



CHICAGO WHITE SOX

2018 GAME NOTES AND INFORMATION

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CHICAGO CUBS (90-64) at CHICAGO WHITE SOX (61-93)

RHP Kyle Hendricks (12-11, 3.58) vs. LHP Carlos Rodón (6-6, 3.30)

Game #155 | Home #78 • Sunday, Sept. 23 • 1:10 p.m. CT • Guaranteed Rate Field
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WHITE SOX AT A GLANCE

- The Chicago White Sox have won two of the last three games but lost 11 of the last 16 as they continue their final homestand of the season today with the Crosstown Cup finale vs. the Cubs.
- LHP Carlos Rodón, who is looking for his first win since 8/27 at the Yankees, takes the mound for the White Sox.
- The Sox need to win six of their final eight games to match their victory total from last season (67-95).
- The White Sox and Cubs split the first two games of this series.
- Following today's series finale vs. the Cubs, the Sox will conclude the home portion of their schedule with three games vs. the Indians next Monday-Wednesday ... they will finish the 2018 season with four games at Minnesota (9/28-30; DH on 9/28).
- The White Sox went 4-5 on their last trip at Cleveland (1-2), Baltimore (2-1) and Kansas City (1-2), and 3-7 on their last homestand vs. Boston (2-2), Detroit (1-2) and the Angels (0-3).

TODAY'S STORYLINES

- This afternoon marks the final game of Ken "Hawk" Harrelson's iconic and illustrious broadcasting career.
- The White Sox need to win two of their final eight games to avoid the fourth 100-loss season in franchise history.
- The Sox have lost six of the last eight games vs. the Cubs, and have been outscored, 55-32, during that span.
- The White Sox have scored 18 runs on 38 hits in the last three games, and have homered in nine straight games (16 HR total).
- Carlos Rodón is 0-3 with a 5.25 ERA (14 ER/24.0 IP), .267 opp. average, 1.63 WHIP and 15 walks in his last four starts.
- Daniel Palka has homered in four of his last six games, and has hit eight home runs with 10 RBI over his last 16.
- Yoán Moncada has hit safely in eight of his last 11 games, batting .364 (16-44) with four doubles, five RBI and an .883 OPS.

LAST NIGHT'S RECAP

- The Cubs broke open a two-run game by scoring three times in the ninth inning en route to an 8-3 win over the White Sox.
- The Cubs scored twice in the first, and the Sox answered with one run in the first and one in the third ... the Cubs added three runs in the fifth before extending the lead in the ninth.
- Lucas Giolito suffered the loss after allowing five runs on seven hits with three walks and one home run over 6.2 IP.
- Tim Anderson hit his 20th home run of the season, becoming the first White Sox shortstop with a 20-HR/20-SB season ... Avisail García (2-4) recorded the club's only multihit effort.
- Anderson and Rick Renteria were ejected in the top of the ninth by Joe West for arguing a slide-rule play at second base.

POWER AND SPEED

- Tim Anderson (20 HR/26 SB) last night became the first White Sox shortstop to record a 20-HR/20-SB season ... he is four steals shy of joining Alex Ríos (2010) and Tommie Agee (1966) as the only Sox to post 20 homers and 30 steals in one season.
- Anderson, Boston's Mookie Betts, Cleveland's José Ramírez and Colorado's Trevor Story are the only players in MLB with at least 20 home runs and 25 stolen bases this season.

RODÓN'S ROLLERCOASTER

- Carlos Rodón is 0-3 with a 5.25 ERA (14 ER/24.0 IP), .267 opponents average, 1.63 WHIP, 14 strikeouts, four home runs allowed and 15 walks over his last four starts since 9/1.
- He has allowed five-plus runs three times during that span.
- By comparison, he made nine straight quality starts while allowing five hits or less from 7/5-8/27, the longest such streak by a White Sox pitcher since at least 1908 (Baseball Reference).
- A breakdown of Rodón over his last 13 starts:

Dates	W-L	ERA	GS	QS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	AVG	WHIP
9/1-18	0-3	5.25	4	1	24.0	24	16	14	4	15	14	.267	1.63
7/5-8/27	5-0	1.84	9	9	63.2	32	14	13	4	27	49	.151	0.93

CROSSTOWN SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

- "Chicago P.D." actor LaRoyce Hawkins, a native of Harvey, Ill., and Barton Fitzpatrick from Showtime's "The Chi" will throw out ceremonial first pitches this afternoon.
- There are a limited number of Standing Room Only tickets available for today's game ... fans can purchase tickets at the GRF box office, whitesox.com or by calling 866-SOX-GAME.

WELCOME TO CHICAGO

- Nick Madrigal, the White Sox first-round pick (fourth overall) in the 2018 draft out of Oregon State, will be at the park tomorrow.
- He will visit with Sox players and coaches, meet with the media at 4:30 in the dugout and throw out a ceremonial first pitch.
- Madrigal hit .303/.353/.348 with seven doubles, 16 RBI, seven walks, eight steals and 25 runs scored in 43 games between the AZL White Sox, Class A Winston-Salem and Class A Kannapolis.

WHITE SOX VS. CHICAGO CUBS

- The Cubs lead the season series, 3-2, and have retained the Crosstown Cup ... the Sox are hitting .276/.332/.412 with five home runs, own a 6.07 ERA (29 ER/43.0 IP) with one quality start and have been outscored, 34-24.
- The Sox have lost six of the last eight games, eight of 11 and 11 of 17 ... they are 6-10 in the last 16 at Guaranteed Rate Field.
- The White Sox went 1-3 in 2017, including 0-2 at home.
- The White Sox are 1-2-2 in season series since 2013 after winning four straight from 2009-12.
- The Sox lead the all-time series, 60-57, going 31-27 at Guaranteed Rate Field and 29-30 at Wrigley Field.

CROSSTOWN CONNECTIONS

- Below is a breakdown of Crosstown Cup connections for members of the White Sox roster, coaches and broadcasters:
 - ◆ Rick Renteria managed the Cubs to a 73-89 record in 2014.
 - ◆ C Wellington Castillo played for the Cubs from 2010-15.
 - ◆ TV analyst Steve Stone and radio analyst Darrin Jackson played for both clubs ... Stone spent 20 years as a Cubs TV analyst.
- A breakdown of Crosstown Cup connections for members of the Cubs roster, coaches and broadcasters:
 - ◆ Pitching coach Jim Hickey is a Chicago native, graduate of Kennedy High School and was drafted by the White Sox in 1983.
 - ◆ LHP José Quintana pitched for the White Sox from 2012-17, and was named an American League All-Star in 2016.
 - ◆ Quintana was traded to the Cubs in exchange for four prospects, including OF Eloy Jiménez and RHP Dylan Cease on 7/13/17.

INTERLEAGUE INSIGHT

- The White Sox are 6-13 during interleague play this season ... they have been held to three runs or less nine times in 2018.
- The Sox will finish with a losing record vs. the National League for the fourth straight season (last winning mark in 2014; 11-9).
- Chicago is 6-5 over its last 11 games, but 6-10 in its last 16 IL games at Guaranteed Rate Field ... the Sox went 6-14 in 2017.
- The Sox are 212-190 all-time during IL play (since 1997).

HOMER HAPPY

- The White Sox have hit 95 home runs since 7/2, the fourth-highest total in the American League and seventh-most in MLB.
- The Sox feature six players with 17-plus home runs this season, tied for the second-most in MLB behind the Dodgers (eight).
- Chicago has hit 98 HRs on the road, compared to 81 at home.

PALKA POWER

- Daniel Palka is tied with Zeke Bonura (1934) for third place in White Sox single-season history among rookies with 27 home runs in 2018 ... he is eight shy of Ron Kittle (35 in 1983) for second ... the 27 homers are the most by a Sox left-handed rookie.
- He ranks among MLB rookie leaders in homers (1st, 27), RBI (4th, 64), extra-base hits (T5th, 44) and total bases (7th, 195).
- Palka is trying to become the first White Sox rookie to lead all MLB rookies in home runs since José Abreu (36) in 2014.
- His young pinch-hit HRs are the most in a season in Sox history.

YOUNG AND PRODUCTIVE

- Yoán Moncada needs two doubles to become the fifth player in White Sox history, age 23 or younger, to record 30-plus doubles, 15-plus home runs and 60-plus RBI in a single season.
- He would join Chet Lemon (1977), Frank Thomas (1991), Paul Konerko (1999) and Carlos Lee (1999) ... also would be the first Sox, 23 or younger, with a 30+ 2B/15+ HR/60+ RBI/10+ SB season.

GRAB SOME BENCH

- Chicago has struck out 1,503 times in 2018, the most in MLB and the most in a single season in franchise history.
- Yoán Moncada leads MLB with 209 strikeouts ... he is 13 shy of tying Adam Dunn (222 in 2012) for the club record.

QUALITY AND QUANTITY

- The White Sox have made 1,388 quality starts since the start of the 2003 season, tied with the New York Mets (1,388) for the most in MLB during that span, and 57 more than Oakland (1,331), the next-closest American League team.
- The Sox rank third in the AL with 72 quality starts in 2018 ... RHP James Shields is tied for sixth in the AL with 19 QS.

ON DECK: VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS

- The White Sox conclude their home schedule with three games vs. Cleveland ... RHP Dylan Covey will start the opener.
- Cleveland leads the season series, 12-4 ... Chicago is 3-4 at Guaranteed Rate Field and 1-8 at Progressive Field in 2018, and has been outscored, 86-43, in the season series.
- The White Sox are batting .194/.254/.337 with 16 home runs, and own a 4.88 ERA (75 ER/138.1 IP) with six quality starts.
- The Sox have lost four of the last five games and eight of 10.

WHITE SOX 2018 BREAKDOWN

Sox After 154 155 in 2017	62-92 63-92
Streak	Lost 1
Current Homestand	1-1
Last Trip	4-5
Last 10 Games	5-5
Series Record	14-28-8
Series First Game	18-33
First Second Half	33-62 28-31
Home Road	29-48 32-45
Day Night	22-41 39-52
Opp. At-Above Below .500	25-46 36-47
vs. RHS LHS	46-68 15-25
vs. AL East/Central/West	16-16 29-40 10-24
Interleague	6-13
Comeback W's L's After Leading	32 41
Extra Innings	5-5
One-Run Two-Run Games	14-23 11-15
Ahead After 6 7 8	47-12 46-10 51-6
Trailing After 6 7 8	8-69 7-73 1-82
Tied After 6 7 8	6-12 8-10 9-5
Sox Opp. Score First	34-35 27-58
Sox Opp. Score 4+	52-29 19-79
Sox Opp. Score 3 or Less	9-64 42-14
March/April May June	8-18 8-19 12-17
July August September	9-15 17-12 7-12
Average Time of Game	3:08

UPCOMING PROBABLES

VS. CHICAGO CUBS

Sunday: 1:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
RHP Kyle Hendricks (12-11, 3.58) vs.
LHP Carlos Rodón (6-6, 3.30)

VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS

Monday: 7:10 p.m. CT | WGN-TV
RHP Corey Kluber (19-7, 2.93) vs.
RHP Dylan Covey (5-13, 5.33)
Tuesday: 7:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
TBA vs.
TBA
Wednesday: 7:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH+
RHP Josh Tomlin (1-5, 6.64) vs.
RHP James Shields (7-16, 4.48)

AT MINNESOTA TWINS

Friday (Game 1): 1:10 p.m. CT | WGN-TV
RHP Reynaldo López (7-9, 3.94) vs.
TBA
Friday (Game 2): 7:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
RHP Lucas Giolito (10-12, 5.81) vs.
TBA
Saturday: 6:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
LHP Carlos Rodón (pitching today) vs.
TBA
Sunday: 1:10 p.m. CT | WGN-TV
RHP Dylan Covey (pitching tomorrow)

WHITE SOX IN INTERLEAGUE (6-13)

Date	Opp.	Result	WP	LP
5/1	at STL	L, 2-3	Norris	Soria
5/2	at STL	L, 2-3	Martínez	Giolito
5/8	vs. PIT	L, 6-10	Glasnow	Volstad
5/9	vs. PIT	L, 5-6	Rodríguez	Jones
5/11	at CUBS	L, 2-11	Chatwood	Fulmer
5/12	at CUBS	L, 4-8	Lester	Shields
5/13	at CUBS	W, 5-3	Giolito	Hendricks
5/15	at PIT	L, 0-7	Williams	López
5/16	at PIT	L, 2-3	Santana	Soria
6/1	vs. MIL	W, 8-3	Avilán	Anderson
6/2	vs. MIL	L, 0-5	Chacín	Shields
6/3	vs. MIL	W, 6-1	Volstad	Suter
7/2	at CIN	L, 3-5	Floro	Volstad
7/3	at CIN	W, 12-8	Santiago	Stephens
7/4	at CIN	L, 4-7	Romano	Covey
7/10	vs. STL	L, 2-14	Mikolas	Covey
7/11	vs. STL	W, 4-0	Rodón	Weaver
9/21	vs. CUBS	W, 10-4	López	Quintana
9/22	vs. CUBS	L, 3-8	Lester	Giolito
9/23	vs. CUBS	1:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH

WHITE SOX ON HOMESTAND (1-1)

vs. CUBS CLE	1-1 0-0
Runs Scored Allowed	13 12
AVG OBP SLG HR	.365 .385 .527 3
ERA	5.50 (11 ER/18.0 IP)
Quality Starts	1

ROOKIE HOME RUN LEADERS

Player, Club	2018
Daniel Palka, SOX	27
Ronald Acuña Jr., ATL	26
Miguel Andújar, NYY	25
Gleyber Torres, NYY	23

Player, Year	SOX Single Season
1. José Abreu, 2014	36
2. Ron Kittle, 1983	35
T3. Daniel Palka, 2018	27
T3. Zeke Bonura, 1934	27

AL STARTER ERA LEADERS SINCE 9/12

Club	ERA
Tampa Bay Rays	1.99
Houston Astros	2.58
Oakland Athletics	2.88
New York Yankees	3.06
Chicago White Sox	3.12