

# MINNESOTA TWINS (56-100) VS. SEATTLE MARINERS (82-73)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 – TARGET FIELD – MINNEAPOLIS, MN

FINAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB
Seattle Mariners	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	6	0	6
Minnesota Twins	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0		3	9	3	8

WINNING PITCHER: Walker (7-11, 4.35)

LOSING PITCHER: Santiago (12-10, 4.87)

SAVE: Diaz (17)

FIRST PITCH: 1:12 p.m. GAME TIME TEMP: 65 degrees, wind WSW at 15 mph TIME OF GAME: 3:03 ATTENDANCE: 22,092

HOME RUNS: Nelson Cruz (40, 2nd inning off Santiago, 2-2 pitch, 0 on, 0 out, 430 feet to left field)  
Max Kepler (17, 2nd inning off Walker, 1-0 pitch, 0 on, 0 out, 398 feet to right-center field)  
Jesus Sucre (1, 5th inning off Santiago, 1-1 pitch, 1 on, 0 out, 388 feet to left field)  
Nelson Cruz (41, 6th inning off Santiago, 0-1 pitch, 0 on, 0 out, 380 feet to left field)

#### PITCHING LINES:

TWINS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	WP	PITCHES/K
Hector Santiago (L)	5.2	5	4	4	1	1	3	0	96/65
Alex Wimmers	1.2	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	25/12
Ryan Pressly	1.2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	27/22

  

MARINERS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	WP	PITCHES/K
Taijuan Walker (W)	5.1	9	3	3	2	7	1	0	96/60
Nick Vincent	1.2	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	22/14
Steve Cishek	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	14/7
Edwin Diaz (S)	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	10/6

#### NEXT GAME:

Twins at Kansas City  
Tuesday, September 27 – 6:15 pm (CT)

Jose Berrios (R, 2-7, 8.88)  
vs.  
Ian Kennedy (R, 11-10, 3.64)

#### ATTENDANCE NOTES:

- In their 81-game home schedule, the Twins drew 1,963,912 fans to Target Field.

#### TWINS NOTES:

- THE TWINS** lost their 100th game of the season for the second time in team history and first since losing 102 games in 1982...seventh game committing at least three errors this season...the Twins now have 193 home runs this season, the fifth-most in team history and most since hitting 196 in 1987... finish the homestand 1-5 and their home season 30-51...finish 4-2 against the Mariners this season...17-15 against the AL West...now 6-58 when scoring three or fewer runs.
- HECTOR SANTIAGO** lost his 10th game of the season, and sixth in 10 starts with the Twins...fell to 4-3-1 in his career against the Mariners...left the game in the middle of his sixth inning for the third consecutive start...one strikeout matches his lowest total of the season (also April 29 at Texas with Los Angeles-AL).
- MAX KEPLER** (1-for-3) hit his 17th home run of the season and first since August 31 at Cleveland...first home run at Target Field since July 28 vs. Baltimore.
- MIGUEL SANO** (1-for-4) is batting .300 (12-for-40) with four home runs and seven RBI in his last 11 games...nine of his last 13 hits are for extra-bases (four doubles, one triple, four homers)...is hitting .429 (9-for-21) with four home runs and six RBI in six games vs. the Mariners this year.
- BYRON BUXTON** (1-for-4) stole his 10th base of the season, tying him with Tim Anderson (Chicago-AL) for the American League rookie lead...became the 19th Twin to steal at least 10 bases in his rookie season and first since Eddie Rosario stole 11 in 2015.
- JORGE POLANCO** had his second career multi-error game and first since August 14 vs. Kansas City.
- ROBBIE GROSSMAN** (3-for-3) collected his seventh three-hit game of the season.

#### MARINERS NOTES:

- THE MARINERS** picked up their 12th win in their last 17 games and their eighth win in their last nine road games...kept pace with Toronto and Baltimore to remain 2.5 games out of the second Wild Card spot and picked up a game on Detroit to pull a game behind the Tigers...finish the season 2-4 vs. the Twins...13-13 all-time at Target Field...13-8 in September...8-6 in rubber games.
- TAIJUAN WALKER** won his seventh game of the season and third in the month of September...improved to 2-1 in his career against the Twins and 1-1 this season...his seven strikeouts are his fifth-highest total this season...left after 5.1 innings and three runs allowed for the second straight start.
- NELSON CRUZ** (2-for-3) hit his 40th and 41st home runs of the season, marking the 14th 40-homer season in Mariners history (Griffey 6x, Buhner 3x, Rodriguez 3x, Cruz 2x)...Cruz's third season with at least 40 home runs (Baltimore 2014, Seattle 2015)...third multi-homer game this season...homered in his third straight game; had two doubles, four home runs and eight RBI in the series...has 19 career home runs in 61 games vs. the Twins...has nine career home runs at Target Field, all of which have come in his last 10 games; in his last 10 games at Target Field, is batting .442 (19-for-43) with four doubles and 16 RBI...has now reached base safely via hit, walk or HBP in 20 straight games against the Twins dating back to May 2, 2014...is hitting .306 (86-for-281) with 26 home runs and 60 RBI in 73 road games this season...is batting .321 (27-for-84) with nine home runs and 20 RBI in 22 games in September; nine homers is his second-highest total in a month this season (10 in June)...now batting .337 (59-for-175) in 47 day games this season.

- **JESUS SUCRE** (2-for-3) hit his second career home run and first this season...batting .714 (10-for-14) in his last four games dating back to September 5 vs. Texas.