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## MINNESOTA TWINS [45-63] AT HOUSTON ASTROS [65-43]

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2021 - 7:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Griffin Jax (1-1, 6.41) vs. LHP Framber Valdez (7-2, 3.01)

GAME 109

ROAD GAME 55

### UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

| Date | Opponent   | Probable Pitchers  | Time         | Television         | Radio / Spanish Radio                   |
|------|------------|--|--------------|--------------------|---|
| 8/6  | at Houston | RHP Bailey Ober (1-1, 4.94) vs. RHP Zack Greinke (10-3, 3.65)        | 7:10 pm (CT) | Bally Sports North | TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None             |
| 8/7  | at Houston | RHP Michael Pineda (4-6, 3.89) vs. RHP Luis Garcia (7-6, 3.49)       | 6:10 pm (CT) | Bally Sports North | TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None             |
| 8/8  | at Houston | RHP Kenta Maeda (4-4, 4.65) vs. RHP Lance McCullers, Jr. (9-2, 3.02) | 1:10 pm (CT) | Bally Sports North | TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / twinsbeisbol.com |

### SEASON AT A GLANCE

|  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| Under Baldelli (since '19):            | 182-148                  |
| Home Record:                           | 24-30                    |
| Road Record:                           | 21-33                    |
| Record in series:                      | 8-22-6                   |
| Record in home series:                 | 4-12-1                   |
| Record in road series:                 | 4-10-5                   |
| Series Openers:                        | 16-19                    |
| Series Finales:                        | 14-21                    |
| Rubber Games:                          | 5-10                     |
| Sweeps/Swept:                          | 3/5                      |
| April:                                 | 9-15                     |
| May:                                   | 13-16                    |
| June:                                  | 11-14                    |
| July:                                  | 11-17                    |
| August:                                | 1-2                      |
| September/October:                     |                          |
| Day Games:                             | 22-32                    |
| Night Games:                           | 23-31                    |
| vs. American League East:              | 6-7                      |
| vs. American League Central:           | 23-30                    |
| vs. American League West:              | 10-19                    |
| vs. National League:                   | 6-7                      |
| Games vs. LH Starter:                  | 11-26                    |
| Games vs. RH Starter:                  | 34-37                    |
| Twins score first:                     | 29-32                    |
| Opponent scores first:                 | 16-31                    |
| Come-from-behind wins:                 | 18                       |
| Leading after 7/8 inn.:                | 35-5/36-5                |
| Trailing after 7/8 inn.:               | 5-4/2-4                  |
| Tied after 7/8 inn.:                   | 4-9/5-8                  |
| Extra-innings:                         | 7-10                     |
| 1-run games:                           | 15-18                    |
| Twins out-hit opp.:                    | 33-10                    |
| Opp. out-hit Twins:                    | 8-45                     |
| Twins/Opp. have = hits:                | 4-8                      |
| Run Differential:                      | -74 (502-576)            |
| Twins get Quality Start:               | 16-9                     |
| Twins starter goes 6+ IP:              | 22-13                    |
| Most games over .500:                  | 3, 4/8                   |
| Most games under .500:                 | 18, 3x, last 8/5         |
| Longest win-streak:                    | 5, 6/16-21               |
| Longest losing-streak:                 | 5, 3x, last 6/29-7/3     |
| When Twins score 4+:                   | 37-22                    |
| When Twins score 3-:                   | 8-41                     |
| Twins get 10+ hits:                    | 21-16                    |
| Days in First Place:                   | 7                        |
| Days in Second Place:                  | 2                        |
| Days in Third Place:                   | 7                        |
| Days in Fourth Place:                  | 64                       |
| Days in Fifth Place:                   | 42                       |
| Walk-Off W/L:                          | 6/5                      |
| Shutouts W/L:                          | 3/5                      |
| Complete Games:                        | 7/19 (GI) Berríos at CWS |
| Attendance High:                       | 23,337, 7/22 vs. LAA     |
| Attendance Total:                      | 764,776                  |
| Attendance Average:                    | 14,430                   |
| Target Field Sellouts - 2021/All-Time: | 8/181                    |

**THE TWINS:** Have gone 2-3 through five games on their season-long nine-game roadtrip, going 1-2 in St. Louis and 1-1 in Cincinnati...tonight the Twins will continue the trip with the first of four in Houston through the weekend...after this series, the Twins will travel home to play a nine-game homestand with three against the White Sox (August 9-11), three against the Rays (August 13-15) and three against the Indians (August 16-18)...the Twins have gone 24-30 at home this season and 21-33 on the road.

**LATE COMEBACK FALLS SHORT IN CINCY:** The Twins lost to the Reds yesterday afternoon in Cincinnati by a score of 6-5...the club scored four runs in the top of the eighth inning but fell short of a comeback...Charlie Barnes (0-2) was the starter and loser, allowing five runs on seven hits in 4.0 innings pitched...the offense recorded 11 hits, three from Luis Arraez and two from both Ryan Jeffers and Jorge Polanco...five of the 11 hits went for extra-bases, highlighted by Polanco's 18th home run of the season, four short of his single-season high of 22, done in 2019.

**ROSTER MOVE:** The Twins have returned outfielder Rob Refsnyder from his rehab assignment and reinstated him from the 10-day Injured List...Refsnyder, who has missed the Twins' last 43 games due to a left hamstring strain, played in 10 rehab games for Triple-A St. Paul, hitting .389 (14-for-36) with three doubles, three home runs, nine RBI, eight runs scored, six walks, a .465 on-base percentage and a 1.187 OPS...prior to his injury, he played in 18 games for the Twins, hitting .321 (18-for-56) with four doubles, two home runs, 10 RBI, five walks and an .871 OPS...to make room on the 26-man roster, the Twins have optioned infielder/outfielder Nick Gordon to Triple-A St. Paul...Gordon has played in 37 games for the Twins across three stints, hitting .250 (24-for-96) with three doubles, one triple, one home run, five RBI, nine runs scored, five stolen bases and a .301 on-base percentage.

**TWINS-ASTROS:** The Twins and Astros are playing each other for the fourth of seven scheduled meetings in 2021...the Twins went 1-2 against Houston over a three-game series at Target Field from June 11-13...the Twins are 32-35 all-time against the Astros in the regular season, including a record of 21-26 since Houston joined the American League in 2013.

- ☞ Josh Donaldson is hitting .327 (70-for-214) with 16 doubles, two triples, 13 home runs, 42 RBI, 39 walks and a 1.051 OPS in 61 career games against the Astros...he has reached safely in 15 of his last 16 games vs. Houston.
- ☞ Andrelton Simmons has 81 career hits in 82 games against the Astros, tied for his most against any opponent (New York-NL - 81).
- ☞ Jorge Polanco is hitting .346 (28-for-81) with three doubles, two triples, four home runs, 12 RBI and a .967 OPS in 21 career regular season games vs. Houston.

**LEFT SIDE IS OUR BEST SIDE:** The Twins are hitting .248 (303-for-1221) with a .430 slugging percentage and a .741 OPS vs. lefties this season, compared to .244 (587-for-2409) with a .432 slugging and a .753 OPS against righties.

- ☞ Twins are tied with Seattle and Oakland for most homers against lefties in baseball with 51.
- ☞ Miguel Sanó is hitting .333 (10-for-30) with five walks, a .429 on-base percentage and a .962 OPS in his last 16 games against lefties.

**USA! USA! USA!:** Team USA defeated Korea, 7-2, earlier this morning to advance to the gold medal game against host nation Japan at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics...Twins No. 8 prospect Joe Ryan started this morning's win, taking a no-decision after allowing one run on four hits, with one walk and three strikeouts over 4.1 innings...former Twin Tyler Austin also went 2-for-4 with two RBI and is batting .429 (9-for-21) with five runs scored, three doubles, two home runs and seven RBI so far in this year's Olympic tournament...the gold medal game is scheduled for Saturday, August 7 at 5:00 a.m. CT, and will mark the fourth time Team USA will play in an Olympic gold medal game (also, 1984, 1988 and 2000).

**LOOKING AT 2022!:** The Twins yesterday announced their preliminary schedule for the 2022 MLB regular season, the club's 62nd campaign in Twins Territory...below are highlights:

- ☞ Minnesota starts next season on March 31 at Guaranteed Rate Field against Chicago-AL...that contest will start a six-game, two-city American League Central division road trip against the White Sox (March 31-April 3) and Cleveland (April 4-6)...the Twins will then host Seattle for the Home Opener at Target Field on April 7, as part of a six-game homestand vs. the Mariners (April 7-11) and Dodgers (April 12-13).
- ☞ The Twins' opening-homestand series with the Dodgers marks the beginning of a 20-game interleague slate against the NL West, along with the traditional Border Battle rivalry series with Milwaukee (July 12-13 at Target Field and July 26-27 at American Family Field)...Minnesota's home interleague schedule also includes a pair of three-game series with Colorado (June 24-26) and San Francisco (August 26-28)...in addition to the series in Milwaukee, the Twins will also play road interleague sets at Arizona (June 17-19), San Diego (July 29-31) and Dodgers (August 9-10).
- ☞ Minnesota's 2022 schedule features 12 home games in the month of April, 16 in May, 12 in June, nine in July, 20 in August and 12 in September...the schedule also includes showcase summer weekends at Target Field against Tampa Bay (June 10-12), Chicago-AL (July 14-17), Toronto (August 4-7) and San Francisco (August 26-28)...the Twins will host 41 of their 81 home games between Memorial Day (May 30) and Labor Day (September 5).
- ☞ The Twins will play each of their AL Central division rivals 19 times apiece: Chicago (10 home/9 away), Cleveland (9 home/10 away), Detroit (9 home/10 away) and Kansas City (10 home/9 away).

**STEER CLEAR:** Double-A Wichita infielder Spencer Steer has been named this week's third baseman on MLB Pipeline's Prospect Team of the Week...this marks Steer's third appearance on PTOW after being recognized at second base twice this season...the 23-year-old went 5-for-6 with three doubles, a triple and four RBI on July 27 against the Northwest Arkansas Naturals contributing to Wind Surge's 8-1 victory...since being called up to Double-A Wichita June 29, the California native has collected 27 hits, 23 runs scored, eight home runs, 10 walks and 20 RBI in 29 games.

**ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY:** In 2001, Kirby Puckett and Dave Winfield, along with Bill Mazerowski and Hilton Smith, were inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame...Puckett is the Twins all-time leader in hits (2,304), runs (1,071), second in doubles (414), and third in RBI (1,085)...Winfield dons a San Diego cap in his HOF plaque but the St. Paul native recorded his 3,000th hit in a Twins uniform on September 16, 1993 at the Metrodome.

### STREAKS

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Current Streak: | 1 loss |
| Last 5 games:   | 2-3    |
| Last 10 games:  | 3-7    |
| Last 15 games:  | 6-9    |
| Last 20 games:  | 7-13   |

### TWINS VS. ASTROS

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| 2021 Record:         | 1-2    |
| Current Streak:      | 1 loss |
| 2021 at Home:        | 1-2    |
| 2021 at Houston:     |        |
| All-Time Record:     | 32-35  |
| All-Time at Home:    | 17-18  |
| 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   | Berríos/García/Rogers     |
| 6/13 | MIN  | 3-14  | Valdez/Pineda             |
| 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 ROADTRIP [2-3]

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Batting average | .266 |
| Runs Per Game   | 4.8  |
| Home Runs       | 5    |
| RISP            | .318 |
| Errors          | 1    |

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Team ERA        | 4.93  |
| Starters W-L    | 0-2   |
| Starters ERA    | 5.73  |
| Relievers W-L-S | 2-1-1 |
| Relievers ERA   | 4.05  |
| Saves/Opps      | 1/1   |

### MLB TEAM HOME RUN LEADERS

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| San Francisco  | 164 |
| Toronto        | 163 |
| Minnesota      | 156 |
| Atlanta        | 152 |
| Los Angeles-NL | 151 |

### AL TEAM EXTRA-BASE HIT LEADERS

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Boston      | 382 |
| Toronto     | 354 |
| Minnesota   | 351 |
| Houston     | 350 |
| Los Angeles | 350 |

### AL TEAM OPS LEADERS

|           |      |
|-----------|------|
| Toronto   | .787 |
| Houston   | .781 |
| Boston    | .759 |
| Minnesota | .749 |
| Chicago   | .744 |

### RECENT TRANSACTIONS

|      |  |
|------|--|
| 8/5  | OF Refsnyder returned from rehab assignment and reinstated from 10-day IL  |
|      | INF/OF Gordon optioned to AAA  |
| 7/31 | IF/OF Arraez reinstated from 10-day IL                                     |
|      | OF Celestino optioned to AAA   |
| 7/30 | IF/OF Martin and RHP Woods   |
|      | Richardson acquired via trade with TOR in exchange for RHP Berríos         |
|      | RHP García claimed off waivers from CIN                                    |
|      | RHP Jax recalled from AAA  |
|      | RHP Gant and LHP Sisk acquired via trade with STL in exchange for LHP Happ |
|      | and cash considerations  |
|      | RHP Scherff acquired via trade with BOS in exchange for RHP Robles         |
|      | LHP Barnes recalled from AAA   |

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### UPCOMING MILESTONES

| PLAYER            | CURRENT NO.   | MILESTONE WITHIN REACH   |
|-------------------|---------------|--|
| Josh Donaldson    | 243 doubles   | Needs 7 to reach 250 for career.   |
| Max Kepler        | 115 home runs | Needs 4 to tie Eddie Rosario (119) for 15th on the Twins all-time list (since 1961). |
| Jorge Polanco     | 596 games     | Needs 4 to reach 600 for career.   |
| Andrelton Simmons | 197 doubles   | Needs 3 to reach 200 for career.   |
| Miguel Sanó       | 148 home runs | Needs 15 to tie Tom Brunansky (163) for 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).    |





LUIS ARRAEZ - IF/OF [PRONOUNCED AH-RISE] #2

Height: 5-10 Weight: 175 B/T: L/R Age: 23 (4/9/97 in San Felipe, VZ)
2021 Average: .310 Streak: 2g, 5-8, 2 2B Series at CIN: 5-8, 2 2B
Roadtrip: 6-15, 3 2B, 2 RBI Home Runs: 1 (1 2-run)

Was 3-for-3, 2 BB, 2B, R Wednesday; tied career high by reaching base 5x in game (also, 4/4/21 at MIL)...also marked 8th 3+ H game of season...reinstated from 10-day IL 7/31; missed 9 G w/ right knee strain...has a hit in 15 of last 17 G (including 8 multi-hit games), batting .419 (26-for-62), 12 R, 6 2B, 4 RBI, 6 BB, .464 OBP...was 3-for-4, 2B, BB 7/4, reaching base 4x for 8th time in career; 3rd-inning 1B was his 200th career hit...went 3-for-4, 2B, 2 3B, 3 RBI, 8 TB 6/25 vs. CLE; 4th Twin w/ 2B, 2 3B in game, joining Gomez (9/25/08), Knoblauch (6/29/96) & Carew (5/8/77)...reinstated from 10-day IL 6/14; batting .350 (41-for-117) w/ 9 2B, 3 3B, 11 RBI, 10 BB, 21 R in 33 G since after missing 19 G w/ right shoulder strain.
Has 2 career games vs. HOU, both in 2020 WC Series at Target Field; went 0-for-6, 2 BB in 2 G.

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: .274 Streak: 0-1 Series at CIN: 0-0
Roadtrip: 4-6, 2B, RBI Home Runs: 5 (5 1-run)

Def. repl. at 3B Tuesday night at CIN...on 7/31 at STL, had 4th career PH & 2nd PH RBI...late add to lineup 7/30 at STL; went 3-for-4 & had b2b 3-H games for 1st time in career...recalled 7/21 (Kirilloff - IL); 2nd stint w/ MIN (Opening Day-6/19) - batting .375 (9-for-24) in 9 G since return.
Career 2-for-7, R, HR, 2 RBI in 4 games vs. HOU (RS and PS)...on 6/16 at SEA, went 1-for-2, R, 2 BB; 1st MLB game w/ 2 BB, 1st as pro since 5/2/17 w/ AAA Reno.
...hitting .254 (31-for-122) w/ 10 R, 4 2B, 4 HR, 12 RBI & a .661 OPS in 40 G this season...just

JAKE CAVE - OF #60

Height: 6-0 Weight: 200 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (12/4/92 in Hampton, VA)
2021 Average: .175 Streak: 0-2 Series at CIN: 0-1
Roadtrip: 1-4 Home Runs: 1 (1 1-run)

Went 0-for-1 as PH Wednesday...had 3rd career PH 7/31 at STL...reinstated from 60-day IL 7/24...missed 64 G w/ stress reaction in low back and was placed on IL on 5/15 (retro to 5/13)...hit .367 (11-for-30) w/ 2B, HR, 5 RBI, 5 BB...972 OPS in 8 rehab games w/ AAA St. Paul.
Is 3-for-13, 2 BB in 9 games since return from IL...last start came on 7/26 vs. DET.
Went 0-for-1 vs. HOU in 2020 WC Series...career 1-for-14, BB in 6 games vs. HOU (RS and PS)...last faced HOU in the regular season in 2019, from 4/29-4/30 at Target Field...is just 1-for-25, R in 11 games this season vs. AL West.
Career def. positions: 133 in CF, 75 in RF, 38 in LF...in 2021: 17 G/8 GS in LF, 17 G/11 GS in CF, 7 G/5 GS in RF.

JOSH DONALDSON - 3B #20

Height: 6-1 Weight: 210 B/T: R/R Age: 35 (12/8/85 in Pensacola, FL)
2021 Average: .248 Streak: 0-5 Series at CIN: 0-2
Roadtrip: 0-2 Home Runs: 16 (11 1-run, 5 2-run)

Was 0-for-1 as PH yesterday...missed 3 games w/ right hamstring tightness...had BB in 5-straight G 7/24-7/28, longest streak since career-best 8-G run from 9/2-9/10/19...leads MIN w/ 49 BB (T-12th in AL), also 4th w/ 16 multi-hit games...2nd RBI on 7/26 was 700th of career, becoming 30th active player to reach 700 career RBI...has 9 go-ahead RBI, T-3rd on Twins...recorded 3rd career PH 7/10, 1st since 8/20/14...missed 5 G w/ right hamstring tightness, 7/3-7/7...HR in 3-straight G 6/27-6/30, 10th time in career...went 2-for-4 6/24 in 1st start since 6/16; marked 1st multi-hit game since 6/11...recorded 22nd multi-HR game 6/11.
Is 3-for-9, 3 R, 2 HR, 2 RBI, .455 OBP, 1.455 OPS in 3 games vs. HOU this season...career .327 (70-for-214), 41 R, 16 2B, 2 3B, 13 HR, 42 RBI, 39 BB, .449 OBP, 1.051 OPS in 61 regular season games vs. HOU...this includes .333 (35-for-105), 9 2B, 7 HR, 23 RBI, 19 R, 18 BB, .462 OBP, 1.081 OPS in 30 career games at Minute Maid Park.
Enters tonight 4th in MLB (min. 200 BBE) in barrels/PA (11.5) and 5th in barrels/BBE% (17.6).

MITCH GARVER - C #8

Height: 6-1 Weight: 220 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (1/15/91 in Albuquerque, NM)
2021 Average: .236 Streak: 0-1 Series at CIN: 2-6, HR, 3 RBI
Roadtrip: 3-14, HR, 3 RBI Home Runs: 12 (7 1-run, 1 2-run, 3 3-run, 1 GS)

Was 0-for-1 as PH Wednesday...went 2-for-5, 3-R HR Tuesday at CIN - 5 of 12 HR this season have come w/ ROB...batting .286 (8-for-28), 6 R, 2 2B, 4 HR, 10 RBI, 3 BB, 1.221 OPS in 8 games since return from IL on 7/19...hit 1st career grand slam in 1st inn. 7/27...went 2-for-3, 2 2B, BB, HBP 7/26 vs. DET; 6th career game w/ 2 2B & 18th career game w/ multiple XBH...on Paternity List 7/22-7/25; he and his wife, Sarah, welcomed son Gamble Lynn, on 7/22; has 2 2B, 2 HR, 8 RBI in 6 games since son's birth...went 2-for-3, 2 HR, 2 RBI in G2 on 7/19; 7th career multi-HR game & 2nd this season (also 4/28 at CLE)...missed 39 games w/ groin contusion sustained 6/1 at BAL (placed on IL 6/2).
Career 4-for-21, HBP, 2 BB, 5 R in 8 career games vs. HOU (RS and PS)...last faced HOU in 2020 WC series, going 0-for-1...career 3-for-12, 2 R, BB in 4 G at Minute Maid Park.
Had career-long 8-G hitting streak 5/17-5/29, batting .391 (9-for-23) w/ 5 2B, 2 HR, 4 RBI.

RYAN JEFFERS - C #27

Height: 6-4 Weight: 235 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (6/3/97 in Raleigh, NC)
2021 Average: .214 Streak: 3g, 5-11, 3 HR, 10 RBI Series at CIN: 2-3, RBI
Roadtrip: 3-8, HR, 4 RBI Home Runs: 9 (4 1-run, 3 2-run, 1 3-run, 1 GS)

Went 2-for-3, RBI, BB Wednesday...had HR in b2b G for 2nd time in career 7/28-7/31 (also 9/11-9/13/20)...on 7/28 vs. DET, set career highs w/ 2 HR & 6 RBI, hit first career grand slam in 4th inn...marked 3rd career G w/ 2 XBH (also 6/2 at BAL, 7/23 vs. LAA)...has 10 RBI in last 3 G and is batting .355 (11-for-31), 2 2B, 3 HR, 11 RBI, 1.121 OPS in last 10 games.
W/ Mitch Garver, marks 1st time in MIN history that 2 different catchers each hit a grand slam in same season...had XBH in career-high 3-straight G 6/13-16...career 1-for-12, R, HR, RBI in 4 games vs. HOU, in both RS and PS.

MAX KEPLER - OF #26

Height: 6-4 Weight: 225 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (2/10/93 in Berlin, Germany)
2021 Average: .207 Streak: 2g, 2-8, 2 2B Series at CIN: 2-8, 2 2B
Roadtrip: 2-18, 2 2B Home Runs: 14 (10 1-run, 2 2-run, 2 3-run)

Went 1-for-4, 2B, BB Wednesday...hit walk-off 1B in 10th 7/26 vs. DET; 9th career WO PA, T-4th in MIN history...hit 11th career leadoff HR (2nd this season) 7/25...7/20-7/21, HR-ed in consecutive G for 18th time in career, 3rd time this season...has 10+ HR in 5 of 7 MLB seasons...had XBH in 3-straight G from 7/4-7/6...had 10th career multi-HR G on 7/5, 1st

Kepler, continued...
since 7/24/2021 at CWS...became 12th player w/ 10+ multi-HR G as Twin...went 2-for-4, R, 2 BB 6/21; reached base 4x for 1st time since 8/4/2020 vs. PIT...is 28-for-138, 20 R, 4 2B, 3B, 9 HR, 18 RBI, 13 BB, 3 SB, .286 OBP and .728 OPS in 37 G since return from IL on 6/18; missed 17 G w/ left hamstring strain...2nd on team w/ 8 SB; 8 SB are career high...30 of 56 hits this season have been XBH (13 2B, 3 3B, 14 HR).
Last faced HOU in 2020 WC Series at Target Field, going 0-for-5, R, 3 BB, .375 OBP...career .230 (20-for-87), 11 R, 4 2B, 2 HR, 10 RBI, 13 BB, .320 OBP, .665 OPS in 25 games vs. HOU (RS & PS).

TREVOR LARNACH - OF #24

Height: 6-4 Weight: 223 B/T: L/R Age: 24 (2/26/1997 in Walnut Creek, CA)
2021 Average: .225 Streak: 1g, 1-4, 2B, 2 RBI Series at CIN: 1-5, 2B, 2 RBI
Roadtrip: 3-15, 2 2B, 3 RBI Home Runs: 7 (7 1-run)

Was 1-for-4, R, 2 RBI Wednesday; 3rd career multi-RBI game and 1st since 7/4...has reached base 2+ x in 29 of 72 career G (40.3%)...has just 2 RBI in last 19 games, after recording 12 in his previous 18...went 1-for-3, RBI, BB 7/23; 1st RBI since 7/9 vs. DET...went 2-for-4 w/ 11th multi-hit G 7/18...5 of 7 HR have traveled 400+ feet...had 1st career stolen base 7/5...had 3-straight multi-hit G, 7/2-4...tied career high w/ 3 H on 6/20...plunked 7x, T-4th most among all MLB rookies...has 3 of MIN's 10 PH this season...is 3-for-11 in 3 career G vs. HOU.
Hit a 461-foot homer on 5/24, going 2-for-4 w/ R, HR & 2 RBI in first career game vs. BAL...is 2nd-longest HR by a Twin this season (Statcast), 17th longest in Target Field history by any hitter...became 7th batter to HR into the Delta SKY360 Suite in CF since it was built in 2016.

JORGE POLANCO - IF #11

Height: 5-11 Weight: 208 B/T: S/R Age: 28 (7/5/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
2021 Average: .273 Streak: 8g, 14-37, 4 HR, 2 2B, 7 RBI Series at CIN: 3-9, 2 HR, 4 RBI
Roadtrip: 9-23, 3 HR, 2B, 5 RBI Home Runs: 18 (8 1-run, 6 2-run, 4 3-run)

Was 2-for-4, BB, HR, 2 R yesterday...HR-ed in 3-straight games for 2nd time in career, behind only career-high 4-game run 8/21-8/23/17...also has XBH in 4-straight G, matching career-best streak for 4th time, 1st since 8/17-8/20/19...leads team w/ 31 multi-hit G & 9 G w/ 3+ H...batting .387 (24-for-62), 4 2B, 6 HR, 13 RBI, .424 OBP and 1.166 OPS in last 15 G.
Batting .325 (38-for-117) since 7/1; ranks 2nd in AL and 9th in MLB in AVG in that span (min. 100 AB)...hit walk-off, 3-R HR on 7/11 vs. DET; went 3-for-6 w/ 3-R HR, 2 RBI 1B and set new career high w/ 5 RBI...had 2nd career multi-homer game 6/9 vs. NYY (also, 8/29/17 vs. CWS).
Hitting .277 (67-for-242) w/ 11 2B, 13 HR, 34 RBI as LHB vs. .268 (38-for-142), 11 2B, 3B, 5 HR, 22 RBI as RHB this year...is 3-for-8, R, HR, 3 RBI in 2 G vs. HOU this season...career .330 (29-for-88), 12 R, 3 2B, 2 3B, 4 HR, 12 RBI in 23 games vs. HOU (RS and PS).

ROB REFSNYDER - OF #38

Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (3/26/1991 in Seoul, South Korea)
2021 Average: .321 Streak: 0-3 Series at CIN: 0-0
Roadtrip: 0-0 Home Runs: 2 (2 1-run)

Returned from rehab, reinstated from 10-day Injured List today; missed 43 games w/ left hamstring strain...batted .389 (14-for-36), 3 2B, 3 HR, 9 RBI, 8 R, 6 BB, .465 OBP, 1.187 OPS in 10 rehab games w/ AAA St. Paul.
Last appeared in an MLB game on 6/13 vs. HOU, going 0-for-3, BB...has batted .321 (18-for-56), 4 2B, 2 HR, 10 RBI, 10 R, 5 BB in 18 games for MIN this season.
Career 0-for-13, R, 3 BB in 7 games vs. HOU (RS and PS)...is just 2-for-11, R, 2 RBI, 2 BB in 5 games vs. AL West this season.
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.

BRENT ROOKER - OF #50

Height: 6-3 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (11/1/94 in Germantown, TN)
2021 Average: .189 Streak: 0-6 Series at CIN: 1-9, 2B, RBI
Roadtrip: 3-22, 2B, RBI Home Runs: 4 (4 1-run)

Was 0-for-5 yesterday...has a .909 OPS and .348 OBP with 3 2B, 3 HR, 4 RBI, 9 R in last 10 games...went 2-for-4, HR 7/28; from 7/27-7/28, had multiple H in b2b G for 1st time...hit 460-foot HR 7/26, 3rd-longest by a MIN hitter this season...HR-ed in b2b G for 1st time in career 7/25-7/26, after going 1-for-4, 1st-inn. HR 7/25 (b2b w/ Kepler)...recalled from AAA 7/23; at the time of recall, was T-1st in AAA in HR, T-5th among MiLB hitters.
Never faced HOU...is 3-for-22, 2 2B, HR, RBI, 2 R, BB in 6 career games vs. AL West.
Career .333 (13-for-39) hitter w/ 4 2B, 3 HR, 6 RBI, 1.089 OPS in 12 G at Target Field, compared to .130 (7-for-54) in 14 road G...currently ranked as the No. 12 prospect in Twins system per MLB.com.
Missed 9 G on 10-day IL w/ cervical strain (4/7-4/20)...2nd stint w/ MIN this season (4/3-4/29).

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: .210 Streak: 1g, 1-5, 2B, RBI Series at CIN: 1-7, 2B, RBI
Roadtrip: 4-17, 3 2B, 2 RBI Home Runs: 17 (8 1-run, 6 2-run, 2 3-run, 1 GS)

Was 1-for-5, 2B, RBI, R yesterday at CIN...extended on-base streak to 8 games, batting .333 (10-for-30) w/ 4 2B, 2 HR, 7 RBI, 8 BB, .474 OBP and 1.140 OPS in span...was 3-for-4, 2 HR, 4 RBI, BB 7/28; 11th career multi-HR G, tied w/ N. Cruz and T. Brunansky for 8th in Twins history...2nd HR traveled 473 ft., longest HR on MIN this season & 4th longest by MIN hitter in Statcast Era (2015)...stole 3B in 4th inn. 7/22, 3rd career SB (1st since 5/14/16) & 1st of 3B.
Hit 2nd career walk-off HR in 12th 6/21 (3rd career WO PA)...has 148 career HR, 11th place on Twins' all-time list (1961-present) - next up is T. Brunansky w/ 163 in 10th.
Is 3-for-12, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, R in 3 games vs. HOU this season...has 7 XBH in 24 games vs. AL West this season...is just .186 (16-for-86), 3 2B, 4 HR, 9 RBI, 9 R, 10 BB in 24 career games vs. HOU (RS and PS).

ANDRELTON SIMMONS - SS #9

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 31 (9/4/89 in Mundo Novo, Curaçao)
2021 Average: .2216 Streak: 0-5 Series at CIN: 0-3
Roadtrip: 5-14, 3 RBI Home Runs: 3 (3 2-run)

Was 0-for-3 Tuesday night...went 1-for-3, 2-RBI 1B 8/1 at STL; 5th 2-RBI G of season...has 13 multi-hit games this season...went 1-for-4, R, SB 7/21 at CWS; 1st SB of season & 1st since 9/9/2020...on 7/6, recorded 8th career game w/ 2 errors, 1st this season...had 1st career RBI sac bunt on 7/5...has 197 career 2B, 3 away from 200...was 1-for-3 on 6/29...on 6/27, hit 1st HR since 5/16 vs. OAK (115 PA between)...his 12 outs above average (Statcast) are T-5th in MLB, behind ARI's N. Ahmed (18), NYM's F. Lindor (16), OAK's M. Chapman (14) and KC's N. Lopez (13).
Is just 1-for-9, R, 2B, HBP, BB in 3 games vs. HOU this season...career .265 (81-for-306), 19 2B, 2 3B, 9 HR, 45 RBI, 34 R, 17 BB in 82 RS games vs. HOU.

TWINS HOME RUN DATA

Table with columns for Multi-Homer Games (12x), Multi-Homer Games (12x), Walk-Off (3x), Runners On, Grand Slam (4x), and Leadoff (4x). Lists players and their performance in various game situations.

HITTERS INFO

Table with columns for Player, Multi-Hit, Multi-RBI, Season Hit-Strike, Season High Hits, Last Home Run, Last Grand Slam, vs. Current Opponent 2021, and vs. Current Opponent Career. Provides detailed stats for each player.

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table listing various statistical highs and lows for the team, such as Most Runs, Game (Team), Most Hits, Inning (Team), etc.

LONGEST HOME RUNS table listing players and the distance of their longest home runs.

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY table listing players and the velocity of their highest exit velocities.

SCORE BY INNING

Score by Inning table showing runs scored by each team (Twins and Opponent) across innings 1-9 and extra innings.

INJURED LIST

Injured List table listing players, their injuries, dates on and off the list, and games missed.

EJECTIONS

Ejections table listing the date, player/manager/coach, umpire, reason for ejection, and career count.

STARTS BY POSITION

Starts by Position table showing the number of starts for each player at various positions (C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B, LF, CF, RF, DH).

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Starts by Batting Order table showing the number of starts for each player at each batting position (1-9).

MOST USED LINEUP [2X]

Most Used Lineup table showing the most common lineup combinations and their frequency.

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Outfield Assists table listing players and the number of outfield assists they have recorded.

FASTEST PITCHES

Fastest Pitches table listing pitchers and their fastest pitches with velocity and date.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

Text block containing various baseball records and statistics for the Twins, including hitting, pitching, and miscellaneous records.

AGAINST THE TWINS

Text block containing various baseball records and statistics against the Twins, including hitting, pitching, and miscellaneous records.

2021 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

Table detailing weather-related delays and postponements at Target Field in 2021, including dates and reasons.

\*\* Target Field has experienced 57 delayed games, 26 postponed games, 1 suspended game and 1 rain-shortened game in the park's history (since 2010). Longest delay: 4:50. \*\*

