

MINNESOTA TWINS



2021 GAME NOTES

WESTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS '69 '70 '87 '91

CENTRAL DIVISION CHAMPIONS '02 '03 '04 '06 '09 '10 '19 '20

AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS '25 '33 '65 '87 '91

WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS [62-79] vs. KANSAS CITY ROYALS [64-77]

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 - 6:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Michael Pineda (5-8, 3.99) vs. RHP Brady Singer (4-9, 4.58)

GAME 142

HOME GAME 70

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
9/12	vs. Kansas City	RHP Bailey Ober (2-2, 4.00) vs. LHP Kris Bubic (4-6, 5.07)	1:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / twinsbeisbol.com
9/13	at New York-AL	RHP John Gant (5-9, 3.78) vs. TBA	1:05 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Under Baldelli (since '19):	199-164
Home Record:	32-37
Road Record:	30-42
Record in series:	14-25-6
Record in home series:	8-13-1
Record in road series:	6-12-5
Series Openers:	20-26
Series Finales:	20-25
Rubber Games:	8-11
Sweeps/Swept:	3/6
April:	9-15
May:	13-16
June:	11-14
July:	11-16
August:	14-13
September/October:	4-5
Day Games:	27-35
Night Games:	35-44
vs. American League East:	10-15
vs. American League Central:	31-34
vs. American League West:	13-20
vs. National League:	8-10
Games vs. LH Starter:	15-32
Games vs. RH Starter:	47-47
Twins score first:	42-35
Opponent scores first:	20-44
Come-from-behind wins:	25
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	48-5/49-5
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	5-5/2-57
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	8-10/9-9
Extra-innings:	11-11
1-run games:	23-18
Twins out-hit opp.:	43-13
Opp. out-hit Twins:	13-58
Twins/Opp. have = hits:	6-8
Run Differential:	-107 (631-738)
Twins get Quality Start:	21-11
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	27-16
Most games over .500:	3, 4/5
Most games under .500:	19, 9/8
Longest win-streak:	5, 6/16-21
Longest losing-streak:	5, 3x, last 6/29-7/3
When Twins score 4+:	49-27
When Twins score 3-:	13-52
Twins get 10+ hits:	28-18
Days in First Place:	7
Days in Second Place:	2
Days in Third Place:	7
Days in Fourth Place:	72
Days in Fifth Place:	69
Walk-Off W/L:	9/7
Shutouts W/L:	8/7
Complete Games:	7/19 (G2) Berrios at CWS
Attendance High:	29,342, 8/28 vs. MIL
Attendance Total:	1,085,727
Attendance Average:	15,967
Target Field Sellouts - 2021/All-Time:	8/181

THE TWINS: After completing their seven-game roadtrip with a record of 4-3 (1-2 against the Rays and 3-1 against the Indians), the Twins began their three-game weekend series against the Royals with a loss last night...after tomorrow's series finale, they will travel to New York for a makeup game on Monday afternoon against the Yankees, then travel back home for three against the Indians from September 14-15 (doubleheader on the 14th)...the Twins have gone 32-37 at home this season and 30-42 on the road.

TWINS AND ROYALS GO 11 AS TWINS FALL: The Twins lost to the Royals last night at Target Field by a score of 6-4 in 11 innings, making them 11-11 in extra frames this season...Griffin Jax was the starter but did not factor into the decision, allowing four runs on five hits in 6.0 innings pitched...the bullpen combined to allow two runs on three hits in 5.0 innings pitched as Juan Minaya (2-1) was dealt the loss, allowing an Andrew Benintendi two-run homer in the 11th...the offense scored all four of their runs in the first inning, highlighted by a Byron Buxton leadoff home run (his 2nd leadoff homer this season) and a Josh Donaldson three-run homer...Buxton's homer was measured at a career-best 457 feet, hitting the facing of Minnie and Paul's in centerfield...for Donaldson, his homer had an exit velocity of 113.6 mph, his hardest of the Statcast Era.

ROSTER MOVE: The Twins have selected the contract of left-handed pitcher Jovani Moran from Triple-A St. Paul...Moran, 24, has split the season between Double-A Wichita and St. Paul, combining to go 4-2, 2.41 ERA (67.1 IP, 18 ER), 32 walks, 109 strikeouts and a .124 opponent batting average...the Mayaguez, PR native was selected by the Twins in the seventh round of the 2015 First-Year Player Draft out of the Carlos Beltran Baseball Academy...to make room on the 28-man roster, the Twins have optioned left-handed pitcher Andrew Albers to Triple-A St. Paul...to make room for Moran on the 40-man roster, the Twins have transferred right-handed pitcher Randy Dobnak to the 60-day Injured List...Dobnak was placed on the 10-day Injured List on Thursday with a right middle finger strain.

ROCCO 200: Rocco Baldelli needs one win to reach 200 managerial victories in his career...below are the Twins' all-time managerial wins leaders (left) and Baldelli's milestone victories (right):

TWINS MANAGERIAL WINS		BALDELLI'S MILESTONE WINS	
Tom Kelly (1986-2001)	1140	1	March 28, 2019 vs. Cleveland
Ron Gardenhire (2002-14)	1068	50	June 22, 2019 at Kansas City
Sam Mele (1961-67)	522	100	September 27, 2019 at Kansas City
Gene Mauch (1976-80)	378	150	May 15, 2021 vs. Oakland
Paul Molitor (2015-18)	305	200	?
Frank Quilici (1972-75)	280	NOTE: Since 2019, Baldelli ranks seventh in baseball in wins, trailing Dave Roberts (238), Kevin Cash (224), Aaron Boone (214), Bob Melvin (210), Brian Snitker (207) and Craig Counsell (205)	
Billy Gardner (1981-85)	268		
Bill Rigney (1970-72)	208		
Rocco Baldelli (2019-)	199		

TWINS AND ROYALS: The Twins and Royals are playing the 15th of 19 meetings in 2021...Twins are 6-8 against the Royals this season, going 3-4 at Target Field and 3-4 at Kauffman Stadium. The Twins have homered 24 times against KC this season, the most against the Royals in 2021. Miguel Sanó has 19 career home runs against the Royals, including two this season, both at Kansas City...he has 64 career RBI against KC, his most vs. any opponent. Luis Arraez is hitting .351 (27-for-77) with four doubles, one triple, five RBI, 11 walks and a .451 OBP in 22 career games vs. the Royals, reaching safely in 19 of those 22. Josh Donaldson is hitting .321 (25-for-78) with 12 doubles, four home runs, 16 RBI, nine walks, a .398 on-base percentage and a 1.026 OPS in his last 20 games against KC. Jorge Polanco is hitting .340 (18-for-53) with six doubles in 13 games against KC this season...he has multiple hits in seven of those 13.

'PEN STRONG: In its last 14 games, since August 27, the Twins bullpen has posted a 1.00 ERA (54.0 IP, 6 ER) with 36 hits allowed, 16 walks, 57 strikeouts, a .188 opponent batting average and a .571 opponent OPS...since that date, they rank second in baseball in ERA, third in WHIP (0.96), and third in opponent batting average and OPS.

THE JOHN GORDON AWARD: Congratulations to WMOZ 106.9 FM "The Moose" in Moose Lake, Minnesota as they are the 2021 winner of the John Gordon Award as Twins Radio Affiliate of the Year...WMOZ joined the Twins Radio Network 15 years ago for the 2007 season...WMOZ's signal covers four counties in Minnesota and stretches to Northern Wisconsin...on behalf of WMOZ, the Minnesota Twins Community Fund will donate a \$5,000 grant to go Cromwell-Wright Public School in Carlton County to build a new scoreboard for the high school baseball team...the Cardinals Baseball team folded in 2010 after a lack of participation...community members and volunteers rallied to encourage area youth to play baseball and players once again took the field in 2019 when the Cardinals put together a team of sixth through ninth graders...2021 marked a return of a Junior Varsity team and 2022 will be the first time in 12 years that the Cardinals will field a Varsity baseball team.

REMEMBERING 9/11: Today on the 20th anniversary of September 11, 2001, the Twins and Royals will join Major League Baseball and all 30 Clubs to remember and honor those we lost on that tragic day, the heroism of all who sacrificed their own lives to save others, those who died from illnesses obtained at Ground Zero, and those who continue to bravely serve our communities and country...starting at approximately 5:50 p.m., special pre- and in-game elements are scheduled to include:

- The placing of six wreaths placed behind the pitcher's mound, commemorating lives lost and each representing a different group (Law Enforcement, Firefighters, Emergency Medical Services, United States Armed Forces, American Citizens and International Citizens).
- A special in-ballpark element will be in place throughout the game in remembrance of the 13 U.S. service members killed on August 27 in an attack near the Kabul airport in Afghanistan.
- Other elements include video excerpts, ceremonial first pitches, Twins Territory and American flag raising, the National Anthem, a flyover and more.

MLB PITCH, HIT AND RUN: Earlier today, Target Field hosted the Minnesota Twins Team Championship for the 2021 MLB Pitch, Hit and Run presented by MLB Network...a total of 24 boys and girls, ages 7-14 and representing Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa, showcased their skills...the eight age division winners (four each for baseball and softball) will be recognized on the field prior to tonight's game.

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 1974, Harmon Killebrew hit his final home run as a Twin, a walk-off two-run shot in the bottom of the 10th to give the Twins a 5-3 victory over Oakland...in 1999, Eric Milton threw the fourth no-hitter in Twins history, defeating the Angels 7-0 at the Metrodome...he walked two and struck out 13 batters, the most strikeouts in a no-hitter in Twins/Senators history (passing Walter Johnson's 10 K on July 1, 1920)...in 2013, Baseball America named Byron Buxton its Minor League Player of the Year.

STREAKS

Current Streak	2 losses
Last 5 games	3-2
Last 10 games	4-6
Last 15 games	7-8
Last 20 games	8-12

TWINS VS. ROYALS

2021 Record:	6-8
Current Streak:	1 loss
2021 at Home:	3-4
2021 at Kansas City:	3-4
All-Time Record:	429-404
All-Time at Home:	229-184
All-Time at Kansas City:	200-220

2021 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
4/30	MIN	9-1	Pineda/Singer
5/1	MIN	3-11	Duffy/Shoemaker
5/2	MIN	13-4	Berrios/Keller
5/28	MIN	3-8	Bubic/Dobnak
5/29	MIN	6-5	Happ/Santana/Rogers
5/30	MIN	3-6	Keller/Shoemaker/Holland
6/3	KC	5-6	Junis/Robles/Barlow
6/4	KC	5-14	Keller/Shoemaker
6/5	KC	5-4	Berrios/Minor/Robles
6/6	KC	2-1	Farrell/Singer/Rogers
7/2	KC	4-7	Lovelady/Happ/Barlow
7/3	KC	3-6	Zimmer/Jax/Barlow
7/4	KC	6-2	Maeda/Keller
9/10	MIN	4-6 (11)	Santana/Minaya/Holland
9/11	MIN		6:10 pm (CT)
9/12	MIN		1:10 pm (CT)
10/1	KC		7:10 pm (CT)
10/2	KC		6:10 pm (CT)
10/3	KC		2:10 pm (CT)

CURRENT HOMESTAND [0-1]

Batting average	.175
Runs Per Game	4.00
Home Runs	2
RISP	.222
Errors	1

Team ERA	4.09
Starters W-L	0-0
Starters ERA	6.00
Relievers W-L-S	0-1-0
Relievers ERA	1.80
Saves/Opps	0/0

HOME RUNS VS. KC SINCE 2019

Nelson Cruz	16
José Ramirez	14
Miguel Sanó	10
José Abreu	8

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

9/11	LHP Moran contract selected from AAA
	LHP Albers optioned to AAA
	RHP Dobnak transferred to 60-day IL
9/9	RHP Dobnak placed on 10-day IL
	LHP Albers recalled from AAA
9/6	RHP Pineda reinstated from 10-day IL
	RHP Gibaut optioned to AAA
	RHP Law cleared waivers and assigned to AAA
9/5	RHP Farrell returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 60-day IL
	LHP Albers optioned to AAA
	RHP Law designated for release or assignment

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PLAYER/MANAGER	CURRENT NO.	MILESTONE WITHIN REACH
Rocco Baldelli	199 wins	Needs 1 to reach 200 managerial wins.
Josh Donaldson	249 doubles	Needs 1 to reach 250 for career.
Max Kepler	117 home runs	Needs 2 to tie Eddie Rosario (119) for 15th on the Twins all-time list (since 1961).
Andrelton Simmons	199 doubles	Needs 1 to reach 200 for career.
	492 runs scored	Needs 8 to reach 500 for career.
Miguel Sanó	157 home runs	Needs 6 to tie Tom Brunansky (163) for 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).

MICHAEL PINEDA

#35

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

2021: 5-8, 3.99 ERA CAREER: 58-54, 4.02 ERA

- ⚡ Tonight marks his 19th appearance of the season and 18th start...also his 167th career appearance and 166th start.
- ⚡ Is making his second start of the season and 13th of his career vs. Kansas City tonight...is 6-6, 4.05 ERA (73.1 IP, 33 ER), with 15 walks and 67 strikeouts vs. the Royals.

2021 DAY-BY-DAY (ITALICS INDICATE RELIEF)

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%)
6/13	vs. HOU	L4	4.0	6	3	3	1	1	1	0-3/3-14	Placed on IL next day	64/39 (60.9%)
JUNE TOTALS 0-2												
11.1 17 10 10 1 3 4 7.94 ERA												
7/7	vs. CWS	L5	5.1	12	5	5	1	0	4	1-5/1-6	Returned from IL; career-high hits	82/60 (73.2%)
7/21	at CWS	W4	5.0	4	1	1	0	1	3	3-1/7-2	Snapped 3-game losing streak	73/48 (65.8%)
7/26	vs. DET	ND	6.0	5	2	2	1	0	6	5-2/6-5	DET rallied off 'pen; Twins won in 10	85/59 (69.4%)
JULY TOTALS 1-1												
16.1 21 8 8 2 1 13 4.41 ERA												
8/1	at STL	L6	4.0	5	3	2	0	1	3	2-4/3-7	2nd-highest strike % of season	68/52 (76.5%)
8/7	at HOU	L7	6.0	7	2	2	1	0	3	0-2/0-4	Most pitches since Sept. 7, 2020	102/68 (66.7%)
8/13	vs. TB	L8	2.2	6	4	4	2	0	3	0-4/4-10	Left in 3rd w/ left side tightness	47/39 (83.0%)
AUG TOTALS 0-3												
12.2 18 9 8 3 1 9 5.68 ERA												
9/6	at CLE	W5	3.0	2	0	0	0	1	3	5-2/5-2	First career MLB relief appearance	44/25 (56.8%)
SEPT TOTALS 1-0												
3.0 2 0 0 0 1 3 0.00 ERA												
2021 TOTALS												
RECORD 5-8 IP 88.0 H 90 R 42 ER 39 HR 15 BB 18 SO 76 ERA 3.99												
CAREER TOTALS												
58-54 940.2 908 450 420 129 210 928 4.02												

LAST TIME OUT: Big Mike earned the win in his first career MLB relief appearance last Monday, September 6 at Progressive Field, working 3.0 scoreless innings, with two hits, one walk and three strikeouts in a 5-2 Twins victory over Cleveland...entered the game in the fifth in relief of starter Bailey Ober...worked around two singles in the fifth and a leadoff walk in the sixth before tossing a one-two-three seventh to wrap up his outing...retired seven of the final eight men he faced, including the last six batters in order, giving way to the Twins bullpen which sealed the victory with two more scoreless innings.

- ⚡ Pineda was reinstated from the 10-day Injured List earlier that day...was used in a relief role to help him ease back into major league action without a rehab assignment, as well as manage Bailey Ober's workload.
- ⚡ Marked his first career MLB relief appearance and first professional relief outing that was not part of a rehab assignment since May 16, 2009 while pitching for Single-A High Desert in Seattle's minor league system.

START PRIOR: Pineda started on August 13 vs. Tampa Bay, shouldering his eighth loss of the season in a 10-4 Twins setback...permitted four runs on six hits (2 HR), with no walks and three strikeouts over just 2.2 innings of work...allowed a run in the opening frame on a Randy Arozarena RBI double, followed by two more tallies in the second inning on a Yandy Diaz solo home run and a wild pitch which allowed Mike Zunino to score...began his third inning by permitting a solo shot to Nelson Cruz; recorded two outs in the frame before departing the game with left side tightness.

- ⚡ 2.2 innings marked his shortest start of the season and second shortest of his career, behind only a 1.2-inning, ejection-shortened outing on April 23, 2014 at Boston while pitching for New York-AL...four runs marked his most since allowing a season-high-tying five runs on July 7 vs. Chicago-AL; prior to this outing, Pineda had limited opposing teams to three runs-or-fewer in each of his four outings since the All-Star Break...also marked his first time allowing multiple home runs in a start since May 13 at Chicago-AL.
- ⚡ Pineda was placed on the 10-day Injured List August 14 with a left oblique strain and has missed the Twins' last 20 games...it marked his third stint on the IL this season — also May 19-26 (abcess - retroactive to May 16) and June 14-July 7 (right elbow inflammation).

ROYAL RUMBLE: Pineda is making his 13th career start vs. Kansas City tonight...is 6-6, 4.05 ERA (73.1 IP, 33 ER), with 15 walks and 67 strikeouts in his previous outings.

- ⚡ Earned the win vs. the Royals at Target Field on April 30, allowing just one run on three hits (1 HR), with two walks and five strikeouts over 5.0 innings in a 9-1 Twins victory opposite Brady Singer — tonight's Royals starter.
- ⚡ Is 3-3, 3.03 ERA (38.2 IP, 13 ER), with nine walks and 38 strikeouts in six starts vs. Kansas City at home...four of those six starts have been quality with one of the others being his 5.0-inning, one-run effort vs. the Royals at Target Field this season.
- ⚡ Set a career high with 8.0 innings pitched vs. Kansas City on September 10, 2011 while pitching for Seattle...has since tied that mark twice (5/5/15 at TOR and 6/28/15 at HOU).

SOLID STRETCH: From July 21-August 7, Pineda fashioned a 3.00 ERA (21.0 IP, 7 ER), with two walks (1 intentional) and 15 strikeouts in four starts following the All-Star Break...it marked a return to form for "Big Mike," after he stumbled to an 0-3 mark with an 8.10 ERA (16.2 IP, 15 ER), three walks, eight strikeouts and a .387/.405/.627 opponent slash line (29-for-75 with 8 doubles, 2 triples, 2 home runs) in four starts from June 1-July 7.

- ⚡ Despite the 3.00 ERA, Pineda went just 1-2 in those four starts (Minnesota was 2-2)...Pineda's 4.30 run support average is lowest among all Twins pitchers with at least six starts...he has received three-or-fewer runs in 13 of his 17 starts, two-or-fewer in 10 starts and, in seven of his starts, the Twins have been shut out or held to one run while he was in the game.

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.

PITCH (AVG. MPH)	PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB)	RESULTS
4-Seam Fastball (90.5).....	53.2% (736 pitches, 411/325) ..	.303 (54-for-178), 13 2B, 1 3B, 10 HR, 30 K Slider (81.1).....
.....	29.3% (405 pitches, 297/108)180 (20-for-111), 3 2B, 3 HR, 44 K Changeup (85.5).....
.....	17.5% (242 pitches, 60/182)291 (16-for-55), 4 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 2 K

- ⚡ Pineda has induced opposing hitters to chase 33.9 percent of the time this season, ranking in the 94th percentile among all pitchers in baseball...additionally, he has only allowed 18 free passes in 367 opponent plate appearances, good for a 4.9 walk percentage which also ranks in the 94th percentile.
- ⚡ Since his first start of the 2020 season, opponents are hitting .163 (25-for-153) with 61 strikeouts against Pineda's slider.
- ⚡ In two-and-a-half seasons with the Twins, he has used his four-seam fastball more than half the time (53.2% 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.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP BAILEY OBER (2021 SEASON: 2-2, 4.00 ERA // CAREER: 2-2, 4.00 ERA)

Rookie right-hander Ober is due to toe the rubber in tomorrow afternoon's three-game series finale vs. the Royals...took a no-decision in the Twins' 5-2 victory on September 6 at Cleveland after allowing two runs on six hits (1 HR), with no walks and four strikeouts over 4.0 innings pitched...marked his fourth career outing with no walks and at least four strikeouts...tomorrow will mark his second career start and appearance vs. Kansas City, after starting on June 6 at Kauffman Stadium...did not factor into the decision of the Twins' 2-1 victory, allowing one run on five hits with no walks and four strikeouts over 4.0 innings.

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: 12, 7/7 vs. CWS
Home Runs: 2, 4x, last: 8/13 vs. TB
Win-Streak: 1, 5x, last: 9/6
Loss-Streak: 3, 2x, last: 8/1-8/13

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: 12, 7/7/21 vs. CWS
Home Runs: 4, 4/24/16 vs. TB
Win-Streak: 8, 7/26/19-4/4/21
Loss-Streak: 3, 5x, last: 8/1-8/13/21

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	4	4.13	11/11	56.2	26	Vs. Left:	.263	42	160	8	6	31
Road:	3	4	3.73	7/6	31.1	13	Vs. Right:	.261	48	184	7	12	45
Day:	2	5	3.74	10/10	53.0	22	TOTALS:	.262	90	344	15	18	76
Night:	3	3	4.37	8/7	35.0	17	None On:	.267	59	221	12	11	45
Grass:	5	8	3.99	18/17	88.0	39	Runners On:	.252	31	123	3	7	31
Turf:	--	--	--	--	--	--							

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS	YEAR	STARTS	6+ 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	17	6	6
		TOTALS		165		96	
						81	

2021 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

	BASE RUNNERS	PICK-OFFS	SB-ATT	GIDP
PINEDA:	108	1	9-13	5

2021 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

INNING:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
RUNS/HITS:	5/16	11/18	11/19	5/15	5/15	5/6	0/1	-/-	-/-

PINEDA VS. KANSAS CITY

2021 vs. Kansas City (1 start): 1-0, 1.80 ERA (5.0 IP, 1 ER), 2 BB, 5 K
 2021 vs. Kansas City at Home (1 start): 1-0, 1.80 ERA (5.0 IP, 1 ER), 2 BB, 5 K
 2021 vs. Kansas City on Road (0 starts): --
 Career vs. Kansas City (12 starts): 6-6, 4.05 ERA (73.1 IP, 33 ER), 15 BB, 67 K
 Career vs. Kansas City at Home (6 starts): 3-3, 3.03 ERA (38.2 IP, 13 ER), 9 BB, 38 K
 Career vs. Kansas City on Road (6 starts): 3-3, 5.19 ERA (34.2 IP, 20 ER), 6 BB, 29 K

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Pineda vs. the Royals							Singer vs. the Twins						
PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO	PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Perez	.393	28	11	2	1	4	Polanco	.231	13	3	0	1	2
Santana	.583	12	7	1	0	2	Arraez	.400	10	4	0	0	0
Benintendi	.273	11	3	0	0	3	Kepler	.300	10	3	1	1	4
Merrifield	.273	11	3	1	0	1	Sanó	.250	8	2	1	2	4
Dozier	.500	4	2	1	1	2	Buxton	.400	5	2	0	0	0
Lopez	.250	4	1	0	1	0	Kirilloff	.400	5	2	0	1	2
Mondesi	.000	2	0	0	0	2	Gordon	.250	4	1	0	0	1
O'Hearn	.000	2	0	0	0	1	Larnach	.750	4	3	0	0	1
Taylor	.000	2	0	0	0	0	Astudillo	.000	3	0	0	0	1
							Donaldson	.333	3	1	0	1	0
							Jeffers	.000	3	0	0	0	0
							Cave	.500	2	1	0	0	0
							Garlick	.500	2	1	0	1	0
							Simmons	1.000	2	2	0	2	0
							Rortvedt	.000	1	0	0	1	0

AT HIS BEST AGAINST THE BEST: Pineda has pitched his best against the heart of opposing lineups, limiting the number two to five hitters to a combined .190 batting average (32-for-168) with six doubles, seven home runs, six walks and 40 strikeouts...by contrast, leadoff batters are slashing .500/.529/.771 (24-for-48) with five doubles, one triple, two home runs and three walks, and the six to nine slots are hitting a combined .266 (34-for-128) with nine doubles, one triple, six home runs, nine walks and 31 strikeouts.

- ⚡ Big Mike has been especially stingy against opposing cleanup hitters, limiting those batters to seven hits in 42 at-bats (.167), with two doubles, two home runs, two walks, 11 strikeouts and a .562 OPS.
- ⚡ Five-hole hitters are also below the Mendoza line against Pineda, going 7-for-39 (.179) with three doubles, no walks, six strikeouts and a .436 OPS.

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

- In the last 14 games, Twins' pen has posted a 1.00 ERA (54.0 IP, 6 ER) with 16 BB, 57 K and a .188 BAA...ranks 2nd in ERA & 3rd BAA in AL since 8/27...unscored upon in 9 of those 14 games.
In their last 35 games (since 8/3), Twins relievers are 10-1-12, 3.10 ERA (145.0 IP, 50 ER), 22 holds, 57 BB, 141 K while stranding 23-of-31 inherited runners (74.2%)...now 17-13-16, 41 holds, a 4.43 ERA (274.1 IP, 135 ER) w/ 97 BB & 258 K at Target Field this season...pen has combined for a 2-1-4, 5 holds, 1.11 ERA (24.1 IP, 3 ER) with 9 BB & 26 K in last 6 games.
Twins bullpen is 30-27-36, 4.50 ERA (528.0 IP, 264 ER), 75 holds, 209 BB, 533 K and a .244 BAA (485-for-1987) in 140 games overall this season...has allowed 66 of 143 inherited runners to score (46.2%), which still the highest percentage in baseball...is 17-13-16, 4.43 ERA (274.1 IP, 135 ER), 41 holds, 97 BB, 258 K and a .242 BAA (247-for-1021) in 69 home games.
Twins relievers are 1-2-3, 2.65 ERA (57.2 IP, 17 ER), 8 holds, 19 BB, 56 K and a .189 BAA (39-for-206) in 14 games vs. KC this season, including 1-1-2, 5 holds, 22. 2 IP, 26 K in last 6 games.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP

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, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .214 vs. Right .236

- Was reinstated from 10-day Injured List on 8/27 after missing 15 games...has appeared four times since, including another scoreless inning pitched last night vs. KC...on 9/7 recorded his 8th hold of the season and logging a combined 6.2 scoreless IP (4 H, 1 BB, 6 K) while picking up a hold in 3 of those 5 games.
9 of last 10 appearances have been scoreless, posting a 0.69 ERA (13.0 IP, 1 ER) with 15 strikeouts and a .167 opponent batting average in that span...the 9 appearances have come while he pitched in the 7th inning or later in 6 of those contests.
Is T-3rd on Twins w/ 50 appearances...has held LHB to a .214 avg. (15-for-70) but w/ .500 slugging percentage (6 HR, 2 2B)...RHB are 26-for-110 (.236) w/ .373 slugging (4 HR, 3 2B).
Career 2 holds, (15.1 IP, 0 ER) with 4 BB & 18 K in 11 games vs. KC, including one hold, 5.0 scoreless IP & 4 K at Target Field this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/10 vs. KC to 7/27 vs. DET.

ALEX COLOME - RHP

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 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .302 vs. Right .211

- Leads MLB with 11 saves since August 1 and has recorded 6 saves in last 8 appearances including 3 consecutive saves in last 4 outings.
Is 2-0-11 (13 opps.), 2.08 ERA (17.1 IP, 4 ER), 6 BB, 10 K and a .215 BAA (14-for-65) in last 18 G (16 scoreless) since 8/3...leads MIN w/ 58 G.
20 of his 24 outings since the All-Star Break have been scoreless, posting a 2.63 ERA (24.0 IP, 7 ER) with 9 BB & 15 K in that span.
Has held RHB to .211/.254/.301 slash line (26-for-123 w/ 5 2B, 2 HR & 7 BB)...LHB are slashing .302/.404/.521 (29-for-96 w/ 6 2B, 5 HR & 15 BB).
Career 2-0-13, two holds, 1.41 ERA (32.0 IP, 5 ER) with 9 BB & 30 K with a .240 (29-for-121) BAA vs. KC in 29 games, including a scoreless IP last night...this season he has only appeared in four games vs. KC (4.0 IP, three hits allowed, three strikeouts & a BAA of .200).
Is 4-4-13 with 5 holds, a 3.88 ERA (55.2 IP, 24 ER) with 22 BB & 46 K in his 58 appearances this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/10 vs. KC to 8/25 at BOS vs. W41-0.

DANNY COULOMBE - LHP (PRONOUNCED KOO-LOHM)

Height: 5-10 Weight: 190 Age: 31 (10/26/1989 in St. Louis, MO) Acquired: Signed as minor league free agent, 11/9/20
Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .225 vs. Right .236

- Matched his career high w/ 3rd win 8/18 vs. CLE (now 3-1; last four outings have been scoreless, recorded a scoreless IP on 9/9...career 1-0, 1 hold, (11.1 IP, 0 ER) with 4 BB & 12 K in 9 games vs. KC...two appearances vs. KC this season, 2.0 scoreless IP with two strikeouts (7/2-3).
Has not allowed ER in 8 of his last 9 outings, going 1-0, with 2 holds, a 2.25 ERA (6-for-30) with 4 BB & 5 K in that span.
Is 3-1, 2.81 ERA (25.2 IP, 8 ER), 6 BB, 26 K and a .232 BAA (22-for-95) in 22 relief outings this season...has also stranded 3-of-4 inherited runners (75.0%)...made Twins debut with start as opener 6/25 vs. CLE (1.2 IP, 1 ER)...among Twins relievers ranks 8th in IP (24.0 IP), 9th in SO (24), T-7th in G (22) & T-3rd in W (3).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/9 at CLE to 8/8 at HOU.

TYLER DUFFEY - RHP

Height: 6-3 Weight: 220 Age: 30 (12/27/90 in Houston, TX) Acquired: 5th Round, 2012 Draft
Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .269 vs. Right .220

- 2nd on Twins w/ 56 appearances (45 w/out allowing an ER)...recorded 3rd W 9/5 at TB & recorded recorded his team-leading 17th hold on 9/6 vs. CLE (1.0 IP, 1 K)...recorded his 3rd save of the season on 9/7...recorded a 2.25 ERA (8.0 IP, 2 ER) in 10 outings (8 w/out allowing ER) during August...inherited bases-loaded, no-out jam in 7th inning on 8/31 vs. CHC and struck out all 3 batters faced to escape jam unscathed.
Has posted a 4.13 ERA (28.1 IP, 13 ER) and .294 BAA in 29 road G, compared to 2.25 ERA (24.0 IP, 6 ER) and .160 BAA in 27 home G this season.
Has held RHB to .220 BAA (27-for-123) w/ 14 BB, 34 K and .301 SLG...LHB are hitting .269 (18-for-67) w/ 12 BB, 15 K and .388 SLG.
Has posted a 0.96 ERA (9.1 IP, 1 ER) with a 11.57 K/9.0 IP in his last 11 games, going 1-0 with one save, three holds in that span.
Career 4-2, 5.05 ERA (41.0 IP, 23 ER) with 8 BB & 42 K in 26 G vs. KC...three holds, 6.2 IP, 1 BB, 6 K in 7 outings vs. KC this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/10 vs. KC to 8/18 vs. CLE.

LUKE FARRELL - RHP

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 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .160 vs. Right .231

- Was returned from rehab assignment and reinstated from 60-day Injured List on 9/5...made 1st appearance on 9/9 since 6/22, recorded 2.0 scoreless innings (1 BB & 2 K)...prior to injury, went 1-0, 1.76 ERA (15.1 IP, 3 ER), 6 BB, 17 K and a .211 BAA (12-for-57) in 13 G over 2 stints w/ Twins...opposing hitters are 1-for-11 (.091) w/ RISP...LHB are hitting .160 (4-for-25) with 3 BB, 8 K and 1 XBH, while RHB are hitting .231 (9-for-39) w/ 4 BB, 11 K and 5 XBH this season...12 of his 14 appearances on the season have been scoreless, has gone 1-0, 1.56 ERA (17.1 IP, 3 ER) with one home run allowed and a .203 opponent BA.
Four career appearances vs. KC this season, is 1-0, 4.0 IP, 2 hits allowed with six strikeouts, a BAA of .143 & a 0.50 WHIP in that span.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/9 at CLE to 6/3 at KC.

RALPH GARZA JR. - RHP

Height: 6-2 Weight: 206 Age: 27 (4/6/94 in Edinburg, TX) Acquired: Claimed off waivers from HOU, 8/4/21
Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .189 vs. Right .216

- Allowed 1st ER on 9/9 since 8/25 (HR), now has 2.03 ERA (13.1 IP, 3 ER), 1 hold, 4 BB, 11 K, a .152 BAA (7-for-46) and an 0.83 WHIP in 11 appearances w/ Twins since being recalled from Triple-A St. Paul on 8/14...appeared in 9 G for HOU prior to being claimed by Twins off waivers on 8/4, going 1-2, 4.09 ERA (11.0 IP, 5 ER), 7 BB, 14 K, a .262 BAA (11-for-42) and a 1.64 WHIP...5 of his last 7 G w/ Astros were scoreless.
No career appearances vs. KC...drops down for a sidearm delivery vs. RHB, holding them to a .154 BAA (4-for-26), 1 HR, 2 BB, 7 K w/ Twins...comes more over-the-top vs. LHB, who are 3-for-20 (.150), 2 HR, 2 BB, 4 K since joining Twins.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/9 at CLE to 8/25 at BOS.

JUAN MINAYA - RHP

Height: 6-4 Weight: 210 Age: 30 (9/18/90 in Loma De Cabrera, DR) Acquired: Signed as minor league free agent, 11/9/20
Homestand: 0-1-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 2 K, 2 BB Series vs KC: 0-1-0, 4.50 (2.0 IP, 1 ER), 2 K, 2 BB vs. Left .220 vs. Right .164

- 13 of his last 15 appearances have been scoreless, posting a 1.33 ERA (20.1 IP, 3 ER) with 25 strikeouts and a .167 opponent batting average in that span...earned 1st loss of the season last night (2.0 IP, 1 ER, HR, 2 BB & 2 K)...has made 22 appearances overall for Twins, going 2-1-0, 3 holds, 2.84 ERA (31.2 IP, 10 ER), 17 BB, 34 K and a .184 BAA (21-for-114)...has also stranded all 5 inherited runners.
Holding LHB to .220 avg. (9-for-41), 8 BB, 12 K & .317 slugging pct...RHB are 12-for-73 (.164), 9 BB, 22 K & .370 slugging pct. (6 2B, 3 HR).
Career 2-1, one save & two holds, 4.24 ERA (17.0 IP, 8 ER) with 8 BB, 18 K and a .266 (17-for-64) BAA in 16 games vs. KC...only three app. vs. KC this season, now 0-1, 5.06 ERA (5.1 IP, 3 ER) with two walks, five strikeouts and a .261 (6-for-23) BAA, including last night.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/10 vs. KC to 8/20 at NYY.

JOVANI MORAN - LHP (PRONOUNCED JOE-VAH-NEE MO-RAN)

Height: 6-1 Weight: 167 Age: 24 (4/24/97 in Mayaguez, PR) Acquired: 7th Round, 2015 Draft
Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .000 vs. Right .000

- Was selected by the Twins in the 7th round of the 2015 First-Year Player Draft out of the Carlos Beltrán Baseball Academy in Puerto Rico.
Contract selected from Triple-A St. Paul today and is looking to make his Major League debut...has split the 2021 season between Double-A Wichita and Triple-A St. Paul, combining to go 4-2 with a 2.41 ERA (67.1 IP, 18 ER), three saves, 32 walks, 109 strikeouts and a .124 opponent batting average (28-for-225)...has appeared in 112 minor league games (7 starts) over five seasons in the Twins organization, going 18-10 with a 2.64 ERA (225.1 IP, 66 ER), 11 saves, 107 walks, 333 strikeouts and a 1.05 WHIP...club's 26th-best prospect per MLB.com

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Note: Looking to make his Major League Debut.

CALEB THIELBAR - LHP

Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 Age: 34 (1/31/87 in Northfield, MN) Acquired: Signed as ml FA 11/29/19
Homestand: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series vs KC: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .205 vs. Right .250

- Is now 4-0-0, 5 holds, 2.53 ERA (21.1 IP, 6 ER), 7 BB, 24 K and a .189 BAA (14-for-74) in 20 games post-All-Star Break (16 scoreless efforts), while ranking 9th among AL left-handed relievers with 11.52 strikeouts per 9 innings...has recorded holds in back-to-back outings, recorded his 11th hold of the season on 9/8 against CLE with a scoreless IP (2nd among Twins behind Tyler Duffey -17).
Is now 6-0, 3.79 ERA (54.2 IP, 23 ER) w/ 11 holds, 17 BB and 70 K in 50 games this season and 8-1, 3.38 (74.2 IP, 28 ER) w/ 12 holds, 26 BB and 92 K since rejoining Twins (and returning to majors for 1st time since 2015) for 2020 season...has not allowed ER in 27 of last 35 app.
T-3rd on Twins w/ 50 appearances...has held LHB to a .208/.232/.390 slash line (16-for-77 w/ 5 2B, 3 HR, 3 BB and 25 K).
Is 4-0, 2.45 ERA (33.0 IP, 9 ER), 8 BB and 39 K in 29 home app. this season, compared to 2-0, 5.82 ERA (21.2 IP, 14 ER), 9 BB and 31 K in 21 road games...career 0-2, with a 5.28 ERA (15.1 IP, 9 ER) with 2 BB & 8 K in 17 games vs. KC...(2.2 IP) with three hits allowed and two strikeouts and a .333 (3-for-9) BAA in 2 games vs. KC this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Rows include games from 9/8 at CLE to 8/11 vs. CWS.

2021 BULLPEN INFO

Main table with columns: Player name, 1st Batter Avg, BB/9, K/9, Saves/Opps, Holds, IRS%, WHIP, HR, Last game, 2 games ago, 3 games ago.

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: .297 Streak: 0-4 Series vs KC: 0-0
 Homestand: 0-0 Home Runs: 2 (2 2-run)

⌘ BB as sub last night...on Tuesday, hit team-leading (and career high) 5th 3B of season...on 9/6, had 1st career multi-H G as sub (5th by MIN this season)...8/3-8/18, had 14-G on-base streak, 2nd-longest run of career...batting .368 (7-for-19), 3B, 4 RBI, BB in last 6 games.
 ⌘ Hit safely in 34 of last 48 G (15 multi-hit G), batting .323 (53-for-164), 21 R, 9 2B, 3B, HR, 15 RBI, 17 BB, .385 OBP & .793 OPS...AL ranks since 7/4 (min. 150 PA): 4th in OBP, 4th in AVG.
 ⌘ Went 2-for-4 with HR, 3 RBI & BB 8/14 vs. TB (402-foot HR was longest of his career)...tied career high by reaching base 5x in game 8/4 at CIN (also, 4/4/21 at MIL)...has 29 multi-hit games and 9 3+ H games, both 2nd most on MIN...on IL 3x this season: 5/4-11 (concussion), 5/26-6/14 (right shoulder strain), 7/24-31 (strained right knee).
 ⌘ Batting .319 (74-for-232), 10 2B, 5 3B, .375 OBP out of the leadoff spot this season.
 ⌘ Batting .333 (7-for-21), 2 2B, 3B, 2 RBI, 2 HBP, 6 BB, SB, 8 R, .517 OBP in 7 games vs. KC this season...career .351 (27-for-77), 4 2B, 3B, 5 RBI, 15 R, 2 HBP, 12 BB in 22 career G vs. KC.

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: .249 Streak: 1g, 1-2 Series vs KC: 0-0
 Homestand: 0-0 Home Runs: 7 (5 1-run, 2 2-run)

⌘ 1-for-2 9/6, snapping 0-for-9...HR on 8/26 went 412 ft., 2nd-longest HR of career; also made 4th pitching appearance of season (scoreless 8th inn.) and 5th of career.
 ⌘ Recalled 7/21 (Kirilloff - IL)...games by position this season: P - 4 G, C - 9 G/4 GS, 1B - 23 G/18 GS, 2B - 4 G/2 GS, 3B - 28 G/21 GS, RF - 1 G/1 GS.
 ⌘ Just 1-for-10, R in 3 games vs. KC this season...6-for-15 (.400), 2B, 2 HR in last 5 G vs. AL Central.

BYRON BUXTON - OF #25
Height: 6-2 Weight: 212 B/T: R/R Age: 27 (12/18/93 in Baxley, GA)
 2021 Average: .287 Streak: 1g, 1-5, HR Series vs KC: 1-5, HR
 Homestand: 1-5, HR Home Runs: 12 (7 1-run, 5 2-run)

⌘ 1-for-5, leadoff HR last night; 4th career LO HR, 2nd this season...HR traveled 457 ft, longest of career...9/5-9/6, b2b multi-H G for 1st time since 4/27-4/28 (both at CLE)...is 7-for-54, 6 R, 2 2B, 2 HR, 3 RBI, 2 BB in 13 games since return from IL...reinstated from 10-day IL 8/27; missed 55 G w/ left hand fracture...marked 2nd IL stint of season (5/7-6/19, strained right hip).
 ⌘ Batting .390 (23-for-59) w/ runners on base and .265 (9-for-34) with RISP this season...enters tonight 8th in MLB in avg. sprint speed (min. 50 opp.), w/ 29.8 ft./sec.
 ⌘ Is 4-for-17, 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 3 R, BB, SB in 4 G vs. KC this season...just 31-for-149, 3 2B, 4 3B, 5 HR, 17 RBI in 49 career G vs. KC...batting .320 (16-for-50) in 12 G vs. AL Central this season.
 ⌘ Ended the month of April hitting .426 (29-for-68) w/ 8 2B, 8 HR, 14 RBI & .897 SLG - named recipient of the AL Player of the Month for April, becoming the 16th Twins player to win award & first since Delmon Young in July 2010.

JAKE CAVE - OF #60
Height: 6-0 Weight: 200 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (12/4/92 in Hampton, VA)
 2021 Average: .191 Streak: 0-2 Series vs KC: 0-0
 Homestand: 0-0 Home Runs: 3 (2 1-run, 1 3-run)

⌘ 0-for-1 as sub last night...went 2-for-5, R, 2 RBI in 5 games on roadtrip...9/5 had 1st G w/ 2+ H & 2+ RBI since 9/2/20 (2 H, 2 RBI)...1-for-5, 3-R HR in 10th 8/25; 1st career HR in 10th-or-later & 1st career 3-R HR (2 GS)...reinstated from 60-day IL 7/24; missed 64 G w/ stress reaction in low back...hit .367 (11-for-30), 2B, HR, 5 RBI, 5 BB, .972 OPS in 8 rehab G.
 ⌘ Career 1-for-2 vs. Brady Singer...is 0-for-4, HBP, BB, R in 3 games vs. KC this season...just 10-for-51, 4 2B, HBP, 3 R, 5 BB in 23 games vs. AL Central this season...career def. positions: 144 in CF, 76 in RF, 49 in LF...in 2021: 29 G/18 GS in CF, 28 G/11 GS in LF, 8 G/6 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: .251 Streak: 4g, 4-16, HR, 2B, 3 RBI Series vs KC: 1-4, HR, 3 RBI
 Homestand: 1-4, HR, 3 RBI Home Runs: 22 (12 1-run, 9 2-run, 1 3-run)

⌘ 1-for-4, BB, 3-R HR in 1st inn. last night; HR had exit velo of 113.6 MPH, his hardest-hit HR of Statcast Era (2015-)...reached in 14 of last 16...leads MIN w/ 59 BB (T-18th in AL)...batting .326 (15-for-46), 2 2B, 2 HR, 10 RBI, 6 R, 6 BB, .404 OBP, .904 OPS in last 12 home G.
 ⌘ 2nd RBI on 7/26 was 700th of career, becoming 30th active player to reach 700 career RBI...has 15 go-ahead RBI, 2nd on Twins...62 RBI overall rank 3rd on Twins.
 ⌘ Faced KC 12 times this season, batting .261 (12-for-46), 6 2B, 3 HR, 6 RBI, 10 R, 7 BB, .358 OBP...batting .364 (8-for-22), 3 2B, 3 HR, 5 RBI, 5 R, 3 BB, .440 OBP in last 6 G vs. KC...batting .289 (11-for-38), 2 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 3 R, .808 OPS in last 9 games vs. AL Central.
 ⌘ Enters tonight 3rd in MLB (among qualifiers) in barrels/PA (11.2), 4th in avg. exit velocity (94.1 mph), 7th in barrels/BBE (16.9) and 12th in hard hit % (53.0).

NICK GORDON - IF/OF #1
Height: 6-0 Weight: 160 B/T: L/R Age: 25 (10/24/1995 in Avon Park, FL)
 2021 Average: .229 Streak: 0-4 Series vs KC: 0-1
 Homestand: 0-1 Home Runs: 1 (1 1-run)

⌘ 0-for-1 as PH last night...batting .313 (5-for-16), 2 2B, 3 RBI, R, BB, .353 OBP in last 6 games...on 9/5 at TB, tied single-game career high in H & had 1st career G w/ 3 H & 2 RBI...recalled from AAA St. Paul 8/16, 4th stint w/ MIN (4/23-4/25, 5/4-5/10, 5/23-8/4).
 ⌘ Batting .236 (34-for-144), 14 R, 7 2B, 3B, HR, 11 RBI, 9 BB, .610 OPS in 55 G w/ Twins...career 6 by position: 2B - 16 G/12 GS, SS - 4 G/0 GS, 3B - 2 G/0 GS, CF - 33 G/23 GS, LF - 3 G/2 GS.
 ⌘ Career .318 (7-for-22), R, HR, 2 RBI, HBP, BB, SB in 7 games vs. KC.
 ⌘ Made ML debut on 5/6 vs. TEX, recorded his 1st MLB hit, went 1-for-2 w/ BB, 1st player in Twins history with 2+ SB in debut...1st career HR on 6/4 at KC.

RYAN JEFFERS - C #27
Height: 6-4 Weight: 235 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (6/3/97 in Raleigh, NC)
 2021 Average: .197 Streak: 0-3 Series vs KC: 0-3
 Homestand: 0-3 Home Runs: 12 (7 1-run, 3 2-run, 1 3-run, 1 GS)

⌘ 0-for-3 last night...2nd career PH 9/9...has played in 15 of MIN's last 16 G & his 72 G this season lead MLB rookie C...8/25 at BOS, 1st Min C w/ 2 HBP in G since Pierzynski on 4/10/2003...8/14-8/16, HR-ed in b2b G for 3rd time in career...just 4-for-29, HR, 2 RBI in 9 career G vs. KC.

Jeffers, continued...
 ⌘ All 12 of his HR this season have come while playing C, setting a new record for most ever by a Twins rookie backstop (since 1961); broke tie w/ Butch Wynegar (10 in 1976).

MAX KEPLER - OF #26
Height: 6-4 Weight: 225 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (2/10/93 in Berlin, Germany)
 2021 Average: .205 Streak: 1-4 Series vs KC: 1-4
 Homestand: 1-4 Home Runs: 16 (12 1-run, 2 2-run, 2 3-run)

⌘ 1-for-4 last night...on 9/9, snapped season-high 14-game on-base streak; streak marked 5th longest of career...reached base safely in 15 of last 16 games (.328 OBP in span)...stole 10th base of season 9/7; w/ J. Polanco (10 SB), MIN has 2 players w/ 10+ SB in season for 1st time since 2017 (3; B. Buxton, J. Polanco, B. Dozier)...4 3B this year tie career high (also, 2018).
 ⌘ Hit 13th career leadoff HR 8/16 vs. CLE, breaking a tie w/ Dan Gladden for sole possession of 4th in Twins history (1961-present)...next up is Chuck Knoblauch in 3rd w/ 14 HR...was 4th of season, all at home (also 5/6 vs. TEX, 7/25 vs. LAA and 8/14 vs. TB).
 ⌘ T-1st on team w/ career-high 10 SB...39 of 75 hits this season have been XBH (19 2B, 4 3B, 16 HR).
 ⌘ Is just 4-for-21, 3 R, 2B, HR, RBI, BB in 6 games vs. KC this season...has .452 OBP (8 H, 11 BB) w/ 3 2B, 2 HR, 3 RBI in last 9 home games.

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: .277 Streak: 1g, 1-5, 2B Series vs KC: 1-5, 2B
 Homestand: 1-5, 2B Home Runs: 27 (13 1-run, 9 2-run, 5 3-run)

⌘ 1-for-5, 2B last night...had 3 2B, HR, RBI, 2 R Monday; tied MIN/WSN (1901-) single-game record w/ 4 XBH, for 13th time (11th different player), 1st since N. Cruz on 7/26/20 at CWS...batting .327 (17-for-52), 8 2B, 3 HR, 7 RBI, 2 BB, 8 R, .345 OBP in last 13 games.
 ⌘ Has 24 XBH since 8/1, T-1st in AL (w/ TOR's M. Semien) & T-2nd in MLB, behind PHI's B. Harper (26 XBH).
 ⌘ Has career-high 27 HR this season (previous high was 22 in 2019), 2nd-highest single-season total by switch hitter in MIN history (1961-), trailing only C. Davis (29 HR in 1991)...T-2nd w/ ATL's Abies & MIL's Escobar among MLB switch hitters in HR this season, behind CLE's J. Ramirez (32 HR).
 ⌘ Batting .306 (75-for-245), 16 2B, 3B, 18 HR, 52 RBI, .600 SLG, .947 OPS in 61 G since 7/1; AL ranks in span (qualifiers): 1st in SLG, 3rd in RBI, 4th in AVG, 4th in HR (6th in MLB).
 ⌘ Hitting .278 (93-for-335) w/ 18 2B, 3B, 19 HR, 55 RBI as LHB: .277 (49-for-177), 14 2B, 3B, 8 HR, 28 RBI as RHB this year...leads MIN w/ 42 multi-hit G (T-6th in AL), 13 G w/ 3+ H (T-6th in AL) & 22 multi-RBI G.
 ⌘ Batting .340 (18-for-53), 6 2B, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 5 BB, .397 OBP, .963 OPS in 13 games vs. KC this season...batting .359 (14-for-39), 6 2B, 2 RBI, HBP, 4 BB in last 11 G vs. KC at Target Field.

ROB REFSNYDER - OF #38
Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (3/26/1991 in Seoul, South Korea)
 2021 Average: .258 Streak: 1g, 1-5 Series vs KC: 1-5
 Homestand: 1-5 Home Runs: 2 (2 1-run)

⌘ 1-for-5, R last night; reached base in 6 of last 7 G, w/ .417 OBP in span...tied career high w/ 4 TOB 9/4...3-for-16, 2 RBI, 2 R, BB in 4 games vs. KC this season.
 ⌘ Returned from rehab, reinstated from 10-day IL 8/5; missed 43 G w/ left hamstring strain.
 ⌘ He is the 2nd South Korean-born player in Twins/Senators history, alongside ByungHo Park.

BRENT ROOKER - OF #50
Height: 6-3 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (11/1/94 in Germantown, TN)
 2021 Average: .200 Streak: 0-7 Series vs KC: 0-5
 Homestand: 0-5 Home Runs: 7 (6 1-run, 1 2-run)

⌘ 0-for-5 last night but is 6-for-20 (.300) in last 7 G...2-for-2, HBP 9/1; 6th career G w/ 3+ TOB...batting .292 (14-for-48), 2B, 3 HR, 5 RBI, 10 R, 6 BB, 5 HBP, .424 OBP, .924 OPS in last 17 G...1st career OF assist 8/16...career-best 4-for-5, HR, 2 RBI 8/13.
 ⌘ Hit 460-foot HR 7/26, 5th longest by a MIN hitter this season...recalled from AAA 7/23 (Cruz traded to TB, 7/22); 2nd stint w/ MIN this season (4/3-4/29)...at the time of most recent recall, was T-1st in AAA in HR, T-5th among MiLB hitters...wife, Allie, is due with 1st child, a girl, any day now.
 ⌘ Batting .292 (19-for-65) in 19 home G compared to .129 (11-for-85) in 24 road G this season.
 ⌘ Facing KC for 1st time...career .231 (18-for-78), 3 2B, 4 HR, 8 RBI, 12 R, 6 HBP, 5 BB in 23 G vs. AL Central.

BEN RORTVED - C #70
Height: 5-10 Weight: 205 B/T: L/R Age: 23 (9/25/97 in Madison, WI)
 2021 Average: .138 Streak: 0-6 Series vs KC: 0-0
 Homestand: 0-0 Home Runs: 2 (2 1-run)

⌘ Def. repl. at C last night (no PA)...on 9/5, recorded 1st career road hit, snapping 0-for-26 on road to begin career...has 5 CCS w/ MIN this season, 2nd most on club (Jeffers - 7).
 ⌘ Recalled from Triple-A St. Paul 8/29...4th stint w/ MIN this season (also, 4/30-5/21, 5/30-7/19, 7/22-7/25)...batted .236 (26-for-110), 5 2B, 4 HR, 18 RBI, 7 BB in 30 G for Saints.
 ⌘ Hit 1st career HR on 5/30 vs. KC at Target Field (off Keller)...career 2-for-15, HR, 2 RBI in 6 G vs. KC.

MIGUEL SANO - IF #22
Height: 6-4 Weight: 272 B/T: R/R Age: 28 (5/11/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
 2021 Average: .218 Streak: 0-6 Series vs KC: 0-5
 Homestand: 0-5 Home Runs: 26 (15 1-run, 8 2-run, 2 3-run, 1 GS)

⌘ 0-for-5 last night...9/8-9/9, HR-ed in b2b G for 26th time in career...hit 495-ft. HR 8/25, longest in MLB this year & 2nd-longest by MIN hitter in Statcast Era (2015-).
 ⌘ Reached safely in 33 of last 37 G, w/ 7 2B, 11 HR, 29 RBI, 22 BB, .360 OBP & .907 OPS in that span...has 2 2B, 7 HR and 15 RBI in last 18 games (16-for-61, .591 SLG, .906 OPS).
 ⌘ Hit 150th career HR in 2,062nd PA 8/9 vs. CWS, 2nd-fastest to 150 HR in MIN history (Killebrew; 2,043)...now has 157 career HR, 11th in Twins history (since 1961)...is just 4-for-36, 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 3 R, 4 BB in 10 G vs. KC this season...his 19 career HR vs. KC are tied w/ his total vs. CLE for his 3rd most vs. any opponent in his career, while his 64 RBI are his most.

ANDRELTON SIMMONS - SS #9
Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 32 (9/4/89 in Mundo Novo, Curaçao)
 2021 Average: .224 Streak: 1g, 2-3 Series vs KC: 2-3
 Homestand: 2-3 Home Runs: 3 (3 2-run)

⌘ 2-for-3 last night; 4-for-8 in last 3 G...has 20 multi-H G & 8 G reaching base 3+...has 199 career 2B, 1 shy of 200...batting .196 (39-for-199) in 61 home G compared to .254 (46-for-181 in 57 road G).
 ⌘ On defense, his 14 outs above average (Statcast) are T-5th in MLB with KC's M.A. Taylor & SF's B. Crawford, behind ARI's N. Ahmed (19), NYM's F. Lindor (16), OAK's M. Chapman (15) & KC's N. Lopez (15).
 ⌘ Is 12-for-38 (.316), 2 2B, HR, 3 RBI, 4 BB, 4 R in 11 games vs. KC this season...batting .219 (40-for-183), 4 2B, 2 HR, 16 RBI, 23 R in 58 games vs. AL Central this season.

TWINS HOME RUN DATA

Multi-Homer Games (13x)	Multi-Homer Games (13x)	Walk-Off (3x)	Runners On	Grand Slam (4x)	Leadoff (7x)
• Cruz (4/5 at DET) • Cruz (4/21 at OAK) • Garver (4/28 at CLE) • Kirilloff (4/30 vs. KC) • Sanó (5/18 vs. CWS) • Donaldson (6/3 at KC) • Polanco (6/9 vs. NYY) • Donaldson (6/11 vs. HOU) • Kepler (7/5 vs. CWS) • Garver (7/19 at CWS-2)	• Jeffers (7/28 vs. DET) • Sanó (7/28 vs. DET) • Polanco (8/8 at HOU) • Buxton/Donaldson (4/28 at CLE) • Gordon/Sanó (6/4 at KC) • Kepler/Rooker (7/25 vs. LAA) • Kepler/Rooker (7/28 vs. DET)	• Cruz (6/10 vs. NYY) • Sanó (6/21 vs. CIN) • Polanco (7/11 vs. DET) • None	• Solo - 120 • 2-run - 52 • 3-run - 20 • GS - 4	• Cruz (4/5 at DET) • Sanó (5/20 at LAA, G2) • Garver (7/27 vs. DET) • Jeffers (7/28 vs. DET)	• Buxton (4/28 at CLE) • Kepler (5/6 vs. TEX) • Garlick (5/7 at DET) • Kepler (7/25 vs. LAA) • Kepler (8/14 vs. TB) • Kepler (8/16 vs. CLE) • Buxton (9/10 vs. KC)

HITTERS INFO

Player	LAST HOME RUN				LAST GRAND SLAM				VS. CURRENT OPPONENT 2021				VS. CURRENT OPPONENT CAREER								
	Multi-Hit	Multi-RBI	Season Hit-Strk	Season High Hits	Date	Opp.	On	Pitcher	Date	Opp.	#	Avg	H	AB	HR	RBI	Avg	H	AB	HR	RBI
Luis Arraez	29	9	10, 8/3-8/14	4, 4/15	8/14/21	vs. TB	1	Wacha			0	.333	7	21	0	2	.351	27	77	0	5
Williams Astudillo	8	2	8, 4/27-5/14	3, 7/30	8/26/21	at BOS	1	Sale			0	.100	1	10	0	0	.294	15	51	1	6
Byron Buxton	11	5	10, 4/1-4/20	5, 4/28	9/10/21	vs. KC	0	Lynch	5/18/19	at SEA	2	.235	4	17	1	2	.208	31	149	5	17
Jake Cave	6	3	2, 8/24-8/25	2, 9/5	8/25/21	at BOS	2	Robles	7/26/20	at CWS	2	.000	0	4	0	0	.220	22	100	4	12
Josh Donaldson	24	18	6, 8/13-8/18	4, 4/21	9/10/21	vs. KC	2	Lynch	9/28/18	at KC	5	.261	12	46	3	6	.284	60	211	13	41
Nick Gordon	9	3	5, 6/2-6/10	3, 9/5	6/04/21	at KC	0	Davis			0	.318	7	22	1	2	.318	7	22	1	2
Ryan Jeffers	9	8	4, 8/13-8/18	3, 7/23	9/03/21	at TB	0	Wacha	7/28/21	vs. DET	1	.143	3	21	1	2	.138	4	29	1	2
Max Kepler	18	11	4, 8/30-9/4	3, 8/8	8/16/21	vs. CLE	0	Quantrill	8/26/17	at TOR	2	.190	4	21	1	1	.261	70	268	8	28
Jorge Polanco	42	22	10, 7/26-8/6	4, 9/6	9/06/21	at CLE	0	Allen			0	.340	18	53	2	5	.273	88	322	6	35
Rob Refsnyder	9	2	5, 5/21-5/25	4, 5/17	5/25/21	vs. BAL	0	Akin			0	.188	3	16	0	2	.182	4	22	0	2
Brent Rooker	5	2	5, 7/24-7/28	4, 8/13	9/07/21	at CLE	0	Young			0	.000	0	5	0	0	.000	0	5	0	0
Ben Rortved			2, 8/31-9/5	1, 9/5	7/11/21	vs. DET	0	Holland			0	.133	2	15	1	2	.133	2	15	1	2
Miguel Sanó	17	16	9, 6/4-6/13	3, 7/28	9/09/21	at CLE	0	Quantrill	5/20/21	at LAA	2	.111	4	36	2	6	.249	70	281	19	64
Andrelton Simmons	20	6	7, 5/31-6/10	3, 7/30	6/27/21	vs. CLE	1	Hentges	4/22/17	vs. TOR	2	.316	12	38	1	3	.239	34	142	2	10

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.

LONGEST HOME RUNS table with columns: Player, Distance, Date, Opponent.

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY table with columns: Player, Velocity, Date, Opponent.

SCORE BY INNING

Score by Inning table with columns: Inning (1-9, XTRA), Opponent (Twins), Total.

INJURED LIST

Injured List table with columns: Player, Injury, Date On, Retro, Date Off, Games Missed.

BOLD indicates currently on IL

STARTS BY POSITION

Starts by Position table with columns: Player, C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B, LF, CF, RF, DH.

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Starts by Batting Order table with columns: Player, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

MOST USED LINEUP [3X]

Most Used Lineup table with columns: Player, Pos.

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Outfield Assists table with columns: Player, Assists.

FASTEST PITCHES

Fastest Pitches table with columns: Player, Speed, Date, Opponent.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time). Grand Slam: R. Jeffers, 7/28/21 vs. DET (4 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: M. Sanó, 4th inning, 7/28/21 vs. DET (2 as a team in 2021). Two Home Runs, One Inning: M. Cuddyer, 8/23/09 at KC (1 all-time). Two-Home Run Game: J. Polanco, 8/8/21 at HOU (13 as team in 2021). Three-Home Run Game: M. Sanó, 5/18/21 vs. CWS (1 as a team in 2021, 13 all-time). Back-to-Back Home Runs: M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET (4 as team in 2021). Three Consecutive Home Runs: N. 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: M. Sanó/R. Jeffers/M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET. Walk-Off Home Run: J. Polanco, 7/11/21 vs. DET (3 as a team in 2021). Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (10 all-time). Leadoff Home Run: B. Buxton, 9/10/21 vs. KC (7 as a team in 2021). Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/25/21 vs. LAA (2 as team in 2021). Three Consecutive Home Runs to Start Game: B. Buxton/J. Donaldson/N. Cruz, 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: 10, G. Jax, 8/10/21 vs. CWS (5 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: 9/7/21 and 9/8/21 at CLE (2 games, 3-0 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/A. Simmons/N. Gordon, 6/6/21 at KC - N. Lopez hitting (15 all-time). Position Player Pitching: W. Astudillo, 8/26/21 at BOS (4 in 2021). Three or more Steals, One Game: E. Adriaena (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: E. Haase, 7/27/21 vs. DET (6 allowed as team in 2021). Inside-the-Park Home Run: K. Kiermaier, 8/13/21 vs. TB (45 allowed all-time). Pinch-Hit Home Run: R. Grossman, 7/26/21 vs. DET (3 allowed in 2021). 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: W. Merrifield, 1st inning, 6/4/21 at KC (2 allowed in 2021). Two Home Runs, One Inning: D. Nilsson, 5/17/96 vs. MIL. Two-Home Run Game: Y. Grandal, 6/30/21 at CWS (8 allowed in 2021). Three-Home Run Game: J. Donaldson, 8/28/16 at TOR. Back-to-Back Home Runs: Y. Diaz/J. Luplow, 9/4/21 at TB (9 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. Burkhardt, 7/3/00 vs. BOS. Walk-off Home Run: G. Sheets, 7/19/21 G2 at CWS (3 allowed in 2021). Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: C. Santana, 9/23/11 at CLE (12 all-time). Leadoff Home Run: R. Grossman, 7/17/21 G1 at DET (5 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: 13, P. Sandoval, 7/24/21 vs. LAA (3 times in 2021). 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: J. Luplow, 8/14/21 vs. TB (2 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

Table with 3 columns: DATE, DELAYED/PPD, NOTES. Lists weather-related game delays and postponements.

** 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. **

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), JUNE (11-14), and JULY (11-16).

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 JULY (11-16), AUGUST (14-13), SEPT/OCT (4-5), and 2021 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [7].

^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (Twins are 9-11 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
- PPD game from June 26 vs. CLE
- PPD game from June 28 at CWS
- PPD game from July 16 at DET
- PPD game from August 22 at NYY

EJECTIONS table with columns: DATE, PLAYER/MGR/CH, UMPIRE, REASON, CAREER. Lists ejections for Matt Shoemaker, Tyler Duffey, Jim Reynolds, Rocco Baldelli, and Jeff Nelson.

2021 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [7] table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES. Lists walk-off hits by Polanco, Cruz, and Kepler.

2021 PLAYERS ON ROSTER [58] table with columns: Pitchers (34) and Position Players (24). Lists names and roles of players on the roster.