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NATIONALS SET TO BEGIN SPRING TRAINING IN 30 DAYS

63 players currently slated to participate in big league camp

The Washington Nationals will begin their annual Spring Training in 30 days, when pitchers and catchers are scheduled to report to the club's spring headquarters in Viera, FL. This year's spring regiment will include 48 days based in Florida as well as two exhibition contests against the Beltway-rival Baltimore Orioles in Norfolk, VA (April 3) and Washington D.C. (April 4).

The Nationals currently have 63 players scheduled to participate in major league camp, including 39 players who are on the team's 40-man roster and 24 invitees who have agreed to non-guaranteed minor league contracts. The Nationals organization (2005-current) has never entered Spring Training with fewer than 70 players in big league camp.

The team's report/workout dates are as follows: pitchers/catchers report (February 14), position players report (February 17), first full-squad workout (February 19).

The Florida-based portion of the Nationals' spring schedule is comprised of 32 Grapefruit League contests and one exhibition game. Their Grapefruit League schedule will commence on February 25 with a road tilt against the Houston Astros in Kissimmee, FL, before the Nationals host the Detroit Tigers the following day for their home opener. The Nationals will host 15 games at Space Coast Stadium—14 Grapefruit League affairs and an exhibition contest against Italy's World Baseball Classic team on March 3.

Individual-game tickets for the Nationals' spring contests at Space Coast Stadium will be available beginning Saturday (January 17) at 10:00 a.m. They can be purchased at the Space Coast Stadium Box Office, online at nationals.com, or by calling 888.632.NATS(6287). Tickets for the Nationals-Orioles game on April 4 at Nationals Park will be available to the public when individual-game regular-season tickets go on sale in February, and proceeds from the game will benefit the Washington Nationals Dream Foundation.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS 2009 SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
February 25	Wednesday	at Houston	Kissimmee, FL	1:05 pm
FEBRUARY 26	THURSDAY	DETROIT	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
FEBRUARY 27	FRIDAY	HOUSTON	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
February 28	Saturday	at St. Louis	Jupiter, FL	1:05 pm
MARCH 1	SUNDAY	BALTIMORE	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 2	Monday	*** OFF DAY ***		
MARCH 3	TUESDAY	TEAM ITALY (WBC)	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
MARCH 4	WEDNESDAY	NEW YORK-NL	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 5	Thursday	at Detroit	Lakeland, FL	1:05 pm
March 6	Friday	at Baltimore	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	1:05 pm
March 7	Saturday	at New York-NL	Port St. Lucie, FL	1:10 pm
MARCH 8	SUNDAY	NEW YORK-NL	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
MARCH 9	MONDAY	HOUSTON	VIERA, FL	7:05 PM
MARCH 10	TUESDAY	NEW YORK-NL	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 11	Wednesday	*** OFF DAY ***		
March 12	Thursday	at Atlanta	Orlando, FL	1:05 PM
March 13	Friday	at Houston	Kissimmee, FL	7:05 pm
March 14	Saturday	at New York-NL	Port St. Lucie, FL	1:10 pm
MARCH 15	SUNDAY	DETROIT	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 16	Monday	at Florida	Jupiter, FL	1:05 pm
March 17	Tuesday	*** OFF DAY ***		
MARCH 18	WEDNESDAY	FLORIDA	VIERA, FL	7:05 PM
MARCH 19	THURSDAY	BALTIMORE	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 20	Friday	at Detroit	Lakeland, FL	1:05 pm
MARCH 21	SATURDAY	ST. LOUIS	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 22	Sunday	at Houston	Kissimmee, FL	1:05 pm
March 23	Monday	at St. Louis	Jupiter, FL	1:05 pm
March 24	Tuesday	at Baltimore	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	1:05 pm
MARCH 25	WEDNESDAY	ATLANTA	VIERA, FL	7:05 PM
March 26	Thursday	*** OFF DAY ***		
March 27	Friday	at New York-NL	Port St. Lucie, FL	1:10 pm
MARCH 28	SATURDAY	HOUSTON	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 29	Sunday	at Florida	Jupiter, FL	1:05 pm
MARCH 30	MONDAY	DETROIT	VIERA, FL	1:05 PM
March 31	Tuesday	at Detroit	Lakeland, FL	1:05 pm
April 1	Wednesday	at Toronto	Dunedin, FL	1:05 pm
April 2	Thursday	at Philadelphia	Clearwater, FL	1:05 pm
April 3	Friday	at Baltimore	Norfolk, VA *	3:30 pm
APRIL 4	SATURDAY	BALTIMORE	WASHINGTON, DC **	6:05 PM

Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

* denotes game at Harbor Park (Norfolk, VA)

** denotes game at Nationals Park (Washington, D.C.)



WASHINGTON NATIONALS 40-MAN ROSTER (39)

(As of January 15, 2009)

MANAGER: 14-Manny Acta COACHES: 5-Jim Riggleman (Bench); 46-Randy St. Claire (Pitching), 18-Rick Eckstein (Hitting), 9-Marquis Grissom (1B), 37-Pat Listach (3B), 53-Randy Knorr (Bullpen)

NO.	PITCHERS (19)	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	SV	IP	H	BB	SO	SERVICE
64	ATILANO, Luis	R	R	6-3	215	05/10/1985 Santurce, PR	Santurce, PR	Hagerstown Potomac Harrisburg	0-0 5-2 0-1	3.16 2.32 1.50	7 15 2	1 0 0	25.1 62.0 6.0	29 50 6	7 14 2	13 39 3	0.000
40	BALESTER, Collin	R	R	6-5	195	06/06/86 Huntington Beach, CA	Columbus, OH	Columbus WAS	9-3 3-7	4.00 5.51	15 15	0 0	78.2 80.0	79 92	23 28	64 50	0.090
57	BERGMANN, Jason	R	R	6-4	215	09/25/81 Neptune, NJ	Glen Mills, PA	WAS Columbus	2-11 2-2	5.09 3.72	30 5	0 0	139.2 29.0	153 26	47 11	96 27	2.109
49	CABRERA, Daniel	R	R	6-9	269	05/28/81 San Pedro de Macoris, DR	San Pedro de Macoris, DR	BAL	8-10	5.25	30	0	180.0	199	90	95	4.134
47	CHICO, Matt	L	L	6-0	216	06/10/83 Fullerton, CA	Fallbrook, CA	WAS Columbus	0-6 0-0	6.19 9.00	11 1	0 0	48.0 4.0	63 7	17 2	31 1	2.000
36	CLIPPARD, Tyler	R	R	6-4	170	02/14/85 Lexington, KY	Trinity, FL	Columbus WAS	6-13 1-1	4.66 4.35	27 2	0 0	143.0 10.1	129 12	66 7	125 8	0.045
48	DETWILER, Ross	L	L	6-5	181	03/06/86 St. Louis, MO	Wentzville, MO	Potomac	8-8	4.86	26	0	124.0	140	57	114	0.027
74	ESTRADA, Marco	R	R	6-0	180	07/05/83 Sonora, MX	San Fernando, CA	Harrisburg Columbus WAS	6-3 3-3 0-0	2.66 3.58 7.82	13 12 11	0 0 0	74.1 65.1 12.2	62 73 17	32 21 5	67 52 10	0.041
38	HANRAHAN, Joel	R	R	6-3	245	10/06/81 Des Moines, IA	Frisco, TX	WAS	6-3	3.95	69	9	84.1	73	42	93	1.065
41	HILL, Shawn	R	R	6-2	225	04/28/81 Mississauga, ON	Viera, FL	Potomac# Columbus# WAS	1-0 0-1 1-5	0.00 7.50 5.83	1 1 12	0 0 0	5.0 6.0 63.1	4 6 88	1 0 23	4 2 39	2.153
58	HINCKLEY, Mike	R	L	6-3	170	10/05/82 Oklahoma City, OK	Oklahoma City, OK	Harrisburg Columbus WAS	5-3 0-2 0-0	5.12 3.16 0.00	23 20 14	0 1 0	65.0 25.2 13.2	79 27 8	40 15 3	53 20 9	0.028
31	LANNAN, John	L	L	6-5	213	09/27/84 Manhasset, NY	Long Beach, NY	WAS	9-15	3.91	31	0	182.0	172	72	117	1.040
39	MARTIS, Shairon	R	R	6-1	175	03/30/87 Willemstad, CUR	Willemstad, CUR	Harrisburg Columbus WAS	4-4 1-2 1-3	3.98 3.02 5.66	14 7 5	0 1 0	74.2 41.2 20.2	73 42 18	28 17 12	57 42 23	0.028
50	MOCK, Garrett	R	R	6-4	215	04/25/83 Houston, TX	Houston, TX	Columbus WAS	6-3 1-3	3.01 4.17	19 26	0 0	104.2 41.0	98 37	25 23	96 46	0.066
54	O'CONNOR, Mike	L	L	6-3	170	08/17/80 Dallas, TX	Ellicott City, MD	Columbus WAS GCL Nationals#	5-3 1-1 0-0	2.17 13.00 1.69	16 5 1	0 0 0	99.2 9.0 5.1	83 11 4	17 11 1	70 4 6	1.083
19	OLSEN, Scott	L	L	6-5	215	01/12/84 Kalamazoo, MI	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	FLA	8-11	4.20	33	0	201.2	195	69	113	3.101
52	RIVERA, Saul	S	R	5-11	181	12/07/77 San Juan, PR	Toa Baja, PR	WAS	5-6	3.96	76	0	84.0	90	35	65	2.137
59	SHELL, Steven	R	R	6-5	190	03/10/83 Longview, TX	Cleburne, TX	Columbus WAS	3-2 2-2	2.62 2.16	22 39	1 2	58.1 70.1	49 34	14 20	54 41	0.099
51	YOUNG, Terrell	R	R	6-3	175	08/07/85 Grenada, MS	Grenada, MS	Dayton Sarasota	1-3 1-2	3.51 2.41	18 25	1 2	25.2 33.2	25 31	15 13	21 26	0.000
NO.	CATCHERS (3)	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
3	FLORES, Jesus	R	R	6-1	222	10/26/84 Carupano, VZ	Carupano, VZ	WAS Columbus	.256 .153	90 17	301 59	23 8	77 9	8 1	59 7	0 0	1.158
79	MONTZ, Luke	R	R	6-2	205	07/07/83 Lafayette, LA	Lafayette, LA	Harrisburg Columbus WAS	.282 .256 .143	63 48 10	220 168 21	30 18 2	62 43 3	14 2 1	53 18 3	0 1 0	0.026
23	NIEVES, Wil	R	R	5-11	180	09/25/77 San Juan, PR	Santurce, PR	Columbus WAS	.240 .261	9 68	25 176	3 15	6 46	0 1	2 20	1 0	2.092
NO.	INFELDERS (8)	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
10	BELLIARD, Ronnie	R	R	5-8	205	04/07/75 Bronx, NY	Weston, FL	WAS Harrisburg# Potomac#	.287 .000 .000	96 3 1	296 12 3	37 0 0	85 0 0	11 0 0	46 0 0	3 0 0	9.162
27	CASTO, Kory	L	R	6-1	203	12/08/81 Salem, OR	Sherwood, OR	Columbus WAS	.308 .215	33 66	130 163	19 15	40 35	6 2	26 16	1 1	0.132
65	DESMOND, Ian	R	R	6-2	185	09/20/85 Sarasota, FL	Sarasota, FL	Harrisburg GCL Nationals#	.251 .385	93 3	323 13	42 1	81 5	12 0	44 2	12 3	0.000
12	GONZALEZ, Alberto	S	R	6-0	220	03/21/78 Santo Domingo, DR	Santo Domingo, DR	Scranton-WB NYY WAS Columbus#	.250 .173 .347 .303	47 28 17 8	188 52 49 33	23 4 9 2	15 9 17 10	5 1 1 1	4 4 9 6	4 0 1 0	0.155
15	GUZMAN, Cristian	S	R	6-0	220	03/21/78 Santo Domingo, DR	Santo Domingo, DR	WAS	.316	138	579	77	183	9	55	6	10.000
6	HERNANDEZ, Anderson	S	R	5-9	170	10/30/82 Santo Domingo, DR	Santo Domingo, DR	New Orleans WAS	.203 .333	125 28	479 81	57 11	97 27	5 0	36 17	6 0	0.165
24	JOHNSON, Nick	L	L	6-3	245	09/19/78 Sacramento, CA	Sacramento, CA	WAS	.220	38	109	15	24	5	20	0	8.041
11	ZIMMERMAN, Ryan	R	R	6-2	228	09/28/84 Washington, NC	Arlington, VA	WAS Potomac# Columbus#	.266 .300 .267	162 2 4	653 10 15	99 1 4	174 3 4	24 0 1	91 0 3	4 0 0	3.032
NO.	OUTFIELDERS (9)	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
2	BERNADINA, Roger	L	L	6-0	175	06/12/84 Curacao, Netherlands	Den Haag, Netherlands	Harrisburg Columbus WAS	.323 .351 .211	73 47 26	266 191 76	47 33 10	86 67 16	5 4 0	38 16 2	26 15 4	0.041
28	DAVIS, Leonard	L	R	5-10	195	12/24/83 Los Banos, CA	Los Banos, CA	Potomac Harrisburg Columbus	.335 .488 .239	63 10 49	218 41 180	47 8 21	73 20 43	14 4 7	37 10 29	7 2 1	0.000
34	DUKES, Elijah	R	R	6-2	220	06/26/84 Homestead, FL	Tampa, FL	WAS Potomac# Columbus# GCL Nationals#	.264 .176 .234 .000	81 6 17 2	276 17 47 5	48 1 8 0	73 3 11 0	13 0 6 0	44 1 6 0	13 0 2 0	1.083
22	HARRIS, Willie	L	R	5-9	170	06/22/78 Cairo, GA	Cairo, GA	WAS	.251	140	367	58	92	13	43	13	5.140
25	KEARNS, Austin	R	R	6-4	234	05/20/80 Lexington, KY	Lexington, KY	WAS Hagerstown# Columbus#	.217 .333 .429	86 2 5	313 3 14	40 2 2	68 1 6	7 0 1	32 1 6	2 0 0	6.145
30	MAXWELL, Justin	R	R	6-5	227	11/06/83 Bethesda, MD	Union Bridge, MD	Harrisburg	.233	43	146	35	34	7	28	13	0.054
44	MILLEDGE, Lastings	R	R	6-0	205	04/05/1985 Bradenton, FL	Riverview, FL	WAS GCL Nationals# Columbus#	.268 .250 .077	138 2 3	523 4 13	65 1 0	140 1 1	14 1 0	61 1 2	24 0 0	2.004
26	PENA, Wily Mo	R	R	6-3	265	01/23/82 Laguna Salada, DR	Wesley Chaple, FL	WAS Columbus#	.205 .000	64 1	195 2	10 0	40 0	2 0	10 0	0 0	6.101
16	WILLINGHAM, Josh	R	R	6-2	215	02/11/79 Florence, AL	Florence, AL	FLA	.254	102	351	54	89	15	51	3	3.123

Rehabilitation



WASHINGTON NATIONALS NON-ROSTER INVITEES (24)

(As of January 15, 2009)

NO. PITCHERS (11)																	
NO.	PITCHERS	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	SV	IP	H	BB	SO	SERVICE
63	BROWNIE, Bobby	R	R	6-0	225	10/05/80 Edison, NJ	Edison, NJ	Harrisburg Columbus	8-4 1-3	3.99 7.86	21 9	0 0	124.0 26.1	121 40	39 10	81 18	0.000
43	COLOME, Jesus	R	R	6-4	232	12/23/77 San Pedro de Macoris, DR	San Pedro de Macoris, DR	WAS	2-2	4.31	61	0	71.0	61	39	55	5.171
71	CHACIN, Gustavo	L	L	5-11	193	11/04/80 Maracaibo, VZ	Maracaibo, VZ	Dunedin	1-7	7.88	11	0	45.2	72	12	22	3.000
72	JONES, Justin	L	L	6-4	190	09/25/84 Norfolk, VA	Virginia Beach, VA	Hagerstown Potomac	1-0 3-1	3.24 1.48	2 4	0 0	8.1 24.1	12 20	3 8	4 17	0.000
68	LARRISON, Preston	R	R	6-4	235	11/19/80 Aurora, IL	Aurora, IL	Harrisburg	2-5	5.69	12	0	55.1	65	26	44	
75	LEDEZMA, Wil	L	L	6-4	210	01/21/81 Guarico, VZ	Guarico, VZ	Buffalo SDP	2-2 0-2	3.31 4.47	29 25	0 0	35.1 54.1	29 49	15 38	19 49	0.000
60	MARTIN, J.D.	R	R	6-4	195	01/02/83 Ridgecrest, CA	Ridgecrest, CA	Portland ARZ	1-0 0-2	4.41 4.17	11 28	1 0	16.1 58.1	14 51	4 41	20 53	
55	SOSA, Jorge	R	R	6-2	220	04/28/77 Santo Domingo, DR	Santo Domingo, DR	Akron Buffalo	11-3 1-0	2.49 1.80	31 4	0 0	79.2 10.0	73 6	19 2	71 8	0.000
78	TOWERS, Josh	R	R	6-1	190	02/26/77 Port Hueneme, CA	Port Hueneme, CA	NYM	4-1	7.06	20	0	21.2	30	11	12	6.000
35	WAGNER, Ryan	R	R	6-4	215	07/15/82 Yoakum, TX	Yoakum, TX	Round Rock Tacoma	1-2 2-2	4.15 3.96	17 27	2 4	21.2 36.1	20 34	8 21	24 36	
76	ZIMMERMANN, Jordan	R	R	6-2	200	05/23/86 Auburndale, WI	Auburndale, WI	Col. Springs Potomac#	6-7 0-0	6.27 1.23	31 7	0 1	116.0 7.1	156 5	29 5	79 6	4.000
								Columbus	0-3	5.68	16	1	19.0	26	12	14	
								Potomac	3-1	1.65	5	1	27.1	15	8	31	0.000
								Harrisburg	7-2	3.21	20	0	106.2	89	39	103	
NO. CATCHERS (2)																	
NO.	CATCHERS	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
70	HERRERA, Javier	R	R	5-10	160	04/09/85 Caracas, VZ	Caracas, VZ	Harrisburg Columbus	.264 .260	42 37	110 100	27 10	29 26	1 2	7 15	3 2	0.000
73	MOLINA, Gustavo	R	R	6-0	220	02/24/81 La Guaira, VZ	La Guaira, VZ	New Orleans NYM	.206 .143	74 2	228 7	22 0	47 1	7 0	27 0	0	0.110
NO. INFELDERS (7)																	
NO.	INFELDERS	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
1	BYNUM, Freddie	L	R	6-1	190	03/15/80 Wilson, NC	Wilson, NC	Bowie BAL	.350 .179	6 40	20 112	4 13	7 20	1 0	3 8	0 2	2.142
8	CASTILLO, Jose	R	R	6-1	220	03/19/81 Las Mercedes, VZ	Las Mercedes, VZ	Norfolk SFG	.246 .244	37 112	130 394	15 42	32 96	0 6	15 35	8 2	5.000
67	ELDRED, Brad	R	R	6-5	275	07/12/80 Fort Lauderdale, FL	Fort Lauderdale, FL	HOU	.246	127	426	46	105	6	37	2	
56	GUZMAN, Joel	R	R	6-6	250	11/24/84 Quisqueya, DR	Quisqueya, DR	Charlotte	.244	114	427	62	104	35	100	3	0.125
7	ORR, Pete	L	R	6-1	170	06/08/79 Richmond Hill, ON, Canada	Newmarket, ON, Canada	Durham	.248	116	436	52	108	20	72	1	0.056
61	WHITNEY, Matt	R	R	6-3	210	02/13/84 West Palm Beach, FL	Palm Beach Gardens, FL	Columbus	.275	73	284	46	78	2	33	19	3.058
21	YOUNG, Dmitri	S	R	6-2	291	10/11/73 Vicksburg, MS	Parkland, FL	WAS	.253	49	75	10	19	0	7	1	
								Akron	.268	129	463	57	124	10	58	0	0.000
								WAS	.280	50	150	15	42	10	28	0	12.008
								Harrisburg#	.375	3	8	0	3	0	3	0	
								Vermont#	.333	5	12	0	4	0	2	0	
NO. OUTFIELDERS (4)																	
NO.	OUTFIELDERS	B	T	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE & PLACE	RESIDENCE	2008 CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	SB	SERVICE
77	HOOD, Destin	R	R	6-1	180	04/03/90 Mobile, AL	Mobile, AL	GCL Nationals	.256	25	86	18	22	0	14	5	0.000
29	LANGERHANS, Ryan	L	L	6-3	211	02/20/80 San Antonio, TX	Leander, TX	Columbus	.310	62	213	40	66	3	31	12	3.137
62	PADILLA, Jorge	R	R	6-2	200	08/11/79 Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico	Carolina, Puerto Rico	WAS	.234	73	111	17	26	3	12	2	
4	PATTERSON, Corey	L	R	5-9	175	08/13/79 Kennesaw, GA	Kennesaw, GA	Harrisburg Columbus	.330 .312	33 81	106 282	25 38	35 88	1 4	14 25	2 13	0.000
								CIN	.205	135	366	46	75	10	34	14	7.072
								Louisville	.409	5	22	3	9	0	0	1	

Rehabilitation