



# SPRING TRAINING GAME NOTES

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**MIAMI MARLINS (6-4-2)**  
(LHP Justin Nicolino; 0-0, 0.00)  
at  
**HOUSTON ASTROS (9-4-1)**  
(RHP Gerrit Cole; 1-0, 1.80)



**FITTEAM BALLPARK OF THE PALM BEACHES, WEST PALM BEACH, FL**

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 – 1:05 p.m.

Broadcasts: MLB.com audio

**TODAY'S GAME:** The Marlins return to West Palm Beach today for their second trip in three days to take on the Astros. It is the third of six meetings this Spring between the Clubs; Miami suffered a 5-3 loss at the hands of Houston on Monday.

**TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER:** Southpaw **Justin Nicolino** is making his first start (third appearance) of the Spring today. He allowed one unearned run in his last outing, pitching 2.0 innings (h, r, bb, 3 so) in an 8-3 loss to Detroit at Lakeland. Nicolino will be followed by RHP **Pablo López** and RHP **Nick Neidert**. López has not allowed a run in two appearances, tossing 2.1 scoreless innings, with one walk and five strikeouts. Neidert has not appeared in a game this Spring.

**ALL EVEN:** The Marlins overcame a 3-0, first-inning deficit to take a 4-3 lead in the seventh inning, but had to settle for a 4-4 tie against the Cardinals in Jupiter yesterday. Miami first got on the board with a long two-run home run by **Lewis Brinson** in the fourth inning, his first homer of the Spring. The Marlins then tied the game in the seventh with an RBI single by **Cristhian Adames**, and took the lead on a bases-loaded walk to **Magneuris Sierra**. The lead did not last long however, with St. Louis tying the game in the eighth on a solo home run.

**CURRENT ROSTER:** Miami has 66 players currently in Major League camp, including the full 40-man roster and 26 non-roster invitees. There are 36 pitchers in camp: 24 from the 40-man roster, and 12 NRIs. There are 28 right-handed pitchers (16 40-man and 12 NRIs) and eight left-handed pitchers, all on the 40-man. The Club is also carrying seven catchers (three NRIs), 14 infielders (seven NRIs), and nine outfielders (four NRIs).

**STOCKING THE FISH FARM:** The Marlins entered Spring Training with 28 players in Major League camp who were not in the organization at the end of last season, including 10 players on the 40-man roster. Each day, a new face in the franchise will be spotlighted. Today's player is right-handed pitcher **Sandy Alcantara**, who tossed 3.0 scoreless innings in relief yesterday against his former club, St. Louis. Alcantara was acquired by Miami in December in the Marcell Ozuna trade and became the Marlins' No. 3 ranked prospect, according to *MLB.com*. Alcantara is coming off a career year, establishing professional highs in wins (7), appearances (33), and innings pitched (133.2) between St. Louis and Double-A Springfield, where he spent a majority of the year. He had his contract selected by St. Louis on September 1 and made his MLB debut on Sept. 3 at San Francisco.

**ROSTER ODDS AND ENDS:** The oldest player in Major League camp for Miami is reliever **Brad Ziegler** (38, born 10/10/1979)... the youngest is right-handed starter **Nick Neidert** (21, born 11/20/1996)...there are six players in camp listed at or over 6-feet, 5-inches in height last season, led by **Tayron Guerrero** at 6-foot-7 and followed by **James Needy** (6-6), **Garrett Cooper** (6-6), **Jacob Turner** (6-6), **Lewis Brinson** (6-5), and **Ben Meyer** (6-5)... the shortest player in camp is **Peter Mooney** (5-6)... there are four Florida natives in camp (Brinson, **Brian Ellington**, **Justin Nicolino**, and Mooney)... there are 24 players who hail from outside the United States, the most coming from the Dominican Republic (9)... Twelve players currently in camp were drafted by the Marlins, 27 were free agent signings, 22 were acquired via trade, two via waivers, and three in the Rule 5 Draft.

**CELEBRATING 25 YEARS:** The Marlins are celebrating their 25th Anniversary throughout the 2018 Championship Season. The main feature of the slate of events will be the 25th Anniversary Weekend Celebration from June 8-10, when Miami plays San Diego at Marlins Park. The team will wear commemorative throwback teal pinstripe uniforms for all three games. Marlins Park will also turn back the clock on pricing that weekend, with \$4 Vista Level tickets for all three games – the same price as an adult general admission ticket for Opening Day in 1993.

**A NEW DAY:** The Miami Marlins organization enters 2018 under new ownership, led by Chairman & Principal Owner **Bruce Sherman** and Chief Executive Officer & Owner **Derek Jeter**. The ownership group, the fourth in Club history, took control of the organization on October 2 after receiving unanimous approval from Major League Owners to acquire the team. The group's first major Baseball Operations hire was **Gary Denbo**, who was named Vice President of Scouting & Player Development. Denbo has worked to greatly expand the Marlins' scouting and analytics departments, making several new hires. On the business side, **Chip Bowers** was named President of Business Operations on February 12. Bowers comes to Miami from the defending NBA champion Golden State Warriors, where in his five years as Chief Marketing Officer the organization was named Sports Team of the Year by *SportsBusiness Journal* twice (2014 and 2016).

**EXPANDING PIPELINE:** Miami's *MLB.com* top 30 prospect list has been drastically reshaped in the last seven months, as the list now includes 13 players acquired in that time. Twelve of the 30 are in camp with the Marlins this spring, led by the top three: **Lewis Brinson\*** (acquired in Christian Yelich trade with Milwaukee), **Monte Harrison\*** (Milwaukee), and **Sandy Alcantara\*** (acquired in Marcell Ozuna trade with St. Louis). Other offseason acquisitions to make it into the top 30 are **Jorge Guzman** (acquired in Giancarlo Stanton trade with Yankees), **Magneuris Sierra\*** (#7; from St. Louis), **Isan Diaz\*** (#9; from Milwaukee), **Nick Neidert\*** (#10; from Seattle), **Merandy Gonzalez\*** (#13; from Mets), **Brayan Hernández** (#15; from Seattle), **Christopher Torres** (#17; from Seattle), **Zac Gallen\*** (#18; from St. Louis), **Brandon Miller** (#28; from Seattle), and **Pablo López\*** (#30; from Seattle). (\*MLB camp)

**YOUR RADIO HOME FOR MARLINS' BASEBALL:** Once again in 2018 the Marlins home on the radio dial will be WINZ 940 AM, which will broadcast all 162 games in the regular season and 15 Spring Training contests. In addition, all 162 regular season and 15 Spring Training games can be heard on 940's partner station, 94.9 HD2 in 2018. Hall of Fame broadcaster Dave Van Horn and Glenn Geffner will return to the broadcast booth for their 11th season together. For all Spanish listeners, Yiky Quintana will call all 162 regular season games on WAQI 710 AM with José Luis Nápoles joining him for home contests. In addition to select games on the Marlins Radio Network, fans will also have the opportunity to listen to 16 games exclusively on *MLB.com*.

**FOX SPORTS FLORIDA BROADCAST INFORMATION:** All 162 Marlins' games will be shown on TV in 2018, including 158 on FOX Sports Florida, all of which will be available in HD. The campaign kicks off at Marlins Park against the Cubs on March 29th at 12:40 p.m., when the Marlins will throw the very first pitch of Major League Baseball's 2018 Championship Season. It will mark the debut of new FOX Sports Florida play-by-play announcer Paul Severino, who moves into the Marlins' booth after seven seasons as a play-by-play announcer and studio host for MLB Network. He will call all the action alongside former Marlins' outfielder Todd Hollandsworth; they will be joined throughout the season by Craig Minervini and Jessica Blaylock. All home games produced on FOX Sports Florida will be broadcast with SAP.

**MARLINS CREDENTIALS:** All media members requesting a daily credential must do so using MLB's online credential system, located at <https://credentials.mlb.com>. Daily credentials for regular season games must be requested at least 24 hours in advance. Once a decision on approval is made, the requesting party will receive e-mail correspondence from the Marlins. If you are not contacted by someone from our office, please call at least one day in advance to confirm that your credentials before arriving at Marlins Park. The Marlins will honor MLB passes and BBWAA cards at all home games.

## TODAY'S PITCHING LINEUP

LHP Justin Nicolino  
RHP Pablo López  
RHP Nick Neidert  
RHP Tayron Guerrero  
RHP Javy Guerra  
RHP Chris Mazza  
LHP Chris O'Grady

## TOMORROW'S MEDIA SCHEDULE

CLUBHOUSE OPEN 8:30-9:15  
MANAGER AVAILABILITY 9:30  
MARLINS AT CARDINALS 1:05  
CLUBHOUSE REOPENS AS STARTERS EXIT GAME

## UPCOMING STARTERS

DATE	TIME (ET)	OPPONENT	MARLINS STARTER	OPPONENT STARTER	BROADCASTS
Thursday, March 8	1:05 p.m.	at St. Louis	RHP José Ureña (2-0, 0.00)	-	MLB.com audio
Friday, March 9	1:05 p.m.	vs. Boston	RHP Dan Straily (0-0, 0.00)	LHP Chris Sale (0-0, ---)	MLB.com audio

## TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS - 2017 STATISTICS/2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

### LHP JUSTIN NICOLINO (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
Jupiter	1-0	3.00	1	1	0	6.0	7	2	2	1	0	1	0	0
New Orleans	5-5	3.19	14	14	0	79.0	75	34	28	10	24	51	0	0
MIAMI	2-3	5.06	20	8	0	48.0	66	33	27	8	20	26	0	0

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/25	at NYM	-	2.0	1	0	0	1	0
3/2	at DET	-	2.0	1	1	0	1	3

### RHP PABLO LÓPEZ (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
Modesto	5-8	5.04	19	18	0	100.0	113	63	56	6	13	89	7	3
Jupiter	0-3	2.18	8	6	0	45.1	42	13	11	0	7	32	3	0

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/25	at NYM	-	1.1	0	0	0	1	3
3/2	at DET	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2

### RHP NICK NEIDERT (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
Modesto	10-3	2.76	19	19	0	104.1	95	33	32	7	17	109	5	0
Arkansas	1-3	6.56	6	6	0	23.1	33	21	17	4	5	13	2	1

### RHP TAYRON GUERRERO (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
Jupiter	0-1	3.60	4	0	0	5.0	3	2	2	1	3	7	0	0
Jacksonville	0-1	3.38	17	0	0	16.0	14	7	6	3	14	22	0	0
New Orleans	3-2	5.87	13	0	0	15.1	12	13	10	2	12	11	4	2

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	WSH	W(1-0)	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
2/27	at WSH	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	0
3/2	at DET	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1

### RHP JAVY GUERRA (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
New Orleans	2-4	4.70	35	0	2	51.2	46	29	27	7	21	44	3	0
MIAMI	1-1	3.00	16	0	0	21.0	23	8	7	2	7	12	0	0

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/23	STL	S(1)	1.0	0	0	0	2	0
2/27	at WSH	-	0.2	0	0	0	0	0

### RHP CHRIS MAZZA (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
Jacksonville	4-7	3.01	28	26	0	146.2	138	56	49	7	41	93	4	1

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/26	HOU	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
3/4	at ATL	-	0.2	1	1	1	0	1

### LHP CHRIS O'GRADY (2017)

CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WP	BK
New Orleans	3-5	3.29	12	9	0	54.2	44	24	20	7	15	54	1	0
MIAMI	2-1	4.36	13	6	0	33.0	33	16	16	4	18	30	0	1

### 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DATE	OPP.	DEC.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2/24	WSH	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
2/28	WSH	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	2
3/2	at DET	-	0.1	0	0	0	0	0

## 2017 OFFSEASON/2018 SPRING TRANSACTIONS

### MARCH

3 Reassigned RHP Jordan Yamamoto to Minor League camp

### FEBRUARY

- 23 Reassigned LHP Mike Kickham and C Sharif Othman to Minor League camp.
- 21 Signed OF Cameron Maybin to one-year contract.
- 17 Signed INF Eric Campbell to Minor League contract.
- 15 Outrighted RHP Severino Gonzalez to Triple-A New Orleans.

### JANUARY

- 25 Acquired OF Lewis Brinson, OF Monte Harrison, INF Isan Diaz, and RHP Jordan Yamamoto from Milwaukee in exchange for OF Christian Yelich.
- 17 Signed INF Jonathan Rodriguez to Minor League contract.
- 12 Signed RHP Jumbo Diaz and OF Scott Van Slyke to Minor League contracts.
- 9 Signed RHP Tyler Cloyd to Minor League contract.
- 4 Signed LHP Mike Kickham to Minor League contract.

### DECEMBER

- 20 Outrighted LHP Hunter Cervenka to Triple-A New Orleans.
- 15 Signed RHP Alex Wimmers, INF Cristhian Adames, and OF Rafael Ortega to Minor League contracts.
- 14 Designated LHP Hunter Cervenka for assignment; acquired RHP Sandy Alcantara, OF Magneuris Sierra, RHP Zac Gallen, and LHP Daniel Castano from St. Louis in exchange for OF Marcell Ozuna; selected RHP Elieser Hernandez from Houston in first round MLB phase of Rule 5 Draft; selected RHP Brett Graves from Oakland in second round of MLB phase of Rule 5 Draft; acquired C B.J. Lopez from Arizona in first round of Triple-A phase of Rule 5 Draft; acquired C Sharif Othman from New York-AL in second round of Triple-A phase of Rule 5 Draft; acquired INF Will Allen III from Detroit in third round of Triple-A phase of Rule 5 Draft; acquired RHP Brandon Barker in fourth round of Triple-A phase of Rule 5 Draft.
- 13 Released RHP Edinson Volquez.
- 11 Acquired INF Starlin Castro, RHP Jorge Guzman, and INF José Devers from New York-AL in exchange for OF Giancarlo Stanton and cash considerations.
- 7 Acquired RHP Nick Neidert, INF Christopher Torres, and RHP Robert Dugger from Seattle in exchange for OF Dee Gordon.

## 2018 SPRING DAY-BY-DAY

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	SAVE	ATTND. (SPRING)
Friday	Feb. 23	ST. LOUIS	W,6-4	1-0	Wimmers (1-0)	Schafer	Guerra (1)	3,613
Saturday	Feb. 24	WASHINGTON	W,3-2	2-0	Guerrero (1-0)	Harper	M. Gonzalez (1)	2,559 (6,172)
Sunday	Feb. 25	at New York Mets	L,3-10	2-1	Gsellman	Cloyd (0-1)	-	4,151
Monday	Feb. 26	HOUSTON	W,11-0	3-1	Ureña (1-0)	Martinez	-	2,183 (8,355)
Tuesday	Feb. 27	at Washington	T, 2-2	3-1-1	-	-	-	2,499
Wednesday	Feb. 28	WASHINGTON	W,3-1	4-1-1	Despaigne (1-0)	Roark	Del Pozo (1)	1,987 (10,342)
Thursday	March 1	at New York Mets	W,3-2	5-1-1	Graves (1-0)	Lugo	-	3,285
Friday	March 2	at Detroit	L,3-8	5-2-1	Boyd	Gallen (0-1)	-	4,768
Saturday	March 3	NEW YORK METS	W,1-0	6-2-1	Ureña (2-0)	Syndergaard	Steckenrider (1)	4,371 (14,713)
Sunday	March 4	at Atlanta	L,2-5	6-3-1	Blair	Conley (0-1)	Jackson	5,414
Monday	March 5	at Houston	L,3-5	6-4-1	Harris	Despaigne (1-1)	Valdez	2,807
Tuesday	March 6	ST. LOUIS	T,4-4	6-4-2	-	-	-	3,206 (17,919)
Wednesday	March 7	at Houston	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio				
Thursday	March 8	at St. Louis	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio				
Friday	March 9	BOSTON RED SOX	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio				
Saturday	March 10	at St. Louis	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, WAQI 710 AM (Spanish), FOX Sports Florida				
Sunday	March 11	NEW YORK YANKEES	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, WAQI 710 AM (Spanish)				
Monday	March 12	OFF DAY						
Tuesday	March 13	ST. LOUIS	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Wednesday	March 14	NEW YORK METS	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Thursday	March 15	at New York Mets	1:10 p.m.	MLB.com audio				
Friday	March 16	at St. Louis	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, FOX Sports Florida				
Saturday	March 17	HOUSTON	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, WAQI 710 AM (Spanish)				
Sunday	March 18	at New York Yankees	1:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, WAQI 710 AM (Spanish), FOX Sports Florida				
Monday	March 19	WASHINGTON	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Tuesday	March 20	at Washington	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Wednesday	March 21	ST. LOUIS	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Thursday	March 22	at Houston	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English)				
Friday	March 23	WASHINGTON	7:05 p.m.	MLB.com audio, FOX Sports Florida				
Saturday	March 24	at Washington	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English), WAQI 710 AM (Spanish)				
Sunday	March 25	HOUSTON (ss)	1:05 p.m.	WINZ 940 AM (English), WAQI 710 AM (Spanish), FOX Sports Florida				
		at New York Mets (ss)	12:10 p.m.	-				
Tuesday	March 27	University of Miami	3:10 p.m.	MLB.com audio				

All times are ET and subject to change

HOME GAMES IN BOLD

(ss) - split squad

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#	Player/Coach	Pos.	#	Player/Coach	Pos.
26	Cristhian Adames (Ā-dāh-mes)	INF	89	Chris Mazza (Māh-zā)	RHP
22	Sandy Alcantara (āi-KĀHN-tā-rā)	RHP	4	Frank Menechino (MEN-ēh-KĒ-no)	CCH
46	Kyle Barraclough (Bear-claw)	RHP	86	Ben Meyer (My-er)	RHP
41	Justin Bour (Boar)	INF	87	Nick Neidert (NI-dirt)	RHP
13	Starlin (STAR-lynn) Castro	INF	6	Mike Pagliarulo (Pag-lee-ah-rue-loh)	CCH
54	Wei-Yin (WAY-in) Chen	LHP	14	Martín (Mar-teen) Prado	INF
32	Derek Dietrich (DĒE-trick)	OF	60	J.T. Realmuto (Reel-mue-toe)	C
43	Odrisamer (Oh-drees-ah-mer) Despaigne (Des-pahn-yay)	RHP	2	Yadiel (YAH-dē-ēl) Rivera	INF
91	Isan (Ē-sahn) Diaz	INF	55	Drew Rucinski (Rōō-chin-skēē)	RHP
66	Jarlin (Har-lin) García	LHP	34	Magneuris (Mag-NEW-rees) Sierra	OF
12	Johnny Giavotella (Gēē-Ā-vō-TELL-ā)	INF	25	Junichi (Jue-Nee-chi) Tazawa	RHP
40	Javy (Hah-vee) Guerra (Gher-ra)	RHP	18	Tomás (Toe-mās) Telis (tell-ēéz)	C
72	Tayron (TIE-rah) Guerrero	RHP	62	José Ureña (ōō-REH-nya)	RHP
93	Monte (Mōn-TĀY) Harrison	OF	81	Rodrigo Vígil (Vih-HEEL)	C
57	Elieser (Eh-lēe-ēh-ser) Hernandez	RHP	29	Brad Ziegler (Zig-ler)	RHP