

Glendale Desert Dogs

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Connor Phillips, RHP
Team: Cincinnati Reds
Role: Starting Pitcher

Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** MLB
Height: 6'2" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** MLB
Weight: 209 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** MLB
Arm Angle: full **Interest:** Yes

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	65	95-99	65	Control	40	50
CB	50	83-86	55	Poise	50	55
Slider/Sweep	55	84-86	55	Aggressiveness	55	55
CU	45	88-92	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	N/A			OAE	55	55

Summation: He continued to have solid outings, but as has been stated the biggest thing he needs to improve is his consistency within the strike zone after walking 14 in just over 19 IPs (a 6.6/9 walk rate). If he can slow his motor down and trust that his elite stuff is good enough, he has the chance to be a mainstay in a big league rotation.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/24, 11/01, 11/07

Player, POS: Grant Taylor, RHP
Team: Chicago White Sox
Role: Pitcher

Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** A
Height: 6'3" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A+
Weight: 230 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AA
Arm Angle: over **Interest:** No

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	55	93-95	55	Control	45	50
CB	55	79-81	55	Poise	45	50
Slider/Sweep	55	80-83	55	Aggressiveness	50	50
CU	N/A	N/A	N/A	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other/Cutter	55	90-92	60	OAE	45	50

Summation: Taylor has a lively fastball and above average cutter that be literally a hit or miss pitches, with evident by his 13 Ks and 15 H in 7.2 IP. Tends to lose control and poise, having walked 7 (almost a 9 BB per 9 IP). There's some effort to his delivery, so it remains to be seen whether he will keep this delivery motion. Although he is still early in his professional career, unless he gets more consistent mised bats and deception in his pitches, he will not have a long career.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/08, 10/23

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Zyhir Hope, CF
Team: Los Angeles Dodgers
Role: Outfielder

Throws: L **Current:** A
Height: 5'10" **Next Yr:** A+
Weight: 193 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** Maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	55	Fielding	55	60
Power	55	55	Range	60	60
Speed/Base	50	55	Aggressiveness	55	55
Speed/Running	60	70	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	55	60
Arm/Accuracy					

Summation: Has plus-plus speed that contributes to his 30-30 upside and allows him to cover plenty of ground in center field. Can play all 3 OF positions too. A compact athlete with a beautiful left-handed stroke (albeit a little loopy), already produces numerous high bat exit velocities with just a few months of professional experience. He tends to chase pitches out of the zone, as evident with his team high 25 Ks, so he likely will need some time to hone his approach and develop discipline at the plate. But his combination of easy bat speed, growing strength and some natural loft in his swing could translate into plus power in his prime. Potentially a starter but could have longer career as reliable LH bench bat for all 3 OF positions.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/10, 10/14

Player, POS: Edwin Arroyo, INF
Team: Cincinnati Reds
Role: Middle Infielder

Throws: R **Current:** AA
Height: 5'11" **Next Yr:** AA
Weight: 175 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: R **Interest:** Yes

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	55	Fielding	60	70
Power	40	45	Range	60	70
Speed/Base	50	55	Aggressiveness	50	55
Speed/Running	50	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	55	60			

Summation: After losing all of the 2024 season to surgery on his non-throwing shoulder, Arroyo proved he hadn't lost anything defensively while playing the best shortstop in the Fall League. Only 21 years old and scheduled to play AA next year. Made several plays in the field, showing great footwork and range. The bat needs some work on timing, but could be from rust having not played since 2023. Did show spurts of above average contact with 19 H, but only 5 were for xtra bases. Did swipe 7 bases in 8 tries. Overall showed plenty of potential in the field, just needs to work on generating more power at the plate.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/08, 10/22, 10/

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Sammy Natera, Jr., LHP
Team: Los Angeles Angels
Role: Starting Pitcher
Throws: L **Arm action:** x **Current:** A+
Height: 6'4" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A+/AA
Weight: 225 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: full **Interest:** Yes

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	55	94-96	60	Control	55	60
CB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Poise	55	60
Slider/Sweep	50	83-86	55	Aggressiveness	55	60
CU	55	86-88	60	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other				OAE	55	60

Summation: A former standout HS basketball player who has just started pitching in the past 4-5 years. Drafted in 2022, has had some injury problems (sprained shoulder and elbow), but looked very impressive in SSS action. Was one of the most dominant starting pitchers in the fall league (12Ks, lowest ERA at 0.75, 0 HR and 4th lowest BABIP in 17 IP). Very sneaky and surprising plus rising FB that got a lot of S&M from both sides of the plate. Above average slider and change-up too. Has only pitched 12 innings of pro-all at High A. Definitely worth watching over the next few years.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/19, 10/26

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Denzel Clarke, OF
Team: Athletics
Role: Centerfielder
Throws: R **Current:** AA
Height: 6'4" **Next Yr:** AAA/MLB
Weight: 220 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: R **Interest:** Maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	60	Fielding	50	55
Power	50	55	Range	55	60
Speed/Base	55	60	Aggressiveness	55	55
Speed/Running	60	70	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	50	55	OAE	55	60
Arm/Accuracy	50	55			

Summation: Has sound fundamental swing mechanics, though the swing-and-miss remains high, especially when facing pitches with good spin. Has plus speed, which also makes him a serious threat on the basepaths, although needs to work on base running decision making (got thrown out a handful of times trying to stretch extra base hits). Speed enables him to handle center field well, but his 6-foot-5, 220-pound frame and continued injury concerns might make him a better corner outfielder. The main focus for the A's is to get the incredibly tools outfielder through a full season healthy while continuing to refine his raw tools with a full campaign of at-bats.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/07, 10/15, 10/22, 10/28

Player, POS: Danny Kirwin, RHP
Team: Boston Red Sox
Role: Relief Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** A
Height: 6'2" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A+/AA
Weight: 205 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** No

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	50	92-95	55	Control	55	60
CB	50	79-80	55	Poise	55	60
Slider/Sweep	50	86-88	55	Aggressiveness	60	60
CU	50	84-86	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other/Cutter	50	90-93	55	OAE	50	55

Summation: A strike throwing machine, consistently in the zone and does not walk batters (only 1 BB on almost 13 IP). Can miss a lot of bats with good hard sinking 4 seam FB and sinker. Needs to develop secondary pitch if batters start catching up to FB. Needs more deception with pitches. Could have career as high leverage reliever. Has only played at Low A and is old for that level (25 yrs). Worth watching to see if can match metrics as rises in system.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 9-Oct

Player, POS: Xavier Isaac, 1B
Team: Tampa Bay Rays
Role: Corner Infielder
Throws: L **Current:** A+
Height: 6'4" **Next Yr:** AA
Weight: 240 **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** Maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	55	Fielding	50	55
Power	55	60	Range	50	55
Speed/Base	40	45	Aggressiveness	55	55
Speed/Running	40	45	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	50	50	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	50	50			

Summation: Showed flashes of potential at the plate. Has a smooth swing but is prone to miss a lot of pitches. Had good results when put the ball in play (.500 BABIP). Tied for 4th on team with 9 XBHs in lowest amount of GP (15). Needs to work on run production (only 5 RBIs). Average fielding and range, not big detriment at first base. Can seem stiff legged sometimes, but glove is smooth. Overall potential is there but very inconsistent especially at the plate, needs to be more of a run producer at an offensive premium position

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 18-Oct

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Jun-Seok Shim, RHP
Team: Miami Marlins
Role: Relief Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** ROK
Height: 6'4" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A
Weight: 215 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** No

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	55	91-93	60	Control	45	55
CB	50	72-76	55	Poise	45	55
Slider/Sweep	50	78-80	55	Aggressiveness	45	55
CU	45	N/A	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	OAE	50	55

Summation: With his frame, Shim has the chance to grow into a big power pitcher with a four-pitch mix. He generates high spin rates on a pair of solid breaking pitches: a curveball with 12-to-6 break at its best and a harder slider. Shim has a clean arm action overall and a feel for landing his stuff in the zone, but he needs reps to hone his craft. Walked an insane amount in just a few outings (12 BB in only 5 IP). If he can stay healthy and produce to his metrics rising up the levels, he will most likely be considered for a big league pitching staff.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 27-Oct

Player, POS: Adam Maier, RHP
Team: Atlanta Braves
Role: Starting Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** ROK
Height: 6'0" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A
Weight: 203 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: Full **Interest:** Maybe

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB/Sinker	50	89-92	50	Control	50	55
CB	55	77-81	55	Poise	45	50
Slider/Sweep	55	79-82	50	Aggressiveness	50	55
CU	50	82-85	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other		N/A		OAE	50	55

Summation: He is a strong and athletic six-footer who has had some serious injuries over the past few years. Has good command of his fastball, needs more velo though. His low-80s slider also registered high rpm, a potentially plus pitch that misses bats with good downward break. His sinking changeup gives him a third very effective pitch, thrown with good arm speed. Seems to have mixed in a curveball too during the AFL. Very young and was somewhat overmatched in limited work, but did show resilience and was up to the challenge.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 22-Oct

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Juan Baez, 3B/2B
Team: Milwaukee Brewers
Role: Infielder
Throws: R **Current:** ROK/A
Height: 5'10" **Next Yr:** A/A+
Weight: 175 **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Bats: R **Interest:** Maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	55	Fielding	50	55
Power	50	55	Range	50	55
Speed/Base	50	55	Aggressiveness	50	55
Speed/Running	50	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	50	55	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	50	55			

Summation: An average player with some above average potential in all areas. His relatively limited range as a middle infielder is likely going to push him more toward third base full-time in an organization loaded with low-level shortstops, and overall defensive inconsistencies -- even on simple plays like transferring the ball out of the glove -- put his glove work behind his bat. He'll head back to the Carolina League for his age-19 season to gain more experience and exposure.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/14, 11/06

Player, POS: Ethan Salas, C
Team: San Diego Padres
Role: Catcher
Throws: R **Current:** A+
Height: 6'0" **Next Yr:** AA
Weight: 185 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** Yes

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	55	60	Fielding	55	60
Power	60	70	Range	55	60
Speed/Base	50	55	Aggressiveness	55	60
Speed/Running	50	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	55	60
Arm/Accuracy	55	60			

Summation: One of the youngest players in the AFL (just turned 18 this past summer). Showed incredible skills against players many years older. Was consistently team's best game performer. Smooth solid swing in the zone, has trouble with high FB, leading to infield popouts and catchable flyballs in the outfield that have dulled his BABIP and overall offensive profile. The quality of contact could improve with more physical maturity. Has plus blocking, receiving, throwing and communication skills. Has an immense ceiling as a multi-tooled backstop, but he might be on more of a traditional development track than it seemed like he'd take at the end of his first season.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/08, 10/10,

Salt River Rafters

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Carlos LaGrange, RHP
Team: New York Yankees
Role: Starting Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** A
Height: 6'7" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A+
Weight: 195 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** MLB
Arm Angle: Full **Interest:** Yes

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	60	93-98	70	Control	40	55
CB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Poise	45	55
Slider/Sweep	50	83-86	55	Aggressiveness	55	60
CU	45	88-90	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other/Cutter	45	88-90	50	OAE	45	55

Summation: Has a high octane FB but does not have much command or control over it (10 Ks and 15 BBs in just under 9 IPs), more often working downhill with a heavy two-seamer then employing a riding four-seamer at the top of the zone. He can throw some plus sliders in the mid-80s, though it lacks consistent shape and power. He barely uses a mid-80s changeup that requires a lot more work. Lagrange's size creates angle and extension that make life difficult for hitters, though he's still learning how to keep his long limbs in sync. He hasn't had to be precise to dominate Rookie ball but he'll need to significantly improve his control and command against better hitters. He has the upside of at least a mid-rotation starter and also could develop into a dynamic reliever with his plus-plus FB.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/19, 11/02

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Tommy Troy, SS/3B
Team: Arizona Diamondbacks
Role: Infielder
Throws: R **Current:** A+
Height: 5'9" **Next Yr:** AA
Weight: 200 **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Bats: R **Interest:** maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	55	60	Fielding	50	55
Power	55	55	Range	50	50
Speed/Base	55	55	Aggressiveness	50	50
Speed/Running	55	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	50	55	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	50	55			

Summation: Has above average bat-to-ball skills, pitch recognition and overall plate discipline. He continued to show quick hands in pro ball and sent nine of his 21 hits with Hillsboro for extra bases, aiding the belief that he'll hit for at least average power by the time he reaches the Majors. Has slightly above-average speed but not a reliable base stealing threat. Can play all non-1B infield positions solidly, but most likely destined for 3B because of limited fielding range. Needs to produce more power at the plate if does moveto 3B.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 16-Oct

Player, POS: Gabriel Hughes, RHP
Team: Colorado Rockies
Role: Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** AA
Height: 6'4" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** AA
Weight: 220 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** maybe

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	55	94-98	60	Control	50	55
CB	50	77-79	55	Poise	50	55
Slider/Sweep	50	84-86	55	Aggressiveness	50	55
CU	50	86-90	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	OAE	50	55

Summation: When he's healthy, Hughes brings an intriguing combination of size and stuff -- with feel for it -- to the mound. Even right before the elbow injury in Double-A last year, he was up to 97 mph with his fastball, though he sat at around 93. His short and hard mid-80s slider, that has cutter-like action to it, flashes plus and he's shown feel to spin an effective upper-70s curve as well. He has an 87-88 mph changeup as well, but it's clearly a fourth pitch. Hughes uses an up-tempo delivery and goes right after hitters. He can sometimes run into timing issues and there's unintentional cut on his fastball occasionally, and both can impact his command, though he's generally around the strike zone. Seemed to just trying to regain form after injury.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/11, 11/01

Player, POS: Robert Hassell III, CF
Team: Washington Nationals
Role: Outfielder
Throws: L **Current:** AAA
Height: 6'1" **Next Yr:** MLB
Weight: 190 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** Yes

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	55	60	Fielding	55	60
Power	45	50	Range	55	60
Speed/Base	55	55	Aggressiveness	55	55
Speed/Running	55	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	55	60
Arm/Accuracy	55	55			

Summation: In his 3rd AFL stint, he started to show some consistency on being a top of the order bat. Showed great plate control and discipline, making solid barrel contact. Starting to show some consistent power too (2nd on team in SLG%). Has above average arm strength for outfielder, but still seen as a CFer with the possibility to move to corner outfield as gets older. Finally seemed to be putting it all together and want a spot on someone's 40 man roster. (UPDATE: Nationals selected him to their 40 man roster on 11/19).

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/08, 10/20

Scottsdale Scorpions

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Khristian Curtis, RHP
Team: Pittsburgh Pirates
Role: Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** A
Height: 6'5" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** A+
Weight: 210 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** maybe

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	50	93-96	55	Control	50	55
CB	45	78-80	50	Poise	50	55
Slider/Sweep	50	84-86	55	Aggressiveness	55	60
CU	45	82-84	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	50	88-91	55	OAE	50	55

Summation: A 6-foot-5 right-hander, Curtis has a chance to start long-term thanks to a deep arsenal of rapidly-improving stuff. He'll throw both two-seam and four-seam fastballs and has seen an uptick in velocity, now getting his fastball up to 98 mph regularly. He changed his slider to a cutter grip last year with good success, and it's a bat-missing pitch in the upper-80s that tops out at 92 mph. He can fold in a slower upper-70s curve with good depth and also has low-80s changeup with fade. Curtis entered pro ball with some command issues, and it's taken him a little time to harness his new-and-improved stuff, but he was starting to figure things out more consistently as his first full season wore on. He has an up arrow next to his name, with the Pirates believing he could land in a big league rotation if the gains stick.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 8-Oct

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Bryce Eldridge, 1B
Team: San Francisco Giants
Role: Corner Infielder
Throws: R **Current:** AAA
Height: 6'7" **Next Yr:** AAA/MLB
Weight: 225 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** No

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	55	60	Fielding	45	55
Power	60	70	Range	50	50
Speed/Base	45	45	Aggressiveness	50	55
Speed/Running	45	45	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	50	50	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	50	50			

Summation: Has previous reports set him with plus-plus power potential and potential plus hitting mechanics. However, looked very tired and sluggish in AFL. Was pulled by team about half way through. Despite his below-average speed, Eldridge is more athletic than most players his size. Also was previously an outfielder but was mostly used at 1B, where he displayed below average fielding skills. Still ranked as one of the team's top prospects, and might end up being a solid first baseman. Has a LH Dave Kingman vibe to him.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 9-Oct

Player, POS: Eric Silva, RHP
Team: Detroit Tigers
Role: Relief Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** AA
Height: 6'1" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** AAA
Weight: 185 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** No

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	50	90-93	55	Control	50	55
CB	50	78-80	55	Poise	50	55
Slider/Sweep	50	83-84	55	Aggressiveness	50	55
CU	50	88-91	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	OAE	50	55

Summation: Average four pitch mix. Doesn't show high velo pair of fastballs in the low 90s, but the running action of his sinker and ride of his four-seamer can be effective. Where he's at his best he'll throw a darting slider that peels away from righties and a curveball that drops straight down below bats. He also has a good enough changeup with enough depth to keep batters honest. Control and poise about average. Destined to be average reliever at best.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 15-Oct

Player, POS: Drew Gilbert, OF
Team: New York Mets
Role: Corner Outfielder
Throws: L **Current:** AAA
Height: 5'8" **Next Yr:** AAA/MLB
Weight: 195 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** Maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	50	55	Fielding	55	60
Power	50	55	Range	50	55
Speed/Base	55	55	Aggressiveness	50	55
Speed/Running	55	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	55	60			

Summation: Seems small for his frame. Does play without a lot of energy. Showed some good plate discipline, tied for team lead in BBs. Needs to work on swing discipline though, had the lowest BABIP on the team. Has above-average speed on the basepaths and can push defenses on balls to the gaps. He got time in all three outfield spots, but his wheels and aggressiveness serve him well in all three spots. His above average fielding and arm strength serves him well there too. Could become a reserve/platoon outfielder.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/09, 10/15

Surprise Saguaros

PITCHERS

Player, POS: Josh Stephan, RHP
Team: Texas Rangers
Role: Starting Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** AA
Height: 6'3" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** AAA
Weight: 185 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** Yes

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	50	92-95	55	Control	55	60
CB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Poise	55	60
Slider/Sweep	55	82-85	60	Aggressiveness	55	60
CU	55	85-88	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	50	88-91	55	OAE	55	60

Summation: Doesn't light up radar guns with his low/mid-90s fastballs, creating run and sink on a two-seamer that sits at 91-92 mph and carry and run on a four-seamer that's a tick harder (mostly 93). They tunnel well with his plus low-80s slider, which has more depth than horizontal action. He also has advanced feel for a fading low-80s changeup. Features an easy delivery that he repeats well, giving him plus control and the makings of solid command. His low arm slot and release height create life and deception without costing him strikes. He needs to add some strength and falls in love with his slider at times, but his pitchability and competitiveness give him a high floor and the upside of a No. 3/4 starter, possibly No.2.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 10/13, 10/19, 10/26, 11/07

POSITION PLAYERS

Player, POS: Creed Willems, C
Team: Baltimore Orioles
Role: Catcher
Throws: R **Current:** AA
Height: 5'11" **Next Yr:** AAA
Weight: 225 **Tops:** AAA/MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** maybe

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	45	50	Fielding	50	50
Power	55	60	Range	50	50
Speed/Base	45	45	Aggressiveness	55	55
Speed/Running	45	45	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	50	55
Arm/Accuracy	55	60			

Summation: Willems is strong and stocky, using a simple swing to drop his barrel on pitches to drive them with authority, especially ones low in the zone. He also showed good plate discipline taking some pitches and producing walks, making him a productive hitter despite ample swing-and-miss. That element might always be a part of Willems' game, but he also has a chance to grow into plus power by the time he's fully developed. Willems has a strong enough arm to be a weapon for him behind the plate even as questions remain about his receiving and blocking. If he continues his development behind the plate and with his approach in the box, he could develop into a power-hitting backstop at the highest level.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 7-Nov

Player, POS: Luinder Avila, RHP
Team: Kansas City Royals
Role: Relief Pitcher
Throws: R **Arm action:** x **Current:** MLB
Height: 6'3" **Delivery:** x **Next Yr:** MLB
Weight: 195 **Wind-up:** x **Tops:** MLB
Arm Angle: 3/4 **Interest:** no

Pitch	Pres	Velo	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
FB	55	93-95	55	Control	50	50
CB	50	78-80	50	Poise	50	50
Slider/Sweep	50	80-85	50	Aggressiveness	55	60
CU	50	85-90	55	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	OAE	55	55

Summation: Attacks hitters with a 92-95 mph fastball that cuts and has some ride to it. Slider is average and has the potential to be an out pitch for him, sometimes looping but with good spin. He throws a tumbling changeup that is near average now but shows signs of being plus with more development. Seems to be very durable in terms of relief usage. Officials rave about his competitiveness, work ethic and knowledge on the mound. Avila has a repeatable delivery, and his ceiling is likely a back-end starter type who could fill different roles later in his career. Really though just another potential journeyman reliever.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 28-Oct

Player, POS: Chase DeLauter, OF
Team: Cleveland Guardians
Role: Corner Outfielder
Throws: L **Current:** AAA
Height: 6'4" **Next Yr:** AAA/MLB
Weight: 235 **Tops:** MLB
Bats: L **Interest:** yes

Cat	Pres	Fut	Cat	Pres	Fut
Hitting	55	60	Fielding	55	55
Power	55	60	Range	55	55
Speed/Base	50	50	Aggressiveness	55	60
Speed/Running	50	50	Baseball Interests	N/A	N/A
Arm/Strength	55	60	OAE	55	60
Arm/Accuracy	55	60			

Summation: DeLauter offers a tantalizing combination of size, athleticism, performance and plate discipline. His loudest tool is his well-above-average hitting and raw power to all fields, which he creates with bat speed, strength and leverage. His left-handed swing can get long and he'll drift onto his front foot, yet he still makes consistent hard contact and controls the strike zone exceptionally well. Has solid speed and uses it to steal an occasional base and to cover ground in the outfield. He played all three outfield positions in his debut and projects as an average defender in center field and solid on the corners. He fits best in right field with a strong arm. Should have a nice career at the professional level.

Scout Name: Alex Marks **Date Seen:** 19-Oct