



2022 St. Louis Riverboat Gamblers

2022 Team Instructions:

St. Louis is coming off a championship season! The Gamblers are the 2021 PCL champions! However, major injuries to key players during the 2021 MLB season make this another rebuilding season. The hope is to play well this year, but compete for the title again in 2023.

Starting Line-ups

	STD vs. L	L vs. L	STD vs. R	L vs. R	R vs. R
1.	Fletcher, 2b		Lindor+, ss	Lindor+, ss	Fletcher, 2b
2.	Nimmo*, cf		Nimmo*, cf	Nimmo*, cf	Nimmo*, cf
3.	Machado, 3b		Machado, 3b	Machado, 3b	Machado, 3b
4.	Soler, lf		Wade*, lf	Wade*, lf	Hoskins, 1b
5.	Hoskins, 1b		Hoskins, 1b	Miller*, 1b	Yaz*, lf
6.	Myers, rf		Yaz*, rf	Yaz*, rf	Myers, rf
7.	Nola, c		Chisholm*, 2b	Chisholm*, 2b	Lindor+, ss
8.	Lindor+, ss		Molina, C	Nola, C	Molina, C
9.					
WEST	STD vs. L	L vs. L	STD vs. R	L vs. R	R vs. R
SCT					
BAG	Fried, Kim		Peralta, Quantrill, Gallen		
PBC	Gonzales		Nola		Woodruff, Gilbert, Kelly
SBM	Rogers		Buehler, Burns	drGrom	Greinke
CENTRAL	STD vs. L	L vs. L	STD vs. R	L vs. R	R vs. R

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SDB	Urias	Castillo	Weaver	Walker, Darvish
CDS	Gomber		Musgrove, Alzolay, Dunn	Anderson, Flexen
PHB	Suarez, Sandoval, Smith, Ray		Houser	Flaherty, Paddock
UTP	Wood, Lauer, Petersen	Mayers	Alcantara, Marquez, Senzatela	

EAST	STD vs. L	L vs. L	STD vs. R	L vs. R	R vs. R
STL					
AGN	Kershaw		Stroman, Pivetta		Gray, Mahle
CHI			Gausman	Gibson, Desclafani, Bauer	Eflin
VBS	Snell		Scherzer, Wainwright	Webb, Thompson	
Total	15	0	13	16	11

Notes:

Platoon / Injury

	Lineup Instructions
Catcher:	Molina has to be considered the main catcher because of Nola's lack of AB. H&R vs. RHP with Yadier! However, PH for Molina late in the game and let Nola take over at C if we are losing.
1b:	Hoskins is the main man at 1b. Miller backs him up.
2b:	Platoon with Chisholm and Fletcher. Bring in Fletcher for late D.
SS	Lindor all the time.
3b:	Machado all the time.
Lf:	Platoon between Myers vs. LHP and Wade vs. RHP.
Cf:	Nimmo whenever available. Trout replaces him for D late in the game.
Rf:	Platoon between Soler vs. LPH and Yaz vs. RHP.
P:	Ynoa is a 7-hitter and Ross is a 4-hitter. Use Ynoa over Ross. Morton is an A bunter and Ross is a B bunter!

	Lineup Instructions
Injuries	Nimmo: If Nimmo can't start then put Yaz in cf and Myers in rf. Hoskins: Miller at 1b



<i>PH vs. L</i>	<i>Soler, Fletcher, Myers, Nola, Ynoa, Ross</i>
<i>PH vs. R</i>	<i>Trout, Miller, Myers, Jazz, Ynoa, Ross</i>
<i>Hit and Run</i>	<i>This is Yadier's superpower this year. Use it whenever possible. That's why Crisholm bats before him.</i>
<i>Sub early for an opposite side reliever.</i>	<p><i>If you change out a RPH for a LHP early to mid-game then go ahead and make the substitutions for Wade and Yaz. Soler is the first PH vs. LHP and then Myers for the other lefty outfielder. Nola should sub for Molina.</i></p> <p><i>If you change out a LHP for a RHP mid-game then Soler and Myers come out for Yaz and Wade. Nola can stay in the game.</i></p>
<i>Blowouts:</i>	<i>Trout and Nola come out in blowouts.</i>

MISCELLANEOUS

<i>Pitcher hitting / Pinch hitting</i>
<i>Pitchers sacrifice, even with two strikes.</i>
<i>No special instructions. Just use your best judgment.</i>

<i>Base running</i>
<i>Stealing: This team has some speed. Chisholm is the only A. Lindor, Machado, and Fletcher are B's. Myers and Wade have to be held on and Nimmo can run sometimes.</i>
<i>H&R: MOLINA!</i>
<i>Don't make the 1st or 3rd out running from 1st to 3rd. Send runner from 1st to 3rd aggressively in other situations (65+%) because you will likely stop the runner from going to second.</i>
<i>On a play to the plate, send the trailers at 60% or better.</i>

Best Defense



C	1b	2b	SS	3b	Lf	Cf	Rf
Molina	Hoskins	Fletcher	Lindor	Machado	Yaz	Trout	Myers
Nola	Miller	Chisholm	Fletcher	Miller	Myers	Nimmo	Yaz
	Wade	Miller	Chisholm		Wade	Yaz	Wade
	Nola	Nola					
	Molina						

Defense notes:

- Try to get the top defender in their best position for defense if we have a lead after 7. The biggest defensive upgrades are Fletcher at 2b and Trout in cf.

Throwing

Outfield throws/cutoffs: Generally be conservative early in the game and more aggressive late in the game.

Always get the sure out on Defense Option plays, unless (1) the chances of the leading runner being safe are less than 35%, or (b) its past the 7th inning and it allows the leading or winning run to score.

Intentional Walks

Generally, do not let your best hitter beat me late in the game with first base open and runners on. I hate it when that happens.



Pitching Rotation

Road Games					Home Games			
Opp.	Game #1	Game #2	Game #3	Game #4	Game #1	Game #2	Game #3	
WEST								
BAG	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
PBC	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
SBM	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Morton	Taillon	
SCT	Ynoa	Ross	Taillon		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
CENTRAL								
CDS	Ynoa	Morton	Taillon		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
PHB	Ynoa	Morton	Taillon		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
SDB	Ynoa	Morton	Taillon		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
UTP	Ynoa	Morton	Taillon		Ross	Morton	Taillon	
EAST								
AGN	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Lopez	Taillon	
CHI	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Morton	Taillon	
VBS	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez		Ross	Morton	Taillon	
EAST								
AGN	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez	Ross	Ross	Morton	Yona	Taillon
CHI	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez	Taillon	Ross	Morton	Yona	Taillon
VBS	Ynoa	Morton	Lopez	Ross	Ross	Morton	Lopez	Taillon

Notes: Morton (20); Taillon (20); Ynoa (16), Ross (17); Lopez (17).

The starters and bullpen innings are tight. It will be important that you adhere to these instructions.

	Starting Pitching Instructions
Morton (186)	Our ace. He pitches 7+ even in dots. Bat for him in the 7 th or after if we're losing, but he can keep going if not in dots and finish the game if we're winning.
Taillon (144)	Generally pitches 7 innings even in dots.
Ynoa (91), Ross (108), and Lopez (103) - "YRL"	These guys will split 50 starts. They have a 6 inning cap and generally pitch at least 5 even in dots. Johnson takes over before the 6 th and Brogdon generally pitches the 6 th (and maybe more) after these starters.



Game Flow:

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If we're winning by 3, tied, down by 2	Starter even in dots	Morton/Taillon even in dots. YRL if no dots. Johnson or Brogdon	Morton/Taillon even in dots or Iglasias.	Morton if no dots. Diaz or Iglasias.	Diaz
If we're losing by 3 or more	Starter even in dots	Morton/Taillon even in dots. PH for YRL and go to Johnson or Brogdon.	Morton/Taillon even in dots. Johnson or Brogdon	Morton/Taillon even in dots. Lamet.	X
If winning by greater than 3.	Starter even in dots	Starter even in dots	Morton/Taillon even in dots. Lamet	Morton/Taillon even in dots. Lamet	Morton even in dots. Lamet

This is just a guide, please use your best judgement.

The bullpen:

	Bullpen Instructions
Closer:	Diaz (63) - pitches the 8 th and 9 th in a save situation
R'y setup:	Iglasias (70) - alternative closer and the guy who pitches mid-game (6 th and 7 th) with a lead. Brogdon (58) is the third in line for closer and late game opportunities. He and Iglasias pitch late in close games.
L'y setup:	
Situational:	
-R'y gets R'y:	Doval (27) - can come in any time to get us out of an inning. He is particularly effective vs. RHB. Doval comes out after he gets us out of the inning.
-R'y gets L'y:	Brogdon (58) and Johnson (59)
-L'y gets L'y:	
-L'y gets R'y:	
Longman	Lamet (47)



Mop-up	Lamet (47)
Additional comments	Early relief: Johnson is the best guy to bring in early and he pitches until dots.

Additional comments: Have fun!

Pitchers: Starters

Name	Age	Salary	Grad	IP	Notes
Charlie Morton	38	\$12	2022	186	
James Taillon	30	\$1	2024*	144	
Huascar Ynoa	24	\$17	2025	91	
Pablo Lopez	26	\$1	2023	103	
Joe Ross	29	\$2	2024	108	

Pitchers: Relievers

Name	Age	Salary	Grad	IP	Notes
Raisel Iglesias	32	\$3	2023	70	
Edwin Diaz	28	\$5	2024	63	
Connor Brogdon	27	\$8	2024	58	
Pierce Johnson	31	\$1	2024	59	
Dinelson Lamet	29	\$4	2025	47	
Camilo Doval	24	\$8	2025	27	

Batters: Catchers

Name	Age	Salary	Grad	AB	Notes
Yadier Molina	39	\$1	2024	440	
Austin Nola	32	\$8	2023	173	

Batters: Infielders

Name	Age	Salary	Grad	AB	Notes
Rhys Hoskins	29	\$6	2023	389	
Brad Miller*	32	\$1	2023	331	
David Fletcher	28	\$1	2025	626	
Jazz Chisholm*	24	\$1	2024	464	



Francisco Lindor+	28	\$8	2025	452	
Manny Machado	29	\$16	2022	564	

Batters: Outfielders

Name	Age	Salary	Grad	AB	Notes
Mike Trout	30	\$48	2024	117	
Brandon Nimmo*	29	\$12	2025	325	
Wil Myers	31	\$7	2024	442	
LaMonte Wade, Jr.*	28	\$1	2025	336	
Jorge Soler	30	\$3	2025	516	
Mike Yastrzemski*	31	\$6	2023	468	

Minors:

Name	Salary	Grad
Jo Adell	\$1	2024
Keibert Ruiz	\$6	M
Cody Bellinger*	\$23	2024
Anthony Rendon	\$10	M
Andres Gimenez*	\$4	2024