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2025 Top 100 Prospects

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well as project who will produce in the future.

To report the list, we have discussions with MLB scouts, coaches, analysts and front office officials. We also see players in person and utilize as much data as we can get our hands on. It also relies on all the reporting we did to produce <u>our Top 10</u>

<u>Prospects</u> rankings online as well as <u>the Baseball America Prospect Handbook</u>.

Players are eligible if they have not exceeded 130 MLB at-bats, 50 innings pitched or 30 pitching appearances. Service time does not play a role in whether players are eligible for this ranking. Players who come to the U.S. as "foreign professionals" as defined by the MLB CBA are not eligible to be ranked.

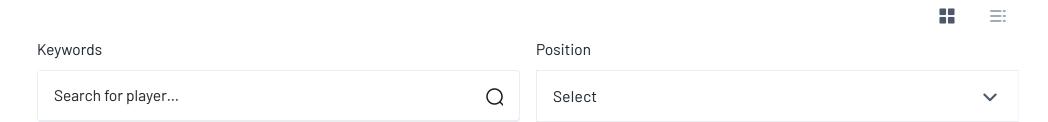
Players in the Top 100 Prospects list are ranked for their long-term MLB impact, with allowances for the risk that they will fall short of that ceiling. The tools grades listed for each player are all future grades of what we project them to be in the best

stretch of their big league careers.

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1. Roki Sasaki

Los Angeles Dodgers | RHP

Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 187 | B-T: R-R

Age: 23

BA Grade/Risk: 75/High.

The Skinny: The star of the offseason, Sasaki inked with the Dodgers and immediately added yet another star into the Chavez Ravine supernova. The 23-year-old isn't a finished product, but he has the upside of a true ace with the right coats of polish.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Curveball: 45 | Slider: 60 | Split: 80 | Control: 60



2. Roman Anthony

Boston Red Sox | OF

Ht: 6'2" | **Wt:** 200 | **B-T:** L-R

Age: 20

BA Grade/Risk: 65/Medium.

The Skinny: Anthony's breakout began in 2023 and continued through 2024, when he blitzed the upper levels and vaulted himself into the highest prospect tier. His contact, plate discipline and power should give him all the ingredients to become a regular in Boston's lineup by the end of the 2025 season.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 65 | Run: 45 | Field: 55 | Arm: 60.



3. Jackson JobeDetroit Tigers | RHP

Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 190 | B-T: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 70/High.

The Skinny: After injuries marred the early portion of his career, Jobe emerged in full in 2024. Tigers fans got a taste of their top prospect toward the end of the season and in the playoffs, but he'll get his first long-term exposure this coming season. He has a chance to pitch toward the top of Detroit's rotation.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Sweeper: 70 | Changeup: 60 | Cutter: 60 | Control: 65.



4. Kristian CampbellBoston Red Sox | 2B

Ht: 6'3" | Wt: 191 | B-T: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 65/Medium.

The Skinny: Campbell started making noise in minor league spring training thanks to tweaks that vastly improved his offensive game. Those results carried through to the regular season, when he moved from High-A to Triple-A and became BA's Minor League Player of the Year.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 60 | Run: 55 | Field: 50 | Arm: 50.



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5. Walker JenkinsMinnesota Twins | OF

Ht: 6'3" | Wt: 205 | B-T: L-R

Age: 19

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: Jenkins was one of the most celebrated prospects as an amateur and still shows a tremendously high ceiling, albeit after a year hamstrung by injuries. He has the upside of a five-tool player, especially if he can add a bit more impact to his contact as he grows into his body.

Scouting Grades Hit: 70 | Power: 60 | Run: 55 | Field: 60 | Arm: 50.



6. Dylan CrewsWashington Nationals | OF

Ht: 6'0" | Wt: 203 | B-T: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk:60/Medium

The Skinny: The Nationals' top prospect and the No. 2 overall pick in the 2023 draft reached the majors in 2024 and showed flashes of his

potential. He hasn't dominated the upper levels or the majors quite yet, but he's still got plenty of time and the tool set to make an impact in D.C.

Scouting Grades Hit: 65 | Power: 60 | Run: 70 | Fielding: 55 | Arm: 60









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Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 200 | B-T: S-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: After being drafted as a two-way player, Chandler really took off once he began focusing solely on pitching. Now, his athleticism and stuff have allowed him to access the upper reaches of his ceiling and position himself as the next product of Pittsburgh's pitching pipeline.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Curveball: 45 | Slider: 55 | Changeup: 60 | Control: 55



8. Chase Dollander
Colorado Rockies | RHP

Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 200 | B-T: R-R

Age: 23

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: After a down season in his draft year at Tennessee, Dollander fell to the Rockies, who were all too happy to pounce. The righthander rewarded their faith by tearing through the minor leagues in his pro debut and establishing himself as one of the game's top arm talents. The next test might be Coors Field.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Curveball: 55 | Changeup: 45 | Cutter: 60 | Control: 55



9. Andrew PainterPhiladelphia Phillies | RHP

Ht: 6'7" | **Wt:** 215 | **B-T:** R-R

Age: 21

BA Grade/Risk: 70/Extreme.

The Skinny: Painter dazzled in his first full pro season in 2022, then missed the next two regular seasons while recovering from Tommy John surgery. He returned in the Arizona Fall League and showed shockingly little rust as he dominated some of the game's brightest prospects over the course of six short starts. He has a chance to reach Philadelphia in 2025.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Curveball: 50 | Slider: 60 | Changeup: 55 | Control: 70



10. Noah Schultz
Chicago White Sox | LHP

Ht: 6'9" | Wt: 220 | B-T: L-L

Age: 21

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: Schultz is the top lefthanded pitching prospect in the game thanks to an enviable arsenal and funky delivery that decimates hitters and evokes memories of some of the sport's best southpaws. The next step will be going deeper into games. He hasn't pitched past the fourth inning in any of his 16 professional starts.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 65 | Slider: 70 | Changeup: 55 | Cut: 50 | Control: 60.



11. Carson WilliamsTampa Bay Rays | SS

Ht: 6'1" | **Wt:** 180 | **B-T:** R-R

Age: 21

BA Grade/Risk: 60/Medium.

The Skinny: Williams has long earned a rep as a defensive wizard. In 2024, he broke out in the batter's box with a big-time season in the notoriously pitcher-friendly Southern League. He was one of just eight minor league shortstops to reach the 20-homer plateau and was the only one of the group to swipe 30 or more bags.

Scouting Grades Hit: 40 | Power: 60 | Run: 50 | Field: 70 | Arm: 70.



12. Bryce EldridgeSan Francisco Giants | 1B

Ht: 6'7" | Wt: 219 | B-T: L-R

Age: 20

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: Eldridge is one of the biggest position players in the minors, and his power lives up to every expectation foretold by his 6-foot-7, 225-pound frame. No longer a two-way player, Eldridge has focused on being one of the best young power prospects in the game.

Scouting Grades Hit: 50 | Power: 70 | Run: 30 | Fielding: 40 | Arm: 55



13. Jordan Lawlar Arizona Diamondbacks | SS

Ht: 6'1" | **Wt**: 190 | **B-T**: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 60/Medium.

The Skinny: Lawlar was supposed to establish himself as a key piece of Arizona's lineup in 2024. Instead, he spent most of the year battling injuries and accumulated just 85 at-bats. He'll look to push the reset button in 2025 and begin to show the well-balanced skill set that could lead to a big role in the D-backs' uprising.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 50 | Run: 70 | Fielding: 55 | Arm: 55



14. Samuel BasalloBaltimore Orioles | C

Ht: 6'3" | Wt: 180 | B-T: L-R

Age: 20

BA Grade/Risk: 65/High.

The Skinny: Basallo is the game's top catching prospect thanks to monster upside in the batter's box and an outstanding throwing arm behind the dish. Adley Rutschman's presence in Baltimore lessens the pressure on Basallo to stick at catcher, but his offensive ceiling should make him a valuable part of the Orioles' lineup for years to come. He should debut in 2025.

Scouting Grades Hit: 55 | Power: 70 | Run: 40 | Field: 50 | Arm: 70.



15. Marcelo MayerBoston Red Sox | SS

Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 188 | B-T: L-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Injuries limited Mayer's season to just 77 games at Double-A Portland, but when he was on the field he showed strong hittability and on-base skills with hints of power mixed in along the way. He's likely to begin in Triple-A in 2025. If he can stick at shortstop, he'll help Roman Anthony and Kristian Campbell form a huge piece of Boston's coming core.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 55 | Run: 40 | Field: 50 | Arm: 60.



16. Colt EmersonSeattle Mariners | SS

Ht: 6'0" | **Wt**: 185 | **B-T**: L-R

Age: 19

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Emerson burst onto the scene in 2023 after the Mariners selected him in the first round. He dealt with injuries in 2024 but showed plenty of flashes of his potential in a year split between the Class A levels. He's one of the purest hitters in Seattle's system. If he can add more power, he'll move into the game's upper echelon.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 50 | Run: 45 | Field: 50 | Arm: 55.



17. Jesus MadeMilwaukee Brewers | SS

Ht: 6'1" | **Wt**: 187 | **B-T**: S-R

Age: 17

BA Grade/Risk: 65/Extreme.

The Skinny: Made was easily the best prospect in the Dominican Summer League in 2024, when he produced a 1.013 OPS with 21 extra-base hits in his first pro season. He showed contact and impact uncommon for a player his age and should be the latest piece of Milwaukee's system to skip the Arizona Complex League and head straight to Low-A.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 60 | Run: 60 | Fielding: 50 | Arm: 60



18. Leodalis De VriesSan Diego Padres | SS

Ht: 6'2" | Wt: 183 | B-T: S-R

Age: 18

BA Grade/Risk: 65/Very High.

The Skinny: A year after Ethan Salas jumped from international free agency to Low-A, De Vries followed suit. He debuted in the California League and clubbed 11 home runs in 75 games. The total could have been higher if not for a shoulder injury that limited his exposure in the second half. He made up for lost time in the Arizona Fall League, where he became the youngest player to hit a home run since Bryce Harper.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 55 | Run: 55 | Fielding: 55 | Arm: 50



19. Emmanuel RodriguezMinnesota Twins I OF

Ht: 5'10" | Wt: 210 | B-T: L-L

Age: 21

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Rodriguez has plenty of high-end tools and a nearly unparalleled ceiling if everything clicks. He knows the strike zone better than most umpires and hits the ball extraordinarily hard, but can be beaten by quality pitches in the strike zone and runs high strikeout rates as a

result. His offensive game will profile at any spot in the outfield, especially if he can improve his zone-contact rate.

Scouting Grades Hit: 55 | Power: 70 | Run: 55 | Field: 50 | Arm: 55.



20. Kumar Rocker Texas Rangers | RHP

Ht: 6'5" | Wt: 245 | B-T: R-R

Age: 25

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: In 2023, before he had Tommy John surgery, Rocker was annihilating the competition at High-A Hickory. Once he returned, he picked up right where he left off. The Vanderbilt alum cruised through the upper levels on the way to his big league debut and has the stuff to pitch in the middle of a big league rotation. Innings management will be key in 2025, especially considering his checkered medical history.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 60 | Slider: 70 | Changeup: 55 | Cutter: 50 | Control: 50.



21. Sebastian Walcott Texas Rangers | SS

Ht: 6'4" | Wt: 190 | B-T: R-R

Age: 18

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Few prospects in the minors match Walcott's upside. The teenager blends massive raw power and elite arm strength. There are hit tool questions and he's not a sure bet to stick at shortstop, but Walcott's dazzling array of tools, athleticism and upside hint at future starpower if it comes together.

Scouting Grades Hit: 50 | Power: 65 | Run: 55 | Field: 50 | Arm: 70.



22. Max ClarkDetroit Tigers | OF

Ht: 6'1" | **Wt:** 190 | **B-T:** L-L

Age: 20

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Clark has a polished, well-rounded skill set and a high motor. His plus-plus speed and center field defense coupled with strong barrel skills provide a reasonably high floor, even if some question whether he'll become a star.

Scouting Grades Hit: 60 | Power: 55 | Run: 70 | Field: 70 | Arm: 60.



23. Kevin McGonigleDetroit Tigers | SS

Ht: 5'11" | Wt: 185 | B-T: L-R

Age: 20

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: McGonigle is a hitting machine. The 20-year-old has elite contact skills and rarely chases. His power gains and shortstop defense in 2024 exceeded expectations, too. The 5-foot-10 infielder has all-star upside even if he has to shift to second base.

Scouting Grades Hit: 65 | Power: 55 | Run: 55 | Field: 50 | Arm: 55.



24. Travis BazzanaCleveland Guardians | 2B

Ht: 5'9" | **Wt:** 170 | **B-T:** L-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: The No. 1 pick in 2024 has exceptional bat-to-ball skills, an advanced approach and a swing optimized to get the most out of his above-average power. Bazzana needs to answer questions defensively, namely with his arm strength and accuracy, but he could settle in as Cleveland's long-term second baseman sooner rather than later.

Scouting Grades Hit: 65 | Power: 55 | Run: 60 | Field: 50 | Arm: 50.



25. JJ Wetherholt
St. Louis Cardinals | SS

Ht: 5'10" | **Wt:** 190 | **B-T:** L-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Scouts lauded Wetherholt's pure hitting ability at West Virginia and his advanced plate skills held up in his foray into pro ball. Even better? Wetherholt showed above-average power and the Cardinals think he has a chance to stick at shortstop. If he does, he has all-star potential.

Scouting Grades Hit: 65 | Power: 55 | Run: 55 | Fielding: 50 | Arm: 50



26. Rhett LowderCincinnati Reds | RHP

Ht: 6'2" | **Wt**: 200 | **B-T**: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 55/Medium.

The Skinny: Lowder doesn't overwhelm hitters. Instead, he works with precise craftsmanship. Few minor league pitchers matched Lowder's double-plus control or ability to fill up the zone in 2024. His lack of a true putaway pitch limits his ceiling to a midrotation starter, but he has already reached the majors and should settle into Cincinnati in short order.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 50 | Slider: 55 | Changeup: 55 | Control: 70



27. Chase BurnsCincinnati Reds | RHP

Ht: 6'4" | Wt: 195 | B-T: R-R

Age: 22

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Most pitchers yearn for one 70-grade offering. Burns attacks hitters with two. He has a special fastball-slider combination and both his curveball and changeup made strides last year. Burns has No. 2 starter upside if his control and command hold up in pro ball. He'll make his pro debut in 2025 and could move quickly.

Scouting Grades Fastball: 70 | Slider: 70 | Curveball: 55 | Changeup: 50 | Control: 50



28. Jasson DominguezNew York Yankees | OF

Ht: 5'9" | **Wt:** 190 | **B-T:** S-R

Age: 21

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Dominguez has long been celebrated for his toolsy mixture of power, contact ability and speed. Injuries have waylaid his progress refining his approach and harnessing his athleticism into more consistent defense. Dominguez should have every chance to win the Yankees' starting left field job this spring.

Scouting Grades Hit: 55 | Power: 60 | Run: 60 | Field: 40 | Arm: 60.



29. Coby MayoBaltimore Orioles | 3B

Ht: 6'5" | Wt: 230 | B-T: R-R

Age: 23

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Mayo has massive plus-plus power and answered questions about his approach in 2024, even if he struggled in a brief big league cameo. The same can't be said for his defense. He'll need to make more accurate throws in 2025. Otherwise, a shift to first base is in the cards.

Scouting Grades Hit: 50 | Power: 70 | Run: 45 | Field: 40 | Arm: 60.



30. Dalton RushingLos Angeles Dodgers | C / OF

Ht: 6'1" | Wt: 220 | B-T: L-R

Age: 23

BA Grade/Risk: 60/High.

The Skinny: Rushing's blend of power, plate discipline and improved contact helped him become one of the more productive hitters in the upper minors in 2024. While he's reliable behind the plate, his athleticism and speed may push him to left field or first base. His bat should impact the Dodgers' lineup at some point in 2025.

Scouting Grades Hit: 55 | Power: 60 | Run: 50 | Fielding: 50 | Arm: 50

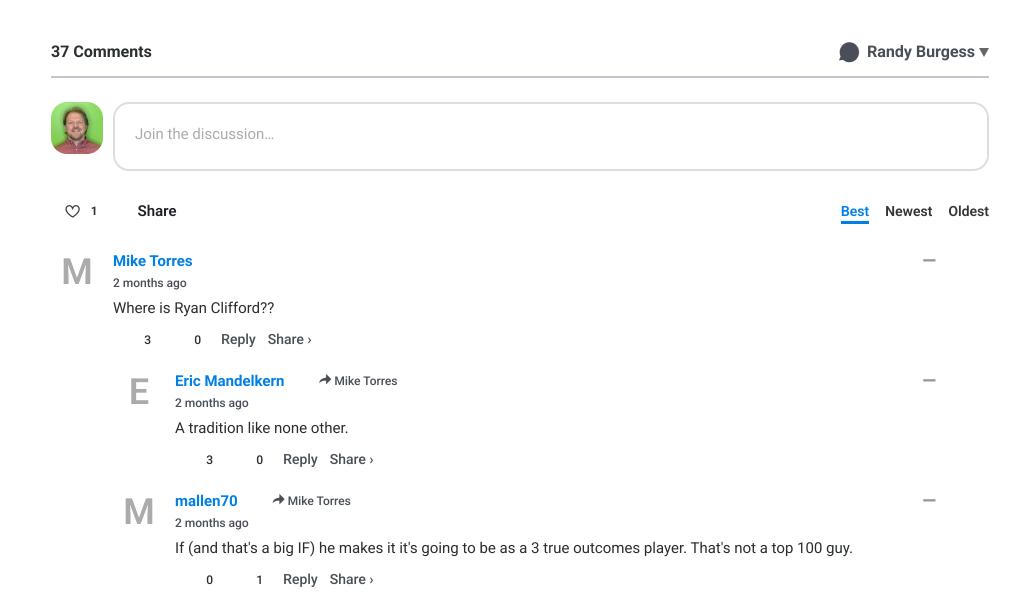
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What would you grade this on the 20-80 scouting scale?

171 Responses

80 70 60 50

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Randy Shoemaker

2 months ago

How does a guy slash .355/.410/.807, have more walks than strikeouts, steals 104 bases, and doesn't make the top 100? (was tops in the League in batting by more than 50 points)

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JJCooperBA Mod → Randy Shoemaker

2 months ago

Because there are concerns about his defense and his bottom of the scale power. I love Chandler Simpson as a prospect but he is a pretty unique prospect.

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Andrew Knepper

2 months ago

Would you compare Rhett Lowder to a Mike Leake type of pitcher? Middle of the rotation, nothing overpowering and very crafty?

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koppe22

a month ago

Lazaro Montes at 97 is actually insane.

Ranking a guy this low with no explanation is just wild.

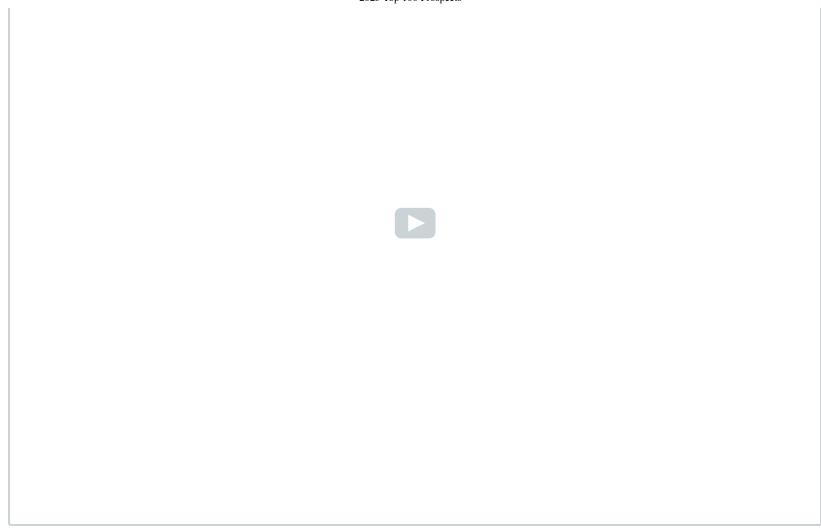
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JJCooperBA Mod → koppe22

a month ago

We recorded an explanation.



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abe

2 months ago edited

any reason as to why alex freeland is above zyhir hope and josue de paula? because im assuming you guys don't view freeland as a better prospect than those 2. also, is freeland being underestimated as a prospect or is he just about right, which is average? hes described to have an "excellent bat speed" from baseball america's scouting report of him, so i assume hitters with excellent bat speed means real power potential. but i could be very wrong so would love to hear it from you guys.

another question, how close is joendry, emil and especially Eduardo Quintero to be in the top 100?

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Mitch Gill

2 months ago

Travis Bazzana listed at 5'9 170 has to be a typo. I've seen him listed 6ft 190-200 almost everywhere

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Robert Nowocin

2 months ago

Is Drew Thorpe eligible for this list? I saw him on the list of 204 that received votes. He had 44 innings pitched last year, which is less than the 50 inning rule for ROY if I'm not mistaken. Wondering where he would land. I think he was top 50 before making his MLB debut. He was on the MLB active roster for about 50 days though, not sure if BA goes by the 45 day rule?

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JJCooperBA Mod → Robert Nowocin

2 months ago

He is eligible and was on this list of others receiving votes.

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Robert Nowocin → JJCooperBA

2 months ago

Does BA post qualifications for prospect status? Wondering if they have any for days on active roster?

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JJCooperBA Mod → Robert Nowocin

2 months ago

Yes it is spelled out at the top of the top 100. There is a full paragraph explaining it completely.

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2 months ago edited

I was surprised to see Xavier Isaac down in the 80's after the season he put together making it to AA and the amount of hype he was creating. Was it the swing and miss components that dropped him? I do understand 145 K's is a bit absurd in 2024.

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JJCooperBA Mod → Andrew Knepper

2 months ago

Yes his strikeout rate has to improve for him to be a viable big leaguer. It's very possible he will but it is a concern.

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Vivek Shukla

2 months ago

Which other Orioles prospects received Top 100 consideration?

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JJCooperBA Mod → Vivek Shukla 2 months ago

We covered them all here:

https://www.baseballamerica...

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Vivek Shukla

→ JJCooperBA

2 months ago

Thank you JJ! Here's to the next Rule 5 Draft!

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watershark

2 months ago

Was Hye-Seong Kim ineligible for this list or did he just not make the cut?

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JJCooperBA Mod → watershark

2 months ago

We did do a full scouting report on Hyeseong Kim here:

https://www.baseballamerica...

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JJCooperBA Mod → watershark

2 months ago

Ineligible because he met the "foreign professional" standard. Sasaki is eligible because he was ineligible to sign a MLB deal.

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JJCooperBA

2 months ago

OK, so where would Kim rank if he were eligible?

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JJCooperBA Mod → watershark

2 months ago

As a 50/High he wouldn't crack the Top 100. There are no 50/High players on the 100.

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Ghost of Steve M.

2 months ago

Where is Brady House?

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JJCooperBA Mod → Ghost of Steve M.

2 months ago

Among the players who received votes but didn't crack the Top 100.

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Baseball and Death

2 months ago

Pirates with only two in the top 100 after all these years of losing. How does Cherington still have a job?

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Adam Yarkovsky

→ Baseball and Death

2 months ago

3? Chandler at 7 Griffin at 57 and Harrington. BA doesn't like Termarr since he's been inconsistent. They might have 6 in the top 150? Termarr Yorke Ashcraft Burrows and Barco all fall around there. Graduating Skenes Jones Gonzales Davis Endy doesn't help not that any of this matters a ton.

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Baseball and Death

→ Adam Yarkovsky

2 months ago

I missed Harrington. Thank you!

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JJCooperBA Mod

→ Adam Yarkovsky

2 months ago

I wouldn't say we don't like Termarr, but the scouting feedback we have gotten raises concerns about his impact, especially when paired with questions about how much impact his defense has.

But yeah, if you graduate Paul Skenes and Jared Jones in the same year, that will mean you have great young talent that isn't eligible any more.

The Pirates need to spend more in free agency to bulk up the lineup, but a rotation of Skenes-Jones-Keller-Chandler-Harrington is something to dream on.

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Adam Yarkovsky

→ JJCooperBA

2 months ago

Thanks. Termarr has showed more power and Ks than his pre draft profile suggested. The hit tool hasn't showed like promised for sure. Yes the Pirates need to add some bats from outside for sure. Think Griffin is gonna climb quick once there's more eyes on him

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