-3, R, HBP last night...is 15-for-48 (.313), 2 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, .920 OPS in last 16 G...has reached base in 25 of his 30 career G, w/ .382 OBP...his .382 OBP this season is tops among all MLB rookies (min. 80 PA); his .788 OPS is 5th among rookies under those same parameters...has 2 of MIN's 6 PH this season & only PH RBI 1B.
Batting .319 (15-for-47) at home in his career, compared to .182 (8-for-44) on the road.
Hit a 461-foot homer on 5/24, going 2-for-4 w/ R, HR & 2 RBI in first career game vs. BAL...is longest HR by a Twin this season (Statcast), 16th longest in Target Field history by any hitter...became 7th batter to HR into the Delta SKY360 Suite in centerfield since it was built in 2016.

JORGE POLANCO - IF #11

Height: 5-11 Weight: 208 B/T: S/R Age: 27 (7/5/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
2021 Average: .251 Streak: 3g, 6-13, 3 HR, 6 RBI Series vs HOU: 3-4, HR, 3 RBI Home Runs: 6-17, 3 HR, 6 RBI

Was 3-for-4, HR, 3 RBI last night - 4th G w/ 3+ H this year...went 1-for-4 Thursday night vs. NYY, w/ 9th-inning 1B ahead of Donaldson's game-tying HR...had 2nd career multi-homer game Wednesday night (also, 8/29/17 vs. CWS)...hit 1st career extra-inning HR 5/31 at BAL, w/ solo shot in 10th...is 14-for-37 (.378) w/ 2 2B, 4 HR, 9 RBI, 7 R, BB, 1.157 OPS in last 9 games.
Hitting .238 (34-for-143) w/ 6 2B, 7 HR, 18 RBI as LHB vs. .278 (20-for-72), 7 2B, 3B, 2 HR, 12 RBI as RHB this year...had walk-off RBI single on 5/18, his third career walk-off PA.
Career .364 (28-for-77), 3 2B, 2 3B, 4 HR, 12 RBI, 6 BB, 12 R, 1.015 OPS in 20 regular season games vs. HOU...this includes .409 (18-for-44) in 12 games at Target Field.
Is 1st on Twins w/ 14 multi-hit games and leads w/ 58 games; is 1st w/ 54 hits.

ROB REFSNYDER - OF #38

Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (3/26/1991 in Seoul, South Korea)
2021 Average: .340 Streak: 1g, 2-3, 2B, RBI Series vs HOU: 0-0 Home Runs: 2-3, 2B, RBI

Went 2-for-3 w/ game-tying RBI 2B in 6th inning Tuesday night; removed from game w/ left hamstring tightness and has sat out last 4 nights...reinstated from 7-day IL Tuesday...had 2 2B, HR 5/25 vs. BAL, his first-career multi-XBH game...6 of 10 RBI this season have tied game or put Twins ahead...batting .441 (15-for-34) at home vs. .158 (3-for-19) on the road.
Owns just five career games vs. HOU, going 0-for-7, 2 BB, R, SB...just 15-for-95 (.158) in 43 career games vs. the AL West.
He is the 2nd South Korean-born player in Twins/Senators history, alongside ByungHo Park...made his first career start in centerfield and went 4-for-4 on 5/17, setting a new single-game career high in hits...had multi-hit games and an RBI in each of his two starts this season.

BEN RORTVEDT - C #70

Height: 5-10 Weight: 205 B/T: L/R Age: 23 (9/25/97 in Madison, WI)
2021 Average: .154 Streak: 1g, 1-3, 2B, RBI Series vs HOU: 1-3, 2B, RBI Home Runs: 1-5, 2B, RBI

Went 1-for-3 last night w/ R, RBI, 2B, SH; 1st Twin w/ XBH, SH in same game since Buxton on 5/27/19 vs. MIL...hit 1st career HR 5/30 vs. KC; became 1st player in Twins/Saints history to hit his 1st career AAA HR & first MLB homer on consecutive days...recalled from AAA 5/30 (Kepler - IL); 2nd stint w/ MIN (4/30-5/21)...all 6 of his hits have come at Target Field.
Twins' No. 27 prospect per MLB.com...debuted and started at C on 4/30; went 1-for-3, R, RBI, BB in debut...is the first player in Twins/Senators history to wear #70...113.0 innings 5 SB/2 CCS - 71.4% SB% this season...added to the 40-man roster on November 20, 2020.

MIGUEL SANÓ - IF #22

Height: 6-4 Weight: 272 B/T: R/R Age: 28 (5/11/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
2021 Average: .183 Streak: 8g, 10-33, 4 HR, 2 2B, 9 RBI Series vs HOU: 2-8, HR, 2B, 2 RBI Home Runs: 7-20, 2 HR, 2B, 4 RBI

Went 1-for-4, 2B, RBI last night, extending season-long hit streak to 8 games...batting .303 (10-for-33), 2 2B, 4 HR, 9 RBI, 7 R, 1.030 OPS during streak...hit 144th career HR Friday night, passing Joe Mauer for sole possession of 11th place on Twins' all-time list (1961-present) - next up is Tom Brunansky w/ 163 in 10th...was 3-for-4, HR, 2 RBI Wednesday night; 2nd 3-hit G this season (5/18 vs. CWS)...participated in his 4th triple play as a fielder 6/6.
Career 126 G/119 GS at 1B - 43 games (41 starts) at 1B this season, 358.2 Inn.
Went 1-for-7 in 2020 ALWC series vs. HOU...is just 14-for-75 (.187) in 21 career regular season games vs. HOU...7 of 14 hits have been XBH (3 2B, 4 HR).

ANDRELTON SIMMONS - SS #9

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 31 (9/4/89 in Mundo Novo, Curaçao)
2021 Average: .253 Streak: 1g, 1-3, 2B Series vs HOU: 1-7, 2B Home Runs: 4-19, 2 2B, RBI

Went 1-for-3, 2B, run last night...has a hit in 8 of last 9 games, batting .333 (11-for-33) in that span...missed 3 games with sore ankle...is also batting .302 (16-for-53), 3 2B, 2 RBI, 4 BB, 4 R, .362 OBP in last 15 games, since 5/24.
He is batting .294 (15-for-51) in last 13 games vs. HOU...career .266 (81-for-304), 19 2B, 2 3B, 9 HR, 45 RBI, .740 OPS in 81 games vs. HOU...81 games, 19 2B, 9 HR and 45 RBI are his most against any single opponent in his career.
2nd most games all-time for Curaçao-born players (1,109), trailing Andruw Jones (2,196).

TWINS HOME RUN DATA

Table with columns: MULTI-HOMER GAMES (7x), BACK-TO-BACK (1x), INSIDE-THE-PARK (0x), RUNNERS ON, GRAND SLAM (2x), LEADOFF (3x). Lists player names and their achievements.

HITTERS INFO

Table with columns: Player, Multi-Hit, Multi-RBI, Season Hit-Stream, Season High Hits, LAST HOME RUN, LAST GRAND SLAM, VS. CURRENT OPPONENT 2021, VS. CURRENT OPPONENT CAREER. Lists player stats and performance.

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table with 2 columns: Statistic and Value. Includes Most Runs, Game (Team), Most Runs, Inning (Team), Most Hits, Game (Team), etc.

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 12 columns: Inning (1-9, XTRA, TOTAL) and 2 rows: OPPONENT, TWINS.

INJURED LIST

Table with 6 columns: PLAYER, INJURY, DATE ON, RETRO, DATE OFF, GAMES MISSED. Lists injured players and their status.

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Table with 2 columns: Player and Distance. Lists longest home runs by player.

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Table with 2 columns: Player and Velocity. Lists highest exit velocities by player.

EJECTIONS

Table with 5 columns: DATE, PLAYER/MGR/CH, UMPIRE, REASON, CAREER. Lists ejections and reasons.

STARTS BY POSITION

Table with 10 columns: Position (C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B, LF, CF, RF, DH) and 20 rows of player starts.

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Table with 9 columns: Batting Order (1-9) and 20 rows of player starts.

MOST USED LINEUP [2X]

Table with 2 columns: Player and Pos. Lists most used lineup combinations.

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Table with 2 columns: Player and Assists. Lists outfield assists by player.

FASTEST PITCHES

Table with 2 columns: Player and Pitch Speed. Lists fastest pitches by player.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time). Grand Slam: M. Sanó, 5/21/21 G2 at LAA (2 as a team in 2021).

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time). Grand Slam: D. Mendick, 5/17/21 vs. CWS (4 allowed as team in 2021).

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).

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).

MISCELLANEOUS: Triple Play: M. Sanó/A. Simmons/N. Gordon, 6/6/21 at KC - N. Lopez hitting (15 all-time). Position Player Pitching: W. Astudillo, 6/4/21 at KC (3 in 2021).

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).

2021 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

DATE 4/8 vs. Seattle Delayed/PPD Notes Home Opener delayed for 16 minutes in the 4th inning due to quick rain shower.

** Target Field has experienced 57 delayed games, 25 postponed games, 1 suspended game and 1 rain-shortened game in the park's history (since 2010). Longest delay: 4:50. **

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Includes sections for APRIL (9-15), MAY (13-16), and JUNE (4-7).

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^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (Twins are 2-8 in extra innings)
* - Denotes Sellout (12 in 2019; 8 in 2021)
- PPD game from April 12 vs. BOS ## - PPD game from April 19 at OAK ### - PPD games from April 17 & 18 at LAA
- PPD game from May 9 at DET

2021 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [3]
Table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES. Lists walk-off victories on 4/15 vs. BOS, 5/18 vs. CWS, and 6/10 vs. NYY.

2021 PLAYERS ON ROSTER [46]
Pitchers: (22)
Position Players: (24)
List of players and their positions on the roster.