



ANGELS 2021 SPRING TRAINING GAME NOTES

LOS ANGELES ANGELS (2-2-1) @ OAKLAND ATHLETICS (2-2)

RHP Shohei Ohtani (0-0, --- ERA) vs. RHP James Kaprielian (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

March 5, 2021, 12:05 p.m. PST (1:05 p.m. MST)

Hohokam Stadium

TV: Fox Sports West

Radio: AM830 KLAA

Spring Game #6

Road Game #4 (1-2)



TODAY'S CONTEST

LEADING OFF: The Angels play their sixth game of the Spring as the team visits the Oakland A's in Mesa...*Today's contest is scheduled for 7 innings.*

SHO TIME: Wednesday vs. Texas, today's starting pitcher **Shohei Ohtani** hit his first home run of the Spring, a two-run shot in the 5th inning, which traveled 468 ft. and cleared the center field batter's eye...In two games as a hitter this Spring, Ohtani is batting .600 (3/5) with one HR, two RBI and one walk.

GETTIN' IGGY WITH IT: In his first three games of the Spring, **José Iglesias** has gone 2-for-6 with a triple, home run and five RBI.

ANGELS vs. ATHLETICS: Today's contest is the first of two Spring meetings between the Angels and A's...The teams will meet again on March 20 at Tempe Diablo Stadium...Oakland won the 2020 regular season series 6-4, marking their second straight season series win (Angels won previous five from 2014-18)...The teams are scheduled to meet 19 times in 2021 (10 at Angel Stadium & 9 at the Coliseum).

RECENT ROSTER MOVES: Last Thursday (Feb. 25), the Angels signed veteran RHP **Jesse Chavez** to a minor league contract with an invitation to Major League camp...Also on Thursday, the Angels also acquired INF **Jack Mayfield** from Atlanta in exchange for cash considerations...In a corresponding move, INF **Robel García** was designated for assignment...García was claimed off waivers by Houston on Saturday (Feb. 27).

2021 ANGELS PREVIEW

THE NEW GM: On Nov. 12, 2020, the Angels named **Perry Minasian** the 13th General Manager in franchise history...Minasian joined the Angels from the Atlanta Braves, where he was the Senior Vice President of Baseball Operations and Assistant General Manager...Prior to joining the Braves in Sept. 2017, he spent nine seasons in the Blue Jays front office (2009-17)...He has been around pro baseball since his childhood as a Rangers bat boy and clubhouse attendant before scouting for Texas through 2008.

IN THE DUGOUT: **Joe Maddon** returns for his second season as Angels manager after he spent the first 30 seasons of his professional career (1981-2005) in the organization...Also returning to the coaching staff from 2020, are: **Mike Gallego** (Bench Coach), **Jeremy Reed** (Hitting Coach), **Brian Butterfield** (Infield/Third Base Coach), **John Mallee** (Assistant Hitting Coach), **Paul Sorrento** (Hitting Instructor), **José Molina** (Catching Coach) and **Ryan Garko** (Coaching Assistant/Instant Replay Coordinator)...Bullpen Coach **Matt Wise** is currently serving as Interim Pitching Coach...New to the staff in 2021 are **Bruce "Jeter" Hines** (Outfield/First Base Coach) and **Dom Chiti** (Interim Bullpen Coach)...Hines was previously with Angels organization from 1984-90 & 1994-2008 and was First Base Coach in 1991.

NEW HALOS: The Angels added several veterans to the roster during the offseason...In the starting rotation, LAA added RHP **Alex Cobb** in a trade with Baltimore and signed LHP **José Quintana** as a free agent...The bullpen new features RHP **Raisel Iglesias**, who was added in a deal with Cincinnati and LHP **Alex Claudio** was signed as a free agent...The Angels also added INF **José Iglesias** and World Series champions C **Kurt Suzuki** and OF **Dexter Fowler**.

New Angels in 2020

Alex Claudio, LHP
Alex Cobb, RHP
Dexter Fowler, OF
José Iglesias, INF
Raisel Iglesias, RHP
Jack Mayfield, INF
José Quintana, LHP
Jose Alberto Rivera, RHP
Aaron Slegers, RHP
Kurt Suzuki, C

MIKE TROUT IS GOOD AT BASEBALL: OF **Mike Trout** enters his 11th Major League season (10th full year) with the Angels in 2021...Last season, the three-time A.L. MVP became the Angels all-time home run leader when he hit his 300th career homer on Sept. 5 vs. Houston, passing **Tim Salmon** (299)...His 75.7 career fWAR is the third-best ever by a player before through their age-28 season, behind **Ty Cobb** (78.6) and **Rogers Hornsby** (77.1).

MACHINE HISTORY: **Albert Pujols** enters 2021 in fifth place on the all-time home runs list with 662; he is 34 shy of matching **Alex Rodriguez** (696) for fourth all-time...Pujols is the only player to rank in the Top 10 on both the all-time home runs and doubles (5th; 669) lists...His 2100 career RBI rank second all-time (since it became an official statistic in 1920), behind **Hank Aaron** (2297)...Pujols also ranks fifth all-time in total bases (5923) and extra-base hits (1347) and is 14th on the all-time hits list with 3236.

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY

The Angels will celebrate their 60th Anniversary as a franchise in 2021...The Diamond Anniversary will be recognized with a 60th Anniversary patch affixed to the left side of Angels hats, baseballs will feature the 60th Anniversary logo, and commemorative base jewels will be used at Angel Stadium...Special features and historical highlights will air during Angels programming on Fox Sports West and Angels Radio AM830.

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER - RHP SHOHEI OHTANI

2021 SPRING TRAINING: First appearance

2020 REGULAR SEASON: 0-1, 37.80 ERA

- Today's game marks first appearance of the Spring as a pitcher...First Cactus League outing on the mound since March 16, 2018 vs. Colorado.
- Limited to two starts as a pitcher in 2020...Was diagnosed with a grade 1-2 strain of the flexor pronator mass on Aug. 3...Focused exclusively on hitting for remainder of season.
- VS. OAKLAND:** Has made three career pitching starts vs. A's...In two games in 2018, went 2-0 with a 2.08 ERA (13 IP - 3 ER) and 18 strikeouts...Did not record an out (6 BF) in 2020 pitching debut on July 26, 2020 at the Coliseum.
- Was named 2018 American League Rookie of the Year...Made 10 starts on the mound, going 4-2 with a 3.31 ERA (51.2 IP - 19 ER) and 63 strikeouts, in addition to posting a .925 OPS in 104 games as a DH with 21 doubles, 22 HR, 61 RBI and 10 SB.
- In 92 games (62 starts) on the mound in Japan with Nippon-Ham Fighters, went 42-17 with a 2.55 ERA (565 IP - 160 ER) and 651 strikeouts.
- Signed with Angels as international free agent, Dec. 10, 2017...Did not pitch in 2019 while recovering from Tommy John surgery.

ANGELS SCHEDULED TO PITCH TODAY

LHP Patrick Sandoval
LHP Thomas Pannone

RHP Jesse Chavez
RHP Kyle Keller

LHP Dillon Peters

ROSTER RUNDOWN

The Angels open Spring Training play with 67 players in big league camp; five more than last season; Angels set Club record in 2017 with 69 players in Major League camp...Youngest player in camp is **Livan Soto** (20) and oldest is **Albert Pujols** (41)...Soto and **Jeremiah Jackson** are the first players born in the 2000s to attend Angels Major League camp...Of the 33 pitchers invited to camp, 11 are left-handers...Seven players invited to camp are featured on *Baseball America's* list of the Angels Top 10 Prospects for 2021, including each of the top six: OF **Jo Adell** (1), OF **Brandon Marsh** (2), RHP **Chris Rodriguez** (3), LHP **Reid Detmers** (4), OF **Jordyn Adams** (5), INF **Jeremiah Jackson** (6) and LHP **Hector Yan** (8).

2020 REVIEW

SEASON RECAP: The Angels completed 2020 with an 26-34 mark, in fourth place in the A.L. West (-10.0) under manager Joe Maddon...LAA finished under .500 for a fifth consecutive season; first time for franchise since seven-year stretch from 1971-77...Angels were 19-21 vs. A.L. West and 7-13 against N.L. West foes...Club went on a season-long five-game win streak Sept. 3-6 and remained mathematically alive for a postseason berth until the final series of the regular season.

TROUT'S TROPHIES: **Mike Trout** earned a Silver Slugger Award for the eighth time in his career, becoming the first player to win the award eight times by age-28 season...Trout was also selected to All-MLB First Team for second consecutive year and was named Angels Team MVP for ninth straight season.

GOLDEN GRIFFIN: **Griffin Canning** was named as the winner of the 2020 American League Rawlings Gold Glove Award at pitcher...He is just the second Angels pitcher to win the award, joining **Mark Langston**, who won five straight from 1991-95...Canning tied for the American League lead among pitchers with three Defensive Runs Saved during the 2020 regular season and also posted a .938 fielding percentage, committing just one error in 16 total chances.

SEPTEMBER STARS: **Jared Walsh** was honored as American League Rookie of the Month for September and **Mike Mayers** was named A.L. Reliever of the Month...Walsh hit .337 (29/86) with 18 runs scored, four doubles, two triples, nine home runs, 26 RBI, five walks and a 1.113 OPS across 22 games...Mayers went 2-0 with two saves, a 0.98 ERA (18.1 IP - 2 ER) and 25 strikeouts in 14 appearances.

SPRINGTIME IN TEMPE

TEMPE TRADITION: 2021 represents the Angels 29th Spring Training campaign in Tempe, AZ (since 1993)...Tempe Diablo Stadium is the oldest ballpark in the Cactus League...Halos have drawn over 100,000 fans to Tempe Diablo Stadium in 14 of the last 17 seasons...LAA set a franchise Spring Training home attendance record in 2012, attracting 130,126 fans to Tempe Diablo Stadium.

LIMITED CAPACITY: In 2021, Tempe Diablo will operate at 25% capacity, allowing approximately 1,800-2,000 fans per game into the ballpark...Seating will be socially distanced and clearly marked...Appropriate face masks will be required for all fans over two years of age, except when actively eating and drinking in ticketed seating locations...A no-bag policy will be enforced to ensure fans can have a "no-touch" check-in process when entering the stadium.

UPCOMING GAMES & PROBABLE PITCHERS

DATE	TIME (PST)	OPPONENT	SITE	OPPOSING PITCHER	ANGELS PITCHER	TV/RADIO
March 6	12:10 p.m.	Colorado	Tempe Diablo Stadium	RHP Dereck Rodriguez (0-1, 9.00 ERA)	LHP José Quintana (1-0, 0.00 ERA)	FSW/AM830
March 7	12:10 p.m.	Seattle	Tempe Diablo Stadium	RHP Logan Gilbert (0-0, ---)	RHP Jaime Barria (0-0, ---)	FSW/AM830
March 8	12:10 p.m.	@Milwaukee	American Family Fields	RHP Brandon Woodruff (0-0, ---)	TBD	FSW/AM830

2021 ANGELS SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TV	W/L	FINAL SCORE	ANGELS RECORD	WINNING PITCHER	LOSING PITCHER	ATTENDANCE GAME	TOTAL
Feb. 28	@San Francisco	Scottsdale Stadium	FSW	W	5-2 (7)	1-0	Quintana (1-0)	Littell (0-1)	863	863
March 1	Chicago White Sox	Tempe Diablo	FSW	T	4-4 (5)	1-0-1	—	—	1,864	1,864
March 2 (N)	@Cincinnati	Goodyear Ballpark	FSW	L	5-7 (8)	1-1-1	Richardson (1-0)	McCurry (0-1)	1,991	2,854
March 3	Texas	Tempe Diablo	FSW	W	6-2 (6)	2-1-1	Mayers (1-0)	D. Anderson (0-1)	1,926	3,790
March 4	@Arizona	Salt River Fields	FSW	L	2-9	2-2-1	Bumgarner (1-0)	Canning (0-1)	2,100	4,954
March 5	@Oakland	Hohokam Stadium	FSW							
March 6	Colorado	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 7	Seattle	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 8	@Milwaukee	American Family Fields	FSW							
March 9					OFF DAY					
March 10	@Cleveland	Goodyear Ballpark	FSW							
March 11	San Francisco	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 12	Arizona	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 13	@Chicago White Sox	Camelback Ranch	FSW							
March 14	@Chicago Cubs	Sloan Park	FSW							
March 15	Cincinnati	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 16	Cleveland	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 17 (N)	@Seattle	Peoria Sports Complex	PT							
March 18	Milwaukee	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 19	@Kansas City	Surprise Stadium	FSW							
March 20	Oakland	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 21	@San Diego	Peoria Sports Complex	PT							
March 22	Chicago Cubs	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 23	@Texas	Surprise Stadium	FSW							
March 24	Kansas City	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 25	@Colorado	Salt River Fields	FSW							
March 26					OFF DAY					
March 27	San Diego	Tempe Diablo	FSW							
March 28 (N)	Los Angeles Dodgers	Angel Stadium	FSW							
March 29 (N)	@Los Angeles Dodgers	Dodger Stadium	TBD							
March 30 (N)	@Los Angeles Dodgers	Dodger Stadium	FSW							

FSW — Fox Sports West
PT — Prime Ticket
(N) — Night game

RADIO INFO: All Spring Training games will be broadcast on KLAA AM830



HISTORY OF TEMPE DIABLO STADIUM

Tempe Diablo Stadium (1968) is now the oldest ballpark in the Cactus League after Oakland moved out of Phoenix Municipal Stadium (1964) following the 2014 season. The ballpark originally hosted the expansion Seattle Pilots in 1969. The Pilots became the Milwaukee Brewers at the end of the 1970 Spring season. The Brewers played at Diablo through 1972 before moving to Sun City. The ballpark sat empty for four years before another expansion team, the Seattle Mariners, arrived in 1977. The Mariners left after the 1992 season for a new ballpark in Peoria. The Angels moved their spring camp from Palm Springs to Tempe in 1993. Diablo Stadium underwent renovations in 1992 and 2006.

(courtesy of Rodney Johnson of SABR).

ANGELS SPRING TALLY

OVERALL: 2-2-1

Home: 1-0-1 Day: 2-1-1
Road: 1-2 Night: 0-1
vs. A.L.: 1-0-1 vs. N.L.: 1-2

vs. CWS: 0-0-1 vs. ARI: 0-1
vs. CLE: 0-0 vs. CHC: 0-0
vs. KC: 0-0 vs. CIN: 0-1
vs. OAK: 0-0 vs. COL: 0-0
vs. SEA: 0-0 vs. LAD: 0-0
vs. TEX: 1-0 vs. MIL: 0-0
vs. SD: 0-0
vs. SF: 1-0

at American Family Fields: 0-0
at Camelback Ranch: 0-0
at Goodyear Ballpark: 0-1
at Hohokam Stadium: 0-0
at Peoria Sports Complex: 0-0
at Salt River Fields: 0-1
at Scottsdale Stadium: 1-0
at Sloan Park: 0-0
at Surprise Stadium: 0-0
at Tempe Diablo Stadium 1-0-1

at Angel Stadium 0-0
at Dodger Stadium 0-0

SPRING TRANSACTIONS

Feb. 25: Signed RHP **Jesse Chavez** to minor league contract with invitation to Major League camp...Acquired INF **Jack Mayfield** from Atlanta in exchange for cash considerations...Designated INF **Robel García** for assignment.

Feb. 27: INF **Robel García** was claimed off waivers by Houston.

ANGELS TOP PROSPECTS

2021 Top Prospects by *Baseball America*

1. Jo Adell (OF)
2. Brandon Marsh (OF)
3. Chris Rodriguez (RHP)
4. Reid Detmers (LHP)
5. Jordyn Adams (OF)
6. Jeremiah Jackson (INF)
7. Jack Kochanowicz (RHP)
8. Hector Yan (LHP)
9. Kyren Paris (INF)
10. Oliver Ortega (RHP)

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