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## SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### FEBRUARY

19	at North Carolina	<i>Canceled</i>
20	at North Carolina	<i>Canceled</i>
21	at North Carolina	<i>Canceled</i>
23	MIAMI (OHIO)	W, 5-1
26	MILWAUKEE	W, 10-0
27	MILWAUKEE (DH-1)	W, 9-3 (7)
28	MILWAUKEE (DH-2)	W, 4-2 (7)

### MARCH

2	EASTERN KENTUCKY	W, 6-3
3	EVANSVILLE	W, 8-5
5	BALL STATE	L, 3-2
6	BALL STATE	W, 6-0
7	BALL STATE	L, 4-3
9	WESTERN KENTUCKY	W, 6-5
12	GEORGIA STATE	W, 16-1
13	GEORGIA STATE	W, 6-1
14	GEORGIA STATE	W, 4-2
16	MURRAY STATE	L, 13-8
19	MISSOURI*	W, 10-2
20	MISSOURI*	W, 5-4
21	MISSOURI*	L, 5-3
23	BUTLER	W, 6-5
26	at Auburn*	W, 8-6 (10)
27	at Auburn* (DH-1)	W, 7-6
28	at Auburn* (DH-2)	W, 6-4
30	BELLARMINE	W, 4-3

### APRIL

1	at #5+ Mississippi State*	L, 8-1
2	at #5+ Mississippi State*	L, 3-2
3	at #5+ Mississippi State*	L, 4-3
6	at #5+ Louisville	W, 11-7
9	LSU*	L, 15-2
10	LSU*	L, 8-6
11	LSU*	W, 13-4
13	BELLARMINE	W, 12-0
16	at #20~ Georgia*	W, 6-1
17	at #20~ Georgia*	L, 8-7
18	at #20~ Georgia*	L, 17-6
20	#31 LOUISVILLE	L, 12-5
23	ALABAMA*	L, 10-1
24	ALABAMA* (DH-1)	W, 5-2
25	ALABAMA* (DH-2)	W, 11-0
27	EASTERN KENTUCKY	W, 7-6
29	at #4~ Tennessee*	L, 14-4
30	at #4~ Tennessee*	W, 8-2

### MAY

1	at #4~ Tennessee*	L, 11-2
6	#8^ FLORIDA*	W, 7-5
7	#8^ FLORIDA*	L, 8-5
8	#8^ FLORIDA*	L, 9-2
11	MOREHEAD STATE	<i>Canceled</i>
14	#20! SOUTH CAROLINA*	L, 12-6
15	#20! SOUTH CAROLINA*	L, 9-0
16	#20! SOUTH CAROLINA*	L, 11-6
18	TENNESSEE TECH	W, 8-4
20	at #2+ Vanderbilt*	L, 4-2
21	at #2+ Vanderbilt*	L, 8-2
22	at #2+ Vanderbilt*	W, 7-5
25	vs. #11! Florida (SECT)	L, 1-4

All times EST; \*SEC game  
 +Baseball America; ~D1Baseball; %Coaches Poll;  
 !Perfect Game; ^NCBWA; ~Collegiate Baseball



## 2021 SEASON IN REVIEW



- Kentucky was 29-23 overall and 12-18 in SEC play this season.
- UK finished sixth in the SEC East.
- UK was 5-16 vs. ranked teams, 4-10 vs. Top 10 foes finished the season with 13 of 14 games vs. Top 25.
- UK had three road wins vs. Top 5 teams (No. 2 Vanderbilt, No. 4 Tennessee and No. 5 Louisville).
- UK was only team all season to defeat No. 2 Vanderbilt when the Commodores led after 8 innings (38-0).
- UK has scored in 243 of 246 games in Mingione's tenure.
- The Cats are 78-for-86 on stolen base attempts and stole their first 33 of the season. They have the highest success rate (90.7) of any Division I-A team with 50+ stolen bases.
- UK set a single-season school record for fielding percentage at .979. The Cats made just 39 errors in 52 games and ranked 16th nationally in fielding percentage.
- Senior 1B **T.J. Collett** proved to be one of the nation's top hitters. He finished with 42 career HR, sixth among active D-I players and now second on UK's all-time list with AJ Reed. He had a 1.008 OPS and led team with 48 RBI. He reached safely in 26 of last 28 games.
- For his efforts, **Collett** was named National Player of the Week by both Collegiate Baseball and the NCBWA and SEC co-Player of the Week for the week of April 19-25.
- Collett is the winner of the 2021 Senior CLASS Award that honors excellence on and off the field.
- Junior IF/OF **Austin Schultz** has proven to be a stick of dynamite for the Cats. He has reached safely in 100 of 110 career games with a plate appearance, has multiple hits in 24 games this season (second in the SEC), and is 22-for-24 in SB attempts (second in SEC in steals).
- Schultz has 37 career stolen bases, 12th on the school's career list.
- Senior C **Coltyn Kessler** is ninth in the SEC in batting (.349) and hit a game-winning, three-run HR at No. 2 Vanderbilt with the Cats down to their final strike in the regular season finale. Kessler finished seventh in the conference in on-base percentage.
- Sophomore OF **John Rhodes** led Division I-A with eight outfield assists in 2021.
- Ouch! Rhodes was hit by 18 pitches, tying him for the seventh-most in a single-season at UK.
- Junior OF **Cam Hill** had nine bunt hits on the season.
- Senior LHP **Mason Hazelwood**, UK's Saturday starter, missed the final nine weeks of the season after undergoing Tommy John surgery on his pitching arm. He was 3-0 with a 2.13 ERA in six games.
- Senior RHP **Sean Harney** became the only pitcher in school history to record at least six saves and start six or more games in a single season.
- Harney hit 20 batters, tying the single-season school record previously set by Brandon Weeb in 2000. Sophomore RHP **Zack Lee** hit 12, tying him with Sean Hjelle (2017) for sixth.
- Freshmen RHPs **Ryan Hagenow** and **Austin Strickland** each proved difficult to hit in their rookie seasons. Hagenow held opponents to a .195 average, the fourth-lowest for a freshman with at least 20 innings since 1979. Strickland held opponents to a .221 mark, tying him with former Freshman All-American Justin Lewis for sixth on that list.
- Hagenow finished the season 2-2 with a 3.00 ERA that ranks as the sixth-lowest for a freshman since 1979.
- Sophomore RHP **Cole Stupp** served as the Cats' Friday night starter the entire season and was excellent in his first foray into the SEC. Stupp was the inaugural SEC Newcomer of the Week (given to Covid-19 freshman) after a dominant performance vs. Missouri in his first SEC outing.
- Stupp recorded eight quality starts (6.0 IP, 3 or fewer earned runs), including five straight. In road starts at Auburn, No. 5 Miss. State, No. 20 Georgia and No. 2 Vanderbilt he pitched at least 7.0 innings in each start (29 total) with a 2.48 ERA and 23 strikeouts to just three walks.
- Team finished with highest GPA among all male teams at UK in both Fall 2020 & Spring 2021.



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## 2021 ROSTER

### NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
1	John Rhodes	OF	R/R	6-0	200	SO	Soddy Daisy, Tenn./Chattanooga Christian HS
2	Austin Schultz	IF/OF	R/R	5-9	200	JR	Adams, Neb./Norris HS
4	Zeke Lewis	IF	S/R	5-9	160	G-SR	Atlanta, Ga./Mays HS
5	T.J. Collett	1B	L/R	6-1	220	G-SR	Terre Haute, Ind./Terre Haute North Vigo HS
6	Reuben Church	IF	R/R	6-2	230	FR	Maryville, Tenn./Maryville HS
7	Drew Grace	IF	R/R	6-0	185	SO	Pottsville, Pa./Blue Mountain HS
8	Kirk Liebert	OF/C	L/R	6-0	190	JR	Owensboro, Ky./Wabash Valley CC
9	Alonzo Rubalcaba	C	R/R	6-0	200	JR	Fairfield, Calif./UCSB/Santa Barbara City College
10	Jack Hicks	IF	L/R	6-2	190	FR	Raleigh, N.C./Leesville Road HS
11	Trip Lockhart	RHP	R/R	6-3	195	SR	Lexington, Ky./Lexington Catholic HS
12	Chase Estep	IF	L/R	6-0	200	SO	Corbin, Ky./Corbin HS
13	Brendan Hord	C	R/R	5-10	210	SO	Lexington, Ky./Paul Dunbar HS
16	Cole Stupp	RHP	R/R	6-4	205	SO	Milton, Ga./Milton HS
19	Nolan McCarthy	UTIL	R/R	6-0	195	FR	Kalamazoo, Mich./Portage Northern HS
20	Braxton Cottongame	LHP	L/L	6-3	205	JR	Hazard, Ky./Perry County Central HS
21	Wyatt Hudepohl	RHP	R/R	6-4	220	FR	Mason, Ohio/St. Xavier HS
22	Dillon Marsh	LHP	L/L	6-1	220	JR	Elizabethtown, Pa./Lancaster Catholic HS
23	Houston King	OF	L/L	5-11	175	FR	Cabot, Ark./Cabot HS
24	Ryan Hagenow	RHP	R/R	6-5	220	FR	Knoxville, Tenn./Farragut HS
25	Coltyn Kessler	C	L/R	6-2	220	SR	High Ridge, Mo./Rockwood Summit HS
26	Jacob Plastiak	IF	S/R	6-3	215	JR	Chicago, Ill./Wichita State/Wabash Valley CC
28	Oraj Anu	OF	S/R	6-1	235	SR	Orlando, Fla./Wallace-Dothan CC
30	Jaren Shelby	OF	R/R	5-11	205	G-SR	Lexington, Ky./State College of Florida
31	Alex Degen	RHP	R/R	6-8	210	JR	Readington Township, N.J./Hunterdon Central HS
33	Trae Harmon	1B/DH	R/R	6-4	245	JR	Somerset, Ky./Somerset HS
34	Sean Harney	RHP	R/R	6-0	190	SR	Natick, Mass./Massachusetts
35	Cole Daniels	LHP	L/L	6-1	230	JR	Ann Arbor, Mich./Saline HS
36	Ron Cole	RHP	R/R	6-2	215	SO	Neptune City, N.J./Neptune HS
37	Cam Hill	OF	L/R	5-10	185	JR	Georgetown, Ky./Scott County HS
38	Jimmy Ramsey	RHP	L/R	6-9	255	SR	Tonka Bay, Minn./Minnetonka HS
39	Hunter Rigsby	RHP	R/R	6-4	235	JR	Mount Vernon, Ky./State College of Florida
40	Zach Kammin	RHP	R/R	6-3	195	G-SR	Woodstock, Ill./Coe College
41	Evan Byers*	LHP	L/L	5-11	180	FR	Nicholasville, Ky./Lexington Christian Academy
44	Devin Burkes	C	R/R	6-3	205	FR	Ocala, Fla./Villages Charter HS
45	Holt Jones	RHP	R/R	6-8	235	SR	Santa Monica, Calif./Clemson
46	Seth Logue	RHP	R/R	6-1	185	FR	Mason, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller HS
47	Ryan Ritter	IF	R/R	6-2	190	SO	Tinley Park, Ill./John A. Logan College
48	Zack Lee	RHP	R/R	6-4	200	SO	Effingham, Ill./Effingham HS
49	Austin Strickland	RHP	R/R	6-2	210	FR	Winchester, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller HS
50	Mason Hazelwood	LHP	L/L	6-5	225	SR	Salvisa, Ky./Mercer County HS
51	Chase Bryan	OF	R/R	6-0	215	JR	White Hall, Ark./Seminole State College
54	Daniel Harper	RHP	R/R	6-4	230	SR	Fairway, Kan./Bishop Miege HS
55	Tyler Burchett	RHP	R/R	6-5	235	JR	Airville, Pa./Red Lion Area HS

### ALPHABETICAL

28	Oraj Anu	OF
51	Chase Bryan	OF
55	Tyler Burchett	RHP
44	Devin Burkes	C
41	Evan Byers	LHP
36	Ron Cole	RHP
5	T.J. Collett	1B
20	Braxton Cottongame	LHP
6	Reuben Church	IF
35	Cole Daniels	LHP
31	Alex Degen	RHP
12	Chase Estep	IF
7	Drew Grace	IF
24	Ryan Hagenow	RHP
33	Trae Harmon	1B/DH
34	Sean Harney	RHP
54	Daniel Harper	RHP
50	Mason Hazelwood	LHP
10	Jack Hicks	IF
37	Cam Hill	OF
13	Brendan Hord	C
21	Wyatt Hudepohl	RHP
45	Holt Jones	RHP
40	Zach Kammin	RHP
25	Coltyn Kessler	C
23	Houston King	OF
48	Zack Lee	RHP
4	Zeke Lewis	IF
8	Kirk Liebert	OF/C
11	Trip Lockhart	RHP
46	Seth Logue	RHP
22	Dillon Marsh	LHP
19	Nolan McCarthy	UTIL
26	Jacob Plastiak	IF
38	Jimmy Ramsey	RHP
1	John Rhodes	OF
39	Hunter Rigsby	RHP
47	Ryan Ritter	IF
9	Alonzo Rubalcaba	C
2	Austin Schultz	IF/OF
30	Jaren Shelby	OF
49	Austin Strickland	RHP
16	Cole Stupp	RHP

### COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach:** ..... Nick Mingione (Embry-Riddle, 2000)  
**Career Record (all at Kentucky):** ..... 143-103 (.581); 5th season

**Assistant Coach/Pitching:** Dan Roszel, #15 (North Florida, 2000)  
**Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator:** Will Coggin, #17 (Mississippi State, 2010)  
**Volunteer Assistant Coach:** Todd Williams, #29 (Eastern Kentucky, 1988)  
**Director of Operations:** Brock Doud

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Oraj Anu	O-raj Uh-new
Collett	Caw-LET
Degen	Deeg-in
Estep	E-step
Guilliams	GWILL-yums
Hagenow	Hey-guh-now
Hudepohl	Hugh-duh-pole
Jaren	Jare-in
Kammin	Kuh-mean
Liebert	Lee-ber-t
Logue	Lowguh
Mingione	Min-G-own
Plastiak	Plass-T-ack
Rubalcaba	Roo-bull-caba
Zeke	Zeek



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## 2021 Kentucky Baseball Overall Statistics for Kentucky (as of May 25, 2021) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 29-23 Home: 22-13 Away: 7-9 Neutral: 0-1 Conference: 12-18

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%	
25 Coltyn Kessler	.349	46-41	152	20	53	11	0	7	25	85	.559	23	3	39	5	.439	2	2	1-1	305	18	4	.988	
2 Austin Schultz	.329	52-52	216	46	71	11	2	6	26	104	.481	20	6	54	2	.401	0	0	22-24	80	1	4	.953	
5 T.J. Collett	.301	52-52	196	39	59	10	1	16	48	119	.607	24	10	41	3	.401	2	0	1-1	394	25	4	.991	
47 Ryan Ritter	.275	52-52	178	21	49	5	1	3	20	65	.365	11	3	46	5	.323	3	6	8-8	76	123	7	.966	
28 Oraj Anu	.265	50-49	189	31	50	6	1	8	35	82	.434	12	5	51	3	.322	2	0	4-4	29	1	0	1.000	
6 Reuben Church	.260	31-26	96	14	25	7	2	2	16	42	.438	5	3	34	1	.311	2	0	0-0	10	43	2	.964	
12 Chase Estep	.252	40-39	143	14	36	9	1	0	16	47	.329	8	0	32	1	.286	3	1	5-5	41	85	5	.962	
1 John Rhodes	.251	52-52	187	47	47	15	0	11	36	95	.508	28	18	38	3	.397	1	0	7-8	97	8	0	1.000	
37 Cam Hill	.245	45-28	94	20	23	1	2	3	15	37	.394	12	8	31	0	.377	0	2	13-14	74	2	0	1.000	
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8 Kirk Liebert	.333	13-1	6	6	2	0	0	0	1	2	.333	0	0	2	0	.333	0	0	0-0	25	4	0	1.000	
33 Trae Harmon	.294	27-16	68	8	20	4	0	2	11	30	.441	11	1	23	0	.390	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	.000	
9 Alonzo Rubalcaba	.283	21-14	46	9	13	2	0	0	2	15	.326	6	2	15	1	.382	1	0	1-1	144	7	1	.993	
4 Zeke Lewis	.271	31-22	70	12	19	4	0	0	3	23	.329	4	3	15	2	.333	1	4	12-15	30	49	1	.988	
26 Jacob Plastiak	.209	23-17	67	6	14	1	0	4	12	27	.403	7	1	23	1	.289	1	0	1-1	5	10	4	.789	
30 Jaren Shelby	.111	28-4	18	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	.111	1	0	7	0	.158	0	0	1-2	15	0	1	.938	
7 Drew Grace	.071	20-3	14	3	1	0	0	0	3	1	.071	4	0	6	1	.263	1	1	0-0	10	13	0	1.000	
51 Chase Bryan	.000	4-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000	
Totals	.278	52	1740	300	484	86	10	62	270	776	.446	176	63	457	28	.362	21	16	78-86	1353	436	39	.979	
Opponents	.264	52	1747	289	461	87	12	50	273	722	.413	186	84	474	24	.358	26	13	32-42	1318	439	53	.971	

LOB - Team (398), Opp (415). DPs turned - Team (31), Opp (30). CI - Team (1), C. Kessler 1. IBB - Team (7), T. Collett 4, J. Plastiak 1, A. Schultz 1, R. Church 1, Opp (11). Picked off - Z. Lewis 1, R. Ritter 1, O. Anu 1, C. Hill 1, J. Rhodes 1, D. Grace 1, R. Church 1.

## (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bks	sfa	sha
16 Cole Stupp	4.76	4-5	13	13	0	0/1	0	75.2	92	45	40	15	71	14	3	6	.297	2	8	0	4	1
48 Zack Lee	5.31	4-6	13	13	1	1/0	0	57.2	69	36	34	21	49	19	2	4	.303	5	12	0	4	1
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50 Mason Hazelwood	2.13	3-0	6	5	0	0/1	0	25.1	21	7	6	9	32	5	1	1	.228	0	0	1	1	1
24 Ryan Hagenow	3.00	2-2	9	7	0	0/0	0	24.0	17	12	8	15	28	5	0	1	.195	6	7	0	2	0
34 Sean Harney	3.69	3-2	18	6	0	0/0	6	46.1	43	22	19	17	58	7	0	8	.244	1	20	1	1	0
49 Austin Strickland	4.24	1-1	16	1	0	0/1	0	23.1	19	18	11	11	34	2	1	4	.221	1	8	0	1	1
22 Dillon Marsh	4.34	0-1	14	2	0	0/0	0	29.0	24	15	14	5	30	4	1	4	.220	1	3	0	1	1
54 Daniel Harper	4.35	4-1	23	0	0	0/1	0	31.0	27	16	15	13	30	5	1	3	.239	3	1	1	4	3
31 Alex Degen	4.43	2-1	11	1	0	0/1	0	20.1	23	11	10	7	21	3	0	2	.280	0	4	0	3	1
21 Wyatt Hudepohl	5.23	0-0	16	1	0	0/1	0	20.2	23	15	12	11	11	4	0	2	.277	7	1	0	0	0
45 Holt Jones	5.72	1-0	20	1	0	0/0	1	28.1	28	19	18	10	26	7	1	4	.267	5	6	0	3	2
35 Cole Daniels	6.11	1-3	18	0	0	0/1	0	17.2	16	15	12	15	20	5	0	1	.242	4	3	0	0	1
46 Seth Logue	6.43	1-0	12	0	0	0/3	2	14.0	14	11	10	12	24	1	1	2	.264	4	1	0	1	0
38 Jimmy Ramsey	7.02	2-0	14	0	0	0/0	0	16.2	21	18	13	8	14	5	0	3	.292	4	4	1	1	0
39 Hunter Rigsby	10.12	0-0	9	0	0	0/0	2	8.0	11	11	9	4	8	0	1	2	.333	3	1	0	0	1
40 Zach Kammin	11.08	1-1	8	2	0	0/1	0	13.0	13	18	16	13	18	1	0	3	.250	2	5	0	0	0
Totals	4.93	29-23	52	52	1	4/3	11	451.0	461	289	247	186	474	87	12	50	.264	48	84	4	26	13
Opponents	5.31	23-29	52	52	1	1/0	12	439.1	484	300	259	176	457	86	10	62	.278	48	63	7	21	16

PB - Team (5), C. Kessler 3, K. Liebert 1, A. Rubalcaba 1, Opp (8). Pickoffs - Team (6), C. Kessler 2, M. Hazelwood 2, C. Daniels 1, C. Stupp 1, Opp (7). SBA/ATT - C. Kessler (22-27), A. Rubalcaba (10-11), C. Stupp (5-6), H. Jones (3-6), M. Hazelwood (4-5), S. Logue (3-4), R. Hagenow (3-3), A. Strickland (2-3), H. Rigsby (2-2), Z. Lee (1-2), W. Hudepohl (1-2), S. Harney (2-2), C. Daniels (2-2), J. Ramsey (1-1), D. Marsh (0-1), A. Degen (1-1), D. Harper (1-1), K. Liebert (0-1), Z. Kammin



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## 2021 Kentucky Baseball Conference statistics for Kentucky (as of May 28, 2021) (Conference games only Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 12-18 Home: 6-9 Away: 6-9 Conference: 12-18

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%	
25 Coltyn Kessler	.339	30-30	109	17	37	7	0	6	17	62	.569	17	3	30	3	.438	1	1	1-1	222	12	1	.996	
5 T.J. Collett	.314	30-30	118	24	37	5	0	10	26	72	.610	13	5	23	3	.404	0	0	0-0	248	16	2	.992	
2 Austin Schultz	.288	30-30	125	24	36	4	1	3	13	51	.408	10	4	38	1	.360	0	0	11-13	56	0	2	.966	
1 John Rhodes	.239	30-30	109	26	26	6	0	6	17	50	.459	15	9	25	1	.376	0	0	5-6	56	5	0	1.000	
28 Oraj Anu	.234	29-29	111	13	26	4	0	5	19	45	.405	6	2	34	2	.283	1	0	1-1	19	1	0	1.000	
37 Cam Hill	.232	25-17	56	12	13	0	2	1	9	20	.357	5	5	18	0	.348	0	2	9-10	46	2	0	1.000	
47 Ryan Ritter	.231	30-30	104	10	24	2	0	1	7	29	.279	7	1	31	3	.278	3	3	6-6	39	74	3	.974	
12 Chase Estep	.211	28-28	95	6	20	7	0	0	11	27	.284	6	0	20	1	.250	3	1	4-4	32	59	5	.948	
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4 Zeke Lewis	.316	16-11	38	4	12	2	0	0	0	14	.368	1	3	7	0	.381	0	2	7-8	15	33	0	1.000	
26 Jacob Plastiak	.262	15-11	42	5	11	0	0	3	9	20	.476	5	1	12	0	.347	1	0	1-1	2	8	1	.909	
9 Alonzo Rubalcaba	.250	4-2	8	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.250	0	0	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	17	1	0	1.000	
6 Reuben Church	.174	17-13	46	5	8	1	0	1	6	12	.261	3	1	22	1	.235	1	0	0-0	6	22	2	.933	
33 Trae Harmon	.121	11-8	33	2	4	0	0	0	2	4	.121	4	0	12	0	.216	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000	
30 Jaren Shelby	.111	15-1	9	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.111	0	0	5	0	.111	0	0	1-2	4	0	0	1.000	
7 Drew Grace	.000	8-0	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	1	0	3	0	.167	0	0	0-0	3	3	0	1.000	
8 Kirk Liebert	.000	5-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000	
Totals	.255	30	1008	153	257	38	3	36	137	409	.406	93	34	282	15	.335	10	9	46-52	774	260	20	.981	
Opponents	.291	30	1026	205	299	49	9	36	195	474	.462	119	49	236	14	.384	22	8	20-27	784	258	30	.972	

LOB - Team (217), Opp (245). DPs turned - Team (20), Opp (17). IBB - Team (6), T. Collett 4, J. Plastiak 1, R. Church 1, Opp (11). Picked off - C. Hill 1, R. Ritter 1, O. Anu 1, J. Rhodes 1, Z. Lewis 1.

## (Conference games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bks	sfa	sha
34 Sean Harney	4.73	2-1	9	5	0	0/0	1	32.1	30	17	17	11	40	5	0	6	.242	1	14	1	0	0
16 Cole Stupp	5.64	2-5	10	10	0	0/0	0	59.0	78	42	37	13	55	12	3	6	.315	2	6	0	4	0
48 Zack Lee	5.70	3-5	10	10	1	1/0	0	42.2	55	29	27	19	30	14	2	4	.324	2	6	0	4	0
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50 Mason Hazelwood	4.50	0-0	2	2	0	0/0	0	8.0	8	5	4	3	3	1	1	0	.267	0	0	0	1	0
22 Dillon Marsh	5.40	0-1	9	1	0	0/0	0	21.2	20	13	13	4	18	2	1	3	.241	0	1	0	1	1
31 Alex Degen	5.54	1-1	7	0	0	0/0	0	13.0	16	9	8	6	12	3	0	1	.302	0	2	0	3	1
49 Austin Strickland	5.68	1-1	10	0	0	0/0	0	12.2	14	13	8	7	18	1	1	2	.286	1	5	0	1	1
21 Wyatt Hudepohl	6.00	0-0	6	0	0	0/0	0	9.0	11	9	6	5	1	1	0	2	.297	5	0	0	0	0
35 Cole Daniels	6.23	0-1	7	0	0	0/0	0	4.1	8	6	3	8	6	3	0	0	.348	3	1	0	0	0
54 Daniel Harper	6.61	3-1	13	0	0	0/0	0	16.1	16	13	12	9	16	3	0	3	.276	2	0	0	3	3
40 Zach Kammin	8.22	0-0	4	0	0	0/0	0	7.2	4	8	7	7	6	0	0	3	.148	2	3	0	0	0
45 Holt Jones	8.74	0-0	9	0	0	0/0	1	11.1	13	11	11	6	9	2	1	3	.317	3	3	0	3	1
24 Ryan Hagenow	9.64	0-2	2	2	0	0/0	0	4.2	3	5	5	7	7	1	0	0	.200	0	4	0	2	0
39 Hunter Rigsby	10.12	0-0	6	0	0	0/0	1	5.1	6	8	6	4	4	0	0	1	.300	3	1	0	0	1
38 Jimmy Ramsey	10.29	0-0	6	0	0	0/0	0	7.0	11	11	8	5	6	1	0	2	.333	4	2	1	0	0
46 Seth Logue	18.00	0-0	5	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	6	6	6	5	5	0	0	0	.400	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	6.21	12-18	30	30	1	1/0	3	258.0	299	205	178	119	236	49	9	36	.291	29	49	2	22	8
Opponents	4.51	18-12	30	30	1	1/0	8	261.1	257	153	131	93	282	38	3	36	.255	30	34	1	10	9

PB - Team (2), C. Kessler 2, Opp (6). Pickoffs - Team (3), C. Stupp 1, C. Kessler 1, M. Hazelwood 1, Opp (5). SBA/ATT - C. Kessler (18-22), C. Stupp (4-5), H. Jones (1-3), M. Hazelwood (2-3), A Strickland (2-3), S. Harney (2-2), R. Hagenow (2-2), A. Rubalcaba (2-2), Z. Lee (1-2), A. Degen (1-1), D. Marsh (0-1), H. Rigsby (1-1), S. Logue (1-1), C. Daniels (1-1), W. Hudepohl (1-1), D. Harper (1-1).



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# 5

## T.J. COLLETT



### 2021

- Senior CLASS Award winner
- NCBWA National Player of the Week (4/26/21)
- Collegiate Baseball co-National Player of the Week (4/26/21)
- SEC co-Player of the Week (4/26/21)
- Bobby Bragan Collegiate Slugger Award nominee
- First-Team Preseason All-America, DH (Perfect Game, 2021)
- First-Team Preseason All-SEC, DH (Perfect Game, 2021)
- First-Team Coaches Preseason All-SEC, 1B (2021)

### 2020

- 2020 UK Athletics "Mr. Wildcat"
- SEC Co-Player of the Week (3/9/20)
- Perfect Game National Player of the Week (3/9/20)
- Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week (3/9/20)
- SEC Brad Davis Community Service Leader Award (2020)
- 2020 UK Athletics Frank G. Ham Society of Character Inductee
- No. 26 First Baseman (D1Baseball)
- Perfect Game Preseason All-SEC, 1B (2020)
- Perfect Game No. 7 senior in nation (2020)

### 2019

- All-Cape Cod League Team (2019)
- Cape Cod League All-Star (2019)
- Cape Cod League Home Run Derby (2019)
- Rocket Mortgage by Quicken Loans College Home Run Derby (2019)
- No. 9 corner infield prospect, Cape Cod League (D1Baseball, 2019)
- SEC Player of the Week (4/15/19)
- Coaches Preseason First-Team All-SEC (2019)
- 2019 Draft SEC Prospect, No. 33 (D1 Baseball)

### 2018

- Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week (2/26/18)
- Perfect Game Collegiate Summer League All-Star (2017)
- Perfect Game Collegiate Summer League Player of the Week (2017)
- No. 1 Perfect Game Collegiate Summer League Prospect (Baseball America)

### OTHER

- SEC Academic Honor Roll (2018, 2019, 2020)
- SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll (2017)
- Drafted in the 40th round of the 2016 MLB Draft (Minnesota Twins)

Rank	Player	Years	Home Runs
1	John Wilson	1998-2000	50
2	T.J. Collett	2017-2021	42
3	AJ Reed	2012-2014	40
4	Aaron McGlone	1997-2000	39
5	Collin Cowgill	2005-06, 2008	37
	Jeff Abbott	1991-1994	37
	Randy Clark	1984-1985	37

### UK CAREER RBI

1. Aaron McGlone (1997-2000) - 177
2. AJ Reed (2012-14) - 168
3. Mike Botkin (1979-82) - 162
4. Mitch Knox (1986-87) - 157
5. Jay Tedesco (1994-97) - 155  
Brad Hindersman (1991-94) - 155  
Rick Norton (1988-91) - 155
8. John Wilson (1998-2000) - 154
9. Darin Rieman (1988-90) - 151
- 10. T.J. COLLETT (2017-21) - 145**
11. Collin Cowgill (2005-06, 08) - 140
12. Sawyer Carroll (2007-08) - 139

### UK CAREER 100-HIT CLUB

1. Andy Green (1997-2000) - 277
2. Aaron McGlone (1997-2000) - 274
3. Mike Botkin (1979-82) - 241
4. Evan White (2015-17) - 233  
Spencer Graeter (2001-04) - 233
- ...
20. John Shelby (2004-06) - 177
21. Kyle Barrett (2013-15) - 174
22. Sawyer Carroll (2007-08) - 173
23. Riley Mahan (2015-17) - 172
24. Collin Cowgill (2005-06,08) - 171
25. J.T. Riddle (2011-13) - 170
- 26. T.J. COLLETT (2017-21) - 163**
27. Kole Cottam (2016-18) - 162
28. Matt Reida (2011-14) - 161
29. Billy Grace (2004-07) - 160
30. Chris Bisson (2008-10) - 157
31. Thomas McCarthy (2011-12) - 153  
Braden Kapetyn (2009-11) - 153
33. JaVon Shelby (2014-16) - 150
34. Luke Becker (2016-18) - 148  
Ka'ai Tom (2014-15) - 148
36. Sean Coughlin (2006-07) - 142
37. Zach Reks (2016-17) - 137
38. Max Kuhn (2012-14) - 133
- 39. AUSTIN SCHULTZ (2019-21) - 131**



T.J. Collett is the winner of the 2021 Senior CLASS Award for baseball, which honors the senior who most excelled as a student-athlete both on and off the field of play.

Collett, from Terre Haute, Indiana, has exemplified Kentucky baseball's core values of being a student, person and player through his talent on the field and commitment to the betterment of others off it. He recently earned his master's degree in communication after completing his undergraduate degree in communication in May 2020.

To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I senior and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition. An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School®, the Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.

Collett credited his time at Kentucky for helping him delve deeper into his desire to helping others.

"My experience at the University of Kentucky has prepared me for whatever life throws at me," Collett said. "First, the standard set in our program by the coaches on the field has taught me what it means to give all that I have for my teammates. Second, the academic support given to me throughout my undergraduate degree and master program allowed me to realize my full potential outside of sports. My education was a constant reminder that being a baseball player was just a small part of who I am as a person.

"Lastly, the athletics department and coaching staff welcomed my dream and vision of helping children with cancer in partnership with The Jessie Rees Foundation. It shows what our program stands for and believes in. Ultimately, I learned that confidence in yourself comes from within and who you surround yourself with. The University of Kentucky has provided me the confidence to be great in all aspects of life."

Collett proved to be one of the nation's premier power hitters during his career and he passed 2014 Golden Spikes Award winner and fellow Terre Haute native AJ Reed for second on UK's career home run list with 42. The 6-foot-1, 220-pounder is a three-time National and Southeastern Conference Player of the Week who has hit .280 with 71 extra-base hits, 145 RBI and a .549 slugging percentage in 170 career games. He also ranks in UK's top 10 for career RBI.

Collett also has starred off the field while at UK, being named the athletic department's Mr. Wildcat and being inducted into the prestigious Frank G. Ham Society of Character for his work in the community. He is a 2020 SEC Brad Davis Community Service Award recipient and a two-time member of the SEC Community Service Team who has been instrumental in UK baseball's community outreach and service initiatives. He is heavily involved with the NEGU/Jessie Rees Foundation, whose mission is connecting with families of young cancer patients, bringing awareness to their stories, offering them a network of helpful resources and sending the entire family encouragement throughout their journey.

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## AUSTIN SCHULTZ

### SPARK PLUG

KENTUCKY HAS WON ITS PAST 16 GAMES IN WHICH AUSTIN SCHULTZ HAS SCORED TWO OR MORE RUNS AND IS 18-3 IN SUCH GAMES DURING HIS CAREER.

Schultz has reached base safely in 100 of 110 career games with a plate appearance, evidence of an elite ability to get on base.

Among active Division I-A players, Schultz has the second-highest percentage of career games in which he's reached safely (min. 75 games):

1. Tyler McDonough (NC State) - 92.8
- 2. Austin Schultz (Kentucky) - 90.9**
3. Ryan Bliss (Auburn) - 87.8
4. Tyler Jorgensen (CSU Bakersfield) - 85.1

Schultz has a hit in 83 of those 110 career games and ranks third in that category (min. 75 games):

1. Tyler McDonough (NC State) - 78.3
2. Ryan Bliss (Auburn) - 75.6
- 3. Austin Schultz (Kentucky) - 75.5**
4. Tyler Jorgensen (CSU Bakersfield) - 75.5



### UK CAREER STOLEN BASES

1. Chad Green (1994-96) - 126
2. Andy Green (1997-2000) - 81
3. Paul Blandford (1995-96) - 66  
Terry Shumpert (1986-87) - 66
5. Beau Moore (1998-2001) - 56
6. Chris Bisson (2008-10) - 48  
Austin Cousino (2012-14) - 48
8. Anthony Morrow (1989-90) - 47
9. John Shelby (2004-06) - 42  
Jeff Michael (1990-93) - 42
11. Chad Wright (2009-11) - 38  
Billy White (1988-89) - 38
- 13. AUSTIN SCHULTZ (2019-21) - 37**

**AUSTIN SCHULTZ**  
#2 | JUNIOR | OUTFIELDER | ADAMS, NEB.

.329	71	46	19	22
AVG	H	R	XBH	SB

### 2021 MULTI-HIT GAMES

SEC leaders in multi-hit games during regular season:

1. Ryan Bliss (Auburn) - 26
- 2. AUSTIN SCHULTZ (UK) - 24**
3. Liam Spence (Tennessee) - 23
4. Dominic Keegan (Vanderbilt) - 22
5. Zane Denton (Alabama) - 21
6. Nathan Hickey (Florida) - 20  
Jacob Young (Florida) - 20

### UK CAREER 100-HIT CLUB

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Brian Spear (2007-08) - 130







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## COLTYN KESSLER

#25 | SENIOR | CATCHER | HIGH RIDGE, MO.

.349	11	7	25	.998
AVG	2B	HR	RBI	OPS

- Top 10 in SEC in average & on-base percentage
- Led all SEC catchers in average, slugging, OBP
- 16 multi-hit games in 2021
- Reached safely in 36 of last 40 games
- Had a hit in 17 of last 21 games
- Buster Posey Collegiate Catcher of Year semifinalist



KENTUCKY AWARD CANDIDATE



## RYAN RITTER

#47 | SOPHOMORE | INFILDER | TINLEY PARK, ILL.

21	49	21	8	9
R	H	RBI	SB	XBH

- 13 multi-hit games in 2021
- 8 multi-hit games in SEC play
- Six-RBI game at No. 5 Louisville
- 6-for-6 on steals in SEC play
- Only Wildcat with 4-hit game in 2021





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**JOHN RHODES**

#1 | SOPHOMORE | OUTFIELDER | SODDY DAISY, TENN.

47	15	11	36	46
R	2B	HR	RBI	BB/HBP

- Led team in runs, doubles, HBP (17) and walks (28)
- 12 multi-hit and 10 multi-RBI games
- 38 XBH in 69 career games
- Eight outfield assists in 2021 (leads D-I)
- Drew walk and/or HBP in 34 games

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**ORAJ ANU**

#28 | SENIOR | OUTFIELDER | ORLANDO, FLA.

31	50	35	15	4
R	H	RBI	XBH	SB

- 14 multi-hit games in 2021
- 8 multi-RBI games in 2021
- 82 total bases in 2021
- Homered from both sides on plate during his career
- 20 XBH in 67 career games





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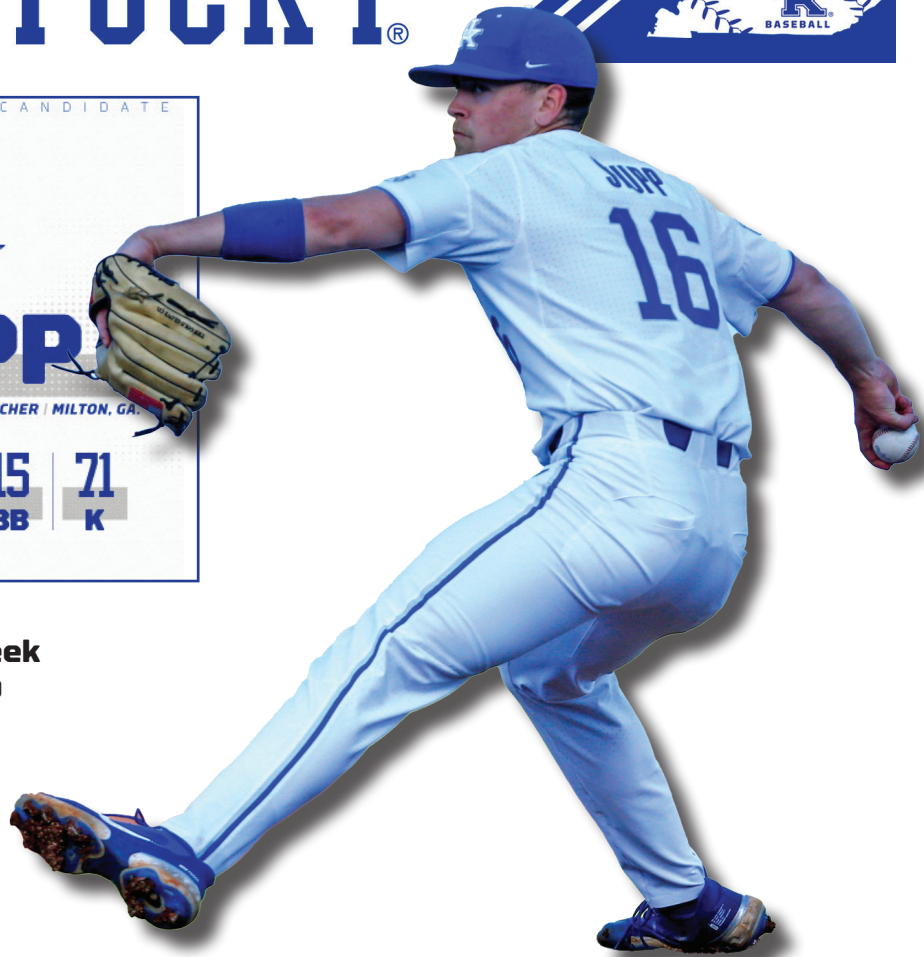


*COLE*  
**STUPP**

#16 | SOPHOMORE | RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER | MILTON, GA.

75.2	13	4	15	71
IP	GS	W	BB	K

- Logged eight quality starts
- Named inaugural SEC Newcomer of Week
- In first three road SEC starts went 2-0 with 2.45 ERA (22 IP, 6 R, 2 BB, 18 K)
- Had nearly 5:1 strikeout-to-walk ratio




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*SEAN*  
**HARNEY**

#34 | SENIOR | RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER | NATICK, MASS.

3-2	6	46.1	58	3.69
W/L	SV	IP	K	ERA

- Led the team with six saves
- Opened season as closer and saved five of first 10 wins
- Became just third pitcher in school history to record at least five saves and five starts in same season



## THIEVES OF THE INDUSTRY

- The Cats stole 78 bases in 86 attempts.
- They have the highest success rate (90.7) of any Division I-A team with 50+ stolen bases.
- The Cats were successful on their first 33 stolen base attempts, the most consecutive steals to open a season in school season and longest streak in D-I this season.
- In five years under coach Nick Mingione the Wildcats have swiped 309 bases in 415 attempts, a success rate of 74.5 percent.





## 2021 SPLITS

	G	AVG.	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	K	SB
<b>OVERALL</b>	52	.278	300	484	86	10	62	270	176	457	78
<b>SEC</b>	30	.255	153	257	38	3	36	137	93	282	46
<b>NON-SEC</b>	22	.310	147	227	48	7	26	133	83	175	32
<b>HOME</b>	35	.294	217	337	60	10	42	195	123	273	57
<b>AWAY</b>	16	.244	82	136	23	0	20	74	51	173	20
<b>NEUTRAL</b>	1	.289	1	11	3	0	0	1	2	11	1
<b>DAY</b>	29	.284	169	267	49	9	39	152	104	242	41
<b>NIGHT</b>	23	.271	131	217	37	1	23	118	72	215	37
<b>WINS</b>	29	.322	221	315	63	9	42	199	109	220	55
<b>LOSSES</b>	23	.221	79	169	23	1	20	71	67	237	23
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	4	.314	28	37	11	1	5	24	12	22	8
<b>MARCH</b>	18	.297	114	180	33	7	20	105	76	146	25
<b>APRIL</b>	18	.274	110	166	25	1	28	100	57	169	21
<b>MAY</b>	12	.246	48	91	17	1	9	41	31	120	24

### COLLETT'S COMMUNITY SERVICE

One of the tenets of Mingione's philosophy for the UK program is that young men in it are students first, people second and players third. Senior 1B T.J. Collett was named the SEC's 2020 Brad Davis Community Service Award. He also is a two-time member of the SEC Community Service Team and is was inducted into UK's prestigious Frank G. Ham Society of Character. He is the winner of the 2021 Senior CLASS Award.

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### SHELBY CONTINUES FAMILY TRADITION

When UK began recruiting Jaren Shelby it had history and location on its side. The senior outfielder hailed from Lexington, played his prep baseball just down the street at Tates Creek High School and had spent much of his childhood watching older brothers John III and JaVon putting up big numbers for the Wildcats. The first family of Lexington baseball, which includes patriarch John Shelby, had a deep connection to the blue and white that proved to be too much for Jaren. John III played at UK from 2004-06, was on the program's first SEC championship team and served as a student assistant coach in 2018, while JaVon wore blue from 2014-16. That makes nine of the past 18 seasons a member of the family has been on the roster with no overlap.

### TRANSFER OF POWER

The Cats needed an infusion of experience on the mound to help mentor the talented young arms and found three experienced power arms in transfers Sean Harney (UMass), Holt Jones (Clemson) and Zach Kammin (Coe College). Each of the three has provided quality innings and can serve in a variety of roles. Harney is only the third pitcher in school history to record at least five saves and start five games in the same season, joining Kyle Cody (6 starts, five saves in 2014) and Adam Shadburne (8 starts, 5 saves in 1996) to accomplish that feat. Harney has six saves and five starts.

### MULTI-HIT GAMES

PLAYER	2021	CAREER
AUSTIN SCHULTZ	24	39
T.J. COLLETT	17	44
COLTYN KESSLER	16	28
ORAJ ANU	14	18
RYAN RITTER	13	13
JOHN RHODES	12	21
CHASE ESTEP	9	11
TRAE HARMON	8	11
REUBEN CHURCH	8	8
CAM HILL	6	16
ZEKE LEWIS	5	14
JACOB PLASTIAK	3	3
ALONZO RUBALCABA	3	3
JAREN SHELBY	0	15
DREW GRACE	0	1

### MULTI-RBI GAMES

PLAYER	2021	CAREER
T.J. COLLETT	14	41
JOHN RHODES	10	16
ORAJ ANU	8	10
COLTYN KESSLER	7	15
AUSTIN SCHULTZ	5	12
CAM HILL	5	8
JACOB PLASTIAK	4	4
TRAE HARMON	3	7
CHASE ESTEP	3	4
REUBEN CHURCH	3	3
RYAN RITTER	3	3
JAREN SHELBY	0	11
ZEKE LEWIS	0	3
DREW GRACE	0	1

### CURRENT HIT/REACH BASE STREAKS

<i>(listed alphabetically; *career)</i>			
PLAYER	LONGEST*	CURRENT	REACH SAFE
ANU	6	-	-
COLLETT	13	3	3
CHURCH	10	-	-
ESTEP	6	-	-
GRACE	1	-	-
HARMON	3	-	-
HILL	5	1	1
HORD	1	1	1
KESSLER	11	2	2
LEWIS	7	1	1
LIEBERT	1	1	1
PLASTIAK	4	-	3
RHODES	10	1	17
RITTER	5	1	3
RUBALCABA	4	1	1
SCHULTZ	14	3	3
SHELBY	5	-	-



## WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME...

WON A SERIES VS. A No. 1 RANKED FOE:	vs. No. 1 FLORIDA (2016)
WON A SERIES VS. A TOP 5 FOE:	vs. No. 3 TEXAS TECH, 2-1 (MARCH 9-11, 2018)
WON A SERIES VS. TEAM RANKED NO. 6-10:	AT No. 10 OLE MISS, 2-1 (APRIL 12-14, 2019)
WON A ROAD SERIES VS. RANKED OPPONENT:	AT No. 10 OLE MISS, 2-1 (APRIL 12-14, 2019)
<b>SWEPT A HOME SERIES (THREE OR MORE GAMES):</b>	<b>vs. GEORGIA STATE (MARCH 12-14, 2021)</b>
<b>SWEPT A ROAD SERIES (THREE OR MORE GAMES):</b>	<b>AT AUBURN (MARCH 26-27, 2021)</b>
<b>DEFEATED A TOP 5 / TOP 10 OPPONENT:</b>	<b>AT No. 2 VANDERBILT, 7-5, MAY 22, 2021</b>
RECORDED A TRIPLE PLAY:	vs. LOUISVILLE (APRIL 18, 2017; 7-2-6)
PLAYED AN EXTRA-INNING GAME:	10 INNINGS, AT AUBURN; W, 8-6 (MARCH 26, 2021)
SCORED 20 OR MORE RUNS IN A GAME:	21, vs. APPALACHIAN STATE (FEB. 22, 2020)
HIT SIX HOME RUNS IN A GAME (SEE BELOW FOR 7 HR)	AT WESTERN KENTUCKY (APRIL 23, 2019; BOWLING GREEN BALLPARK)
<b>HIT SEVEN HOME RUNS IN A GAME:</b>	<b>vs. ALABAMA (APRIL 25, 2020)</b>
HIT FOUR HOME RUNS IN AN INNING:	8TH, vs. DAYTON (FEB. 21, 2016)
DREW 10 OR MORE WALKS IN A GAME:	10, vs. CANISIUS (MARCH 2, 2019)
GOT HIT BY 10 OR MORE PITCHES IN A GAME:	10, vs. MONMOUTH (MARCH 6, 2010) * TIED NCAA RECORD
HIT BY THREE OR MORE PITCHES IN A GAME (PLAYER):	MATT GOLDA (3, vs. APPALACHIAN STATE, FEB. 22, 2020)
STOLE EIGHT BASES IN A GAME:	AT AUBURN (APRIL 25, 2010)
<b>STOLE 30 OR MORE CONSECUTIVE BASES AS TEAM:</b>	<b>33, 2021 (OPENED THE SEASON 33-FOR-33)</b>
TIED A GAME:	vs. LSU (MARCH 25, 2007)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A HOME RUN:	AUSTIN SCHULTZ (AT VANDERBILT, MAY 22, 2021)
LED OFF A GAME WITH A TRIPLE:	AUSTIN SCHULTZ (vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, MARCH 2, 2021)
HIT A GRAND SLAM:	AUSTIN SCHULTZ (vs. OAKLAND, MARCH 8, 2020)
HIT A WALK-OFF HOME RUN:	JOHN RHODES (vs. MURRAY STATE, SOLO HR, 9TH INNING, 2 OUTS, MARCH 4, 2020)
HIT AN EXTRA-INNING, GAME-WINNING HOME RUN:	DORIAN HAIRSTON (vs. SOUTH CAROLINA, MAY 8, 2016)
<b>HIT TWO HOME RUNS IN A GAME:</b>	<b>JOHN RHODES (AT TENNESSEE, APRIL 30, 2021)</b>
HIT TWO HOME RUNS IN AN INNING:	AJ REED (vs. ST. JOSEPH'S, FEB. 21, 2014)
HIT FIVE HOMERS IN A THREE-GAME SPAN:	AJ REED (FEB. 21-23, 2014)
<b>HIT THREE HOME RUNS IN A GAME:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 23, 2021)</b>
HIT A NINTH-INNING, PINCH-HIT HOMER:	RILEY MAHAN (AT LSU, MARCH 29, 2015)
HIT A HOME RUN ON HIS BIRTHDAY:	LUKE BECKER (vs. SOUTH CAROLINA, APRIL 8, 2018)
<b>HAD A WALK-OFF WIN:</b>	<b>vs. BUTLER, 6-5, NINE INNINGS, COLTYN KESSLER TWO-RUN DOUBLE (MARCH 23, 2021)</b>
<b>HAD A WALK-OFF HIT OR WALK (NON-HR):</b>	<b>COLTYN KESSLER TWO-RUN DOUBLE, vs. BUTLER, 6-5, NINE INNINGS (MARCH 23, 2021)</b>
HAD A WALK-OFF GRAND SLAM:	RILEY MAHAN (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 9, 2016)
HIT AN INSIDE THE PARK HOMER:	RILEY MAHAN (AT LSU, vs. APRIL 4, 2015)
<b>HOMERED IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES:</b>	<b>JACOB PLASTIAK (AT TENNESSEE, APRIL 29-30, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE GAMES:</b>	<b>COLTYN KESSLER (vs. ALABAMA, APR. 25 (DH); vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, APR. 27, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APR. 25 (DOUBLEHEADER), AT TENNESSEE, APR. 29, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE GAMES:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. GEORGIA STATE, MAR. 12-14; vs. MURRAY STATE, MAR. 16, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:</b>	<b>RILEY MAHAN (vs. GEORGIA, MAY 6-7, vs. TENNESSEE, MAY 12-13, 2017)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN FIVE CONSECUTIVE SEC GAMES:</b>	<b>AJ REED (vs. FLORIDA, APRIL 4-6, vs. MISSOURI, APRIL 11-12, 2014)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN CONSECUTIVE AT BATS:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 25, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE AT BATS:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 25, 2021)</b>
<b>HOMERED IN FIRST AT-BAT OF THE SEASON:</b>	<b>ORAJ ANU, T.J. COLLETT AND CAM HILL (vs. MIAMI [OHIO], FEB. 23, 2021)</b>
HOMERED FOR FIRST CAREER HIT:	DALTON REED AND JAREN SHELBY (AT AUSTIN PEAY, FEB. 15, 2019)
HOMERED IN FIRST AT-BAT OF THEIR CAREER:	DALTON REED (AT AUSTIN PEAY, FEB. 15, 2019)
HOMERED IN FIRST HOME AT BAT OF THEIR CAREER (GS):	AJ REED (vs. BUFFALO, FEB. 24, 2012)
HOMERED IN FINAL HOME AT BAT OF THEIR CAREER (GS):	MARCUS NIDIFFER (vs. LSU, MAY 16, 2010)
<b>HIT BACK-TO-BACK HOME RUNS (TEAM):</b>	<b>COLTYN KESSLER AND ORAJ ANU (vs. FLORIDA, MAY 8, 2021)</b>
<b>HIT THREE CONSECUTIVE HOME RUNS (TEAM):</b>	<b>LANCE RAY, BRADEN KAPTEYN AND MARCUS NIDIFFER (AT INDIANA, MAY 11, 2010)</b>
SCORED SIX OR MORE RUNS IN A GAME:	ANDY BURNS (vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE, APRIL 19, 2009)
<b>REACHED BASE SAFELY IN 8+ PLATE APPEARANCES:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT, 3 HITS, 4 WALKS, 1 HBP (AT MISS. STATE AND LOUISVILLE, APRIL 3 AND 6, 2021)</b>
HAD A HIT IN SEVEN CONSECUTIVE OFFICIAL AT BATS:	RYAN SHINN (AT AUSTIN PEAY AND AT TEXAS TECH, FEB. 17-23, 2019)
HAD FIVE HITS IN A GAME:	RILEY MAHAN (vs. LSU, APRIL 21, 2017)
HAD SIX OR MORE HITS IN A GAME:	JT RIDDLE, 6 (vs. NIAGARA, FEB. 17, 2013)
<b>HAD FIVE RBI IN A GAME:</b>	<b>T.J. COLLETT (vs. ALABAMA, APRIL 25, 2021)</b>
<b>HAD SIX RBI IN A GAME:</b>	<b>RYAN RITTER (AT LOUISVILLE, APRIL 6, 2021)</b>
HAD SEVEN RBI IN A GAME:	JAVON SHELBY (AT GEORGIA, MARCH 20, 2016)
HAD EIGHT RBI IN A GAME:	LUKE BECKER (vs. MIAMI, OH, MARCH 12, 2017)
HIT HOME RUNS FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE PLATE:	ORAJ ANU (vs. CINCINNATI, MARCH 3, 2020)
<b>STOLE THREE OR MORE BASES IN A GAME:</b>	<b>CAM HILL (3, vs. FLORIDA, MAY 7, 2021)</b>
STOLE FIVE OR MORE BASES IN A GAME:	JAREN SHELBY (5, vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY, FEB. 26, 2019)
WALKED FOUR OR MORE TIMES IN A GAME:	RYAN JOHNSON (vs. INDIANA, MAY 7, 2019)
<b>STRUCK OUT 10 OR MORE IN A GAME:</b>	<b>COLE STUPP (10, vs. MISSOURI, MAR. 19, 2021)</b>
PITCHED A NINE-INNING COMPLETE GAME:	ZACK THOMPSON (AT FLORIDA, APRIL 27, 2019)
PITCHED A NINE-INNING SHUTOUT:	ZACK THOMPSON (vs. GEORGIA, MARCH 29, 2019)
PITCHED A NO-HITTER:	TOM BANNON (vs. GEORGIA STATE, MARCH 16, 1971; W, 3-1 IN 7 INNINGS; SEASON OPENER)



## UK CAREER 100-HIT CLUB

Three current Wildcats - T.J. Collett, Coltyn Kessler and Austin Schultz - each have become members of the program's career 100-Hit Club.

1. Andy Green (1997-2000) - 277
2. Aaron McGlone (1997-2000) - 274
3. Mike Botkin (1979-82) - 241
4. Evan White (2015-17) - 233
- Spencer Graeter (2001-04) - 233

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### **26. T.J. COLLETT (2017-21) - 163**

27. Kole Cottam (2016-18) - 162
28. Matt Reida (2011-14) - 161
29. Billy Grace (2004-07) - 160
30. Chris Bisson (2008-10) - 157
31. Thomas McCarthy (2011-12) - 153
- Braden Kapetyn (2009-11) - 153
33. JaVon Shelby (2014-16) - 150
34. Luke Becker (2016-18) - 148
- Ka'ai Tom (2014-15) - 148
36. Sean Coughlin (2006-07) - 142
37. Zach Reks (2016-17) - 137
38. Max Kuhn (2012-14) - 133

### **39. AUSTIN SCHULTZ (2019-21) - 131**

40. Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 130
- Brian Spear (2007-08) - 130
42. Mike Breyman (2003-04) - 127
43. Chad Stewart (2003-04) - 125
44. Chris Wade (2008-09) - 123
45. Taylor Black (2010-11) - 121
- Marcus Nidiffer (2007-10) - 121
47. Michael Williams (2009-12) - 119
48. Troy Squires (2015-18) - 118
49. Gunner Glad (2009-10) - 115
50. Marcus Carson (2014-17) - 112

### **51. COLTYN KESSLER (2018-21) - 111**

- Shaun Lehmann (2005-06) - 111
53. Storm Wilson (2014-17) - 109
54. Micheal Thomas (2011-14) - 107
55. Connor Heady (2014-17) - 106

## 2021 HONORS

### T.J. COLLETT (G-Sr., 1B)

- SENIOR CLASS AWARD WINNER (2021)
- NATIONAL CO-PLAYER OF THE WEEK (COLLEGIATE BASEBALL, 4/26/21)
- NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE WEEK (NCBWA, 4/27/21)
- SEC CO-PLAYER OF THE WEEK; APRIL 26, 2021

### ALEX DEGEN (Jr., RHP)

- 2021 UK ATHLETICS FRANK G. HAM SOCIETY OF CHARACTER INDUCTEE
- SEC COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM (2021)

### RYAN HAGENOW (FR., RHP)

- MIDSEASON FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICA (PERFECT GAME)

### CAM HILL (Jr., OF)

- 2021 UK ATHLETICS FRANK G. HAM SOCIETY OF CHARACTER INDUCTEE

### COLTYN KESSLER (Sr., C)

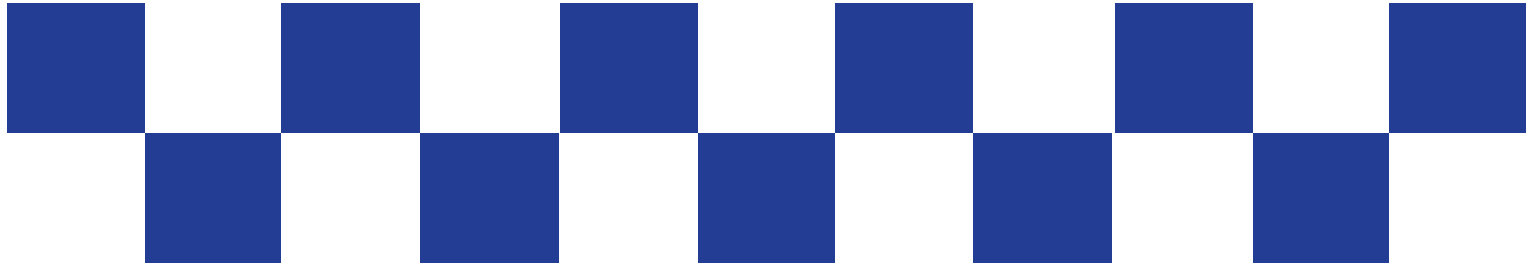
- BUSTER POSEY NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CATCHER OF THE YEAR SEMIFINALIST (2021)

### COLE STUPP (So., RHP)

- SEC NEWCOMER OF WEEK, MAR. 22, 2021

**• Set school record for fielding percentage in a single-season at .979. The Cats ranked 16th nationally in fielding percentage.**

**• Highest GPA of any men's team on campus each of the past two semesters.**



## ITTER ME THIS

Kentucky sophomore shortstop Ryan Ritter has made an immediate impact on the program with his elite defensive skills and developing offensive game despite having played just 17 games of junior college ball before arriving in Lexington. The Chicago-area native's all-around skill set and tools that have pro scouts drooling were never more evident than in the Wildcats' victory at No. 5 Louisville on April 6, the program's first win on its rival's home turf since 2014. Ritter went 3-for-4 with three runs, a double, a home run and six RBI while also delivering three dazzling defensive plays that saved at least three runs. It was just the seventh time since the beginning of the 2011 season a Wildcat had 6+ RBI.

- 8 - Luke Becker, vs. Miami (Ohio), 3/12/2017
- 7 - JaVon Shelby, at Georgia, 3/20/2016
- 6 - Ryan Ritter, at Louisville, 4/6/2021**
- 6 - Breydon Daniel, vs. Western Kentucky, 3/10/2020
- 6 - Micheal Thomas, vs. Ball State, 3/8/2014
- 6 - AJ Reed, vs. St. Joseph's, 2/21/2014
- 6 - AJ Reed, vs. Buffalo, 2/24/2012

## COLLETT-ING HARDWARE

T.J. Collett earned two National Player of the Week honors (Collegiate Baseball, NCBWA) and was named the SEC co-Player of the Week for the week of April 19-25. It is the third time Collett has won the SEC's weekly award during his Kentucky career, including once in each of the past three seasons. He also has been named Collegiate Baseball's National Player of the Week three times, including in 2018 and 2020.

Collett made a powerful point – literally – with four home runs in the Wildcats' critically important series win over Alabama that included a sweep of Sunday's doubleheader. The senior first baseman home runs in three consecutive at bats in the second game, making him just the third Wildcat in the past 13 seasons to crack three in one game (Ryan Johnson, vs. Western Kentucky in 2019; Gunner Glad vs. South Carolina in 2009).

For the week, Collett batted .333 with five runs, seven RBI, four home runs and an OPS of 1.486. He drove in a career-high five RBI vs. Alabama on Sunday as the Cats slammed seven home runs in the second game, tying for the most in a game since the 2005 season.

Collett's three homers vs. Alabama on April 25 saw him rocket up UK's career home run list into a tie for second place with AJ Reed, the 2014 Golden Spikes Award winner and fellow Terre Haute, Indiana native. Collett now has 41 career blasts after passing Reed and also entered the school's top 10 list for career RBI with 144. He ranks fourth among active Division I-A players in home runs.

## CATS LEAD THE SEC IN WEEKLY HONORS

Although the strength of our TEAM is our TEAM, the Cats have had standout individual performances that have caught the attention of observers across the country and in the SEC offices. Since the beginning of the 2017 season, UK players have been named SEC Player, Pitcher or Newcomer of the Week **seventeen** times, tied for the most for any school in the conference.

## THE BIG INNING (19)

(\*4 or more runs scored)

OPPONENT	INNING	RUNS
Miami (Ohio)	1	4
Milwaukee	4	5
Milwaukee	4	4
Georgia State	2	6
Georgia State	5	4
Missouri	2	4
Butler	9	4
Auburn	8	4
Auburn	1	4
Louisville	3	5
LSU	7	4
LSU	7	8
Bellarmine	1	6
Georgia	3	4
Alabama	2	6
Eastern Kentucky	5	4
Florida	4	4
Tennessee Tech	2	4
Vanderbilt	9	5

## QUALITY STARTS (12)

(\*6 IP, 3 OR FEWER EARNED RUNS)

DATE	PITCHER (#)	IP (H, R-ER, BB, K)
3/5	Stupp (1)	6.2 (4, 2-2, 1, 5)
3/12	Stupp (2)	6.0 (6, 1-1, 0, 7)
3/13	Hazelwood (1)	6.0 (3, 0-0, 1, 12)
3/19	Stupp (3)	7.0 (5, 1-0, 2, 10)
3/26	Stupp (4)	7.0 (8, 2-2, 0, 5)
4/2	Stupp (5)	7.0 (6, 3-3, 1, 5)
4/16	Stupp (6)	8.0 (10, 1-1, 1, 8)
4/23	Stupp (7)	6.0 (9, 6-3, 0, 5)
4/25	Harney (1)	6.0 (5, 2-2, 1, 5)
4/25	Lee (1)	7.0 (1, 0-0, 0, 6)
5/20	Stupp (8)	7.0 (8, 2-2, 1, 5)
5/22	Lee (2)	6.0 (10, 3-3, 1, 5)

## SAVES (11)

DATE	PITCHER (#)	OPPONENT
2/27	Harney (1)	Milwaukee
3/2	Harney (2)	EKU
3/3	Harney (3)	Evansville
3/6	Logue (1)	Ball State
3/9	Harney (4)	WKU
3/14	Harney (5)	Georgia State
3/27	Jones (1)	Auburn
3/30	Logue (2)	Bellarmine
4/6	Rigsby (1)	Louisville
4/25	Rigsby (2)	Alabama
5/22	Harney (6)	Vanderbilt







## WILDCATS RECORD WHEN...

	2021	MINGIONE
Record .....	29-23	143-103
Home .....	22-13	98-46
Away .....	7-9	38-52
Neutral .....	0-1	7-5
SEC .....	12-18	51-69
Home .....	6-9	27-33
Road .....	6-9	24-36
Non-Conference.....	17-4	91-30
Home .....	16-4	71-13
Road .....	1-0	14-16
Neutral.....	0-0	6-1
Non-Power Five.....	16-3	79-11
Postseason .....	0-1	5-7
Day games .....	17-12	91-59
Night games.....	12-11	52-44
One-run games .....	6-5	24-19
Two-run games .....	6-3	16-19
Five+-run games.....	11-13	71-43
Extra-inning games .....	1-0	4-5
In shutouts .....	4-0	1-3
Scoring first .....	23-8	98-42
Opponent scores first.....	6-15	45-63
Scoring 10 or more runs.....	7-0	58-2
Allowing 10 or more runs .....	0-9	1-33
Scoring six runs or more.....	23-6	110-22
Scoring four runs or less .....	3-13	19-74
Allowing four runs or less.....	20-6	104-19
Hitting home run(s) .....	20-12	103-61
Allowing home run(s) .....	12-18	61-77
Out-hitting an opponent .....	22-4	120-24
Out-hit by opponent .....	4-19	16-78
Matching opponents hits.....	3-0	7-1
vs. LHP .....	10-5	51-27
vs. RHP .....	19-18	92-76
Leading after seventh inning .....	23-2	119-10
Trailing after seventh inning .....	3-18	14-85
Tied after the seventh inning .....	3-3	7-7
Decided in the last at bat.....	7-2	19-11
Not committing an error .....	17-10	62-27
Committing two or more errors .....	4-7	24-43
vs. Top 25 .....	5-16	37-62
vs. Top 10 .....	4-10	17-37
On Monday .....	0-0	1-0
On Tuesday .....	9-3	35-9
On Wednesday .....	1-0	11-4
On Thursday .....	1-3	3-9
On Friday .....	6-7	33-29
On Saturday .....	8-6	30-31
On Sunday .....	4-4	30-21
In February .....	4-0	25-14
In March .....	14-4	58-24
In April .....	8-10	36-34
In May .....	3-9	24-30
In June.....	0-0	4-3
In 1st Base Dugout.....	4-5	77-45
In 3rd Base Dugout .....	25-18	66-57
<b>UNI WATCH</b>		
<b>HOME</b>		
White top/White pants/Blue cap.....	6-2	26-9
Blue top/White pants/Blue cap.....	3-0	24-6
Blue top/Pinstripe pants/Blue cap... ..	4-2	8-4
Blue top/White pants/Black cap.....	0-0	1-0
Black top/White pants/Black cap .....	2-4	10-9
Black top/White pants/Blue cap.....	0-0	1-0
Black top/Pinstripe pants/Camo cap .....	1-1	3-2
Creams/Blue cap .....	2-2	11-3
Pinstripes/Blue cap .....	4-2	14-10
<b>ROAD</b>		
Gray top/Gray pants/Blue cap.....	0-2	12-16
Gray top/Gray pants/Black cap.....	1-2	3-5
Blue top/Gray pants/Blue cap .....	4-2	16-19
Black top/Gray pants/Black cap .....	2-3	8-16
Black top/Gray pants/Blue cap .....	0-0	1-0

TEAM	HONORS
<b>KENTUCKY</b>	<b>17</b>
Ole Miss	17
Vanderbilt	16
Arkansas	15
Miss. State	13
Georgia/LSU	11

## BIGGIE BOX

One of the pillars of UK's offense is working its game goals in search of the big inning - "Biggie Box" - which is defined as any inning where the Cats put four or more runs on the scoreboard. The approach has been so effective the lineup has opened its "Biggie Box" 118 times since Mingione took over (37 in 2017, 31 in 2018, 20 in 2019) and recorded 11 such innings in just 17 games last season. The Cats also are 110-22 under Mingione when scoring six or more runs. (See box on page six for Biggie Box innings)

The 11-run third inning vs. Oakland on March 8, 2020 was the highest-scoring inning for UK since plating 12 in the first inning at Vanderbilt on May 11, 2002. The Cats also had a 10-run inning last season.

## PRODUCTION AT THE PLATE

Kentucky's offense has been one of the nation's elite the past four seasons under Mingione and his staff, in particular renowned hitting guru Todd Guilliams. The Cats have been a devastating offensive club under Guilliams' direction, leading the SEC in a total of 15 offensive statistical categories, while also producing seven All-Americans. In three of the four seasons, the Cats have averaged more than seven runs per game, including 7.9 in 2020.

CATEGORY	FOUR-YEAR TOTAL (2017-20)
Batting Average	.291
Runs per game	6.8
On-Base Percentage	.394
Slugging Percentage	.467
OPS	.861
Extra-Base Hits	656

In 2018, UK led the SEC in home runs per game, slugging percentage, on-base percentage, scoring, doubles per game and sacrifice bunts, while ranking in the nation's top 20 in five of those six categories - and top 10 in three. In 2017, the Cats registered the most hits in a single-season (706) in UK history and ranked near the top of the single-season charts in numerous other categories. The offense also ranked in the top 12 nationally in doubles (2nd), hits (4th), hit by pitches (4th), on-base percentage (7th), walks (10th), sacrifice bunts (10th), slugging percentage (11th) and batting average (12th).

## ON-BASE MACHINE

Sophomore infielder Austin Schultz has been a catalyst at the top of the lineup, using his combination of hitting ability and patience at the plate to find his way onto the bases. In fact, there have been only eight instances since the beginning of 2012 where a UK player has reached base safely in at least 25 consecutive games. Schultz is the only freshman to have accomplished the feat during that time. Overall, he has reached base safely in 99 of 109 games in his career in which he's had a plate appearance, also had a 22-game streak, and a 14-game hit streak earlier in 2021.

## TRACKING KENTUCKY'S EXTRA-BASE HITS

Player	Doubles 2021 (career)	Triples 2021 (career)	Home Runs 2021 (career)	Totals 2021 (career)
ORAJ ANU	6 (8)	1 (2)	8 (11)	15 (21)
REUBEN CHURCH	7 (7)	2 (2)	2 (2)	11 (11)
T.J. COLLETT	9 (26)	1 (2)	16 (42)	26 (70)
CHASE ESTEP	9 (10)	1 (1)	0 (1)	10 (12)
TRAE HARMON	4 (6)	0 (0)	2 (6)	6 (12)
CAM HILL	1 (11)	2 (2)	3 (4)	6 (17)
COLTYN KESSLER	11 (26)	0 (1)	7 (12)	18 (39)
ZEKE LEWIS	3 (9)	0 (0)	0 (2)	3 (11)
JACOB PLASTIAK	1 (1)	0 (0)	4 (4)	5 (5)
JOHN RHODES	14 (24)	0 (1)	11 (12)	25 (37)
RYAN RITTER	5 (5)	1 (1)	3 (3)	9 (9)
ALONZO RUBALCABA	2 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (2)
JAREN SHELBY	0 (12)	0 (0)	0 (7)	0 (19)
AUSTIN SCHULTZ	11 (23)	2 (3)	6 (13)	19 (39)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>83 (189)</b>	<b>10 (16)</b>	<b>62 (130)</b>	<b>155 (335)</b>

### ALL RHODES LEAD TO LEXINGTON

John Rhodes already has made presence felt on the college baseball scene, earning 2021 preseason All-America status from Baseball America, D1 Baseball, the NCBWA and *Collegiate Baseball*, which named him the 2020 National co-Freshman of the Year after a blistering start to his collegiate career. He is considered one of the top prospects for the 2021 Major League Baseball Draft, ranking as high as the No. 32 overall prospect by MLB.com/MLB Pipeline.

Rhodes, from Soddy Daisy, Tennessee, ranked second nationally in doubles in 2020 with 10, twice as many as any other rookie in the talent-rich SEC. He batted .426 overall in 61 at bats with 11 runs, 26 hits, 10 doubles, a triple, a home run, 19 RBI and five hit by pitch. He slugged .672 as part of a 1.157 OPS. The .426 average was the highest for any UK player with at least 50 at-bats since Jeff Abbott batted .445 in 1994.

The 6-foot, 200-pounder was one of the top hitters in the SEC regardless of class. He ranked sixth in the SEC in total hits and 10th in RBI, led all SEC freshmen in batting average, hits, on-base percentage, doubles and total bases and ranked second in slugging percentage.

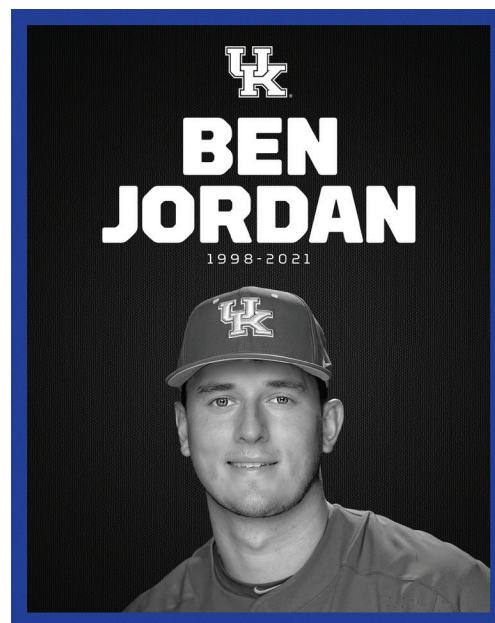
Rhodes' biggest moment came when he clubbed the first home run of his career for a walk-off winner vs. Murray State on March 4. In just 34 career games he already has 12 multi-hit games and 10 multi-RBI games while logging a career-high three hits three times.

UK coach Nick Mingione isn't big on hyperbole so when both he and hitting guru Todd Williams talk about his talent you're bound to pay a little closer attention

"John Rhodes is special," Mingione said. "He's a guy I think we're going to be sitting here looking back one day going, 'Wow, that's one of the better players we've had come through here.'"

### STUPP NAMED INAUGURAL SEC NEWCOMER OF WEEK

Cole Stupp, a sophomore right-hander, was named the inaugural SEC Newcomer of the Week for his standout performance vs. Missouri on opening weekend in the league. He dominated on the mound in his SEC debut while helping UK cruise to a 10-2 victory over Missouri on March 19. Stupp pitched seven innings, allowing only an unearned run on five hits while striking out a career-high 10 batters. Three of the five hits were of the infield variety.



### FLY HIGH, 3

The Kentucky baseball program suffered a devastating loss when junior pitcher Ben Jordan passed away on Jan. 11 at the age of 22.

Jordan, from Olive Hill, Kentucky, arrived on campus in fall 2018 and redshirted his freshman season while recovering from an arm injury. He returned to the mound in 2019, appearing in 10 games and then dominating the Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League that summer.

In fall 2019, Jordan joined the storied men's basketball program as a walk-on with John Calipari's team low on post players and appeared in two games.

He is - and will forever be - greatly missed.



## HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

### BY LOCATION

AT HOME	42
ON ROAD	20
NEUTRAL	0

### BY PITCHER

VS. RIGHT	53
VS. LEFT	9

### BY CONFERENCE

VS. SEC	36
VS. NON-SEC	26

### BY OUTS

WITH NO OUT	17
WITH ONE OUT	20
WITH TWO OUT	25

### BY RUNNERS ON

SOLO	33
TWO-RUN	19
THREE-RUN	10
GRAND SLAM	0

### BY COUNT

AHEAD IN COUNT	17
EVEN IN COUNT	26
BEHIND IN COUNT	18
FULL COUNT	4
FIRST PITCH	9
TWO STRIKE	23

### BY TIME OF DAY

(FIRST PITCH BEFORE/AFTER 6 P.M. EST)

DAY GAMES	39
NIGHT GAMES	23

## 2021 HOME RUN TRACKER

NO	PLAYER (#)	OPPONENT	ON	INN.	OUT	COUNT	RHP/LHP
1	Collett (1)	Miami (Ohio)	1	1	1	2-2	RHP
2	Anu (1)	Miami (Ohio)	0	1	1	3-1	RHP
3	Hill (1)	Miami (Ohio)	0	1	2	0-0	RHP
4	Rhodes (1)	Milwaukee	2	2	2	3-1	RHP
5	Church (1)	Milwaukee	0	6	0	1-1	RHP
6	Rhodes (2)	Eastern Kentucky	1	5	0	0-1	RHP
7	Anu (2)	Ball State	1	1	2	1-2	RHP
8	Ritter (1)	Ball State	0	2	1	1-1	RHP
9	Collett (2)	Georgia State	1	1	2	2-2	RHP
10	Rhodes (2)	Georgia State	2	2	1	1-0	RHP
11	Collett (3)	Georgia State	1	5	1	1-1	LHP
12	Harmon (1)	Georgia State	0	7	1	2-2	LHP
13	Collett (4)	Georgia State	1	1	2	1-2	RHP
14	Anu (3)	Murray State	2	3	0	0-0	RHP
15	Collett (5)	Murray State	0	5	2	2-1	RHP
16	Harmon (2)	Murray State	0	5	2	0-2	RHP
17	Rhodes (3)	Murray State	1	7	0	2-1	RHP
18	Collett (6)	Murray State	0	7	0	2-0	RHP
19	Collett (7)	Missouri	0	2	0	2-2	RHP
20	Rhodes (5)	Auburn	0	8	1	1-0	RHP
21	Church (2)	Auburn	2	8	2	0-1	RHP
22	Collett (8)	Auburn	2	1	1	3-2	RHP
23	Kessler (1)	Auburn	0	1	2	1-0	RHP
24	Anu (4)	Auburn	0	7	2	0-1	RHP
25	Rhodes (6)	Bellarmine	1	1	1	1-2	RHP
26	Collett (9)	Mississippi State	1	4	1	1-1	RHP
27	Ritter (2)	Louisville	2	2	1	2-2	LHP
28	Ritter (3)	LSU	0	7	2	0-1	RHP
29	Hill (2)	LSU	0	3	1	2-2	RHP
30	Kessler (2)	LSU	1	1	2	2-1	RHP
31	Schultz (1)	LSU	1	3	0	1-1	RHP
32	Anu (5)	LSU	1	7	1	0-0	RHP
33	Plastiak (1)	Bellarmine	2	1	2	0-2	RHP
34	Schultz (2)	Bellarmine	0	2	0	0-1	RHP
35	Anu (6)	Georgia	0	2	1	0-1	RHP
36	Collett (10)	Georgia	0	4	0	1-2	RHP
37	Schultz (3)	Georgia	1	9	2	2-2	LHP
38	Schultz (4)	Louisville	0	6	1	0-1	LHP
39	Collett (11)	Alabama	0	3	0	1-0	RHP
40	Kessler (3)	Alabama	0	5	1	1-1	RHP
41	Kessler (4)	Alabama	0	2	0	2-2	RHP
42	Rhodes (7)	Alabama	0	2	1	0-0	RHP
43	Collett (12)	Alabama	2	2	2	2-2	RHP
44	Collett (13)	Alabama	0	5	0	0-0	RHP
45	Anu (7)	Alabama	0	5	0	0-1	RHP
46	Rhodes (8)	Alabama	0	5	2	1-1	RHP
47	Collett (14)	Alabama	0	6	2	0-0	LHP
48	Kessler (5)	Eastern Kentucky	1	5	2	0-0	RHP
49	Collett (15)	Tennessee	0	1	1	0-0	RHP
50	Plastiak (2)	Tennessee	1	2	0	1-2	RHP
51	Rhodes (9)	Tennessee	1	6	0	3-2	LHP
52	Plastiak (3)	Tennessee	1	8	2	0-0	RHP
53	Rhodes (10)	Tennessee	0	9	2	2-1	LHP
54	Kessler (6)	Florida	0	8	2	1-2	RHP
55	Anu (8)	Florida	0	8	2	0-1	RHP
56	Schultz (5)	Tennessee Tech	2	2	1	1-0	LHP
57	Hill (3)	Tennessee Tech	0	7	0	3-2	RHP
58	Rhodes (11)	Vanderbilt	1	6	2	1-0	RHP
59	Collett (16)	Vanderbilt	0	1	1	0-2	RHP
60	Schultz (6)	Vanderbilt	0	1	0	1-0	RHP
61	Kessler (7)	Vanderbilt	2	9	2	2-2	RHP
62	Plastiak (4)	Vanderbilt	1	9	2	3-2	RHP

## HR BY POSITION

C - 7	LF - 6
1B - 16	CF - 6
2B - 0	RF - 12
SS - 3	DH - 8
3B - 5	PH - 0

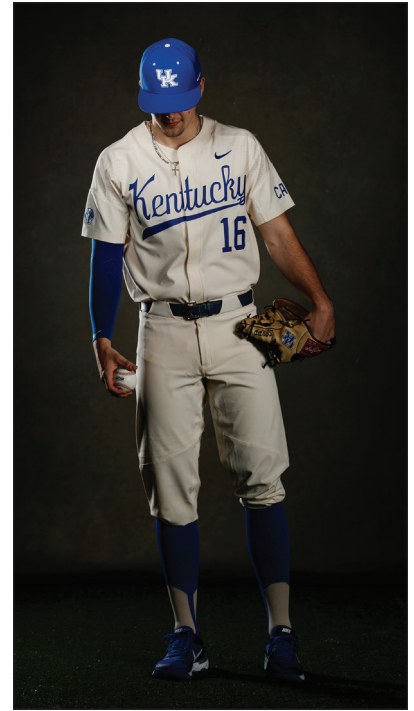
## HR BY INNING

1ST - 14	6TH - 5
2ND - 12	7TH - 7
3RD - 4	8TH - 5
4TH - 2	9TH - 4
5TH - 9	10+ - 0



## DID YOU KNOW? WILDCATS TRIVIA ...

- Oraj Anu** - Mother, Oralee Fowler, was member of the 1980 and 1984 Bahamas Olympic track team as a sprinter; Father, Linzey, played football at Florida for Steve Spurrier; Builds computers as a hobby
- Chase Bryan** - Father, Chris, played baseball at Arkansas
- T.J. Collett** - Hit a home run into upper deck at Houston Astros' Minute Maid Park
- Alex Degen** - Has competed in multiple sprint triathlons; Has volunteered more than 100 hours while at UK
- Chase Estep** - Father, Chad, and uncle, Chris, played baseball at UK
- Ryan Hagenow** - Second-highest ranked player to arrive at UK behind former RHP Alex Meyer
- Trae Harmon** - Given name is French Baker Harmon III
- Sean Harney** - Transfer from UMass, where he was 2018 Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team
- Cam Hill** - Grew up attending UK games and standing by the Cats' dugout
- Wyatt Hudepohl** - Uncle, Joe Hudepohl, won three Olympic swimming medals during 1992 and '96 Olympics
- Holt Jones** - Father, Penn Jr., played at USC; Grandfather, Gordon, won 1948 national championship at USC
- Coltyn Kessler** - Both parents were collegiate athletes (father - baseball, mother - soccer)
- Zeke Lewis** - Accomplished musician by stage name of ZeKe
- Trip Lockhart** - Overcame childhood battle with scoliosis; Given name is Jimmie Wayne Lockhart III
- Seth Logue** - Brother, Zach, starred on UK's 2017 Super Regional team, now in Blue Jays' system
- Dillon Marsh** - Diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes in June 2017
- John Rhodes** - Was a catcher until broken back in high school forced him to outfield
- Ryan Ritter** - Drafted in 33rd round of 2019 MLB Draft by Chicago Cubs
- Alonzo Rubalcaba** - Brother, Alvaro Jr., played in Los Angeles Angels organization
- Austin Schultz** - Only the second player from Nebraska to play at Kentucky in the past 40 years
- Jaren Shelby** - Third Shelby to play at UK, joining brothers John III and JaVon
- Cole Stupp** - Self-described "Rock, Paper, Scissors" champion



## TRACKING KENTUCKY CAREER HIGHS

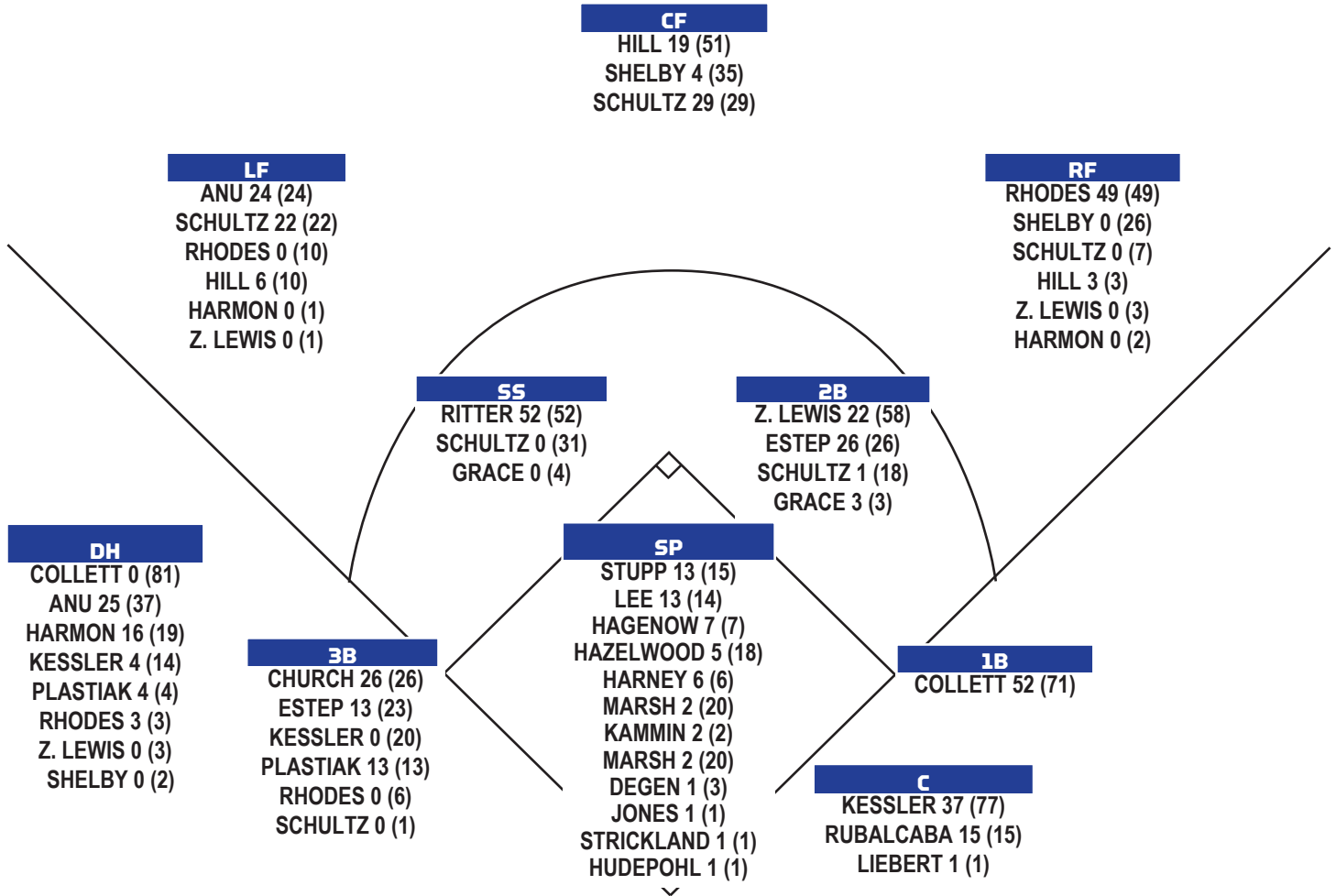
PLAYER	HITS (most recent)	RBI (most recent)	RUNS (most recent)
ORAJ ANU	3 (vs. GEORGIA ST.; 3/13/21)	3 (vs. S. CAROLINA; 5/14/21)	2 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)
REUBEN CHURCH	2 (AT AUBURN; 3/26/21)	5 (AT AUBURN; 3/26/21)	3 (vs. MILWAUKEE; 2/27/21)
T.J. COLLETT	4 (vs. vs. XAVIER; 3/20/18)	5 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	3 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/23/21)
CHASE ESTEP	3 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/22/21)	3 (vs. GEORGIA ST.; 3/12/21)	3 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/10/20)
DREW GRACE	2 (vs. OAKLAND; 3/8/20)	3 (vs. OAKLAND; 3/8/20)	1 (vs. EASTERN KY.; 4/27/21)
TRAE HARMON	2 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)	3 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/22/20)	4 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/22/20)
CAM HILL	2 (vs. FLORIDA; 5/25/21)	3 (vs. FLORIDA; 5/7/21)	2 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)
COLTYN KESSLER	3 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	4 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/22/21)	2 (vs. S. CAROLINA; 5/14/21)
ZEKE LEWIS	3 (vs. TENNESSEE TECH; 5/18/21)	4 (vs. CANISIUS; 3/2/19)	2 (vs. TENNESSEE TECH; 5/18/21)
KIRK LIEBERT	1 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)	1 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)	2 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)
JAKE PLASTIAK	2 (AT GEORGIA; 4/18/21)	3 (vs. BELLARMINE; 4/13/21)	1 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/22/21)
JOHN RHODES	3 (vs. FLORIDA; 5/25/21)	4 (vs. MILWAUKEE; 2/27/21)	3 (AT TENNESSEE; 4/30/21)
RYAN RITTER	4 (vs. MURRAY ST.; 3/16/21)	6 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)	3 (AT LOUISVILLE; 4/6/21)
ALONZO RUBALCABA	2 (vs. LOUISVILLE; 4/20/21)	1 (vs. GEORGIA ST.; 3/13/21)	2 (vs. GEORGIA ST.; 3/12/21)
AUSTIN SCHULTZ	3 (vs. TENNESSEE TECH; 5/18/21)	4 (vs. SEMO; 2/18/20)	3 (AT GEORGIA; 4/16/21)
JAREN SHELBY	3 (vs. OAKLAND; 3/8/20)	3 (AT LIPSCOMB; 4/10/19)	3 (vs. OAKLAND; 3/8/20)
PITCHERS	INNINGS (most recent)	STRIKEOUTS (most recent)	PITCHES (most recent)
TYLER BURCHETT	1.0 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/13/19)	1 (vs. ARKANSAS; 5/5/19)	30 (vs. ARKANSAS; 5/5/19)
RON COLE	2.0 (vs. NORFOLK ST.; 3/7/20)	3 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/22/20)	24 (vs. NORFOLK ST.; 3/7/20)
BRAXTON COTTONGAME	3.2 (vs. SEMO; 2/18/20)	3 (vs. UNC WILMINGTON; 2/29/20)	65 (vs. SEMO; 2/18/20)
COLE DANIELS	3.0 (vs. EASTERN KY.; 3/2/21)	7 (vs. EASTERN KY.; 3/2/21)	42 (vs. EASTERN KY.; 3/2/21)
ALEX DEGEN	4.0 (vs. FLORIDA; 5/8/21)	5 (vs. S. CAROLINA; 5/16/21)	76 (vs. S. CAROLINA; 5/16/21)
RYAN HAGENOW	4.0 (vs. BUTLER; 3/23/21)	6 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)	80 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/9/21)
SEAN HARNEY	6.0 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	9 (AT GEORGIA; 4/17/21)	105 (vs. FLORIDA; 5/7/21)
DANIEL HARPER	6.0 (vs. MIAMI [OHIO]; 3/27/18)	8 (vs. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	78 (vs. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)
MASON HAZELWOOD	7.0 (vs. NORFOLK ST.; 3/7/20)	12 (vs. GEORGIA ST.; 3/13/21)	104 (vs. TENNESSEE; 4/19/19)
WYATT HUDEPOHL	3.0 (vs. LSU; 4/9/21)	5 (vs. BELLARMINE; 3/30/21)	33 (vs. BELLARMINE; 3/30/21)
HOLT JONES	3.0 (vs. TENNESSEE TECH; 5/18/21)	6 (vs. TENNESSEE TECH; 5/18/21)	48 (vs. S. CAROLINA; 5/14/21)
ZACH KAMMIN	3.0 (vs. BELLARMINE; 4/13/21)	7 (vs. BELLARMINE; 4/13/21)	55 (vs. BELLARMINE; 4/13/21)
ZACK LEE	7.0 (vs. ALABAMA; 4/25/21)	8 (vs. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	90 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/22/21)
TRIP LOCKHART	3.2 (vs. ARKANSAS; 5/3/19)	5 (vs. ARKANSAS; 5/3/19)	63 (vs. ARKANSAS; 5/3/19)
SETH LOGUE	3.0 (vs. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	6 (vs. BALL STATE; 3/6/21)	43 (vs. MILWAUKEE; 2/26/21)
DILLON MARSH	6.1 (vs. WESTERN KY.; 3/10/20)	8 (vs. CINCINNATI; 3/3/20)	103 (vs. CINCINNATI; 3/3/20)
JIMMY RAMSEY	6.0 (vs. TENNESSEE; 4/18/19)	9 (AT VANDERBILT; 5/18/18)	112 (vs. TENNESSEE; 4/18/19)
HUNTER RIGSBY	4.0 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/23/20)	4 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/23/20)	54 (vs. APP. STATE; 2/23/20)
AUSTIN STRICKLAND	4.0 (vs. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	6 (vs. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)	68 (vs. EVANSVILLE; 2/18/18)
COLE STUPP	8.0 (AT GEORGIA; 4/16/21)	10 (vs. MISSOURI; 3/19/21)	110 (AT GEORGIA; 4/16/21)



# KENTUCKY



## STARTS BY POSITION AT UK 2021 (CAREER)



GAMES-GAMES STARTED						
PLAYER	CAREER	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
T.J. COLLETT	170-143	52-52	17-17	47-40	34-32	20-2
ZEKE LEWIS	146-66	31-22	14-9	43-28	30-6	28-0
COLTYN KESSLER	125-109	44-41	15-12	48-47	16-9	-
AUSTIN SCHULTZ	112-108	52-52	16-16	44-40	-	-
CAM HILL	104-64	45-28	7-4	45-32	7-0	-
JAREN SHELBY	93-63	28-4	14-14	51-45	-	-
JOHN RHODES	69-67	52-52	17-16	-	-	-
ORAJ ANU	67-61	50-49	17-12	-	-	-
RYAN RITTER	52-52	52-52	-	-	-	-
CHASE ESTEP	52-49	40-39	12-10	-	-	-
TRAE HARMON	48-24	27-16	15-8	6-0	-	-
JACOB PLASTIAK	41-27	23-17	-	18-10~	-	-
REUBEN CHURCH	31-26	31-26	-	-	-	-
DREW GRACE	28-7	20-3	8-4	-	-	-
ALONZO RUBALCABA	21-14	21-14	-	-	-	-
KIRK LIEBERT	13-1	13-1	-	-	-	-
CHASE BRYAN	4-0	4-0	-	-	-	-
BRENDAN HORD	1-0	0-0	1-0	-	-	-

~AT WICHITA STATE

## CATS IN THE PROS

(Highest level reached in 2021)

### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

KYLE CODY - TEXAS RANGERS  
 TREVOR GOTT - SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS  
 ANDY GREEN - CHICAGO CUBS (COACH)  
 LUKE MAILE - MILWAUKEE BREWERS  
 JAMES PAXTON - SEATTLE MARINERS  
 ZACH POP - MIAMI MARLINS  
 JT RIDDLE - MINNESOTA TWINS  
 TAYLOR ROGERS - MINNESOTA TWINS  
 KA'AI TOM - PITTSBURGH PIRATES  
 EVAN WHITE - SEATTLE MARINERS

### MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

(^40-man MLB roster)

ANDREW ALBERS (TWINS-AAA)  
 ZACK BROWN (BREWERS-AAA)  
 CARSON COLEMAN (YANKEES-A)  
 KOLE COTTAM (RED SOX-A-ADVANCED)  
 COLLIN COWGILL - ARKANSAS TRAVELERS, AA (MANAGER)  
 ZACH HAAKE (ROYALS-A-ADVANCED)  
 VINCE HARRISON - HILLSBORO HOPS, A-ADV. (MANAGER)  
 LUKE HEYER (DODGERS-A-ADVANCED)  
 SEAN HJELLE (GIANTS-AA)  
 JUSTIN LEWIS (DIAMONDBACKS-AA)  
 ZACH LOGUE (BLUE JAYS-AAA)  
 RILEY MAHAN (MARLINS-AA)  
 TRISTAN POMPEY (MARLINS-AA)  
 ^ZACH REKS (DODGERS-AAA)  
 CHRIS RUSIN (ROCKIES-AAA)  
 LOGAN SALOW (DODGERS-AAA)  
 CHANDLER SHEPHERD (TWINS-AAA)  
 ZACK THOMPSON (CARDINALS-AAA)



## MLB TRAINING GROUND

Kentucky has made its presence felt in the Major League Baseball Draft in recent years with 24 players selected during the Nick Mingione era, including 21 in 2017 and 2018, which was the most of any college program in the country over that span. In Evan White (2017) and Zack Thompson (2019) the Cats have had two first-round selections under Mingione. In the last four drafts:

- 13 Wildcats were selected in the first 10 rounds.
- Six were selected in the first five rounds, including first-rounders Evan White (2017) and Zack Thompson (2019).
- The 13 picks in 2018 are the second-most for any school in a single draft since 2006 and tied for an SEC record with Texas A&M (2016) and national champion Vanderbilt (2019).
- The 14 underclassmen drafted during that span earned \$10.435 million in signing bonus money, an average of \$745,358 per player.
- All but one draftee was selected higher than previously selected.
- 15 of the draftees had not previously been drafted.
- White was named a 2020 AL Gold Glove winner, the first rookie first baseman in either league to win the award since its inception in 1957.
- Along with White having already made his MLB debut, Zach Pop made the Miami Marlins 2021 Opening Day roster and Zach Reks is on the defending World Series champion Los Angeles Dodgers 40-man roster.

## WALK IT OFF

### The Cats' 10 most recent walk-off victories

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	FINAL PLAY
3/23/21	Butler	6-5	Two-Run Double
3/20/21	Missouri	5-4	Passed Ball
3/4/20	Murray State	9-8	Solo Home Run
2/23/20	Appalachian State	8-7 (15)	RBI Walk
3/10/19	Middle Tennessee	5-4	Two-Run HR
2/27/19	Northern Kentucky	5-4	RBI Single
3/23/18	No. 9 Auburn	5-4	Wild Pitch
2/27/18	Western Kentucky	4-3	Wild Pitch
5/8/16	No. 2 South Carolina	5-4 (12)	Solo Home Run
4/23/16	Arkansas	5-4 (7)	RBI Single

The Cats have walked it off eight times since Nick Mingione took over as head coach before the 2017 season.



## HOLT UP! PITCHER'S LEXINGTON ROOTS DATE 240+ YEARS

Senior pitcher Holt Jones joins the Shelby family as having deep ties to Lexington, despite having grown up in Southern California and playing his first three seasons at Clemson. His sixth-great-grandfather was William McConnell, who founded the city of Lexington. McConnell and his group settled camp in the area in 1775 and to this day has a neighborhood, McConnell Springs, named in his honor. Additionally, both his father, Penn Sr., and grandfather, Gordon, played baseball at USC, with Gordon being the leadoff hitter on the 1948 national championship team that defeated Yale, whose first baseman was George Bush Sr..

## TAKE 'EM TO CHURCH

Freshman infielder Reuben Church has made an immediate impact as the starting third baseman, flashing his hit tool and raw power, plus a strong arm at hot corner. Church recorded a hit in each of his first 10 games, the fourth-longest such streak for a freshman in UK history. He came up huge in the Cats' first SEC road game, driving in five runs, the most for a freshman since A.J. Reed had six vs. Buffalo on Feb. 24, 2012. He blasted a critical three-run home run late in that win at Auburn.

## THE OLYMPIC TIES THAT BIND

UK's Oraj Anu and Wyatt Hudepohl hit the genetic gold mine, as both players have immediate family members who reached the Summer Olympics. Anu's mother, Oralee Fowler, was member of the 1980 and 1984 Bahamas track team as a sprinter, while Hudepohl's uncle, Joe, won three Olympic swimming medals during 1992 and '96 Olympics.

## UK CAREER 100-HIT CLUB

Three current Wildcats - T.J. Collett, Coltyn Kessler and Austin Schultz - each have become members of the program's career 100-Hit Club.

- |                                         |                                           |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 1. Andy Green (1997-2000) - 277         | 38. Max Kuhn (2012-14) - 133              |
| 2. Aaron McGlone (1997-2000) - 274      | <b>39. AUSTIN SCHULTZ (2019-21) - 131</b> |
| 3. Mike Botkin (1979-82) - 241          | 40. Thomas Bernal (2012-15) - 130         |
| 4. Evan White (2015-17) - 233           | Brian Spear (2007-08) - 130               |
| Spencer Graeter (2001-04) - 233         | 42. Mike Breyman (2003-04) - 127          |
| ...                                     | 43. Chad Stewart (2003-04) - 125          |
| <b>26. T.J. COLLETT (2017-21) - 163</b> | 44. Chris Wade (2008-09) - 123            |
| 27. Kole Cottam (2016-18) - 162         | 45. Taylor Black (2010-11) - 121          |
| 28. Matt Reida (2011-14) - 161          | Marcus Nidiffer (2007-10) - 121           |
| 29. Billy Grace (2004-07) - 160         | 47. Michael Williams (2009-12) - 119      |
| 30. Chris Bisson (2008-10) - 157        | 48. Troy Squires (2015-18) - 118          |
| 31. Thomas McCarthy (2011-12) - 153     | 49. Gunner Glad (2009-10) - 115           |
| Braden Kapetyn (2009-11) - 153          | 50. Marcus Carson (2014-17) - 112         |
| 33. JaVon Shelby (2014-16) - 150        | <b>51. COLTYN KESSLER (2018-21) - 111</b> |
| 34. Luke Becker (2016-18) - 148         | Shaun Lehmann (2005-06) - 111             |
| Ka'ai Tom (2014-15) - 148               | 53. Storm Wilson (2014-17) - 109          |
| 36. Sean Coughlin (2006-07) - 142       |                                           |
| 37. Zach Reks (2016-17) - 137           |                                           |

## RANKINGS

### OPPONENTS IN THE POLLS

TEAM	BA	D1	USA	PG	BWA
FLORIDA	12	13	8	11	12
GEORGIA	-	-	RV	-	RV
LOUISVILLE	-	-	23	-	23
LSU	-	-	RV	-	RV
MISSISSIPPI ST.	6	8	6	4	6
S. CAROLINA	25	-	18	24	18
TENNESSEE	5	4	4	6	5
VANDERBILT	2	3	2	3	3

### KENTUCKY WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

TEAM	BA	D1	USA	PG	BWA
PRESEASON	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 1	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 2	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 3	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 4	-	-	-	-	RV
WEEK 5	-	-	RV	-	RV
WEEK 6	-	-	RV	-	RV
WEEK 7	-	-	RV	-	RV
WEEK 8	-	-	RV	-	RV
WEEK 9	-	-	-	-	RV
WEEK 10	-	-	-	-	RV
WEEK 11	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 12	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 13	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 14	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK 15	-	-	-	-	-

(BA - Baseball America; D1 - D1Baseball; USA - Coaches Poll; PG - Perfect Game; BWA - Baseball Writers)

### 2021 VS. RANKED OPPONENTS

TEAM	RANK	RECORD
MISSISSIPPI STATE	5*	0-3
LOUISVILLE	5*	1-0
GEORGIA	20~	1-2
LOUISVILLE	3!	0-1
TENNESSEE	4%	1-2
FLORIDA	8^	1-2
SOUTH CAROLINA	20!	0-3
VANDERBILT	2*	1-2
FLORIDA	11!	0-1

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5-16</b>
<b>vs. Top 10</b>	<b>4-10</b>

(\*NCBWA; \*Baseball America; +USA Coaches; %D1 Baseball; !Perfect Game; ~Collegiate Baseball)



# KENTUCKY



## KENTUCKY BATTING ORDER

GAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
MIAMI (OHIO)	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	RUBALCABA	HILL	PLASTIAK	RITTER	GRACE
MILWAUKEE	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	RUBALCABA	HILL	RITTER	CHURCH	LEWIS
MILWAUKEE (DH-1)	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	RUBALCABA	HILL	RITTER	CHURCH	LEWIS
MILWAUKEE (DH-2)	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	HILL	RITTER	LIEBERT	LEWIS
EASTERN KENTUCKY	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	HILL	RUBALCABA	RITTER	LEWIS
EVANSVILLE	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	HILL	KESSLER	RITTER	LEWIS
BALL STATE	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	HILL	RUBALCABA	RITTER	LEWIS
BALL STATE	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	KESSLER	HILL	RITTER	LEWIS
BALL STATE	SCHULTZ	RHODES	COLLETT	ANU	CHURCH	SHELBY	LEWIS	RITTER	RUBALCABA
WESTERN KENTUCKY	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	CHURCH	HARMON	SHELBY	RUBALCABA	RITTER
GEORGIA STATE	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	CHURCH	HARMON	ESTEP	RUBALCABA	RITTER
GEORGIA STATE	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	ESTEP	LEWIS	RUBALCABA	RITTER
GEORGIA STATE	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	ESTEP	GRACE	RUBALCABA	RITTER
MURRAY STATE	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	ESTEP	CHURCH	KESSLER	RITTER
MISSOURI	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	ESTEP	CHURCH	KESSLER	RITTER
MISSOURI	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	ESTEP	CHURCH	KESSLER	RITTER
MISSOURI	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
BUTLER	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
AUBURN	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
AUBURN (DH-1)	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
AUBURN (DH-2)	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
BELLARMINE	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
MISSISSIPPI ST.	SCHULTZ	ANU	RHODES	COLLETT	HARMON	KESSLER	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER
MISSISSIPPI ST.	SCHULTZ	KESSLER	RHODES	COLLETT	CHURCH	ANU	ESTEP	RITTER	HILL
MISSISSIPPI ST.	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	CHURCH	ESTEP	RITTER	HILL
LOUISVILLE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	HARMON	ANU	PLASTIAK	ESTEP	RITTER
LSU	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	HARMON	ESTEP	RITTER	CHURCH
LSU	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	ESTEP	RITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL
LSU	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	ESTEP	RITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL
BELLARMINE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	ESTEP	RITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL
GEORGIA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	RITTER	PLASTIAK	CHURCH	ESTEP
GEORGIA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	PLASTIAK	RITTER	ESTEP	CHURCH
GEORGIA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	PLASTIAK	RITTER	ESTEP	RUBALCABA
LOUISVILLE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	PLASTIAK	RHODES	RITTER	RUBALCABA	GRACE
ALABAMA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	RHODES	PLASTIAK	RITTER	RUBALCABA	ESTEP
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ALABAMA (DH-2)	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	PLASTIAK	RHODES	RITTER	HILL	ESTEP
EASTERN KENTUCKY	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	PLASTIAK	RHODES	RITTER	HILL	ESTEP
TENNESSEE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	PLASTIAK	RHODES	RITTER	HILL	ESTEP
TENNESSEE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	CHURCH	RITTER	HILL	LEWIS
TENNESSEE	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	PLASTIAK	RITTER	HILL	LEWIS
FLORIDA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL	ESTEP
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SOUTH CAROLINA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL	ESTEP
SOUTH CAROLINA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	RITTER	LEWIS	SHELBY	ESTEP
SOUTH CAROLINA	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	ANU	ESTEP	RITTER	HILL	LEWIS
TENNESSEE TECH	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	RHODES	KESSLER	SHELBY	RITTER	ESTEP	RUBALCABA	LEWIS
VANDERBILT	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	RHODES	ESTEP	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL
VANDERBILT	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	ANU	KESSLER	RHODES	ESTEP	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL
VANDERBILT	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	KESSLER	RHODES	PLASTIAK	ESTEP	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL
FLORIDA (SECT)	SCHULTZ	COLLETT	KESSLER	RHODES	PLASTIAK	RITTER	LEWIS	HILL	ESTEP







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## KENTUCKY STARTING LINEUP

GAME	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
MIAMI (OHIO)	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	GRACE	ITTER	PLASTIAK	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
MILWAUKEE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
MILWAUKEE (DH-1)	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
MILWAUKEE (DH-2)	LIEBERT	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
EASTERN KENTUCKY	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
EVANSVILLE	KESSLER	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
BALL STATE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
BALL STATE	KESSLER	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
BALL STATE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	CHURCH	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
WESTERN KENTUCKY	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	SCHULTZ	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SHELBY	RHODES	HARMON
GEORGIA STATE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
GEORGIA STATE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	LEWS	ITTER	ESTEP	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
GEORGIA STATE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	GRACE	ITTER	ESTEP	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
MURRAY STATE	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
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MISSISSIPPI ST.	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
MISSISSIPPI ST.	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
MISSISSIPPI ST.	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
LOUISVILLE	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	HARMON
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GEORGIA	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	PLASTIAK
GEORGIA	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	CHURCH	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	PLASTIAK
LOUISVILLE	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	KESSLER
ALABAMA	RUBALCABA	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	ANU	SCHULTZ	RHODES	KESSLER
ALABAMA (DH-1)	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
ALABAMA (DH-2)	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
EASTERN KENTUCKY	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
TENNESSEE	KESSLER	COLLETT	ESTEP	ITTER	PLASTIAK	HILL	SCHULTZ	RHODES	ANU
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VANDERBILT	KESSLER	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	ESTEP	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	ANU
VANDERBILT	KESSLER	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	ESTEP	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	PLASTIAK
FLORIDA (SECT)	KESSLER	COLLETT	LEWIS	ITTER	ESTEP	SCHULTZ	HILL	RHODES	PLASTIAK



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## KENTUCKY PROUD PARK

Kentucky baseball moved into a new home for the 2019 season, opening the \$49 million Kentucky Proud Park, a state-of-the-art facility immediately considered one of the top facilities in all of college baseball. The Wildcats won their first game in their new home, defeating Eastern Kentucky, 7-3, on Feb. 26, 2019.

The stadium features permanent seating for nearly 2,500 fans with additional space on grass berms to accommodate 5,000 fans for regular season games. Beyond the outfield wall, temporary bleachers can be installed for NCAA Tournament games to bring the seating capacity to more than 7,000. Fan amenities also include suites and a new club area.

The team areas were a priority and give our players and coaches everything they need to compete at a high level in a single location. The facility features a team lounge, locker room, training area, indoor hitting and pitching areas, and coaching offices, as well as a recruiting room. All spaces are either new to UK baseball or significantly larger than previous ones.

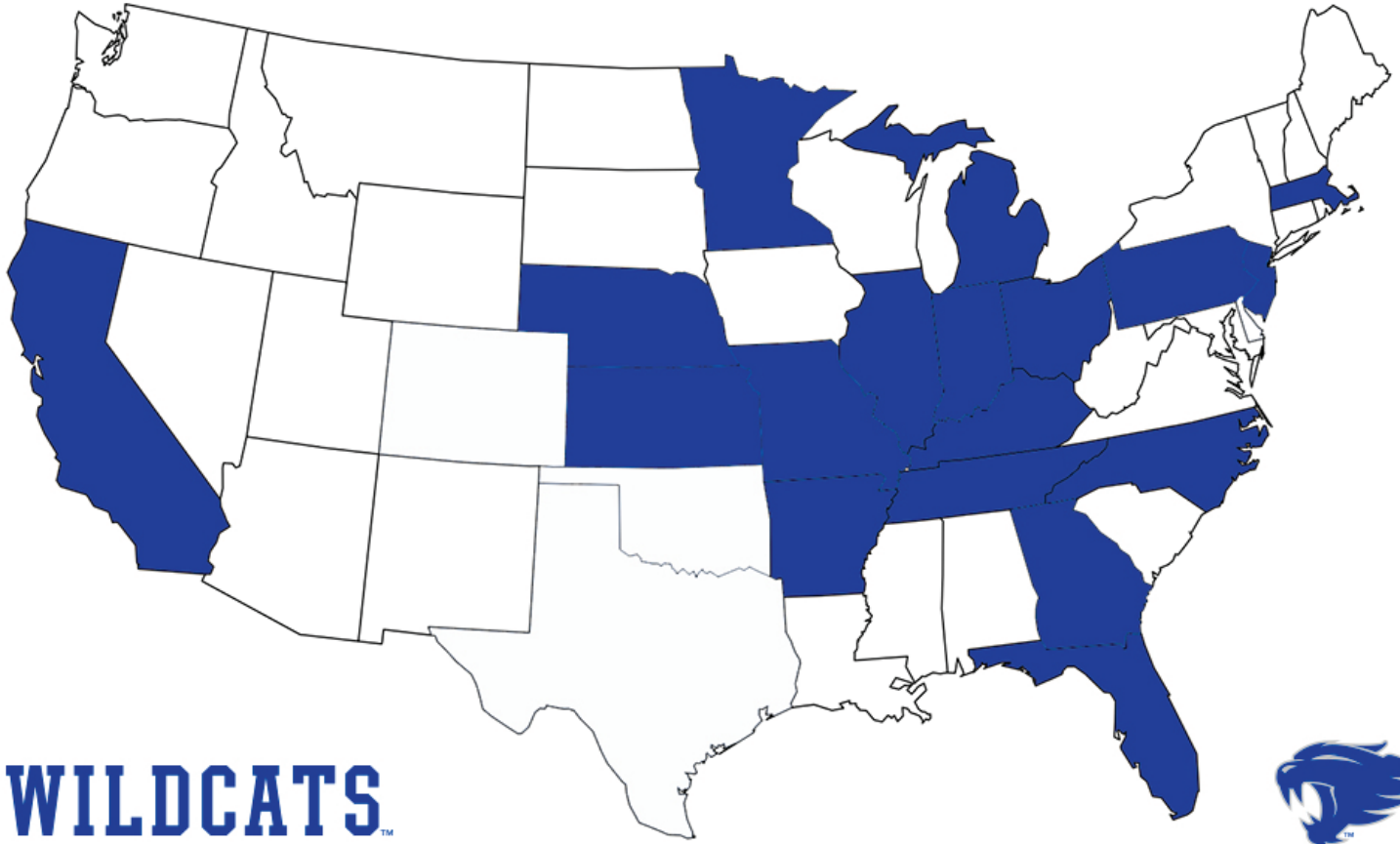
The playing surface is the AstroTurf® Rootzone Diamond Blend, which will allow the team to maximize usage in all weather conditions. The pitcher's mound will remain dirt.

The video board that looms large beyond the right-centerfield wall measures 48 feet wide by 30 feet tall, making it the eighth-largest in college baseball.

The name is a tribute to farmers and businesses of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Big Blue Nation. Kentucky Farm Bureau secured the rights to name the stadium from JMI Sports, UK Athletics' multimedia rights partner. In turn, Kentucky Farm Bureau elected to name the stadium for Kentucky Proud, the state's official agricultural marketing program housed at the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. No state taxpayer dollars were used in funding the agreement. The Kentucky Proud program is funded through the generosity of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund. The fund is directed by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board and administered by the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy.



## 2021 WILDCATS ON THE MAP



# WILDCATS™



### ARKANSAS (2)

CHASE BRYAN (WHITE HALL)  
HOUSTON KING (CABOT)

### CALIFORNIA (2)

HOLT JONES (SANTA MONICA)  
ALONZO RUBALCABA (FAIRFIELD)

### FLORIDA (2)

ORAJ ANU (ORLANDO)  
DEVIN BURKES (OCALA)

### GEORGIA (2)

ZEKE LEWIS (ATLANTA)  
COLE STUPP (MILTON)

### ILLINOIS (4)

ZACH KAMMIN (WOODSTOCK)  
ZACK LEE (EFFINGHAM)  
JACOB PLASTIAK (CHICAGO)  
RYAN RITTER (TINLEY PARK)

### INDIANA (1)

T.J. COLLETT (TERRE HAUTE)

### KANSAS (1)

DANIEL HARPER (FAIRWAY)

### KENTUCKY (12)

EVAN BYERS (NICHOLASVILLE)  
BRAXTON COTTONGAME (HAZARD)  
CHASE ESTEP (CORBIN)  
MASON HAZELWOOD (SALVISA)  
TRAE HARMON (SOMERSET)  
CAM HILL (GEORGETOWN)  
BRENDAN HORD (LEXINGTON)  
BEN JORDAN (OLIVE HILL)  
KIRK LIEBERT (OWENSBORO)  
TRIP LOCKHART (LEXINGTON)  
HUNTER RIGSBY (MOUNT VERNON)  
JAREN SHELBY (LEXINGTON)

### MASSACHUSETTS (1)

SEAN HARNEY (NATICK)

### MICHIGAN (2)

COLE DANIELS (ANN ARBOR)  
NOLAN MCCARTHY (KALAMAZOO)

### MINNESOTA (1)

JIMMY RAMSEY (TONKA BAY)

### MISSOURI (1)

COLTYN KESSLER (HIGH RIDGE)

### NEBRASKA (1)

AUSTIN SCHULTZ (ADAMS)

### NEW JERSEY (2)

RON COLE (NEPTUNE CITY)  
ALEX DEGEN (READINGTON TOWNSHIP)

### NORTH CAROLINA (1)

JACK HICKS (RALEIGH)

### OHIO (3)

WYATT HUDEPOHL (MASON)  
SETH LOGUE (MASON)  
AUSTIN STRICKLAND (WINCHESTER)

### PENNSYLVANIA (3)

TYLER BURCHETT (AIRVILLE)  
DREW GRACE (POTTSVILLE)  
DILLON MARSH (ELIZABETHTOWN)

### TENNESSEE (3)

REUBEN CHURCH (MARYVILLE)  
RYAN HAGENOW (KNOXVILLE)  
JOHN RHODES (SODDY DAISY)



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## HEAD COACH NICK MINGIONE

Kentucky fans have quickly created a bond with **Nick Mingione**, whose infectious and unrelenting enthusiasm and down-to-earth personality has earned legions of new fans. Although it is certainly an ingredient in Mingione's on-field success, getting the best out of his players has been the biggest factor in the success he's achieved everywhere he's been. In 17 full seasons of coaching the teams he's been involved with have averaged 38 victories a year and advanced to the postseason 10 times with two national runner-up finishes.

Mingione had a brilliant playing career at Embry-Riddle - he ranks 10th on its career hits list - where he helped lead the program to 154 victories and three NAIA World Series appearances in three seasons as an assistant. When he arrived at Kentucky in 2006 he was immediately part of what is still the Cats' only SEC championship club, then smelled success at Mississippi State before returning to the one place he had always wanted to be a head coach - UK. First season, first Super Regional appearance for the Cats.

He made it a point to have his team involved in the community, part of his "Student. Person. Player." guiding principle of the program, participating in numerous philanthropic events in Lexington while also taking time for more than 100 local speaking engagements. In his first season his ethos for the program was on full display as UK players earned SEC Pitcher of the Year, SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year and SEC Community Service Team honors.

Mingione became the winningest UK coach during the first three seasons of his tenure with 103 total wins and 39 in SEC play. The success has carried over to the Major League Baseball Draft, where Mingione and his staff's ability to groom players for a professional career has led to 24 players being selected in the past five MLB Drafts. The 21 players selected in the 2017 and 2018 drafts were the most of any program in the country and Mingione has helped mentor two top 20 overall picks in first baseman Evan White (17th, 2017) and left-handed pitcher Zack Thompson (19th, 2019).

Mingione has a sterling reputation as a recruiter. Over the 13 seasons at Kentucky and Mississippi State for which recruiting rankings are final, he has helped land classes with an average ranking of 15th, including top-three classes in 2013-15. He also has an unmatched track record of player development, coaching 78 players selected in the MLB Draft, as well as 45 All-Americans and six conference players of the year. His first recruiting class at Kentucky was ranked in the Top 10 of all the major industry outlets.



### MINGIONE VS. ALL OPPONENTS

OPPONENT	RECORD
<b>Alabama</b> .....	<b>3-3</b>
Appalachian State .....	3-0
Arkansas .....	1-5
<b>Auburn</b> .....	<b>5-2</b>
Austin Peay .....	3-0
<b>Ball State</b> .....	<b>1-2</b>
<b>Bellarmino</b> .....	<b>2-0</b>
Boston College .....	0-1
<b>Butler</b> .....	<b>1-0</b>
Canisius .....	3-0
Cincinnati .....	2-1
Delaware .....	0-1
<b>Eastern Kentucky</b> .....	<b>5-0</b>
<b>Evansville</b> .....	<b>2-0</b>
<b>Florida</b> .....	<b>4-9</b>
<b>Georgia</b> .....	<b>5-7</b>
<b>Georgia State</b> .....	<b>3-0</b>
Houston .....	1-0
Indiana .....	4-0
Liberty .....	0-1
Lipscomb .....	1-0
Louisiana .....	1-0
<b>Louisville</b> .....	<b>3-7</b>
<b>LSU</b> .....	<b>3-7</b>
<b>Miami (Ohio)</b> .....	<b>5-0</b>
Michigan .....	1-0
Middle Tennessee .....	3-0
<b>Milwaukee</b> .....	<b>3-0</b>
<b>Mississippi State</b> .....	<b>3-6</b>
<b>Missouri</b> .....	<b>7-5</b>
<b>Morehead State</b> .....	<b>2-0</b>
<b>Murray State</b> .....	<b>3-1</b>
Norfolk State .....	1-0
North Carolina .....	0-3
North Carolina State .....	2-1
Northern Kentucky .....	2-1
Oakland .....	5-0
Ohio .....	1-0
Old Dominion .....	1-0
Ole Miss .....	4-2
Sam Houston State .....	1-0
<b>South Carolina</b> .....	<b>6-8</b>
Southeast Missouri .....	1-0
Southern Illinois-Edwardsville .....	1-0
St. Joseph's .....	1-0
TCU .....	0-3
<b>Tennessee</b> .....	<b>5-7</b>
Tennessee-Martin .....	1-0
<b>Tennessee Tech</b> .....	<b>2-0</b>
Texas A&M .....	3-3
Texas Tech .....	2-4
UC-Santa Barbara .....	3-0
UNC Wilmington .....	0-3
USC Upstate .....	2-0
<b>Vanderbilt</b> .....	<b>3-9</b>
Western Carolina .....	1-0
<b>Western Kentucky</b> .....	<b>7-0</b>
Wofford .....	1-0
Wright State .....	1-0
Xavier .....	3-1
<b>TOTALS:</b> .....	<b>143-103</b>

(\*2021 opponents in bold)



## NICK MINGIONE - 2017 NATIONAL AND SEC COACH OF THE YEAR

### MINGIONE BY THE NUMBERS

**309** - SEC Academic Honor Roll selections

**78** - Players coached who have been selected in the Major League Baseball Draft

**48** - All-Conference honors coached

**45** - All-American honors coached

**18** - Seasons as a college baseball coach

**14** - Nationally-ranked recruiting classes (2006-07, 2009-20)

**10** - NCAA Regionals (2003-06, 2011-14, 2016, 2017)

**6** - Conference championships (2003-06, 2012, 2016)

**6** - Conference Players of the Year coached (2004-06, 2012, 2016, 2017)

**5** - College World Series (1999, 2003-05, 2013)

**4** - SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year (2013, 2014, 2015, 2017)

**2** - National Championship finalists (2005, 2013)

**2** - Senior CLASS Award winners (2018, 2021)

**1** - National and SEC Coach of the Year (2017)



## Student. Person. Player.

COACH MINGIONE IS PASSIONATE ABOUT DEVELOPING STUDENT-ATHLETES IN THREE AREAS: **STUDENT. PERSON. PLAYER.**