



2020 HOUSTON ASTROS

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HOUSTON ASTROS (1-0) AT OAKLAND ATHLETICS (0-1)

DIVISION SERIES, GAME 2: LHP FRAMBER VALDEZ (1-0, 0.00) VS. LHP SEAN MANAEA (4-3, 4.50 IN '20)

TUESDAY, OCT. 6, 2020 • DODGER STADIUM • LOS ANGELES, CA • 3:37 P.M. CT • TBS • SPORTSTALK 790 • LA RANCHERA 850 AM

ABOUT THE ASTROS RECORD	
Overall Record:	3-0
Home Record:	-
Road Record:	2-0
Neutral Site Record:	1-0
Current Streak:	Won 3
Last 5 Games:	3-0
Last 10 Games:	3-0
Series Record:	1-0
Sweeps:	1-0
When Scoring 4 or More Runs:	2-0
When Scoring 3 or Fewer Runs:	1-0
Shutouts:	-
In One-Run Games:	-
In Two-Run Games:	1-0
vs. Left-Handed Starters:	-
vs. Right-Handed Starters:	3-0
During the Day:	3-0
At Night:	-
When Scoring First:	1-0
Opponent Scores First:	2-0
Outhit Opponent:	3-0
Outhit by Opponent:	-
Equal Hits:	-
When Hitting Home Run:	2-0
No Home Runs:	1-0
Walkoff Home Runs:	-
Come-from-Behind Wins:	2
Largest Comeback:	3
Losses After Leading:	-
Last At-Bat Wins:	1
Largest Blown Lead:	-
Extra-Inning Games:	-
Different Batting Orders:	2
After Six Innings:	
Lead: 1-0	Tied: 1-0
Trail: 1-0	
After Seven Innings:	
Lead: 2-0	Tied: 1-0
Trail: 0-0	
After Eight Innings:	
Lead: 2-0	Tied: 1-0
Trail: 0-0	
ASTROS VS. ATHLETICS (2020 REG.):	
Overall:	3-7
At Minute Maid Park:	2-0
At the Coliseum:	1-7
ASTROS VS. A'S (REG.+POST.):	
Overall:	75-75
Record in Houston:	39-33
Record in Oakland:	35-42
Record at neutral site:	1-0
ASTROS IN DS (ALL-TIME):	
Overall:	22-24
Record in Houston:	14-8
Record on road:	7-16
Record at neutral site:	1-0
ASTROS IN POSTSEASON (ALL-TIME):	
Overall:	52-57
Record in Houston:	29-24
Record on road:	22-33
Record at neutral site:	1-0

THIS DATE IN ASTROS HISTORY
OCT. 6
2015 - The Astros dispatch the Yankees in the one-game Wild Card matchup in the Bronx by a score of 3-0...**LHP Dallas Keuchel** (OER/6IP) earns the victory, recording seven strikeouts in the outing...**LF Colby Rasmus** and **CF Carlos Gomez** each hit solo homers, while **2B Jose Altuve** drives in the Astros final run with a single.

TODAY'S GAME 2: The Astros and A's will continue their American League Division Series today at Dodger Stadium in a matchup of AL West Division rivals...the Astros have won three straight to open this postseason and are looking for just their second four-game post-season winning streak in franchise history...Houston is now 3-2 all-time in the playoffs at Dodger Stadium, including two wins at the venue in the 2017 World Series: Game 2 and Game 7.

TODAY'S STARTERS: Today, the Astros will start **LHP Framber Valdez**, who's coming off a spectacular relief appearance in Game 1 of the AL Wild Card Series at MIN, in which he tossed 5.0 scoreless innings, allowing just two hits with two walks and five strikeouts en route to the win...Valdez faced the A's once this season, earning the win on Aug. 8 at OAK (1ER/7IP)...Valdez will be opposed by fellow lefty **LHP Sean Manaea**, who's making his first appearance this postseason...Manaea pitched once against the Astros this season on Sept. 10 vs. HOU (1ER/7IP).

THE GREAT FRAMBINO: The 26-year-old, third-year starter **LHP Framber Valdez** had a breakout 2020 season performing as one of the top pitchers in the American League...among AL pitchers, Valdez ranked second in home runs per 9.0 innings (0.64), fifth in walks per 9.0 innings (2.04, 16BB), sixth in innings pitched (70.2), eighth in strikeouts (76), and eighth in strikeouts per 9.0 innings (9.68)...he also led the Majors in groundball to flyball ratio (3.56) and groundball rate (60%), generating 114 groundballs, the most in the AL.

VS. THE A'S: The Astros and A's are seeing each other for the first time in their postseason histories in what is a neutral site series at Dodger Stadium...Houston went just 3-7 against Oakland in the 2020 regular season, posting a 2-0 record at home at Minute Maid Park and a 1-7 record at the Coliseum.

POSTSEASON APPEARANCES: This is the Astros 14th appearance in the postseason in club history in what is the 59th year of the franchise that began in 1962...this appearance gives Houston four straight years in the playoffs, the first time they've done so in franchise history...only the Yankees and Dodgers have also played in the last four postseasons...Houston has also made the postseason in five of the last six years.

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE: This group of Astros has won a postseason series in four straight seasons (2017-20), leading all Major League teams in postseason games (47) and postseason wins (28) in that time frame...in both categories, the Astros top the Dodgers (38g, 22 wins) and Yankees (30g, 17 wins).

DIVISION SERIES HISTORY: This marks the Astros 12th all-time appearance in the Division Series in which they've gone 5-6 in their previous 11 series... dating back to 2004, the Astros have won five of their last six Division Series and have won three straight, dispatching the Red Sox in 2017 (4g), the Indians in 2018 (3g) and the Rays in 2019 (5g).

TODAY'S VIDEO CONFERENCES: The Astros will make **Dusty Baker** (12:45p CT), **LHP Blake Taylor** (1:10p CT) and select players available via Zoom before today's game (approx. 12:45-1:30p CT)...Baker and select Astros players will also be made available postgame...Zoom info below:

- Meeting ID: 990 9673 3019
- Password: 763574
- Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99096733019?pwd=M-WJFVEVoV2OydmhoWnl5aEpBQVR5Zz09>

AT THE HELM: Astros Manager **Dusty Baker** is the first manager in MLB history to take five different teams to the postseason, the Giants (1997, 2000, 2002), Cubs (2003), Reds (2010, 2012-13), Nationals (2016-17) and Astros (2020)...Baker's all-time record in the postseason is now 26-32.

CLUB LEADERS: This active group of Astros is atop the franchise leaderboards in most postseason categories...**2B Jose Altuve**, **SS Carlos Correa** and **OF George Springer** lead the club in postseason games played, all checking in with 53...Altuve leads the club in postseason hits (62), Springer is postseason homers (15) and Correa in postseason RBI (38)...**3B Alex Bregman** leads all Astros in postseason walks (31).

BULL MARKET: The Astros bullpen has tossed 14.2 scoreless innings this postseason, allowing just three hits, while punching out 15 and allowing an .070 opponent batting average...of the six relievers used, four have been rookies, including stellar work from **RHP Cristian Javier** (4IP), **RHP Enoli Paredes** (2IP), **LHP Blake Taylor** (1IP) and **LHP Brooks Raley** (0.2IP).

GAME 1 WIN: The Astros opened up the series strong yesterday with a resounding 10-5 win over the A's...the offense posted their 10 runs on 16 hits, including three home runs, two by **SS Carlos Correa** (4RBI)...**CF George Springer** drove the offense with a 4x5 performance, while **2B Jose Altuve** went 2x4 with two RBI...the bullpen was once again magnificent, accounting for 5.0 scoreless innings of relief.

MANIC MONDAY: The Astros offense was the story yesterday, as they posted one of the best offensive performances in club postseason history...the highlights:

- Yesterday marked the Astros fifth time in postseason club history to score 10+ runs in a game...most recently in Game 3 of the 2018 ALDS at CLE (11 runs).
- The Astros 16 hits were the second-highest total for a postseason game in club history, trailing only the 17 hits posted in Game 5 of the 2004 NLDS at ATL.
- **SS Carlos Correa** became the first shortstop in MLB history to post two multi-homer games in postseason play...he also hit two homers in Game 4 of the 2015 ALDS vs. KC.
- **CF George Springer** became the sixth player in club postseason history to post a four-hit game...most recently accomplished by **LF Marwin Gonzalez** in Game 2 of the 2018 ALDS vs. CLE.
- **3B Alex Bregman** recorded two hits and homered for the fourth consecutive year on Oct. 5, also doing so in Game 1 of the 2017 ALDS vs. BOS, Game 1 of the 2018 ALDS vs. CLE and Game 2 of the 2019 ALDS vs. TB.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AND PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS (ALL TIMES CENTRAL)					
DATE	SERIES	TIME	OPPONENT	PITCHERS	TELEVISION
Wednesday, Oct. 7	ALDS, Game 3	2:35	Oakland	TBA vs. TBA	TBS
Thursday, Oct. 8	ALDS, Game 4 (if nec.)	2:35	Oakland	TBA vs. TBA	TBS

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TODAY'S ALDS GAME 2 STARTING PITCHER: LHP FRAMBER VALDEZ

	W-L	ERA	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2020:	5-3	3.57	11	10	70.2	63	32	28	16	76
CAREER:	13-11	4.19	45	23	178.1	159	93	83	84	178
vs. OAK	W-L	ERA	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2020:	0-1	1.29	1	1	7.0	7	2	1	1	9
CAREER:	0-1	2.25	3	1	12.0	12	4	3	2	12
POSTSEASON	W-L	ERA	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2020:	1-0	0.00	1	0	5.0	2	0	0	2	5
CAREER:	1-0	0.00	1	0	5.0	2	0	0	2	5

Career Complete Games: none
Career Shutouts: none
CAREER POSTSEASON GAME-HIGHS:
Strikeouts: 5, 2020 WCS Game 1 at MIN
Walks: 2, 2020 WCS Game 1 at MIN
Hits: 2, 2020 WCS Game 1 at MIN
Earned Runs: 0, 2020 WCS Game 1 at MIN
Innings Pitched: 5.0, 2020 WCS Game 1 at MIN
Low-Hit CG: ---

Last CG: none
Last SHO: none
2020 GAME-HIGHS:
11 (2x), 9/17 vs. TEX
3 (2x), last, 9/1 vs. TEX
11, 9/6 at LAA
8, 9/6 at LAA
7.2, 8/19 at COL

CAREER POSTSEASON SPLITS:
Home: ---
Away: 1-0, 0.00 ERA, 1G/0GS, 0ER/5IP
Day: 1-0, 0.00 ERA, 1G/0GS, 0ER/5IP
Night: ---
Longest Winning Streak: 1, 2020 WCS Game 1-current
Longest Losing Streak: ---

CAREER SPLITS (REG. SEASON + POSTSEASON):
Dodger Stadium: 0-0, 9.00 ERA, 1G/GS, 5ER/5IP

2020 SPLITS:
Home: 3-1, 3.52 ERA, 5G/GS, 12ER/30.2IP
Away: 2-2, 3.60 ERA, 6G/5GS, 16ER/40IP
Day: 0-2, 3.98 ERA, 3G/2GS, 9ER/2.1IP
Night: 5-1, 3.40 ERA, 8G/GS, 19ER/50.1IP
Longest Winning Streak: 3, 8/14-24
Longest Losing Streak: 2, 8/2-8/14

LAST OUTING - WC SERIES GAME 1 at MIN: earned the win after finishing Game 1 of the Wild Card Series with 5.0 scoreless innings of relief... gave up just 2 hits and 2 walks with 5 strikeouts...was his first-career postseason appearance.

- became the 13th pitcher in MLB history to finish a postseason game with 5.0+ scoreless relief innings, and the first to do it since **Madison Bumgarner** ended Game 7 of the 2014 World Series at KC with 5.0 scoreless relief innings...became the first AL pitcher to do this since **Pedro Martinez** in Game 5 of the 1999 ALDS at CLE.
- became the 4th pitcher in MLB history finish a game with 5.0+ scoreless frames in his postseason debut, joining **Joe Price** (1987 NLCS Game 5), **George Frazier** (1981 ALCS Game 2) and **Moe Drabowsky** (1966 World Series Game 1).

TODAY'S START: name is pronounced "FRAHM-burr".

- 26-year-old left-hander is set to make his 1st-career postseason start, and 2nd postseason appearance.
- a native of Palenque, Dominican Republic, Valdez will become the 2nd Dominican-born pitcher in Astros history to start a postseason game... he joins **Jose Lima**, who started Game 2 of the 1999 NLDS at ATL... Lima's start was 21 years ago today on Oct. 6, 1999.

PITCHER OF THE YEAR: was named the **Astros 2020 Pitcher of the Year** by the Houston Chapter of the BBWAA.

- among AL pitchers, ranked 2nd in home runs per 9.0 innings (0.64), 5th in walks per 9.0 innings (2.04, 16BB), 6th in innings pitched (70.2), 8th in strikeouts (76), and 8th in strikeouts per 9.0 innings (9.68).
- ranked 3rd among AL pitchers in FIP (2.83) per Stats Inc., behind only **Shane Bieber** (2.05) and **Zack Greinke** (2.78).
- was one of the game's most-efficient pitchers, as he ranked 4th in the Majors in fewest pitches per inning (14.8), behind **Adam Wainwright** (14.2), **Kyle Hendricks** (14.3) and **Kenta Maeda** (14.8).
- led Astros pitchers in strikeouts and innings pitched...went at least 5.0 innings in

ON THE GROUND: kept opposing hitting at bay by inducing the groundball.
 led the Majors in grounball rate at 60% and groundball/flyball ratio at 3.56.

vs. OAK: has faced the A's 3 times in his career, making just 1 start...his lone start was this season on Aug. 8 at The Coliseum...gave up 2 runs (1 earned) on 7 hits over 7.0 innings, striking out 9 with 1 walk...took the loss in Houston's 3-1 defeat.

- IN THE ROTATION:** began the season in the starting rotation with a 4.1-inning, 3-run outing against the Dodgers on July 28.
- moved into the bullpen for an outing on Aug. 2 at LAA, a 6.1-inning, 1-run performance at Angel Stadium...has been back in the rotation ever since that performance against the Halos.
 - in his 10 starts this year, went 5-3 with a 3.92 ERA (28ER/64.1IP).
 - as a starter in his career, has gone 9-8 with a 4.56 ERA (63ER/124.1IP) in 23 starts.

VALDEZ IN THE POSTSEASON (CAREER)													
DATE	RESULT	W/L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR				
2020 WCS (1) at MIN*	W 4-1	W 1	5.0	2	0	0	2	5	0				
* - indicates relief appearance													
VALDEZ VS. OAKLAND (CAREER)													
DATE	RESULT	W/L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR				
4/9/19*	OAK	W 6-0	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	0				
9/10/19*	OAK	L 7-21	-	4.0	4	2	2	1	3				
8/8/20	at OAK	L 1-3	L 1	7.0	7	2	1	1	9				
* - indicates relief appearance													
	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO		AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Canha	.600	5	3	0	1	1	Olson	.000	3	0	0	0	1
Davis	.200	5	1	0	0	0	Pinder	.400	5	2	0	0	2
Grossman	.000	4	0	0	1	0	Piscotty	.333	3	1	0	0	1
Laureano	.250	4	1	0	0	2	Semien	.500	4	2	1	0	2
Murphy	.000	4	0	0	0	1							
2020 REGULAR SEASON DAY-BY-DAYS													
DATE	OPP	RESULT	W/L	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	TP		
7/28	LAD	L 2-5	L 1	4.1	4	3	3	1	2	0	59		
8/2	at LAA*	W 6-5 (10)	-	6.1	5	1	0	1	8	0	86		
8/8	at OAK	L 1-3	L 2	7.0	7	2	1	1	9	1	103		
8/14	SEA	W 11-1	W 1	6.0	4	1	1	3	5	0	95		
8/19	at COL	W 13-6	W 2	7.2	7	3	1	1	5	0	101		
8/24	LAA	W 11-4	W 3	7.0	6	4	4	2	11	1	113		
9/1	TEX	L 5-6 (10)	-	7.0	5	3	3	3	8	0	94		
9/6	at LAA	L 5-9	L 3	7.0	11	8	8	2	2	1	108		
9/12	at LAD	W 7-5	-	5.0	5	5	5	1	7	2	82		
9/17	TEX	W 2-1	W 4	6.1	4	1	1	1	11	0	100		
9/22	at SEA	W 6-1	W 5	7.0	5	1	1	0	8	0	108		
JULY		0-1	6.23 ERA	4.1	4	3	3	1	2	0	59		
AUGUST		3-1	1.85 ERA	34.0	29	11	7	8	38	2	498		
SEPTEMBER		2-1	5.01 ERA	32.1	30	18	18	7	36	3	492		

2020 HOUSTON ASTROS POSTSEASON STARTING PITCHERS												
PITCHER	LAST START	RESULT	STREAK	GS	RUN SUPP. AVG.	P/GS	SB/CS	TEAM RECORD	GS AFTER L	TM. W-L AFTER L	QS	TM. W-L DURING QS
McCullers Jr.	ALDS (1) at OAK (4,8,5,4,1,5)	W 10-5	-	1	6.75	75	0/0	1-0	-	-	-	-
Urquidy	WCS (2) at MIN (4,1,2,1,1,2,3)	W 3-1	-	1	2.08	76	0/0	1-0	-	-	-	-
Greinke	WCS (1) at MIN (4,2,1,1,3,1)	W 4-1	-	1	0.00	79	1/0	1-0	-	-	-	-

ASTROS: 2020 ALDS: .390 (16x41)
OPPONENTS: 2020 ALDS: .242 (8x33)

2020 vs. OAK (REGULAR SEASON): .205 (63x307)
2020 vs. OAK (REGULAR SEASON): .237 (72x304)

27 IF JOSE ALTUVE .182 (2x11), 0 HR, 3 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .240, 6x25, 2RBI DS Career: .320, 24x75, 7HR, 14RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: 0x7 Postseason Career: .284, 62x218, 13HR, 32RBI

- went 2x4 with 2 RBI and a run scored in Game 1 of the ALDS...
- is making his 5th appearance in the postseason (2015, 2017-20)...has played in 53 games in the postseason, is tied for the most in club history with **Carlos Correa** and **George Springer**.
- was named the **2019 ALCS MVP**, batted .348 (8x23) with 1 double, 2 home runs, 3 RBI and 4 walks...smacked a 2-run walk-off home run off **RHP Aroldis Chapman** to send the Astros to the World Series.
- also rates among the Astros career postseason leaders in hits (1st, 62), homers (3rd, 13), RBI (2nd, 32) and OPS (4th, .855).
- recorded 25 hits during the 2019 postseason, the most by an Astros player in a single postseason in franchise history...fell one hit shy of the MLB record of 26 set by **Pablo Sandoval** in 2014.
- since the 2017 postseason, has more postseason homers (13) than all but one Major League player: **George Springer** (14)...has hit .302 (58x192) with 10 doubles, 13 HR, 30 RBI and a .923 OPS (.366 OBP/.557 SLG) since the 2017 postseason.

23 OF MICHAEL BRANTLEY .250 (3x12), 0 HR, 3 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .275, 11x40, 1HR, 3RBI DS Career: .178, 8x45, 1HR, 3RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .286, 2x7, 2RBI Postseason Career: .252, 27x107, 1HR, 7RBI

- went 1x5 with an RBI in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- is making his 5th trip to the postseason (2013, 2017-20)...played in the 2013 AL Wild Card Game with Cleveland (4-0 loss to Tampa), went to the ALDS with Cleveland in 2017 and 2018 and was a part of the Astros 2019 AL Championship team.
- ranked 9th in the AL in batting average and finished 8th in the AL in batting w/ RISP (.359, 14x39).

2 IF ALEX BREGMAN .273 (3x11), 1 HR, 1 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .160, 4x25, HR, 3RBI DS Career: .354, 17x48, 6HR, 10RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .143, 1x7 Postseason Career: .234, 40x171, 11HR, 28RBI

- went 2x4 with a solo home run in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- has driven in the Astros first run of the ALDS in 3 of the last 4 seasons, hitting solo homers in Game 1 of the ALDS in 2017 (**Sale**), Game 1 of the ALDS in 2018 (**Kluber**) and Game 1 of the ALDS in 2020 (**Bassitt**).
- has homered 11 times in 47 career postseason games, with 10 of his homers coming against current-or-former All-Stars: **Chris Sale** (2HR), **Corey Kluber**, **Trevor Bauer**, **Kenley Jansen**, **Clayton Kershaw**, **Blake Snell**, **Stephen Strasburg** (2HR) and **Fernando Rodney**.
- has homered on Oct. 5 for the 4th consecutive season becoming the first player to do this in the postseason.
- set a MLB postseason record by notching 19 postseason games in his career where he recorded an RBI, before turning 26-years old, surpassing **Albert Pujols** (17 games).

1 IF CARLOS CORREA .545 (6x11), 3 HR, 5 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .243, 9x37, 2HR, 5RBI DS Career: .254, 18x71, 7HR, 18RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .500, 3x6, HR, RBI Postseason Career: .263, 54x205, 14HR, 38RBI

- went 3x5 with 2 home runs and 5 RBI in Game 1 of the ALDS...became the first MLB shortstop to record 2 multi-homers game in the postseason...recorded his 6th career postseason 3+ RBI game, which is the most by a shortstop in MLB history.
- is in the postseason for the 5th time in his career (2015, 2017-20)...has played in 52 postseason games, is tied for the most in club history with **Jose Altuve** and **George Springer**.
- his 14 home runs and 38 RBI in the postseason are the 2nd-most by a shortstop in MLB history, behind only **Derek Jeter** (20 HR, 61 RBI)
- ranks 2nd in Astros history in postseason homers (14) behind only **George Springer** (15)...has 36 RBI in the postseason, the most in Astros franchise history.
- his 11 HR, 32 RBI and 22 extra-base hits in his postseason career is the most postseason homers, RBI and XBH by a player prior to turning 26 years old in MLB history...the previous record holder in HR and RBI was **Albert Pujols** (10 HR, 29 RBI), and in XBH was **Pujols** and **Chipper Jones** (18).

16 IF ALEDMYS DÍAZ .000, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .211, 4x19 DS Career: 0x4

2020 WC vs. MIN: DNP Postseason Career: 0x10

- went 0x1 as pinch-hitter in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- 30-year-old is on a postseason roster for the second time in his career (2019-2020).
- started 16 games since returning from the IL on Aug. 29, making 3 starts at 3B, 9 at 2B, 1 at DH, 2 at 1B and 1 at LF.

13 C DUSTIN GARNEAU .---, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): 0x8 DS Career: ---

2020 WC vs. MIN: DNP Postseason Career: ---

- 33-year old is making his first career postseason roster...batting .158 (6x38) with 1 triple, 1 home run and 4 RBI in his first season in Houston.
- appeared in 17 games, making 13 starts at catcher.

10 IF YULI GURRIEL .182 (2x11), 0 HR, 1 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .211, 8x38, 2HR, 6RBI DS Career: .360, 18x50, 5RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .125, 1x8 Postseason Career: .262, 48x183, 5HR, 25RBI

- went 1x3 with an RBI sac-fly in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- is in the playoffs for the 4th-straight season (2017-20)...has started 45 postseason games at 1B and 1 at DH...has the most postseason starts at 1B in club history...ranks 2nd in club history in postseason doubles (12) behind **George Springer** (15).
- has played in 47 career postseason games with the Astros is T-4th in franchise history with **Alex Bregman**, behind only **Jose Altuve**, **Carlos Correa** and **George Springer**, who've all appeared in 53 games.

15 C MARTÍN MALDONADO .167 (2x12), 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .130, 3x23, DS Career: .222, 4x18, HR, 2RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .143, 1x7 Postseason Career: .196, 10x51, 2HR, 3RBI

- went 1x5 with a run scored in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- is in the postseason for the 3rd time in his career (2018-20)...started in 6 of Houston's 18 postseason games in 2019.
- ranked 1st among AL catchers in the AL in walks (27), 2nd in RBI (24), 5th in OPS (.727) this season...16 of his 24 RBI have come at home.
- started 46 of Houston's 60 games this year...is the 8th Astros catcher (16th time) to start 46 of the club's first 60 games of a season, and the first since **Brad Ausmus** started 46 of 60 in 2007.

20 OF CHAS MCCORMICK .---, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): --- DS Career: ---

2020 WC vs. MIN: DNP Postseason Career: ---

- 25-year old is making first career appearance on a postseason roster as well as his first Major League roster appearance.
- spent the entire 2020 season at the Astros Alternate Training Site...was on the Astros Taxi Squad on numerous road trips.
- spent the 2019 season between Double A Corpus Christi (53g) and Triple A Round Rock (57g), batted .269 (99x368) with 6 doubles, 6 triples, 14 homers, 66 RBI and a .818 OPS (.386 OBP/.432 SLG).
- was drafted by the Astros in 21st round of the June 2017 MLB Draft.

22 OF JOSH REDDICK .083 (1x12), 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .250, 8x32, HR, RBI DS Career: .236, 21x89, 2HR, 7RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .125, 1x8 Postseason Career: .201, 41x204, 4HR, 12RBI

- went 0x4 with a run scored in Game 1 of the ALDS
- marks the 8th postseason of his career, and 5th consecutive (also 2012-14, 2016-20)...has played in 42 of Houston's 46 postseason games since 2017...his 64 career postseason games are the most on the Astros.

4 OF GEORGE SPRINGER .357 (5x14), 0 HR, 2 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .375, 12x32, 2HR, 5RBI DS Career: .318, 24x76, 5HR, 9RBI

2020 WC vs. MIN: .111, 1x9, RBI Postseason Career: .276, 60x217, 15HR, 30RBI

- went 4x5 with a double, RBI and a run scored in Game 1 of the ALDS...became the 6th Astros player to record 4-or-more hits in a postseason game, last, **Marwin Gonzalez** in Game 2 of the 2018 ALDS.
- is the franchise leader in home runs (15) and doubles (15) in the postseason, also ranks 2nd in walks (29) and 2nd in hits (60).
- has 15 career postseason HR, the most in Astros history and tied for the 9th most by an American League player all-time with **Babe Ruth**...his 13 homers in the postseason as a leadoff hitter are the most in MLB history.
- in 25 games in September, batted .316 (31x98) with 2 doubles, 2 triples, 9 home runs, 15 RBI, 9 walks and a 1.033 OPS (.380 OBP / .653 SLG)...his 9 home runs ranked T-2nd most in the AL behind only **Jose Ramirez**.

3 OF MYLES STRAW .---, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .200, 3x15 DS Career: 0x0

2020 WC vs. MIN: DNP Postseason Career: 0x0

- is on the Astros postseason roster for the 3rd straight season...didn't appear in a game in the 2019 postseason...was on the club's ALDS roster in 2018, appearing in 2 games as a pinch-runner...did not make the Astros ALCS roster in 2018.
- appeared in 28 games...started 19 games in CF and has appeared in 1 game at SS.

11 C GARRETT STUBBS .---, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): 0x1 DS Career: --

2020 WC vs. MIN: DNP Postseason Career: ---

- 27-year old is making first career appearance on a postseason roster.
- appeared in 14 games and made 1 start at C.

31 IF ABRAHAM TORO .---, 0 HR, 0 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .167, 1x6 DS Career: --

2020 WC vs. MIN: --- Postseason Career: ---

- 23-year old is making first career appearance on a postseason roster.
- spent his first full season in the Majors, batted .149 (13x87) with 2 doubles, 3 home runs and 9 RBI. .

30 OF KYLE TUCKER .385 (5x13), 0 HR, 2 RBI

2020 vs. OAK (Reg+ALDS): .195, 8x41, HR, 7RBI DS Career: .222, 2x9

2020 WC vs. MIN: .375, 3x8, 2RBI Postseason Career: .280, 7x25, 2RBI

- went 2x5 with 2 run scored in Game 1 of the ALDS.
- 23-year-old is on a postseason roster for the 2nd time in his career (2019-20).
- appeared in 9 games during the 2019 postseason, batted .167 (2x12) with 3 walks and a stolen base.
- ranked 1st in the AL in triples (6), T-6th in RBI, T-6th in extra-base hits (27) and T-7th in stolen bases (8) in 2020.
- in his last 39 regular season games, he batted .309 (42x136) with 7 doubles, 5 triples, 8 home runs, 33 RBI and a .981 OPS (.371 OBP / .610 SLG).

HOUSTON ASTROS POSTSEASON BULLPEN REPORT

2020	W-L-S	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB-I	SO	When bullpen allows runs: 0-0 When bullpen does not allow a run: 3-0 When no relievers are used: 0-0		
PITCHER	LAST APP. (IP,H,R,ER,BB,K)						PITCHES	1B/RET.	RI/SC	SV/OPP	TEAM REC. (IN RELIEF APPS.)
Starters	0-0-0	4.38	12.1	12	7	6	6-0	9			
Relievers	3-0-1	0.00	14.2	3	0	0	6-0	15			
39-Josh James			9/22 at SEA (1,0,0,0,0,2)			18	-	-	-	-	
53-Cristian Javier			10/5 at OAK (1,0,0,0,1,2)-H1			25	2/1	0/0	0/0	2-0	
77-Luis Garcia			9/27 at TEX (0,1,0,0,0,0)			5	-	-	-	-	
60-Enoli Paredes			10/5 at OAK (2,0,0,0,0,2)-H1			21	1/1	0/0	0/0	1-0	
55-Ryan Pressly			10/5 at OAK (1,0,0,0,0,1)			7	2/2	0/0	1/1	2-0	
58-Brooks Raley			9/30 at MIN (0,2,1,0,0,1,1)			14	1/0	1/1	0/0	1-0	
70-Andre Scrubb			9/26 at TEX (1,4,2,2,0,1)			25	-	-	-	-	
67-Cy Sneed			9/26 at TEX (1,0,0,0,0,2)			11	-	-	-	-	
62-Blake Taylor			10/5 at OAK (1,0,0,0,0,0)-W1			10	1/1	1/1	0/0	1-0	
65-José Urquidy			9/30 at MIN (4,1,2,1,1,2,3)			76	-	-	-	-	
2020 BULLPEN TOTALS							8/5	2/2	1/1	3-0	

39 RHP JOSH JAMES

1-0-0, 7.27 ERA, 13G/2GS*

Last Win: 9/12 at LAD **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** none in '20 **Blown SV:** 9/9 at OAK
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** 2-1, 6.35 (8ER/11.1IP), 11G

- was on the club's Wild Card Series roster but did not make an appearance... in his last outing, worked a scoreless 9th inning on 9/22 at SEA, recording 2 strikeouts...placed on the IL on on Sept. 25 to end the season.
- was scoreless in seven of his last nine relief outings, to close out the season, posting a 1-0 record and a 1.93 ERA (2ER/9.1IP) and 10 strikeouts.
- gave up just one walk over his final five outings to end the year (6IP)...gave up 16 walks over his first 11.1 innings, spanning eight games (two starts).

53 RHP CRISTIAN JAVIER

1-0-0, 0.00 ERA, 2G

Last Win: 9/30 at MIN **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** 9/7 at OAK **Blown SV:** none in '20
OAK Series: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/1IP), 1G **Postseason Career:** 1-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/4IP), 2G

- tossed a scoreless 8th inning yesterday, picking up a hold, working around a leadoff walk with 2 strikeouts...was his 2nd appearance this postseason.
- worked 3.0 scoreless innings in relief in the Wild Card Series clincher last Wednesday at MIN...struck out 2, walked 2 and did not allow a hit (54 pitches).
- 23-year old made his MLB debut in 2020, making 10 starts and 2 relief apps.
- allowed just 36 hits in his 54.1 innings pitched in 2020, good for a .188 opponent batting average (36x192)...led all AL rookies and ranked fourth among AL pitchers in opponent batting average (min. 150 batters faced), behind only **Shane Bieber** (.167), **Kenta Maeda** (.168) and **Lucas Giolito** (.184).
- led all AL rookies in ERA (min. 150 batters faced) and opponent average, and ranked tied for fourth in wins, tied for second starts, fourth in innings pitched and third in strikeouts (54).

77 RHP LUIS GARCIA

0-1-0, 2.92 ERA, 5G/1GS*

Last Win: none in '20 **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** 9/18 vs. ARI **Blown SV:** none in '20
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** ---

- was not on the Astros Wild Card Series roster...last pitched on 9/27 at TEX, tossing 0.1 of a scoreless inning in what was his 5th MLB appearance.
- 23-year old made his Major League debut with the Astros this season after never appearing in a game above the Class A+ level prior to 2020...was added to the Astros Player Pool for the season, but was not an invite to MLB Spring Training.
- made his first-career start on Sept. 9 at OAK, and tossed 5.0 scoreless innings, allowing just one hit with two walks and four strikeouts.

60 RHP ENOLI PAREDES

0-0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1G

Last Win: 9/19 vs. ARI **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** 9/25 at TEX **Blown SV:** 9/25 at TEX
OAK Series: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/2IP), 1G **Postseason Career:** 0-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/2IP), 1G

- tossed 2.0 scoreless innings yesterday and picked up a hold in his 1st career postseason app...fanned 2 and needed only 21 pitches to navigate the 2.0 frames.
- 24-year old made his Major League debut with the Astros, showcasing his electric stuff in 22 appearances out of the bullpen...struck out 20 batters in 20.2 innings... was scoreless in 16 of his 21 games pitched.
- held left-handed hitters to a .143 (6x42) opponent batting average with just one extra-base hit (triple) and a .408 OPS (.217 OBP/.190 SLG).

55 RHP RYAN PRESSLY

0-0-1, 0.00 ERA, 2G

Last Win: 8/16 vs. SEA **Save:** 9/30 at MIN **Loss:** 9/16 vs. TEX **Blown SV:** 9/25 at TEX
OAK Series: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/1IP), 1G **Postseason Career:** 1-0-1, 5.68 (8ER/12.2IP), 17G

- tossed a scoreless 9th inning yesterday, needing just 7 pitches in the outing... also worked a scoreless 9th inning in the Astros Wild Card Series clincher last Wednesday at MIN...struck out 2 in the inning for his 1st postseason save.
- 31-year old stepped into the closer's role and notched a career-high 12 regular season saves over 23 games...ranked tied for third in the AL in saves.
- including the postseason, has successfully converted 12 of his last 14 save chances of the season, spanning his last 20 games...has posted a 1.86 ERA (4ER/19.1IP) with four walks and 28 strikeouts in those appearances.

58 LHP BROOKS RALEY

0-0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1G

Last Win: none in '20 **Save:** 9/17 vs. TEX **Loss:** 9/4 at LAA **Blown SV:** none in '20
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** 0-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/0.2IP), 1G

- faced 3 batters in the Astros Wild Card series on Wednesday at MIN...walked a hitter, recorded 1 strikeout and allowed a double in 0.2 of a scoreless inning.
- was acquired by Houston from Cincinnati for a player to be named later or cash considerations on Aug. 9
- held lefties to a .121 batting average (4x33) between his 21 total appearances with Houston and Cincinnati...held lefties 4x31 (.129) with Houston, which marked the 11th-lowest opponent batting average vs. left-handed hitters among AL relievers (.133)...allowed just one extra-base hit to a left-handed hitter all season (homer).

70 RHP ANDRE SCRUBB

1-0-1, 1.90 ERA, 20G*

Last Win: 8/19 vs. COL **Save:** 7/31 vs. LAA **Loss:** none in '20 **Blown SV:** none in '20
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** ---

- was on the club's Wild Card Series roster but did not make an appearance...last pitched on 9/26 at TEX, allowing 2 runs on 4 hits in 1.0 inning tossing 25 pitches... marked his 1st appearance to allow more than 1 run (20 career appearances)... was scoreless in 16-of-20 appearances during the season.
- stranded 13-of-15 inherited runners...ranked sixth in the AL in lowest inherited runners scored percentage (13.3%).
- his curveball averaged 9.9 inches of vertical movement, per Statcast, which ranked as the fifth-most in the Majors for any curveball...the only pitchers to generate more vertical drop on their curveballs were: **Trevor Bauer** (11.1 in), **Garrett Richards** (10.7 in), **Alex Reyes** (10.7 in) and **Seth Lugo** (10.4 in).

67 RHP CY SNEED

0-3-0, 5.71 ERA, 18G*

Last Win: none in '20 **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** 8/11 vs. SF **Blown SV:** 8/7 at OAK
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** ---

- was on the club's Wild Card Series roster but did not make an appearance...in his last outing, worked a perfect 9th inning on 9/26 at TEX.
- 27-year-old made his first-career Opening Day roster and spent the entire season with Houston...pitched in a career-high 18 games.
- struck out 15 batters over his final 12 games of the season (11.1IP).

62 LHP BLAKE TAYLOR

1-0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1G

Last Win: 10/5 at OAK **Save:** 8/17 vs. COL **Loss:** 9/1 vs. TEX **Blown SV:** 8/6 at ARI
OAK Series: 1-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/1IP), 1G **Postseason Career:** 1-0-0, 0.00 (0ER/1IP), 1G

- tossed 1.0 scoreless inning yesterday and picked up the win in relief...marked his 1st career postseason appearance.
- 25-year-old made his MLB debut with Houston and quickly became an important member of Houston's bullpen.
- was equally effective against both right-handed and left-handed hitters...held lefties to a .532 OPS and a .171 (6x35) batting average...held righties to a .598 OPS and a .175 (7x40) batting average.
- posted MLB's sixth-best average exit velocity on batted balls (83 mph).

65 RHP JOSÉ URQUIDY

0-0-0, 2.08 ERA, 1G/GS

Last Win: 9/15 vs. TEX **Save:** none in '20 **Loss:** 9/10 at OAK **Blown SV:** none in '20
OAK Series: --- **Postseason Career:** 1-0-0, 1.26 (2ER/14.1IP), 5G

- started Game 2 of the Wild Card Series at MIN, tossing 4.1 innings, allowing 1 run on 2 hits and 2 walks with 3 strikeouts...tossed 76 pitches in the start.
- 25-year-old was excellent in all five of his regular season starts for Houston, all of which came during the month of September...began the season on the Injured List due to a positive test for COVID-19...was activated from the IL on Sept. 5.
- ranked tied for seventh in the American League in ERA in September (2.73)... also ranked seventh in the AL in WHIP in September (1.01).

* - 2020 regular season stats

VS. OAK	2020 REGULAR SEASON						2020 POSTSEASON						REGULAR SEASON CAREER				
	G	W-L-S	ERA	IP	ER		G	W-L-S	ERA	IP	ER		G	W-L-S	ERA	IP	ER
Garcia	1	0-0-0	0.00	5.0	0	Garcia	-	-	-	-	-	Garcia	1	0-0-0	0.00	5.0	0
Greinke	3	1-1-0	3.71	17.0	7	Greinke	-	-	-	-	-	Greinke	21	9-3-0	2.92	111.0	36
James	2	0-0-0	10.80	1.2	2	James	-	-	-	-	-	James	8	1-1-0	7.45	9.2	8
Javier	2	0-2-0	7.88	8.0	7	Javier	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.0	0	Javier	2	0-2-0	7.88	8.0	7
McCullers Jr.	1	1-0-0	1.50	6.0	1	McCullers Jr.	1	0-0-0	9.00	4.0	4	McCullers Jr.	9	5-2-0	4.04	49.0	22
Paredes	3	1-0-0	0.00	3.2	0	Paredes	1	0-0-0	0.00	2.0	0	Paredes	3	1-0-0	0.00	3.2	0
Pressly	5	0-1-3	1.93	4.2	1	Pressly	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.0	0	Pressly	25	0-1-3	3.65	24.2	10
Raley	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.2	0	Raley	-	-	-	-	-	Raley	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.2	0
Scrubb	4	0-0-0	4.15	4.1	2	Scrubb	-	-	-	-	-	Scrubb	4	0-0-0	4.15	4.1	2
Sneed	2	0-1-0	21.60	1.2	4	Sneed	-	-	-	-	-	Sneed	4	0-2-0	16.20	5.0	9
Taylor	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.0	0	Taylor	1	1-0-0	0.00	1.0	0	Taylor	1	0-0-0	0.00	1.0	0
Urquidy	1	0-1-0	3.00	6.0	2	Urquidy	-	-	-	-	-	Urquidy	2	0-1-0	2.45	11.0	3
Valdez	1	0-1-0	1.29	7.0	1	Valdez	-	-	-	-	-	Valdez	3	0-1-0	2.25	12.0	3