



New York Yankees

SPRING TRAINING GAME NOTES



NEW YORK YANKEES (3-0) vs. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES (1-2)

RHP **Sonny Gray** (10-12, 3.55 in 2017) vs. RHP **Ben Lively** (4-7, 4.26 in 2017)

Probable relievers for NYY: **RHP Chance Adams, RHP Giovanny Gallegos, RHP Ben Heller** and **RHP Cody Carroll**

Monday, February 26, 2018 • GMS Field • Tampa, Florida • 6:35 p.m. ET

Game #4 • Home Game #2 • TV: None • Radio: None

AT A GLANCE: The New York Yankees will play their fourth exhibition game of the spring tonight at GMS Field in Tampa, marking their second home contest...will be the second of four spring games between the teams in 2018 (also 2/25 at Clearwater (NYY 8 - PHI 3), 3/1 at Clearwater, and 3/8 at GMS Field)...will play 32 total spring games...are slated for 16 home games and 16 road games...will play seven night games, including five at home (tonight vs. Philadelphia, 3/12 vs. Minnesota, 3/16 vs. Houston, 3/19 vs. Tampa Bay and 3/21 vs. Baltimore) and two on the road (3/9 at Atlanta at Lake Buena Vista, 3/26 at Atlanta at SunTrust Park)...each of the Yankees' home night games will start at 6:35 p.m....marks the Yankees' 23rd consecutive season at Steinbrenner Field (1996-2018), formerly Legends Field, and the 116th season in franchise history.

YESTERDAY'S NEWS: On Saturday at Spectrum Field, the Yankees defeated the Phillies, 8-3, in the Yankees' second road game of the spring...**LHP Jordan Montgomery** started and got the win, tossing 2.0 scoreless IP (1H, 0BB, 2K)...the Yankees' offense totaled 12H, including five doubles...**2B Danny Espinosa** (1-for-2, 1BB, 3RBI) had a bases-clearing double in the first...**DH Aaron Hicks** (2-for-3, 2R, 1 double) and **C Kyle Higashioka** (3-for-3, 2R, 1 double) each had multi-hit games...**LHP Wade LeBlanc** (2.1IP, 2H, 0BB, 2K) and **RHP Raynel Espinal** (1.0IP, 1BB, 2K) made scoreless spring debuts...**RHP Giovanny Gallegos** (1.0IP, 1BB, 3K) pitched in his second game of spring, and now has 5K in 2.0 spring IP.

WINNING WAYS: The Yankees secured their 25th consecutive winning season last year (1993-2017)...according to the *Elias Sports Bureau*, it marks the second-longest such streak among Major League teams all time, trailing only the Yankees' run of 39 straight winning seasons from 1926-64...the team also secured its 26th consecutive winning season at home (went 51-30 at home in 2017), extending its run since 1992...according to *Elias*, it is the second-longest such streak in Major League history, trailing only the Yankees' 47-year home winning streak from 1918-64.

THE SKIPPER: In 2018, **Manager Aaron Boone** enters his first season at the helm of the Yankees making his managerial debut...is the 18th Yankees manager to have also played for the club...according to the *Elias Sports Bureau*, will join his father, Bob, as the third father-son duo to both serve as Major League managers, joining George and Dick Sisler and Bob and Joel Skinner...Bob Boone spent parts of six seasons as a Major League skipper, leading the Kansas City Royals from 1995-97, then guiding the Reds from 2001-03, a stint during which he managed Aaron...is one of nine active managers to have played for the franchise he currently manages, joining Kevin Cash (Tampa Bay), Alex Cora (Boston), Craig Counsell (Milwaukee), Terry Francona (Cleveland), Dave Martinez (Washington), Mike Matheny (St. Louis), Paul Molitor (Minnesota) and Dave Roberts (Los Angeles-NL)—credit: ESPN Stats & Info.

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME BASEBALL!?: Today **INF Russell Wilson** joins the Yankees Major League spring training camp at GMS Field...was acquired on 2/7 from the Texas Rangers in exchange for future considerations...led the Seattle Seahawks to the 2014 Super Bowl championship, defeating the Denver Broncos, 43-8...was originally selected by the Colorado Rockies in the fourth round of the 2010 First-Year Player Draft, and was acquired by Texas in the minor league phase of the 2013 Rule 5 Draft...in 2014 and 2015, participated in team workouts at Rangers spring training camp...in 93 career minor league games between Rookie-level Tri-City (2010) and Single-A Asheville (2011) in Colorado's system, Wilson hit .229/.354/.356 (72-for-315) with 58R, 9 doubles, 8 triples, 5HR, 26RBI and 19SB.

NEWCOMERS: This spring, the Yankees welcome to Major League camp eight players who were not with the organization in 2017: **INF/OF Brandon Drury, INF Danny Espinosa, RHP David Hale, LHP Wade LeBlanc, C Chace Numata, INF/OF Jace Peterson, OF Shane Robinson** and **OF Giancarlo Stanton**...of this group, LeBlanc has previously played for the Yankees (one relief appearance in 2014), while seven have Major League service time (all but Numata).

- ▶ The Yankees spring roster also features 12 players partaking in a Major League camp for the first time in their careers: **RHP Albert Abreu, RHP Domingo Acevedo, RHP Cody Carroll, RHP Cale Coshow, RHP Raynel Espinal, INF Thairo Estrada, OF Estevan Florial, INF Kyle Holder, RHP Brian Keller, LHP Trevor Lane, RHP Jonathan Loaisiga** and **RHP Dillon Tate**...all but Abreu, Loaisiga and Tate are homegrown players originally drafted or signed by the Yankees.
- ▶ The Yankees coaching staff also features a number of new faces: bench coach **Josh Bard**, assistant hitting coach **P.J. Pilittere**, third base coach **Phil Nevin**, first base coach/outfield instructor **Reggie Willits** and Major League quality control coach/infield instructor **Carlos Mendoza**...additionally, **Jason Brown** returns in his new role of catching coach.

GEORGE M. STEINBRENNER FIELD GATE OPENING TIMES AND SECURITY PROTOCOLS: New in 2018, Steinbrenner Field will open its right field gate to those with valid tickets beginning three hours prior to the scheduled first pitch of that day or evening's game...the right field gate is accessible via the main plaza in front of the stadium as well as from the Dale Mabry Highway pedestrian overpass that connects to the Raymond James Stadium parking lots...parking lots will open 4 hours prior to every home game...until 2 hours prior to the scheduled first pitch, fans will be permitted in the outfield sections of the stands only (including the BayCare | St. Joseph's Hospitals HealthZone in left field, center field, and the right field terrace).

- ▶ Throughout the spring, fans attending Yankees home spring training games are strongly encouraged to arrive early and budget an appropriate amount of time for MLB-mandated metal detection screening upon entry.
- ▶ Tickets for home spring Yankees games are available at the Steinbrenner Field box office, online at www.steinbrennerfield.com and www.yankees.com/spring, or by calling Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000...fans with inquiries regarding single-game tickets, season tickets, group tickets and special event availability may call the box office directly at (813) 879-2244.
- ▶ At Yankee Stadium in 2018, gates will open three hours prior to scheduled first pitch times for *select games* with details to be announced at a later date.

THINGS TO ENJOY AT STEINBRENNER FIELD: Prior to the 2017 season, Steinbrenner Field underwent significant ballpark enhancements, including a new entrance gate in right field by the Dale Mabry Highway overpass and a two-level team store by the home plate entrance...bullpen clubs on the first and third base lines provide great social gathering spaces for all fans to enjoy...fans are now able to walk a complete loop around the entire stadium with newly installed concourses and seating in the outfield...more shaded areas have been added to the stadium...fans will also be able to enjoy a redesigned menu courtesy of Legends Hospitality.

FOR STARTERS: **RHP Sonny Gray** (10-12, 3.55 ERA in 2017) will make his first spring start for the Yankees tonight vs. Philadelphia...combined with Oakland and the Yankees to go 10-12 with a 3.55 ERA (162.1IP, 139H, 79R/64ER, 57BB, 153K) in 27 starts...was 4-7 with a 3.72 ERA (65.1IP, 55H, 31R/27ER, 27BB, 59K) in 11 starts with the Yankees...threw at least 6.0IP in 19-of-27 starts...started the season on the 10-day disabled list and missed Oakland's first 25 games with a right shoulder strain...was acquired by the Yankees along with international signing bonus pool money in exchange for OF Dustin Fowler, RHP James Kaprielian and INF/OF Jorge Mateo on 7/31/17.

- ▶ On Tuesday at Toronto, **RHP Chad Green** (5-0, 1.83 ERA in 2017) will make his first spring start for the Yankees tomorrow vs. Toronto...recorded (69.0IP, 14ER) and 103K in 40 games (one start) over two stints with the Yankees (5/8-9 and 5/14-10/1)...opponents hit .147 (34-for-231, 4HR); LH .120 (10-for-83, 2HR), RH .162 (24-for-148, 2HR)...allowed just 4-of-31 inherited runners (12.9%), the second-lowest mark among qualifying relievers...retired 37-of-39 first batters faced in relief (94.9%).

YANKEES ROSTER

11	Brett Gardner	INF
12	Jace Peterson*	INF/OF
14	Danny Espinosa*	INF
17	Aaron Boone	MANAGER
18	Didi Gregorius	INF
19	Masahiro Tanaka	RHP
22	Jacoby Ellsbury	OF
24	Gary Sánchez	C
25	Shane Robinson*	OF
26	Tyler Austin	INF/OF
27	Giancarlo Stanton	OF
28	Austin Romine	C
29	Brandon Drury	INF/OF
30	David Robertson	RHP
31	Aaron Hicks	OF
33	Greg Bird	INF
35	Wade LeBlanc*	LHP
36	Erik Kratz*	C
38	Kyle Higashioka	C
39	Tyler Wade	INF
40	Luis Severino	RHP
43	Adam Warren	RHP
45	Chasen Shreve	LHP
47	Jordan Montgomery	LHP
48	Tommy Kahnle	RHP
50	Reggie Willits	FIRST BASE
52	CC Sabathia	LHP
53	Phil Nevin	THIRD BASE
54	Aroldis Chapman	LHP
55	Sonny Gray	RHP
57	Chad Green	RHP
58	Larry Rothschild	PITCHING
59	Josh Bard	BENCH
60	Mike Harkey	BULLPEN
61	Ben Heller	RHP
62	Giovanny Gallegos	RHP
62	Marcus Thames	HITTING
63	Domingo Germán	RHP
63	P.J. Pilittere	ASST. HITTING
64	Carlos Mendoza	INFIELD/QUAL.
65	Jonathan Holder	RHP
67	Miguel Andújar	INF
68	Dellin Betances	RHP
70	Jake Cave	OF
71	Billy McKinney	OF
72	Kyle Holder*	INF
73	Russell Wilson*	INF
74	Ronald Torreyes	INF
75	David Hale*	RHP
76	Trevor Lane*	LHP
77	Clint Frazier	OF
78	Chace Numata*	C
79	Francisco Diaz*	C
80	Jorge Saez*	C
81	Gleyber Torres	INF
82	Chance Adams*	RHP
83	J.P. Feyerherzen*	RHP
84	Brady Lail*	RHP
85	Luis Cessa	RHP
86	Justus Sheffield*	LHP
87	Albert Abreu	RHP
88	Domingo Acevedo	RHP
89	Jonathan Loaisiga	RHP
90	Thairo Estrada	INF
91	Cale Coshow*	RHP
92	Estevan Florial*	OF
93	Dillon Tate*	RHP
95	Cody Carroll*	RHP
96	Brian Keller*	RHP
98	Raynel Espinal*	RHP
99	Aaron Judge	OF

*Non-roster invitee

UPCOMING PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	TV/Radio
Tue., Feb. 27	at Toronto	RHP Chad Green vs. RHP Marco Estrada	1:05 p.m.	None
Wed., Feb. 28	vs. Detroit	RHP Luis Cessa vs. LHP Daniel Norris	1:05 p.m.	YES Network

COUNTDOWN TO OPENING DAY

(March 29 at Toronto - 3:37 p.m.)

31 days

TURN STYLES: The Yankees have announced their special events and promotional schedule for the 2018 regular season...featured dates include the 72nd Annual Old-Timers' Day (6/17)...limited-edition collectible player bobbleheads presented by AT&T feature David Wells (4/23), Ron Guidry (6/14), CC Sabathia (7/27) and Brett Gardner (8/31)...other giveaways include Yankees Star Wars Night/Aaron Judge Jedi Knight Bobblehead (5/4), Didi Gregorius Bat Day presented by Bank of America (5/12) and 1998 World Championship Fan Ring Day presented by Betteridge Jewelers (8/19).

UPCOMING GAME INFORMATION

Yankees at Toronto Blue Jays

Tue., Feb. 27 – 1:05 p.m.

Dunedin Stadium

373 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin, FL

GMS Field Clubhouse: 8:50-9:50 a.m.

Bus Time: Approx 9:15 a.m.

Yankees vs. Detroit Tigers

Wed., Feb 28 – 1:05 p.m

GMS Field, 1 Steinbrenner Dr., Tampa FL

QUICK HITS

PLAYERS ON CAMP ROSTER (62): P: 32 • C: 7 • INF: 13 • OF: 10

YOUNGEST PLAYER IN CAMP: **OF Estevan Florial**, age 20 (DOB: 11/25/97)

OLDEST PLAYER IN CAMP: **C Erik Kratz**, age 37 (DOB: 6/15/80)

MOST TENURED PLAYER IN CAMP: **LHP CC Sabathia** (Service time: 17 years)

2017 SEASON IN REVIEW

ROLL CALL: The Yankees used 51 players in 2017 (P-25, C-4, INF-14, OF-7, DH-1), their fewest since 2012 (45)... 21 players made their Yankees debuts in 2017 (12 MLB debuts)... seven players spent the entire season on the Yankees' active roster with no D.L. stints: Betances, Gardner, Headley, Judge, Romine, Severino and Torreyes...of the 51 players, 50 played for the team before 8/5 (only C Erik Kratz was added in the final eight weeks)...the Yankees did not use a position player on the mound for the second consecutive season...a total of 18 players combined for 24 stints on the D.L., with Tyler Austin, Starlin Castro, Aaron Hicks, Matt Holliday, CC Sabathia and Adam Warren making multiple trips.

YOUTH MOVEMENT: At 28 years, 334 days, on Opening Day 2017, the average age of the Yankees' Opening Day active roster was its youngest in at least the last 25 years...marked the second straight year the Yankees' average age on Opening Day was under 30 (29.099 in 2016).

WE WERE ON A BREAK: The Yankees were 46-30 (.605) after the All-Star break, the second-best record in the AL (Cleveland, 55-20, .733) and fourth-best in the Majors...was their 25th consecutive season with a winning record after the break (1993-2017)...is the second-longest such streak in Major League history, after their own 32-year streak from 1933-64.

WALK-OFF FAME: The Yankees had five "walk-off" wins in 2017: 4/28 vs. Baltimore (Holliday three-run HR); 6/23 vs. Texas (Torreyes RBI single); 7/8 vs. Milwaukee (C. Frazier three-run HR); 7/27 vs. Tampa Bay (Gardner solo HR); 7/29 vs. Tampa Bay (Gardner RBI single).

SURVEY SAYS... : The Yankees' 75.0% success rate on replay challenges was the highest in the Majors in 2017 (40 challenges: 30 overturned, 2 confirmed, 8 stand)...have led Major League clubs in replay challenge success rate in three of the four seasons of the replay review system (since 2014), also winning 73.3% of challenges in 2015 (22-for-30) and 82.1% of challenges in 2014 (23-for-28).

2018 TRANSACTIONS

Jan. 13 Agreed to terms with **RHP Dellin Betances, RHP Sonny Gray, SS Didi Gregorius, OF Aaron Hicks, RHP Tommy Kahnle, C Austin Romine, LHP Chasen Shreve** and **RHP Adam Warren** on one-year, non-guaranteed contracts, thus avoiding arbitration.

Feb. 20 Acquired **INF/OF Brandon Drury** from the Arizona Diamondbacks in a three-team trade, in which Arizona acquired OF Steven Souza, Jr. from the Tampa Bay Rays and **RHP Taylor Widener** from the Yankees, and Tampa Bay acquired **INF Nick Solak** from the Yankees and LHP Anthony Banda and two players to be named later from Arizona...designated **OF Jabari Blash** for assignment.

Feb. 21 Traded **OF Jabari Blash** to the Los Angeles Angels in exchange for a player to be named later or cash considerations.

2018 SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE

Date/Opp.	Score	WP	LP	SV	Att.	Starter	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	Pit./Stk.
Fri., Feb. 23 vs. DET	3-1	Hale (1-0)	Sodders (0-1)	Gallegos (1)	10,129*	Cessa	ND	2.0	2	1	1	0	2	0	27/21
Sat., Feb. 24 at PIT	4-1	Fayerisen (1-0)	Rodriguez (0-1)	Holder (1)	7,814	Germán	ND	2.0	2	0	0	2	2	0	39/18
Sun., Feb. 25 at PHI	8-3	Montgomery (1-0)	Nola (0-1)	None	7,951	Montgomery	W	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	25/16

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	TV/RADIO
Mon., Feb. 26	vs. Philadelphia	GMS Field	6:35 p.m.	
Tues., Feb. 27	at Toronto	Dunedin	1:05 p.m.	
Wed., Feb. 28	vs. Detroit	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES
Thurs., Mar. 1	at Philadelphia	Clearwater	1:05 p.m.	
Fri., Mar. 2	vs. Atlanta	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES
Sat., Mar. 3	at Boston	Fort Myers	1:05 p.m.	WFAN
Sun., Mar. 4	vs. Tampa Bay	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES/WFAN
Mon., Mar. 5	Off Day	--	--	
Tues., Mar. 6	at Detroit	Lakeland	1:05 p.m.	
Wed., Mar. 7	at New York-NL	Port St. Lucie	1:05 p.m.	
Thurs., Mar. 8	vs. Philadelphia	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES
Fri., Mar. 9	at Atlanta	Lake Buena Vista	6:05 p.m.	WFAN
Sat., Mar. 10	vs. New York-NL	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES/WFAN
Sun., Mar. 11	at Miami	Jupiter	1:05 p.m.	WFAN
Mon., Mar. 12	vs. Minnesota	GMS Field	6:35 p.m.	YES/WFAN
Tues., Mar. 13	vs. Detroit	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES
Wed., Mar. 14	at Baltimore	Sarasota	1:05 p.m.	
Thurs., Mar. 15	vs. Pittsburgh	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES
Fri., Mar. 16	vs. Houston	GMS Field	6:35 p.m.	
Sat., Mar. 17	at Detroit	Lakeland	1:05 p.m.	WFAN
Sun., Mar. 18	vs. Miami	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES/WFAN
Mon., Mar. 19	vs. Tampa Bay	GMS Field	6:35 p.m.	
Tues., Mar. 20	at Detroit	Lakeland	1:05 p.m.	
Wed., Mar. 21	vs. Baltimore	GMS Field	6:35 p.m.	
Thurs., Mar. 22	at Minnesota	Fort Myers	1:05 p.m.	ESPN
Fri., Mar. 23	vs. Boston	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	YES/ESPN
Sat., Mar. 24 (ss)	vs. Toronto	GMS Field	1:05 p.m.	WFAN
	at Atlanta	Lake Buena Vista	1:05 p.m.	
Sun., Mar. 25	at Tampa Bay	Port Charlotte	1:05 p.m.	
Mon., Mar. 26	at Atlanta	SunTrust Park (Atlanta)	7:35 p.m.	

Bold=Home Games / **ss**=Split Squad / *All Times Eastern and Subject to Change* / * = Sellout

GMS Field Promotional Dates: **2/28** – Pepsi Yankees Pin; **3/10** – Delta Air Lines Rally Towel; **3/13** – Aaron Judge Mini-Bobblehead sponsored by Spectrum; **3/15** – HESS key chain; **3/16** – Post Game Fireworks show; **3/24** – "I'm a Fan" of Seminole Hard Rock giveaway.

MEDIA AND CREDENTIAL INFORMATION

Credentials on game days can be picked up at the Press Gate, located to the right of the ticket windows near the lobby entrance to GMS Field...on non-game days, credentials should be picked up in Media Relations office in the rear of the press box on the third floor...media guides are also distributed from the press box office...with questions, please call (813) 673-3053 or e-mail credentials@yankees.com...credentials are required of all media planning to attend games at GMS Field...BBWAA cards and already-issued 2018 Yankees or MLB full-season credentials are always accepted...those needing to apply for a daily credential must submit their request online at <https://credentials.mlb.com> with at least 24 hours notice...the online application is the only acceptable method for requesting credentials to games at GMS Field...applications must be completed by a Sports Assignment Editor.