

# MINNESOTA

## 2024 GAME NOTES

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WESTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS '69 '70 '87 '91

CENTRAL DIVISION CHAMPIONS '02 '03 '04 '06 '09 '10 '19 '20 '23

AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS '24 '25 '33 '65 '87 '91

WORLD CHAMPIONS '24 '87 '91

### MINNESOTA TWINS (65-50) vs. CLEVELAND GUARDIANS (67-49)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2024 • 6:10 PM (CT) • TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH • RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Simeon Woods Richardson (3-2, 3.87) vs. RHP Gavin Williams (1-4, 4.91)

GAME 116

HOME GAME 56

#### UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
8/11	vs. Cleveland	RHP David Festa (2-2, 5.55) vs. RHP Tanner Bibee (9-4, 3.48)	1:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / lostwins.com

#### SEASON AT A GLANCE

Under Baldelli (since '19):	440-383
Home Record:	34-21
Road Record:	31-29
Record in series:	23-13-2
Record in home series:	12-6-0
Record in road series:	11-7-2
Series Openers:	20-18
Series Finales:	23-14
Rubber Games:	12-4
Sweeps/Swept:	5-6
March/April:	16-13
May:	16-12
June:	15-12
July:	12-11
August:	6-2
September/October:	
Day Games:	35-19
Night Games:	30-31
vs. American League East:	5-12
vs. American League Central:	26-14
vs. American League West:	20-6
vs. National League:	14-17
Games vs. LH Starter:	19-14
Games vs. RH Starter:	46-36
Twins score first:	46-14
Opponent scores first:	19-36
Come-from-behind wins:	29
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	50-3/53-0
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	6-41/1-43
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	8-6/10-7
Extra-innings:	4-4
1-run games:	18-13
When Twins score 4+:	53-14
When Twins score 3-:	12-36
Twins out-hit opp.:	53-9
Opp. out-hit Twins:	7-38
Twins/Opp. have = hits:	4-3
Run Differential:	+57 (562-505)
Twins get Quality Start:	31-16
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	32-17
Most games over .500:	15, 2x, last, present
Most games under .500:	6, 2x, last, 4/22
Longest win-streak:	12, 4/22-5/4
Longest losing-streak:	7, 5/14-20
Twins get 10+ hits:	37-8
Days in First Place:	4
Days in Second Place:	54
Days in Third Place:	43
Days in Fourth Place:	25
Days in Fifth Place:	
Walk-Off Win:	5/3
Shutouts W/L:	6/7
CG (Twins):	1
Average Time of Game (Twins):	2:38
Attendance High (Home):	41,679, 7/20 vs. MIL
Attendance Total (Home):	1,309,380
Attendance Average:	23,807
Target Field Sellouts, Reg. Season (Post.):	
'24/All-Time:	2/186 (7 Post.)

**THE TWINS:** Began their six-game homestand with two wins in a doubleheader yesterday against the Guardians...tonight, they will play the third of four games against Cleveland and finish the series tomorrow afternoon...after this series, the Twins will host the Royals for three games from Monday-Wednesday.

☞ The Twins have gone 7-2 in their last nine games and 10-5 in their last 15 games.  
☞ Twins are 34-21 at home this season, winning each of their last six...since June 12, they have gone 17-7 at Target Field — tied with New York-NL (17-6) for the most home wins in baseball since that date.  
☞ Twins have gone 58-37 in their last 95 games since April 22, the most wins in baseball since that date.

**A PAIR OF WS TO START THE WEEKEND:** The Twins beat the Guardians twice yesterday in their fourth doubleheader of the season — third time sweeping a DH in 2024...Minnesota won the first game by a score of 4-2 and won the second game by a score of 6-3.

☞ Bailey Ober (12-5) was the Game 1 starter and winner, pitching 6.0 scoreless innings, with two hits allowed, two walks and nine strikeouts...Carlos Santana (15) and Ryan Jeffers (17) each homered for two of the Twins eight hits.

☞ Louie Varland was the starter in Game 2, returning as the club's 27th man, allowing three runs on eight hits in 4.2 innings pitched with no walks and four strikeouts...Matt Wallner drove in the go-ahead runs with a three-run homer in the fifth inning, his seventh homer of 2024.

☞ Ober and Varland combined to allow three earned runs in 10.2 innings (2.53 ERA) with an 11.0 strikeouts-per-9.0 innings pitched ratio...relievers combined to allow two earned runs on just three hits and no walks with eight strikeouts (2.45 ERA).

☞ Hitters on the day went 19-for-58 (.328) with six walks and just nine strikeouts.

**ON GUARD:** The Twins are playing the Guardians for the eighth of 13 times in 2024...the Twins have gone 2-5 against Cleveland this season, going 2-2 at Target Field and 0-3 at Progressive Field...they won both games yesterday after starting the season 0-5.

☞ A win tonight would give the Twins three consecutive victories over the Guardians, which would mark their longest winning streak against Cleveland since winning four-straight from August 18-September 8, 2021.

☞ A win tonight or tomorrow would give the Twins their first series win against the Guardians since taking two of three in their final meeting of 2023, from September 4-6...Twins haven't won a series against Cleveland at Target Field since taking two of three from May 13-15, 2022, going 0-4-1 here since.

☞ Twins scored 10 runs yesterday after scoring 12 total in their previous six meetings with CLE.

**DIVISION COLLISION:** Twins enter today 1.5 games back of Cleveland in the AL Central...below are miscellaneous Twins and Guardians records:

	STREAK	LAST 10	LAST 20	LAST 30	LAST 40	2024 RUN DIFF
TWINS	Won 2	7-3	11-9	17-13	24-16	+57 (562-505)
GUARDS	Lost 7	3-7	8-12	13-17	17-23	+73 (535-462)

**ROTATIONAL PULL:** In 19 games since the All-Star break, the Twins' starting staff has combined to go 8-4, 3.19 ERA (101.2 IP, 36 ER) with 11 home runs allowed, 28 walks and 109 strikeouts, holding opponents to a .198 batting average...since the break, they rank third in baseball in both ERA and opponent batting average, and fourth in strikeouts-per-9.0 (9.65).

**FIREWALL(NER):** Since being recalled from Triple-A St. Paul on July 7, Matt Wallner has hit .356 (21-for-59) with eight doubles, six home runs, 14 RBI, a .465 on-base percentage, an .831 slugging percentage and a 1.295 OPS in 20 games.

☞ He has reached safely in 11 consecutive starts since July 21.

☞ Additionally, since that July 7 date, he ranks second in baseball in average exit velocity (minimum of 300 pitches seen) at 99.4 mph, third in barrels-per-plate appearance percentage (21.1%), and fifth in both slugging percentage (.831) and bat speed (77.6 mph)...he also ranks second in average distance of hits (272 ft).

**BUCK WILD:** Byron Buxton is hitting .336 (46-for-137) with 15 doubles, one triple, 11 home runs, 30 RBI, 33 runs scored, a .403 on-base percentage, a .761 slugging percentage and a 1.103 OPS in his last 40 games since June 11...since that date, he ranks second (min. 150 PA) in baseball in slugging, fourth in OPS, fifth in batting average and 10th in on-base.

**YOU WIN SOME, YOU LEWIS SOME:** Royce Lewis came off the IL hitting just .200 (3-for-15) with two extra-base hits, two walks, a .294 on-base percentage and a .761 OPS in his first five games, but has since posted a 1.067 OPS with two doubles, three home runs, 12 RBI, seven walks, a .400 on-base percentage and a .667 slugging percentage in eight games (Twins 7-1).

☞ Royce has 11 RBI this month, tied with Josh Naylor for third-most in baseball for August, trailing Zach Neto (13) and Vinnie Pasquantino (12).

**TWINS IMMORTALITY:** Longtime general manager Terry Ryan, the architect of the Twins' division-winning teams of the 2000s that are widely credited with helping save baseball in Minnesota, and the late Rick Stelmazek, whose 32 seasons as a Twins coach from 1981-2012 remains the longest in team history and the third-longest tenure with a single club in baseball history, will become the 39th and 40th members of the Twins Hall of Fame during pregame ceremonies today.

☞ Ryan became VP of player personnel in September 1991 and was named the fourth GM in team history on September 13, 1994 — a role he held for 13 seasons before initially stepping down following 2007...during that stretch, Ryan built four AL Central Division Champs (2002-04 and 2006), earned a pair of *Sporting News* Executive of the Year accolades (2002 and 2006), and was named *Baseball America's* Major League Executive of the Year in 2004...under his leadership, the Twins were named *Baseball America's* Organization of the Year in 2002 and 2004...a scout at heart and an ambassador of the game at all levels, Ryan was the recipient of the AFL's Roland Hemond Award in 2009, the George Genoveese Lifetime Achievement Award in 2013, and was inducted into the Minnesota State High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2014.

☞ Stelly served as Minnesota's bullpen coach under managers Billy Gardner, Ray Miller, Tom Kelly and Ron Gardenhire, helping the club reach the Postseason eight times — including two World Championships in 1987 and 1991...he mentored decades of pitchers and bullpen arms, including fellow Twins Hall of Famers in closers Rick Aguilera, Eddie Guardado and Joe Nathan...the beloved coach, who passed away in 2017, instilled a winning culture into generations of Twins players and was awarded the club's Herb Carneal Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017.

☞ DID YOU KNOW...that the Twins are 17-9 on Twins Hall of Fame induction days.

**ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY:** In 1971, Harmon Killebrew hit his 500th and 501st career home runs against Baltimore at Met Stadium...also, in 2007, Twins third base coach Tommy Watkins made his MLB debut for the Twins in Anaheim, grounding out in his lone at-bat.

**FINALLY, FYI:** Right-handed reliever Justin Topa (left patellar tendinitis) has been returned from rehab assignment after having a set-back.

#### STREAKS

Current Streak	2 wins
Last 5 games	3-2
Last 10 games	7-3
Last 15 games	10-5
Last 20 games	11-9

#### TWINS VS. GUARDIANS

2024 Record:	2-5
Current Streak:	2 wins
2024 at Home:	2-2
2024 at Cleveland:	0-3
Under Baldelli (since 2019):	41-46
All-Time Record:	453-486
All-Time at Home:	246-226
All-Time at Cleveland:	207-260

#### 2024 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
4/4	MIN	2-4	Bibee/López/Clase
4/6	MIN	1-3	Sandlin/Ryan/Clase
4/7	MIN		**PPD
5/17	CLE	2-3	Herrin/Duran/Clase
5/18	CLE	4-11	Allen/Ober
5/19	CLE	2-5	Clase/Duran
8/9	MIN	4-2	Ober/Cantillo/Duran
		6-3	Sands/Cobb/Richards
8/10	MIN		6:10 pm (CT)
8/11	MIN		1:10 pm (CT)
9/16	CLE		5:40 pm (CT)
9/17	CLE		5:40 pm (CT)
9/18	CLE		5:40 pm (CT)
9/19	CLE		12:10 pm (CT)

#### CURRENT HOMESTAND (2-0)

Batting average	.328
Runs Per Game	5.00
Home Runs	3
RISP	.154
Errors	2

Team ERA	2.50
Starters W-L	1-0
Starters ERA	2.53
Relievers W-L-S	1-0-2
Relievers ERA	2.45
Saves/Opps	2/2

#### MLB ROOKIE LEADERS

##### OPP. SLUGGING (min. of 75.0 IP)

Luis Gil, NYY	.301
Paul Skenes, PIT	.316
Simeon Woods Richardson, MIN	.361
Shota Imanaga, CHC	.384

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FIELDING IND. PITCHING (min. of 75.0 IP)	
Paul Skenes, PIT	2.75
Shota Imanaga, CHC	3.46
Luis Gil, NYY	3.54
Simeon Woods Richardson, MIN	3.65

#### RECENT TRANSACTIONS

8/9	RHP Varland appointed as 27th man
	RHP Ryan placed on 15-day IL
	RHP Blewett contract selected from AAA
	RHP Stewart transferred to 60-day IL
	IF Lee placed on 10-day IL
	IF Farmer returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 10-day IL
	RHP Topa returned from rehab assign.
8/5	LHP Okert placed on Bereavement List
	RHP Winder recalled from AAA
7/31	RHP Stewart placed on 15-day IL
7/30	RHP Dobnak contract selected from AAA
	1B/OF Kirilloff transferred to 60-day IL
	RHP Richards acquired via trade with TOR, in exchange for MiLB IF Harry
	RHP Staumont designated for release or assignment
7/27	IF Miranda returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 10-day IL
	IF Julien optioned to AAA

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#### UPCOMING MILESTONES

PLAYER	CURRENT NO.	MILESTONE WITHIN REACH
Byron Buxton	129 home runs	Needs 3 to tie Jacque Jones (132) for 15th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
	92 stolen bases	Needs 1 to pass Larry Hise (92) and move into 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
Jhoan Duran	51 saves	Needs 1 to pass Bill Campbell (51) for 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
Max Kepler	160 home runs	Needs 2 to tie Miguel Sanó (162) for 11th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
	204 doubles	Needs 6 to tie Chuck Knoblauch (210) for 10th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
	411 walks	Needs 1 to pass Michael Cuddyer and move into 11th on Twins all-time list (since 1961).
Christian Vázquez	147 doubles	Needs 3 to reach 150 for career.







MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Table containing various team and individual statistics such as Most Runs, Most Hits, Consecutive Hits/AB, and Longest Hitting Streak.

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Table listing longest home runs by player, including distance in feet and date.

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Table listing highest exit velocities by player, including speed in mph and date.

SCORE BY INNING

Score by Inning table showing runs scored by each team across 9 innings and extra innings.

INJURED LIST

Table listing injured players, their injuries, and dates on/off retrograde.

BOLD - currently on IL, \* - 10-day IL, ^ - 15-day IL, # - 60-day IL

STARTS BY POSITION

Table showing the number of starts for each player at various positions (C, 1B, 2B, etc.).

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Table showing the number of starts for each player at each batting order position (1, 2, 3, etc.).

MOST USED LINEUP (3X)

Table showing the most common lineup combinations and their frequency.

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Table showing outfield assists by player.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

Text detailing the last occurrence of various events for the Twins, including hitting and pitching records.

AGAINST THE TWINS

Text detailing the last occurrence of various events against the Twins, including hitting and pitching records.

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2024 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

Table listing weather-related delays and postponements for various games in 2024.

