



ZEBBY MATTHEWS

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Height: 6-5 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (5/22/2000 in Cullowhee, NC)

2024 (MLB): 1-0, 3.60 ERA 2024 (MiLB): 6-3, 2.60 ERA

- Making second MLB start...debuted August 13 vs. Kansas City and earned the win in Minnesota's 13-3 victory...
Has made 18 appearances (17 starts) across three minor league levels this season, going 6-3 with a 2.60 ERA (97.0 IP, 28 ER), seven walks and 114 strikeouts.
Ranked by MLB.com as the No. 5 prospect (No. 1 pitcher) in Minnesota's organization and the No. 86 prospect in baseball.
Selected by Minnesota in the eighth round (234th overall) of the 2022 First-Year Player Draft out of Western Carolina University.

2024 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

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2024 MINOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

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WELCOME TO THE SHOW: Made MLB debut August 13 vs. Kansas City, opposite Seth Lugo, and earned the win in Minnesota's 13-3 victory...allowed two runs on five hits (1 HR) in 5.0 innings, with no walks and five strikeouts...

- Induced six whiffs on 33 swings (18.2%), including three on eight swings with his cutter.
Nine of 15 balls in play (60.0%) were hard-hit (95.0+ mph).

DEBUT W: Became the 15th Twins starter (1961-present) to earn the win in his MLB debut...here are the Twins to accomplish the feat since 2010:

Table with columns: Name, Date + Opponent, Score, Stats. Lists previous Twins starters like Zebby Matthews, David Festa, Fernando Romero, Félix Jorge, Andrew Albers, and Kyle Gibson.

- With a win tonight, would become the fifth Twin to win two-straight starts to begin his career, and the first since Romero (5/2-7/2018).

LEFT/RIGHT SPLITS: In the minors this season vs. Matthews, left-handed hitters have hit .211 (36-for-171) with a .298 slugging percentage, .536 OPS, 23.5 percent strikeout rate, 2.8 percent walk rate and 1.8 percent home run rate...

- In MLB debut, Royals lefties went 4-for-11 with a double, a home run and two strikeouts, while righties went 1-for-9 with three strikeouts.
Has faced 204 right-handed hitters (MLB + MiLB) and issued only two walks.
Triple-A whiff rate (4 starts): 26.9 percent vs. lefties, 30.6 percent vs. righties.
Triple-A hard-hit rate vs. Matthews: 50.0 percent by lefties, 37.9 percent by righties.

THE ARSENAL: Here's Matthews' pitch repertoire from his MLB debut, per Baseball Savant:

Table with columns: PITCH (AVG. MPH), PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Lists pitches like 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Cutter, Changeup, Curveball.

MASTERFUL IN THE MINORS: Here's where Matthews ranks among Twins minor leaguers (min. 60.0 IP) and among all minor league pitchers (min. 90.0 IP) in these categories...Matthews' numbers include all 2024 appearances across High-A, Double-A and Triple-A:

Table with columns: Stat, Matthews, Twins Org. Rank, MiLB Rank. Lists stats like BB%, WHIP, K/BB, FIP, BAA, K%, ERA.

PITCHER OF THE MONTH: Was named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Month for April 2024; made three starts for High-A Cedar Rapids, going 3-0 with a 2.30 ERA (15.2 IP, 4 ER), zero walks and 19 strikeouts...

2024 HIGHS

CG's: -- SHO's: -- CG Low Hit: -- Innings: 5.0, 8/13 vs. KC Pitches: 77, 8/13 vs. KC SO's: 5, 8/13 vs. KC Walks: -- Hits: 5, 8/13 vs. KC Home Runs: 1, 8/13 vs. KC Win-Streak: 1, 8/13 Loss-Streak: --

CAREER HIGHS

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CAREER NOTES

- Was named the No. 87 prospect in baseball in MLB.com's 2024 midseason Top 100.
Has been named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Week three times in 2024: April 14, April 28 and May 12.
Made Triple-A debut at Toledo on July 21, 2024 and earned the win in St. Paul's 10-3 victory, allowing two runs on four hits in 5.0 innings, with no walks and six strikeouts.
On June 9, 2024 at Northwest Arkansas, threw 7.0 scoreless innings with three hits, no walks and eight strikeouts for Wichita.
Allowed two-or-fewer earned runs in nine-straight starts (4 with Cedar Rapids, 5 with Wichita) to begin the 2024 season...went 4-1 with a 1.38 ERA (52.1 IP, 8 ER) in that span.
Made Double-A debut vs. Arkansas on May 9, 2024 and didn't factor into the decision of Wichita's 6-2 win...allowed two unearned runs on three hits in 6.2 innings, with no walks and nine strikeouts.
Issued zero walks through his first four starts of 2024 with High-A Cedar Rapids.
Was named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Month for April 2024 after going 3-0 with a 2.30 ERA (15.2 IP, 4 ER), zero walks and 19 strikeouts.
Entered 2024 as the Twins' No. 15 prospect per Baseball America and No. 24 per MLB.com.
In 2023, was twice named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Week: April 16 and July 30.
In 2023, tied for fifth among all Twins minor leaguers with 105.1 innings and ranked sixth with 112 strikeouts.
Made High-A debut on June 4, 2023 and made 14 appearances (13 starts) for Cedar Rapids, going 4-2 with a 4.59 ERA (66.2 IP, 34 ER), 10 walks and 59 strikeouts.
Made professional debut August 19, 2022 with the FCL Twins, at the FCL Red Sox, throwing a scoreless inning of relief with two strikeouts...made next appearance, his last of 2022, on September 10 with Low-A Fort Myers.
Was selected by Minnesota in the eighth round (234th overall) of the 2022 First-Year Player Draft.
Pitched three seasons at Western Carolina University from 2020-22, going 13-9 with a 3.49 ERA (183.1 IP, 71 ER), 30 walks and 211 strikeouts for the Catamounts.

2024 MISC. NUMBERS

Table with columns: W, L, ERA, G/GS, IP, ER, AVG, H, AB, HR, BB, SO. Includes Home, Road, Day, Night, Grass, Turf stats.

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Shows 2024 and TOTALS.

MORE 2024 MISCELLANEOUS (MiLB)

Table with columns: BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GIDP. Shows Matthews' stats.

2024 RUNS/HITS PER INNING (MiLB)

Table with columns: INNING, RUNS/HITS. Shows performance by inning.

MATTHEWS VS. SAN DIEGO

2024 vs. San Diego (0 games): --
2024 vs. San Diego at Home (0 games): --
2024 vs. San Diego on Road (0 games): --
Career vs. San Diego (0 games): --
Career vs. San Diego at Home (0 games): --
Career vs. San Diego on Road (0 games): --

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table with columns: PLAYER, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO. Compares Matthews vs. San Diego and King vs. Minnesota.

PROSPECT RANKINGS: Has been ranked by Baseball America, MLB.com and Fangraphs as one of Minnesota's - and baseball's - top prospects. Here's where those websites have Matthews in their latest 2024 rankings:

Table with columns: Source, Twins Rank (Pitchers), Twins Rank (Overall), MLB Rank. Lists rankings from Baseball America, MLB.com, and Fangraphs.

- Joins David Festa (No. 88) in MLB.com's Top 100...before them, the last Twins pitcher in MLB.com's Top 100 was Joe Ryan (No. 97) before the 2022 season.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP BAILEY OBER (2024: 12-5, 3.49 ERA // CAREER: 25-17, 3.59 ERA)

Bailey Ober is scheduled to start tomorrow night's game at San Diego...last pitched August 15 at Texas and didn't factor into the decision of Minnesota's 3-2 win; allowed two runs on seven hits in 6.0 innings, with three walks and three strikeouts...only career start vs. San Diego came May 11, 2023 at Target Field...allowed three runs on six hits (2 HR) with no walks and six strikeouts in 6.0-inning no-decision; Minnesota won 5-3...has recorded a career-best 10-straight quality starts, tied with Corbin Burnes (4/26-6/16) for the longest such streak in baseball this season.

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

Alcala, Richards, Jax and Duran (L, 6) combined to throw 3.1 IP allowing 6 R (5 ER) on 7 H w/ no walks and 4 K in yesterday's extra-inning loss at TEX.
Pen went 2-1, 4.22 ERA (10.2 IP, 5 ER) w/ 8 BB, 10 K, 2 HLD and 1 SV in three games last season vs. SD.
Pen has gone 14-10, 4.15 ERA (208.0 IP, 96 ER) w/ 78 BB, 213 K and 17 SV in 63 road games compared to 14-10, 3.68 ERA (220.0 IP, 90 ER) w/ 77 BB, 236 K and 19 SV in 60 home games.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP

#66

Height: 6-3 Weight: 205 Age: 28 (7/28/95 in Bajos de Haina, DR) Acquired: Trade with HOU, 7/27/18
Roadtrip: 1-0-0, 16.88 (2.2 IP, 5 ER), 3 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 1-0-0, 16.88 (2.2 IP, 5 ER), 3 K, 0 BB vs. Left .205 vs. Right .169
Tossed 0.2 IP allowing 5 R (2 HR - Garcia and Jung) w/ 1 K in yesterday's loss at TEX...has allowed 5 HR in last 11 games after not allowing a HR in his first 32 games
Has never faced SD...is 0-1, 1.98 ERA (13.2 IP, 3 ER) w/ 5 BB, 12 K, 3 HLD and a .184 BAA in 14 Interleague games this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, CHC, CWS, NYM, PHI, MIL.

JHOAN DURAN - RHP

#59

Height: 6-5 Weight: 230 Age: 26 (1/8/98 in Esperanza, DR) Acquired: Trade with ARI, 7/27/18
Roadtrip: 0-1-2, 0.00 (2.1 IP, 0 ER), 5 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-1-2, 0.00 (2.1 IP, 0 ER), 5 K, 0 BB vs. Left .203 vs. Right .211
Took the loss his 6th loss of the season after allowing the initial placement runner to score in the 10th inn. yesterday at TEX.
Recorded his 53rd career save and is now 10th on Twins all-time list (1961-present)...20 of his last 26 games have been scoreless...is 1 of 9 AL pitchers with at least 6 relief wins.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, S18, S17, KC, G1, CHC, CWS, NYM, PHI, MIL.

RONNY HENRIQUEZ - RHP

#31

Height: 5-10 Weight: 165 Age: 23 (6/20/2000 in Bonao, DR) Acquired: Trade w/ TEX, 3/12/22
Roadtrip: 1-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 1-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .250 vs. Right .167
Earned his first major league win tossing 2.0 scoreless allowing just 2 H w/ 1 K Saturday at TEX.
Allowed 3 R on 11 H in 10.1 IP (2.61 ERA), w/ 4 BB and 13 K in his last 6 games (2 starts) for the Saints, since July 25.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, COL, IOW, OMA.

GRIFFIN JAX - RHP

#22

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 Age: 29 (11/22/94 in Phoenix, AZ) Acquired: 3rd RD, 2016 Draft
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (3.0 IP, 0 ER), 4 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-0-0, 0.00 (3.0 IP, 0 ER), 4 K, 0 BB vs. Left .214 vs. Right .144
Tossed a scoreless 9th inn. yesterday at TEX...19 of his last 23 app. have been scoreless posting a 1.17 ERA (23.0 IP, 3 ER) w/ a .169 BAA.
Is 1-1, 3.86 ERA (2.1 IP, 1 ER) w/ 4 BB, 2 K, 1 HLD and a .143 BAA in 3 career games vs. SD.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, H20, KC, KC, IOW, CWS, NYM, PHI, MIL.

STEVEN OKERT - LHP

#16

Height: 6-2 Weight: 202 Age: 32 (7/9/1991 in Riverside, CA) Acquired: Trade with MIA, 2/11/24
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .173 vs. Right .307
Relieved Sands stranding 1 R...tossed 0.2 IP w/ 1 K Friday at TEX.
Is 1-0, 3.29 ERA (13.2 IP, 5 ER) w/ 2 BB, 17 K, 3 HLD and a .133 BAA in 20 games vs. SD...in his last 14 games vs. SD, he's 1-0 with 10.0 scoreless IP allowing just 1 H w/ 2 BB and 13 K.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, KC, KC, CWS, NYM, DET, PHI, MIL.

TREVOR RICHARDS - RHP

#32

Height: 6-2 Weight: 205 Age: 31 (5/15/93 in Aviston, IL) Acquired: Trade with TOR, 7/30/24
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.1 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.1 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .165 vs. Right .195
Tossed 1.1 scoreless IP w/ 1 K in yesterday's loss at TEX.
Acquired 7/30 via trade with TOR, in exchange for minor league infielder Jay Harry.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, KC, NYM, CHC, CWS, NYM, DET, BAL, TB.

COLE SANDS - RHP

#44

Height: 6-3 Weight: 215 Age: 26 (7/17/97 in Tallahassee, FL) Acquired: 5th RD, 2018 Draft
Roadtrip: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.2 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-0-1, 0.00 (1.2 IP, 0 ER), 2 K, 0 BB vs. Left .284 vs. Right .185
Earned his 4th save of the season tossing a scoreless 9th inn. w/ 1 K Sunday at TEX.
In his last 20 games since June 20, he's gone 4-1, 1.19 ERA (22.2 IP, 3 ER) w/ 2 BB, 25 K, a .186 BAA, 1 HLD and 2 SV (in 3 opps.).

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, CLE, G2, CHC, CWS, NYM, NYM, PHI.

CALEB THIELBAR - LHP

#56

Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 Age: 37 (1/31/87 in Northfield, MN) Acquired: Minor league free agent, 11/29/19
Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 13.50 (0.2 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at TEX: 0-0-0, 13.50 (0.2 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .242 vs. Right .301
Tossed 0.2 IP allowing 1 R on 1 H w/ 1 K Friday at TEX.
Has one appearance vs. SD on 8/5/14 tossing 1.0 scoreless IP w/ 2 H and 1 K.

RECENT APPEARANCES

Table with columns: DATE, DEC, IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO. Includes appearances at TEX, KC, CLE, G2, CHC, NYM, DET, PHI.

MISC TEAM BULLPEN INFO

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. Lists pitchers like Jorge Alcala, Jhoan Duran, etc.



MISCELLANEOUS

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

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

SCORE BY INNING

Table with 12 columns: Opponent, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, XTRA, TOTAL. Rows for Twins and Opponent.

INJURED LIST

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

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

LONGEST HOME RUNS

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

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

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

STARTS BY POSITION

Table with 11 columns: Position (C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B, LF, CF, RF, DH) and 11 rows of player starts.

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

Table with 10 columns: Batting Order (1-9) and 11 rows of player starts.

MOST USED LINEUP (3X)

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

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

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

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time)... PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games): No-Hitter: F. Liriano, 5/3/11 at CWS (6 all-time)...

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING: Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time)... PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games): No-Hitter: Jer. Weaver, 5/2/12 at LAA (5 all-time)...

2024 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

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

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Includes MARCH/APRIL (16-13) and MAY (16-12) sections.

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, Winner/Loser/Save. Includes JUNE (15-12) and JULY (12-11) sections.

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^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (Twins are 4-5 in extras in 2024)
\* - Denotes Sellout (2 in 2024)
# - PPD game from 4/7 ## - PPD game from 4/11
### - PPD game from 6/15 #### - PPD game from 7/9

2024 EJECTIONS (2) table with columns: DATE, PLAYER/MGR/CH, UMPIRE, REASON, CAREER.

2024 WALK-OFF VICTORIES (5) table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES.

2024 PLAYERS ON ROSTER (47) section including Pitchers (28) and Position Players (19).

HOME GAMES ROAD GAMES

(\* - on Opening Day roster)