

Peoria Saguaros

Organizational Affiliations: Cardinals, Mets, Nationals, Padres, White Sox
Home Games: Peoria Stadium

Manager: Ron Warner (STL)
Pitching Coach: Wally Whitehurst (SD)
Coach: Rick Eckstein (WAS)
Trainers: Joe Golia (NYM)
 Scott Johnson (CWS)

As of August 26, 2008

Pitchers	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2008 Club
Greg Burke	SDP	R	R	6-4	204	09/21/82	Bellmawr, NJ	San Antonio (AA)
Cesar Carrillo	SDP	R	R	6-3	177	04/29/84	Chicago, IL	Lake Elsinore (A)
Adam Carr	WAS	R	R	6-1	185	04/01/84	Felton, CA	Harrisburg (AA)
Mike Ekstrom	SDP	R	R	6-0	185	08/30/83	Portland, OR	San Antonio (AA)
Justin Fiske	STL	L	L	5-11	185	09/03/84	Columbus, GA	Springfield (AA)
Brad Furnish	STL	S	L	6-1	185	01/19/85	Wichita Falls, TX	Springfield (AA)
Lucas Harrell	CWS	S	R	6-2	200	06/03/85	Springfield, MO	Birmingham (AA)
Wilton Lopez	SDP	R	R	6-0	160	07/19/83	Leon, Nicaragua	Lake Elsinore (A)
Tyler Norrick	STL	L	L	6-3	210	09/17/83	Festus, MO	Springfield (AA)
Adam Ottavino	STL	R	R	6-5	215	11/22/85	New York, NY	Springfield (AA)
Aaron Poreda	CWS	L	L	6-6	240	10/01/86	Walnut Creek, CA	Birmingham (AA)
Derek Rodriguez	CWS	R	R	5-10	190	05/17/83	Apple Valley, CA	Charlotte (AAA)
Tobi Stoner	NYM	S	R	6-2	190	12/03/84	Landstuhl, GR	Binghampton (AA)
Carlos Torres	CWS	R	R	6-2	180	08/22/82	Santa Cruz, CA	Birmingham (AA)
Cory Van Allen	WAS	L	L	6-3	180	12/24/84	Bakersfield, CA	Harrisburg (AA)
Jason Vargas	NYM	L	L	6-0	215	02/02/83	Apple Valley, CA	New York Mets (MLB)
Zech Zinicola	WAS	R	R	6-1	220	03/02/85	San Bernardino, CA	Columbus (AAA)
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TBA	WAS							

Catchers	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2008 Club
Cole Armstrong	CWS	L	R	6-3	220	08/24/83	Surrey, CN	Charlotte (AAA)
Steven Hill*	STL	R	R	5-11	190	03/14/85	Nacogdoches, TX	Palm Beach (A)
Josh Thole	NYM	L	R	6-1	190	10/28/86	Breese, IL	St. Lucie (A)

Infielders	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2008 Club
Gordon Beckham	CWS	R	R	6-0	190	09/16/86	Atlanta, GA	Kannapolis (A)
Kyle Blanks	SDP	R	R	6-6	270	09/11/86	Sellersville, PA	San Antonio (AA)
Shawn Bowman	NYM	R	R	6-2	190	12/09/84	New Westminster, CN	Binghampton (AA)
Ian Desmond	WAS	R	R	6-2	185	09/20/85	Sarasota, FL	Harrisburg (AA)
Tyler Green	STL	R	R	6-2	185	08/17/83	Raleigh, NC	Memphis (AAA)
Dan Murphy	NYM	L	R	6-1	210	01/01/85	Jacksonville, CA	New York Mets (MLB)
Bill Rhinehart	WAS	L	L	6-0	202	11/22/84	Roseville, CA	Harrisburg (AA)
Brett Wallace	STL	L	R	6-2	235	08/26/86	Sonoma, CA	Springfield (AA)

Outfielders	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2008 Club
Mike Baxter*	SDP	L	R	6-0	190	12/07/84	Queens, NY	San Antonio (AA)
Leonard Davis	WAS	L	R	5-10	195	12/24/83	Los Banos, CA	Columbus (AAA)
Maurice Gartrell	CWS	R	R	6-2	220	01/14/84	San Francisco, CA	Birmingham (AA)
Sean Kazmar	SDP	R	R	5-9	160	08/05/84	Valdosta, GA	San Diego (MLB)
Chad Huffman	SDP	R	R	6-1	205	04/29/85	Missouri City, TX	San Antonio (AA)
Shane Robinson	STL	R	R	6-2	185	08/17/83	Raleigh, NC	Memphis (AAA)

*Denotes "Taxi Squad" activated only on Wednesdays and Saturdays.



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Facts

- Over 1,500 former Fall Leaguers have reached the major leagues
- 413 Ex-AFLers On 2008 MLB Opening-Day Rosters
- 136 MLB All-Stars including 36 in 2008
- 5 MLB MVPs
 - Jason Giambi
 - Ryan Howard
 - Justin Morneau
 - Albert Pujols
 - Jimmy Rollins
- 3 Cy Young Award winners
 - Chris Carpenter
 - Roy Halladay
 - Brandon Webb
- 18 MLB Rookies-of-the-Year
- 3 World Series MVPs
- 6 All-Star Game MVPs
- 38 MLB Silver Sluggers
- 34 MLB Gold Glove Awards
- 8 MLB batting champions
- 11 MLB season hits leaders
- 4 MLB season RBI leaders
- 2 MLB season homer leaders
- 7 MLB season stolen-base leaders
- 23 MLB managers
- 31 MLB umpires
- 71 administrators serving the baseball industry

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Arizona Fall League Announces 2008 Rosters

Phoenix, Arizona — The Arizona Fall League announces its rosters for the 2008 season.

Roster size is established at 35 players per team.

Each major-league organization is required to provide seven players subject to the following eligibility requirements:

- All Triple-A and Double-A players are eligible provided they are on Double-A rosters no later than August 6.
- One player below the Double-A level is allowed.
- Foreign players are allowed as long as the player is not on his native country's protected player list.
- No players with more than two years of credited Major League service as of August 31 (including Major League disabled list time) are eligible except a team may select one player picked in the most recently concluded Major League Rule 5 draft.
- To be eligible, players on Minor League disabled lists must be activated at least 45 days before the conclusion of their respective seasons.
- Each team is allotted 20 pitchers but only 15 are designated "eligible" each game day.

The Fall League begins its 17th season on Tuesday, October 7. The league will play 12:35 p.m. and 7:05 p.m. games six days per week (Monday-Saturday) in five Phoenix-area Cactus League stadiums (Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix, Scottsdale, Surprise), concluding with the annual league championship game on Saturday, November 22. The third annual "Rising Stars Game" is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. on Friday, October 24 at Surprise Stadium. All games during the World Series will be day games.

The 2008 Arizona Fall League organizational alignments follow. The Phoenix Desert Dogs will be seeking their fifth consecutive championship with players from the Athletics, Blue Jays, Diamondbacks, Rockies, and Twins.

American Division

Mesa Solar Sox (Hohokam Stadium)

Braves, Cubs, Marlins, Phillies, Tigers

Peoria Saguaros (Peoria Stadium)

Cardinals, Mets, Nationals, Padres, White Sox

Scottsdale Scorpions (Scottsdale Stadium)

Angels, Astros, Giants, Pirates, Red Sox

National Division

Peoria Javelinas (Peoria Stadium)

Brewers, Rays, Reds, Mariners, Yankees

Phoenix Desert Dogs (Phoenix Municipal Stadium)

Athletics, Blue Jays, Diamondbacks, Rockies, Twins

Surprise Rafters (Surprise Stadium)

Dodgers, Indians, Orioles, Rangers, Royals

The Arizona Fall League is owned and operated by the Major League Baseball Clubs.

The rosters follow.

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