



2016 HOUSTON ASTROS MEDIA INFORMATION

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HOUSTON ASTROS (79-71) AT OAKLAND ATHLETICS (66-84)

RHP JOE MUSGROVE (3-4, 4.71) VS. LHP SEAN MANAEA (6-9, 4.23)

TUESDAY, SEPT. 20, 2016 • OAKLAND COLISEUM • OAKLAND, CA • 9:05 P.M. CT • ROOT SPORTS SW • KBME 790 AM • LA NUEVA 94.1 FM

GAME #151	ROAD #77
ABOUT THE RECORD	
Overall Record:	79-71
Home Record:	41-33
--with Roof Open:	5-6
--with Roof Closed:	36-27
--with Roof Open/Closed:	0-0
Road Record:	38-38
Current Streak:	Won 1
Current Road Trip:	3-1
Last Homestand:	2-4
Last 5 Games:	4-1
Last 10 Games:	5-5
Series Record (prior to current series):	22-22-4
Sweeps:	9-4
When Scoring 4 or More Runs:	65-21
When Scoring 3 or Fewer Runs:	14-50
Shutouts:	7-7
In One-Run Games:	26-24
In Two-Run Games:	16-15
vs. Left-Handed Starters:	26-25
vs. Right-Handed Starters:	53-46
During the Day:	27-23
At Night:	52-48
When Scoring First:	56-25
Opponent Scores First:	23-46
Outhit Opponent:	57-6
Outhit by Opponent:	13-60
Equal Hits:	9-5
When Hitting Home Run:	68-44
No Home Runs:	11-27
Walkoff Home Runs:	3-1
Come-from-Behind Wins:	31
Largest Comeback:	4
Losses After Leading:	30
Last At-Bat Wins:	17
Largest Blown Lead:	3
Extra-Inning Games:	9-7
Different Batting Orders:	132
After Six Innings:	
Lead: 64-6 Tied: 9-8 Trail: 6-57	
After Seven Innings:	
Lead: 65-3 Tied: 8-6 Trail: 6-62	
After Eight Innings:	
Lead: 72-2 Tied: 5-5 Trail: 2-64	
ASTROS VS. ATHLETICS (2016):	
Overall in 2016:	11-6
At Minute Maid Park:	8-2
At Oakland Coliseum:	3-4
ASTROS VS. A'S (ALL-TIME):	
Overall:	34-46
Record in Houston:	20-21
Record in Oakland:	14-25

THIS DATE IN ASTROS HISTORY: SEPT. 20

2007 - Rookie catcher **J.R. Towles** sets a franchise record by tallying 8 RBI in an 18-1 Astros win in St. Louis.

1986 - **Mike Scott** begins a club-record run of 16.0 straight hitless innings by retiring the final 6 hitters he faces in 10-6 win over SD... he then no-hits the Giants in his next start.

TODAY'S MEDIA AVAILABILITY
The Astros clubhouse will be open from 4:00-4:50 p.m...manager **A.J. Hinch** will be available in the Astros dugout at approx. 4:50 p.m.

TONIGHT'S GAME: The Astros, winners of 4 of their last 5 games, continue the final leg of their 6-game road trip to Seattle (2-1) and Oakland (1-0) tonight with the 2nd of 3 games against the A's...rookie **RHP Joe Musgrove** (3-4) will try to pitch Houston to a series victory opposite fellow rookie starter **LHP Sean Manaea** (6-9) and the A's.

MIGHTY JOE YOUNG: **RHP Joe Musgrove** enters tonight's game coming off consecutive quality starts against 1st place opponents...he held the Cubs to 2 runs on 3 hits in 6.0 innings on Sept. 9, before leading the Astros to an 8-4 win over the Rangers on Wednesday (3ER/6.1IP).

STRAIGHT A'S: The Astros have won their last 5 games vs. the A's, which includes a 3-game sweep in Houston from Aug. 29-31...this marks Houston's longest winning streak against the A's in club history.

DIVISION FOES: The Astros are facing AL West opponents in their final 19 games of the season, a stretch that began on Monday against the Rangers (1-2) and has continued this road trip with Seattle (2-1) and Oakland (1-0)...the Astros will face the A's (2g), Angels (7g) and Mariners (3g) to finish their campaign, a trio that the Astros have combined to go 32-13 (.711) against this season.

VS. OAKLAND: The Astros have gone 29-21 against the A's since April 26, 2014, which includes season series victories over Oakland in 2015 (10-9) and 2016 (11-6 thus far with 2 to play)...Houston's 29-21 record in its last 50 games opposite Oakland represents a stark difference from the 1st 30 matchups, with the Astros going just 5-25 in those contests.

LAST NIGHT'S WIN: The Astros completed a thrilling, 4-2, come-from-behind victory over the A's last night in the series opener...**PH Tyler White** (1x1) tied the game in the 8th with a pinch-hit, RBI-double, his 3rd pinch hit double of the season...in the 9th inning, **1B Marwin Gonzalez** hit a 2-run single with the bases loaded to put Houston ahead...**RHP Brad Peacock** (2ER/5.1IP) had a solid outing while the bullpen held Oakland scoreless over 3.2 innings.

CLUTCH CITY: With last night's pinch-hit double, **Tyler White** has gone 4x11 (.364) with 3 doubles and 3 RBI as a pinch-hitter...that gives him the most pinch-hit doubles in the AL and ties a rookie franchise record set by **Russ Johnson** in 1999.

PEACOCK SOARING: Last night was **Brad Peacock's** 10th consecutive Major League start in which he allowed 3 earned runs or less (dating back to 2014)...in his 3 starts this year, he owns a 2.40 ERA (4ER/15IP).

TALE OF TWO SEASONS: The Astros are 62-43 (.590) since May 23, which has come after the club bottomed out with a 17-28 record after a loss on May 22...it's been an uphill battle for the Astros all season, as the club started 7-17 in April and has since recovered to go 72-54 (.571) in 126 games since.

IN THE STANDINGS: There are 5 teams within 3.0 games of the 2 AL Wild Card Spots, with the Astros entering tonight 3.0 games back of both Toronto and Baltimore.

AL WILD CARD STANDINGS

Team	GB	Today's Games (CT)
Baltimore (82-68)	-	at Boston (6:05p)
Toronto (82-68)	-	at Seattle (9:10p)
Detroit (79-70)	2.5	at Minnesota (7:10p)
Houston (79-71)	3.0	at Oakland (9:05p)
Seattle (79-71)	3.0	vs. Toronto (9:10p)

BRINGIN' THE HITS: With a Major League leading 199 hits, **2B Jose Altuve** needs 1 more to reach 200 for the 3rd consecutive season...last player with 3 consecutive 200-hit seasons: **Ichiro Suzuki**, 10 straight from 2001-10...last right-handed hitter with 3 straight: **Michael Young**, 5 straight 200-hit seasons (2003-07).

MVP CALIBER: **Jose Altuve** leads the AL in average (.337) and in hits (199), ranks T-2nd in doubles (40), T-3rd in steals (27), 3rd in WAR (7.7), 4th in OBP (.396), 4th in total bases (321) and 4th in OPS (.940).

OUT WEST: Houston has fared well on the road over the last 3 months, posting a 25-17 road record dating back to June 14 (tops in MLB in that span)...on the season, Houston ranks 2nd in the AL in runs per game on the road (4.96) behind Boston (5.10).

BEST ROAD RECORD - SINCE JUNE 14

1. Houston: 25-17 (.595)	3. Boston: 23-18 (.561)
2. St. Louis: 26-18 (.591)	4. Pittsburgh: 24-21 (.533)

FLYING HIGH: **Jose Altuve** has hit .376 (112x298) with a 1.005 OPS (.441 OBP/.564 SLG) on the road this year...the last Major League players with road batting averages this high in a single season: **Ichiro Suzuki** (.405 in 2004) and **Barry Bonds** (.386 in 2002).

MR. SEPTEMBER: Tomorrow's starter, **RHP Collin McHugh**, is 2-0 with a 3.31 ERA this month, and has gone undefeated in 12 September starts as an Astro (since 2014), posting a 10-0 record and a 3.08 ERA...his 10 September wins in that span rank 2nd in the AL behind **LHP David Price** (11-2).

THE PRODIGY: On Sunday, **Carlos Correa** joined **Alex Rodriguez** as the only shortstops in Major League history to hit 20 homers twice through their age-21 seasons (ESPN Stats & Info).

YEAR OF THE WHIFF: The Astros pitching staff has set a club record for strikeouts in a season (1,288)...the Astros rank 3rd in the AL in strikeouts, while the bullpen leads the AL with 564, also a club record.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!: The Astros would like to send happy birthday wishes to closer **Ken Giles** (26) and TV broadcaster **Bill Brown** (69)...they share their birthday with Game of Thrones author **George R. R. Martin** and actor **Jon Bernthal**, who starred in the popular TV shows *The Walking Dead* and *Daredevil*.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AND PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS (ALL TIMES CENTRAL)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	PITCHERS	TELEVISION
Wed., Sept. 21	2:35	at Oakland	RHP Collin McHugh (11-10, 4.66) vs. RHP Daniel Mengden (2-7, 5.68)	ROOT SPORTS SW
Thur., Sept. 22	7:10	Los Angeles (AL)	RHP Mike Fiers (11-7, 4.46) vs. TBA	ROOT SPORTS SW
Fri., Sept. 23	7:10	Los Angeles (AL)	RHP Doug Fister (12-12, 4.45) vs. TBA	ROOT SPORTS SW
Sat., Sept. 24	6:10	Los Angeles (AL)	RHP Brad Peacock (0-0, 2.86) vs. TBA	ROOT SPORTS SW
Sun., Sept. 25	1:10	Los Angeles (AL)	RHP Joe Musgrove (3-4, 4.71) vs. TBA	ROOT SPORTS SW

All Astros games are broadcast in English on SportsTalk 790 AM in Houston, the flagship station of the Astros Radio Network. La Nueva, 94.1 FM, is the flagship of the club's Spanish Radio Network.

