BOSTON RED SOX American League East

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World Series Titles: 9 (1903, 1912, 1915, 1916, 1918, 2004, 2007, 2013, 2018)

AL Pennants: 14 (Last: 2018)

Division Titles: 10 (Last: 2018)

All-Time Record: 9796-9098

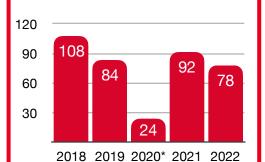
2022 Results: **78-84** (5th in AL East)

Manager: Alex Cora 5th Year (362-286)

- Minor League Affiliates -

Triple-A: Worcester Red Sox Double-A: Portland Sea Dogs High-A: Greenville Drive Single-A: Salem Red Sox

5-YEAR WIN TREND





Fenway Park (37,305)

Red Sox Rebuild?

No team has finished last in the American League East more times in the last ten years than the Boston Red Sox. That's an odd stat considering the Red Sox have also claimed two World Series championships in that same time span. But, for the first time in seemingly a decade, Boston finds themselves in a true rebuild. That rebuild will be centered around **Rafael Devers**, who received an 11-year, \$331 million payday this offseason. However, Xander Bogaerts left for San Diego and the Mookie Betts trade of 2020 looks more and more lopsided in the Los Angeles Dodgers' favor as time goes on.

After falling just two games short of another World Series appearance in 2021, injuries buried the 2022 Boston campaign and an aging, although experienced, roster indicates injuries could be a concern once again. The front office brought in a few new pieces in the offseason to help bolster the roster. Closer **Kenley Jansen** arrives after a brief stint in Atlanta and former two-time Cy Young winner **Corey Kluber** joins the Red Sox rotation. Kluber had 5 straight seasons of 200+ innings pitched from 2014-2018 but then faced three straight injury-plagued years. He bounced back in 2022 with the Tampa Bay Rays, throwing 164 innings with a 10-10 record and a 4.34 ERA. While the strikeout numbers were the lowest of his career, he led the majors allowing just 1.2 walks per nine innings. For the rest of the rotation, the Red Sox will be very reliant on pitchers who are making comebacks from extended injuries. **Chris Sale** is expected to finally be healthy after making just 11 starts in the last three seasons. **James Paxton** has made only 6 starts in that same time span and is coming off a Tommy John surgery. The Boston bullpen was one of the worst in the majors last season and remains a major point of concern.

The lineup will have to overcome the offensive production of Xander Bogaerts who led the team in hits (171) and WAR (5.7). **Trevor Story** was the big signing last season but injuries have derailed his opportunities with Boston. He underwent internal brace surgery on his elbow and will miss a vast majority of the season. With Bogaerts gone, **Enrique Hernandez** will move to the shortstop position. Of course, Devers will pace the offense after clubbing 27 home runs and 88 RBI in 2022. **Justin Turner** is a veteran and offseason acquisition who will likely take over the designated hitter role long-held by J.D. Martinez. The Red Sox also added **Masataka Yoshida** from the Japan Pacific League. He's a left-handed batter that showed great patience in Japan. If healthy, **Tristan Casas** will get to play his first full season in the big leagues at first base. **Reese McGuire**'s bat was red hot at the end of last season after arriving from the White Sox, and he likely won himself the starting catcher position this year as a result.

The Bottom Line: The pitching staff should be better than last year, but the offense will likely be worse with no Bogaerts and lingering depth and injury concerns. In other words, the Red Sox are staring reality in the face: another last place AL East finish. Boston finished an abysmal 26-50 against division opponents last year, so perhaps slightly fewer games against those teams this season will be helpful.

Projection: 74-88 (5th in Division)

2022 Statistics

Batting Average	Runs Scored	Home Runs	On-Base %
.258	4.54	155	.321
2nd in AL	4th in AL	9th in AL	3rd in AL
Hits Allowed	Runs Allowed	Strikeouts	Walks
1411	4.86	1346	526
14th in AL	14th in AL	9th in AL	11th in AL

	PROJECTED LINEUP		2022 AVG
36	TRISTAN CASAS	1B	.197
11	RAFAEL DEVERS	3B	.295
2	JUSTIN TURNER	DH	.278
7	MASATAKA YOSHIDA	LF	-
99	ALEX VERDUGO	CF	.280
5	ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ	SS	.222
18	ADAM DUVALL	RF	.213
3	REESE MCGUIRE	С	.377
39	CHRISTIAN ARROYO	2B	.286

	PROJECTED ROTATION/CLOSER 2022 ERA						
28	COREY KLUBER	RHP	4.34				
41	CHRIS SALE	LHP	3.18				
37	NICK PIVETTA	RHP	4.56				
65	JAMES PAXTON	LHP	-				
22	GARRETT WHITLOCK	LHP	3.45				
74	KENLEY JANSEN	CL	3.38				

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT RAFAEL DEVERS - 3B



2022 Statistics
VG OPS HR

GP AVG OPS HR RBI 141 .295 .879 27 88

With Xander Bogaert's departure to the San Diego Padres, Devers will be an even bigger focal point of the Boston offense. The 27-year-old received an 11 year, \$337 million contract this offseason. He's been maligned for his defense in the past but he's shown improvement in that area and he has one of the best bats in the majors. His bat speed is nearly unrivaled and a season of 30+ home runs and 100+ RBI seems likely.

	AL EAST PROJECTED RECORDS							
		w	L					
W	NEW YORK	97	65					
₹	TORONTO	91	71					
Kars	TAMPA BAY	89	73					
	BALTIMORE	82	80					
	BOSTON	74	88					

TOP NEWCOMER JUSTIN TURNER - DH



A World Series champion, Turner brings 1,393 games of experience to the Red Sox. He has the unenviable task of replacing J.D. Martinez (130 career Boston HR). His power showed decline last year, but being able to focus almost exclusively on his offense in the designated hitter role should help some. He still hits for average and his OBP of .350 would have been third (among qualifiers) behind only Bogaerts and Devers.

PROSPECT TO WATCH TRISTON CASAS - 1B



While he made his MLB debut last season, injuries cut his season short and the 2023 season will be considered his rookie year. A threat to win AL Rookie of the Year, Casas is having an excellent spring and is showing early signs of power combined with patience and good plate discipline. At 22, Casas will be the youngest member of the starting lineup and, along with Devers, is a potential centerpiece for the Red Sox to build around.

FARM SYSTEM RANKING

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2023 Schedule

	March/April							
				BAL 2:10 PM		BAL 4:10 PM		
BAL 1:35 PM	PIT 7:10 PM	PIT 7:10 PM	PIT 1:35 PM	DET 1:10 PM		DET 1:10 PM		
DET 1:10 PM	10 TB 6:40 PM	11 TB 6:40 PM	12 6:40 PM	13 1:10 PM	14 LAA 7:10 PM	LAA 4:10 PM		
16 1:35 PM	17 LAA 11:10 AM	18 MIN 7:10 PM	19 MIN 7:10 PM	20 MIN 1:35 PM	MIL 8:10 PM	MIL 7:10 PM		
MIL 2:10 PM	24 BAL 6:35 PM	25 BAL 6:35 PM	26 BAL 1:05 PM		CLE 7:10 PM	CLE 4:10 PM		
CLE 1:35 PM								

			May			
	TOR 7:10 PM	TOR 2 7:10 PM	TOR 7:10 PM	TOR 6:10 PM	PHI 7:05 PM	PHI 7:15 PM
7 PHI 1:35 PM		ATL 7:20 PM	ATL 7:20 PM		STL 7:10 PM	STL 4:10 PM
STL 7:00 PM	15 SEA 7:10 PM	16 SEA 7:10 PM	SEA 7:10 PM		19 9:40 PM	SD 20 10:10 PM
21 SD 4:10 PM		LAA 9:38 PM	24 9:38 PM		ARI 9:40 PM	ARI 7:45 PM
ARI 4:10 PM		CIN 7:10 PM	CIN 7:10 PM			

			June			
				CIN 7:10 PM	7:10 PM	TB (DH) 1:10 PM
4		6	7	8	9	10
TB		CLE	CLE	CLE	NYY	NYY
1:35 PM		7:10 PM	7:10 PM	7:10 PM	7:05 PM	7:35 PM
11	15	13	14		16	17
NYY	COL	COL	COL		NYY	NYY
1:35 PM	7:10 PM	7:10 PM	7:10 PM		7:10 PM	7:15 PM
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
NYY	MIN	MIN	MIN	MIN	CWS	CWS
7:00 PM	7:40 PM	7:40 PM	7:40 PM	1:10 PM	8:10 PM	4:10 PM
25 cws 2:10 PM		27 MIA 7:10 PM	28 MIA 7:10 PM	29 MIA 6:10 PM	30 TOR 7:07 PM	

	July							
						TOR 3:07 PM		
TOR 1:37 PM		4 TEX 1:35 PM	5 TEX 7:10 PM	6 TEX 7:10 PM	7 OAK 7:10 PM	OAK 4:10 PM		
OAK 1:35 PM	2023 All-Star Break				14 CHC 8:05 PM	15 CHC 2:20 PM		
16 CHC 2:20 PM	17 OAK 9:40 PM	18 OAK 9:40 PM	19 OAK 3:37 PM		21 NYM 7:10 PM	22 NYM 4:10 PM		
NYM TBD		25 ATL 7:10 PM	28 SF 10:15 PM	29 SF 7:15 PM				
30 SF 4:05 PM	31 SEA 9:40 PM							

		August			
	1 SEA 9:40 PM	SEA 4:10 PM		TOR 7:10 PM	TOR 4:10 PM
кс 7:10 РМ	KC 7:10 PM	кс 7:10 РМ	10 KC 7:10 PM	11 DET 7:10 PM	DET 4:10 PM
	WSH 7:05 PM	WSH 7:05 PM	WSH 4:05 PM	NYY 7:05 PM	NYY 1:05 PM
HOU 22 7:10 PM	HOU 22 7:10 PM	HOU 23 4:10 PM		25 LAD 7:10 PM	26 4:10 PM
HOU 7:10 PM	HOU 7:10 PM	HOU 4:10 PM			
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	September/October							
					КС 8:10 РМ	кс 7:10 РМ		
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10 BAL 1:10 PM	11 NYY 7:10 PM	12 7:10 PM	NYY 7:10 PM	14 7:15 PM	15 TOR 7:07 PM	16 TOR 3:07 PM		
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