



# GAME NOTES

## St. Louis Cardinals DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS



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### St. Louis Cardinals (3-4-1) vs. Atlanta Braves (2-6)

Spring Training Game No. 9 • Champion Stadium • March 3, 2018

Miles Mikolas (0-1, 32.40 ERA) vs. Julio Teheran (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** The St. Louis Cardinals travel to Disney's Wide World of Sports in Orlando for the first time of two road games this spring against the Atlanta Braves, with a first pitch scheduled for 1:05 p.m. from Champion Stadium. Today marks the club's first National League opponent in their last seven games (2/24 at New York)...the Cardinals' other trip to Orlando is March 17 when they face a Braves split-squad...today's game will be broadcast on KMOX...Redbird pitchers and catchers reported on Feb. 13 with the first full-squad workout on Feb. 19.

**TODAY'S GAME:** The St. Louis Cardinals play in Orlando today for the first time this spring, first pitch is 1:05 p.m....the Braves make their lone trip to Jupiter on March 22...Redbird pitchers and catchers reported on Feb. 13 with the first full-squad workout on Feb. 17.

**LAST GAME:** The Cardinals lost to the visiting Boston Red Sox 9-6 at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium yesterday afternoon...Outfielder Harrison Bader went 3-4 with a pair of doubles and two runs scored, while outfielder Tommy Pham went 2-3 with a triple...In a spot start on his 33rd birthday, Bud Norris pitched 2.1 innings before leaving the game due to a left hamstring spasm.

**COMING UP:** The Cardinals return home to Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium tomorrow to face the defending World Series Champion Houston Astros at 1:05 p.m....tomorrow's game will be broadcast on FOX Sports Midwest and KMOX.

**ON THE AIR:** The Cardinals will broadcast 18 Spring Training games on their radio flagship station KMOX 1120 AM...Mike Shannon, John Rooney, Mike Claiborne and Ricky Horton will be on the call...the 50,000-watt station can sometimes be heard as far south as Jupiter on a clear day.

**ON THE INTERNET:** The 11 games not broadcast on KMOX can be heard on cardinals.com with Tom Ackerman, Mike Claiborne, Chris Hrabec and Kyle McClellan calling the action.

**ON THE TUBE:** FOX Sports Midwest will televise 15 Spring Training games in 2018 with Dan McLaughlin, Jim Edmonds, Ricky Horton, Al Hrabosky, Tim McCarver, Rick Ankiel and Brad Thompson calling the action. Every telecast will be streamed live on the FOX Sports GO app and at FOXSportsGO.com. Games include 2/23 at MIA, 2/24 at NYM, 2/25 vs. HOU, 3/1 vs. MIN, 3/2 vs. BOS+, 3/4 vs. HOU, 3/5 vs. WSH, 3/9 at HOU, 3/10 vs. MIA+, 3/11 at WSH, 3/16 vs. MIA, 3/17 at ATL, 3/18 at WSH, 3/24 vs. NYM, and 3/25 at WSH.

**LAST SEASON:** The Cardinals concluded their 126th season of play in the National League by finishing 3rd in the National League Central Division and 7th overall in the Senior Circuit with an 83-79 record, their 9th straight season with a winning record...Manager Mike Matheny has led the Cardinals to his 6th straight winning season since taking over the post in 2012.

**LAST SPRING:** The 2017 Cardinals posted a 20-8-4 spring record (12-2-2 at home, 8-6-2 at RDS), finishing leading all Grapefruit League and National League teams...they drew 90,318 fans to Roger Dean Stadium during 16 home games.

#### Cardinals Recent Spring Training Records

Year	W-L-T	Team Batting Avg.	Team ERA
2017	20-8-4	.255	3.28
2016	11-13-3	.263	3.81
2015*	13-11-3	.252	3.06
2014*	11-13-1	.260	5.27
2013*	16-14-1	.280	4.20
2012*	16-9-2	.276	3.05
2011*	14-16-1	.261	3.79
2010	15-14-0	.280	4.95
2009*	19-12-2	.290	4.35
2008	17-10-2	.286	4.01

\*Reached the postseason.

**Note:** The Cardinals moved to Jupiter and began playing at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium in 1998.

#### Cardinals Recent Transactions

**March 1:** Reassigned RHP Jordan Hicks to minor league camp.

**February 19:** Signed RHP Jason Motte as a minor league free agent with an invitation to Major League Spring Training.

• **GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE:** The St. Louis Cardinals embark on their 127th season of play in the National League in 2018 and their 21st Spring Training in Jupiter...this afternoon, the Cardinals travel to Disney's Wide World of Sports in Orlando to face the Atlanta Braves at 1:05 p.m., at Champion Stadium.

• **CARDINALS VS. BRAVES:** This afternoon, the Cardinals will play the first of three games this spring against the Atlanta Braves...the two clubs see each other again in two weeks on March 17 when the Cardinals return to Orlando and face a Braves split-squad...last season, the Redbirds were 2-1-1 against the Braves, splitting the two matchups at Champion Stadium.

• **TODAY'S HURLERS:** RHP Miles Mikolas will make his second start of Spring Training today...RHP Jason Motte, RHP Luke Gregerson, RHP Matt Bowman, and RHP Mike Mayers are scheduled to pitch in relief.

• **TOMORROW'S STARTING PITCHER:** RHP Michael Wacha is scheduled to make his second start of Spring Training tomorrow afternoon against the Houston Astros at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium at 1:05 p.m...Wacha hurled 2.0 scoreless innings at Minnesota on Feb. 16 in his first start, allowing no hits with a walk and no strikeouts.

• **GOOD WOOD:** Through eight games, the Cardinals currently lead all Grapefruit League teams in on-base percentage (.364), and rank 2nd in average (.282) and third in slugging (.447) and OPS (.811).

• **YAIRO SPECIAL:** Yairo Muñoz, acquired in the deal that sent OF Stephen Piscotty to the Athletics on Dec. 14, 2017, posted consecutive three-hit games against the Red Sox and Orioles on Tuesday and Wednesday...the rookie utility man hit two home runs in the 7th inning against Baltimore to rally the Cardinals from a 9-1 deficit to a 10-9 win...Muñoz and teammate Luke Voit are currently in T3rd among Grapefruit League players with seven hits.

• **JOHNNY BE GOOD:** John Gant struck out seven batters over 3.0 innings of relief against the Orioles on Wednesday and currently leads all Grapefruit League pitchers with nine strikeouts this Spring.

• **SETTING UP CAMP:** The Cardinals currently have 62 players on the roster with 22 invitees...the youngest player in camp is 20-year old catcher Dennis Ortega as well as six Cardinals first round picks: INF Kolten Wong (2011), RHP Michael Wacha (2012), RHP Luke Weaver (2014), RHP Jack Flaherty (2014), RHP Jake Woodford (2015) and RHP Dakota Hudson (2016).

• **NEW FACES:** Players acquired during the 2017-18 off-season and appearing in their first Cardinals spring camp include catchers Steven Baron (SEA) and Francisco Peña (BAL), infielders Tommy Edman, Yairo Muñoz (OAK); Rangel Ravelo and Max Schrock (OAK); outfielders Randy Arozarena, Oscar Mercado, Tyler O'Neill (SEA) and Marcell Ozuna (MIA); and pitchers John Brebbia, Sean Gilmartin (NYM), Derian Gonzalez, Conner Greene (TOR), Luke Gregerson (HOU), Preston Guilmet (JPN), Ryan Helsley, Jordan Hicks, Dakota Hudson, Dominic Leone (TOR), Josh Lucas, Hector Mendoza (CUBA), Miles Mikolas (JPN), Jason Motte (ATL), Bud Norris (LAA) and Jake Woodford.

• **WELCOME BACK:** The Cardinals signed free-agent pitcher Luke Gregerson, fresh off a 2017 season which included him winning a Gold Medal (Team USA - WBC) and a World Series Championship (Astros)...Gregerson was originally drafted by the Cardinals in 2006, but was traded to the San Diego Padres in the deal that acquired infielder Khalil Greene in 2009.

• **ANOTHER FAMILIAR FACE:** Right-hander Jason Motte also returns to the Cardinals, signing as a minor league free agent with an invitation to Major League Spring Training...Motte spent 2017 with the Atlanta Braves...Motte, who recorded nine saves to finish the 2011 season and the final out for the Cardinals in the World Series, co-leads the Cardinals postseason save rankings with eight (Jason Irsinghausen), while his 54 regular season saves (2008-14) rank 12th all-time.

• **THIS BUD'S FOR YOU:** The Cardinals signed free-agent pitcher Bud Norris on February 14...Norris pitched mainly as a reliever last season with the Los Angeles Angels and ranked 10th in the American League with 19 saves in 60 appearances.

• **MIKE AND THE MAD DOG:** Cardinals manager Mike Matheny has a few new faces on his coaching staff including veteran pitching coach Mike Maddux, who spent last season with the Washington Nationals and previous years with the Texas Rangers and Milwaukee Brewers after a 15-year playing career in the majors...Jose Oquendo returns to the Major League staff as the third base coach, Bryan Eversgerd was named bullpen coach, Willie McGee as coach and Mike Shildt moves from third base coach to bench coach.

#### CARDINALS 2018 SPRING RECAP

Record	Attendance
vs. NL .....	1-1-0 Home (3).....16,175
vs. AL .....	2-3-1 Home Avg ..... 4,761
at Home .....	0-2-1 Road (5).....33,126
on Road .....	3-2-0 Road Avg ..... 6,625
at RDS* .....	0-3-1 Total .....
*Includes road games at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium.	49,301
	Home High.....6,654
	vs. Boston (3/2)

#### CARDINALS 2018 SPRING SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date/Opp.	Time/Result	Probable Starters/ Winner-Loser-Save	Record	Att.	Highlights
2/23 at MIA^+*	L, 6-4	Wimmers-Schafer-Guerra	0-1	3,613	Flaherty 2IP, 2K, OR; Mercado 2-3, R
2/24 at NYM+*	W, 10-5	Helsley-McGowan	1-1	5,864	14 Hits, HRs by A.Garcia & Arozarena
2/25 vs. HOU+*	L, 7-3	Cole-Mikolas	1-2	5,169	Pham HR; Molina HR; Mayers 2.IIP, OR
2/26 at MIN#	L, 5-4	Thorpe-Greene-Jorge	1-3	7,788	Wacha 2 IP, O R; Kelly 1-3, 2B, RBI
2/27 at BOS(ss)#	W, 6-1	Weaver-Beeks	2-3	9,355	Muñoz 3-5, RBI, SB; Knizner HR
2/28 at BAL#	W, 10-9	Gant-Crichton-Bowman	3-3	6,506	Muñoz 3-5, 2HR, 4RBI; Gant 3 IP, 7K
3/1 vs. MIN*#	T, 3-3	None	3-3-1	4,352	Ozuna 1-2, HR; Mercado 3-3, SB
3/2 vs. BOS+*	L, 9-6	Pomernaz-Norris	3-4-1	6,654	Bader 3-4, 2 2B 2 R; Pham 2-3, 3B.
3/3 at ATL+	1:05	Miles Mikolas vs. Julio Teheran			
3/4 vs. HOU+*	1:05	Michael Wacha vs. TBA			
3/5 vs. WAS*#	1:05				
3/6 at MIA^+	1:05				
3/7 vs. WAS+	1:05				
3/8 vs. MIA#	1:05				
3/9 at HOU*#	6:05				
3/10 vs. MIA+*	1:05				
3/11 at WAS+*	1:05				
3/12		OPEN DATE			
3/13 at MIA^+	1:05				
3/14 at HOU#	1:05				
3/15 vs. BAL+	1:05				
3/16 vs. MIA*#	1:05				
at WAS	1:05				
3/17 at ATL+*	1:05				
3/18 vs. WAS+*	1:05				
3/19		OPEN DATE			
3/20 vs. NYM+	1:05				
3/21 at MIA^#	1:05				
3/22 vs. ATL+	1:05				
3/23 at NYM#	1:10				
3/24 vs. NYM+*	1:05				
3/25 at WAS+*	1:05				
3/26 vs. TOR (exh.)	7:07				
3/27 vs. TOR (exh.)	7:07				

Game times are local and are subject to change

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