



# POST-GAME NOTES

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## TEXAS RANGERS 6 (67-93) vs. SEATTLE MARINERS 12 (87-73)

Friday, September 28, 2018 • Safeco Field

LINESCORE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB
Texas Rangers	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	6	11	2	7
Seattle Mariners	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	3	X	12	12	1	9
First Pitch: 7:10	Time of Game: 3:47			Temp: 67 F, Calm			Attendance: 23,598						

WP: Wade LeBlanc (9-5, 3.72) LP: Martin Pérez (2-7, 6.22) Save: None

HOME RUNS:	NO.	PITCHER	INN.	MOB	OUT	COUNT	DISTANCE
Robinson Chirinos	18	Wade LeBlanc	4	1	2	3-1	380 ft, LF

### MARINERS NOTES:

- The Mariners improve to 38-24 against the AL West this season, clinching a winning record vs. the division.
- The Mariners are 8-7 over their last 15 games.
- The Mariners scored 10 runs for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time since September 22... prior to 9/22, the Mariners had not scored 10+ runs in a game since 6/22/18 vs. BOS... tonight marks the club's 8<sup>th</sup> game this season with 10+ runs... had 4 games scoring 10+ runs in April.
- Tonight's game time of 3:47 is the longest this season in a 9-inning game for the Mariners.
- The Mariners scored 7 runs in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning, equaling their season-high for most runs scored in an inning (also: July 29 at LAA, 1<sup>st</sup> inning).
- **Robinson Canó** (4x5, R, 2B, 2 RBI) hit his 534<sup>th</sup> career double, tying Lou Gehrig for 40<sup>th</sup> most all-time.
  - Has hit safely in 9 of his last 10 games, batting .476 (20x42) with 6 runs, 6 doubles, 2 home runs and 9 RBI.
  - Tallied 4 hits for the 1<sup>st</sup> time this season, 35<sup>th</sup> time in his career... his 35 games with 4+ hits are tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Majors since he entered the league in 2005, trailing only Miguel Cabrera (44).
  - Tallied his 11<sup>th</sup> multi-RBI game of the season.
- **Nelson Cruz** (1x3, R, 2B, RBI, 2 BB) recorded his team-leading 97<sup>th</sup> RBI of the season with a RBI double in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning... the double was the 298<sup>th</sup> of his career... with 2 more doubles, he will become the 85<sup>th</sup> player in Major League history to tally 350+ home runs, 300+ doubles, and 1000+ RBI.
  - Reached base via hit or walk 3+ times for the 26<sup>th</sup> time this season, ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> on the team, trailing only Mitch Haniger (33).
- **Mitch Haniger** (2x4, R, 2B, RBI, BB) has hit safely in 45 of his last 53 games, dating back to July 31... during that span, he is batting .326 (72x221) with 37 runs, 21 doubles, 2 triples, 8 home runs, and 24 RBI.
  - Reached base safely via hit or walk 3 times for the 33<sup>rd</sup> time this season, leads club.
- **Wade LeBlanc** notched his career-high 9<sup>th</sup> win of the season... finishes the season with career-highs in starts (27), innings pitched (162.0), strikeouts (130), and wins (9).
  - Has posted a 2.75 ERA (12 ER, 39.1 IP) over his last 7 starts (8/25 – c).
- **Cameron Maybin** (3x5, R, 2B, 4 RBI) made his 2<sup>nd</sup> start since September 15 and drove in the 1<sup>st</sup> run for the Mariners with an RBI single in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning.
  - Recorded his 2<sup>nd</sup> career game with 3 hits and 4 RBI (also: 6/30/16 at TB w/DET).
  - Recorded his 1<sup>st</sup> multi-RBI game with the Mariners and his 3<sup>rd</sup> multi-hit game with the club.
- **Guillermo Heredia** (2x4, 3 R, 2B, RBI, BB) is batting .470 (6x13) with 6 runs, 3 doubles, 1 home run, 4 RBI, and 5 walks in his last 6 games (9/17 – c).
  - Has hit safely in 5 of his last 6 starts.

### RANGERS NOTES:

- The Rangers are 3-9 over their last 12 games.
- The Rangers fall to 25-68 when their opponent scores first.
- **Adrian Beltre** (1x3, R, 2B, 2 RBI) recorded his 1,705<sup>th</sup> career RBI (including 396 RBI with Seattle), passing Frank Thomas for 21<sup>st</sup> all-time.
  - Recorded his 16<sup>th</sup> multi-RBI game of the season.
  - Recorded his 635<sup>th</sup> career double, ranks 6<sup>th</sup> all-time (next up: Albert Pujols, 639 2B).
- **Robinson Chirinos** (2x3, R, HR, 2 RBI, BB) hit his first home run since September 2 vs. MIN.
  - Has hit safely in 8 of his last 10 games, batting .379 (11x29) during that span.
  - Notched his 17<sup>th</sup> multi-hit game of the season.
- **Shin-Soo Choo** (2x5, R, 2B) recorded his 30<sup>th</sup> double of the season... marks his 6<sup>th</sup> season with at least 30 doubles (last: 2015, 32).
  - Recorded his team-leading 41<sup>st</sup> multi-hit game of the season.
- **Martin Pérez** left the game after pitching only 1.2 innings... marks his shortest start of the season, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> shortest of his career, trailing only 0.2 IP, 9/26/12 vs. OAK and 1.0 IP, 7/28/15 vs. NYY.
  - Tied his career-high with 5 walks (2x, 5/8/16 vs. DET & 4/10/16 vs. LAA).
  - Threw 55 pitches over his 1.2 innings of work (28 strikes).

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## TEXAS MANAGER DON WAKAMATSU:

### On the team battling back after the tough start:

"It was an outstanding effort. We talked about finishing hard and playing to the very end. We had chances to come back and tie that ballgame after being down 9-0. I'm proud of these guys. There were some mistakes made, but we're going to focus on the positives. (Adrian Beltre) still continues to have great games, (Robinson) Chirinos had a great game, (Shin-Soo) Choo had a couple hits and RBI. We battled."

### On if Martin Perez was frustrated this being his final start:

"I didn't think he had a feel for his release point, but we're a little bit short on our bullpen right now and he battled to get us through, but his pitch count got up there. It's one of those things. He pitched well the last couple outings, but it was a tough outing for him."

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