



# Northwest Arkansas Naturals

## Double-A Affiliate, Kansas City Royals



Roster as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

| No. | PITCHERS (13 + 1 DL) | B/T | Ht   | Wt  | BORN       | AGE | RESIDES                   | PREVIOUS CLUB                 | ACQUIRED               |
|-----|----------------------|-----|------|-----|------------|-----|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 35  | Scott Blewett        | R/R | 6-6  | 210 | 04/10/1996 | 22  | Phoenix, Ariz.            | Wilmington                    | 2nd round, 2014        |
| 18  | Cristian Castillo    | L/L | 6-0  | 190 | 09/24/1994 | 23  | Monterrey, MX             | Wilmington                    | NDFAs, 12/15/14        |
|     | Andrew Edwards (DL)  | R/R | 6-6  | 260 | 10/07/1991 | 26  | Gilbertville, Ky.         | Naturals/Wilmington/Omaha     | 19th round, 2013       |
| 25  | Grant Gavin          | R/R | 6-2  | 180 | 07/10/1995 | 23  | Parkville, Mo.            | Wilmington                    | 29th round, 2016       |
| 14  | Foster Griffin       | L/L | 6-3  | 200 | 07/27/1995 | 23  | Orlando, Fla.             | Wilmington/Naturals           | 1st (28th) round, 2014 |
| 32  | Luis Lugo            | L/L | 6-5  | 200 | 03/05/1994 | 24  | Barquisimeto, VE          | Akron (2017)                  | MILB FA, 07/22/18      |
| 45  | Andres Machado §     | R/R | 6-0  | 175 | 04/22/1993 | 25  | Carabobo, VE              | Omaha                         | NDFAs, 06/25/12        |
| 57  | Yunior Marte         | R/R | 6-2  | 175 | 02/02/1995 | 23  | Santo Domingo Norte DR    | Wilmington/Naturals           | NDFAs, 06/25/12        |
| 23  | Emilio Ogando        | L/L | 6-2  | 180 | 08/13/1993 | 25  | Valrico, Fla.             | Naturals                      | 12th round, 2014       |
| 21  | Jon Perrin           | R/R | 6-4  | 215 | 05/23/1993 | 25  | Olathe, Kan.              | Colorado Springs/Biloxi (MIL) | Trade w/ MIL, 08/07/18 |
| 41  | Walker Sheller       | R/R | 6-3  | 195 | 05/21/1995 | 23  | DeLand, Fla.              | Wilmington                    | 9th round, 2016        |
| 53  | Gabe Speier          | L/L | 5-11 | 191 | 04/12/1995 | 23  | Santa Barbar, Calif.      | Jackson (Arizona)             | Trade w/ ARI, 06/06/18 |
| 39  | Franco Terrero       | R/R | 6-0  | 180 | 05/20/1995 | 23  | Las Matas de Farfan, D.R. | Wilmington                    | NDFAs, 01/16/14        |
| 38  | Jace Vines           | R/R | 6-0  | 215 | 09/04/1994 | 23  | McKinney, Texas           | Wilmington                    | 4th round, 2016        |

| No. | CATCHERS (2 + 1) | B/T | Ht   | Wt  | BORN       | AGE | RESIDES         | PREVIOUS CLUB | ACQUIRED          |
|-----|------------------|-----|------|-----|------------|-----|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 11  | Nick Dini (DL)   | R/R | 5-9  | 185 | 07/27/1993 | 25  | Monroe, N.J.    | Omaha         | 14th round, 2015  |
| 34  | Xavier Fernandez | R/R | 5-11 | 197 | 07/15/1995 | 23  | Guaynabo, P.R.  | Wilmington    | 11th round, 2013  |
| 26  | Logan Porter     | R/R | 6-0  | 200 | 07/12/1995 | 23  | Surprise, Ariz. | AZL Royals    | NDFAs, 06/13/2018 |

| No. | INFIELDERS (6 + 1 DL) | B/T | Ht   | Wt  | BORN       | AGE | RESIDES                      | PREVIOUS CLUB          | ACQUIRED               |
|-----|-----------------------|-----|------|-----|------------|-----|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 8   | John Brontsema (DL)   | R/R | 6-2  | 185 | 12/13/1994 | 23  | Santa Barbara, Calif.        | Wilmington             | 26th round, 2016       |
| 13  | Samir Dueñez §        | L/R | 6-1  | 230 | 06/11/1996 | 22  | Catia La Mar, VE             | Naturals/AZL Royals    | NDFAs, 07/07/2012      |
| 2   | Jecksson Flores       | R/R | 5-11 | 145 | 10/28/1993 | 24  | Ciudad Boliver, VE           | Wilmington             | NDFAs, 07/21/10        |
| 15  | Kelvin Gutierrez §    | R/R | 6-3  | 216 | 08/28/1994 | 24  | San Francisco de Macoris, DR | Harrisburg (WSH)       | Trade w/ WSH, 06/18/18 |
| 22  | Alex Liddi            | R/R | 6-4  | 225 | 08/14/1988 | 30  | Glendale, Ariz.              | Tijuana (MXL)          | MILB FA, 03/02/18      |
| 9   | Erick Mejia           | S/R | 5-11 | 185 | 11/09/1994 | 23  | Villa Mella, D.R.            | Rancho Cucamonga/Tulsa | Trade w/ LAD, 01/04/18 |
| 1   | Corey Toups           | R/R | 5-10 | 170 | 02/12/1993 | 25  | the Woodlands, Texas         | Naturals/Omaha         | 15th round, 2014       |

| No. | OUTFIELDERS (4)  | B/T | Ht  | Wt  | BORN       | AGE | RESIDES           | PREVIOUS CLUB       | ACQUIRED         |
|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 4   | Alfredo Escalera | R/R | 6-1 | 185 | 02/17/1995 | 23  | Carolina, P.R.    | Naturals/AZL Royals | 8th round, 2012  |
| 3   | Nick Heath       | L/L | 6-1 | 187 | 11/27/1993 | 24  | Milford, Kan.     | Wilmington          | 16th round, 2016 |
| 24  | Khalil Lee (DL)  | L/L | 6-0 | 190 | 06/26/1998 | 20  | Centreville, Va.  | Wilmington          | 3rd round, 2016  |
| 6   | Anderson Miller  | L/L | 6-3 | 208 | 05/06/1994 | 24  | Lexington, Ky.    | Wilmington/Naturals | 3rd round, 2015  |
| 17  | Kort Peterson    | L/R | 6-1 | 195 | 04/29/1994 | 24  | Los Gatos, Calif. | Wilmington          | 23rd round, 2016 |

| No. | FIELD STAFF   | POSITION       | B/T | Ht  | Wt  | BORN       | AGE | RESIDES          |
|-----|---------------|----------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|-----|------------------|
| 19  | Mike Rojas    | Manager        | R/R | 6-3 | 210 | 04/17/1963 | 55  | Naples, Fla.     |
| 46  | Steve Luebber | Pitching Coach | R/R | 6-3 | 250 | 07/09/1949 | 69  | Joplin, Mo.      |
| 7   | Leon Roberts  | Hitting Coach  | R/R | 6-3 | 200 | 01/22/1951 | 67  | Arlington, Texas |

STRENGTH COACH: Jarret Abell

ATHLETIC TRAINER: Masa Koyanagi

CLUBHOUSE MANAGER: Danny Helmer

VIDEO INTERN: Ryan West

‡ - Temporarily Inactive

‡ - MLB Rehab

§ 40-Man Roster

| Pronunciation Guide              |
|----------------------------------|
| Scott Blewett = BLUE-it          |
| John Brontsema = bront-sim-uhh   |
| Nick Dini = DEE-knee             |
| Samir Duenez = DWEN-yez          |
| Jecksson Flores = Jeck-sun       |
| Khalil Lee = kuh-LEE-ull         |
| Alex Liddi = LIDD-dee            |
| Yunior Marte = Junior with a 'y' |
| Gabe Speier = spy-er             |

| Recent Transactions   |
|---|
| <b>July 31:</b> RHP <b>Brian Brickhouse</b> placed on the 7-day DL...RHP <b>Grant Gavin</b> activated from the 7-day DL.                                    |
| <b>August 3:</b> OF <b>Alfredo Escalera</b> reinstated from 7-day DL...OF <b>Khalil Lee</b> placed on the 7-day DL.   |
| <b>August 4:</b> RHP <b>Bryan Brickhouse</b> activated from the 7-day DL and transferred to Wilmington (Advanced-A).  |
| <b>August 9:</b> RHP <b>Pedro Fernandez</b> transferred to Triple-A, Omaha...RHP <b>Jon Perrin</b> acquired from Milwaukee, assigned to Northwest Arkansas. |
| <b>August 19:</b> RHP <b>Scott Barlow</b> transferred to Northwest Arkansas.  |
| <b>August 24:</b> RHP <b>Scott Barlow</b> transferred to Triple-A, Omaha.   |
| <b>August 27:</b> OF <b>Rudy Martin</b> transferred to Northwest Arkansas from Wilmington (Advanced-A).   |
| <b>August 29:</b> OF <b>Rudy Martin</b> transferred to Wilmington from Northwest Arkansas.  |
| <b>Sept. 1:</b> C <b>Nick Dini</b> placed on the 7-day DL...C/INF <b>Logan Porter</b> transferred to Northwest Arkansas from AZL Royals.                    |

