

## Top 19 Single-Season Marlins Home Run Leaders

This is not a comparison game, but we're going to compare the Miami Marlins to the [Los Angeles Dodgers](#) for a second. These two franchises are in drastically different situations. The Marlins' first season was in 1993, while the Dodgers' was more than 100 years before that. Despite this, the Marlins have had one season of 50-plus home runs from a player, and the Dodgers have zero. Baseball, man. Let's check out how many times [Giancarlo Stanton](#) shows up among the Marlins home run leaders for a single season.

### Marlins Home Run Leaders: Top 5

#### Giancarlo Stanton: 59 Home Runs in 2017

We should be thanking our lucky stars that [Giancarlo Stanton](#) was healthy enough to play a full year during what was right in the middle of his prime. His 59 dingers are among the [most home runs in a season](#) in MLB history, and he made that effort worthwhile. He not only led baseball with that number, but he also led the league with 132 RBI and won his first NL MVP award.

We've already discussed how a powerful July and August helped make this performance from Stanton possible (he slugged 30 of his 59 [home runs](#) over that two-month span), so let's look at it in a different way. As one would imagine, when the right-handed slugger was cookin', the Marlins were winning. He slashed .381/.476/.862 with 41 home runs and 96 RBI in victories. Those numbers dropped to .183/.273/.403, 18, and 36, respectively, in losses.

Also, it's worth noting that Stanton spent the majority of his plate appearances in the two-hole. He racked up 493 plate appearances in that spot of the order, and it's a spot where he launched 47 of his home runs. Read more about the night he tied Miami's single-season home run record here, via [Fish Stripes](#).

#### Gary Sheffield: 42 Home Runs in 1996

[Gary Sheffield](#) also has the pleasure of taking up residence on the Dodgers' single-season home run leaderboard, but before that happened, he enjoyed his first 40-homer campaign with the Marlins. Sheff had been with Florida since the middle of the 1993 season, but 1996 was the first opportunity he had to play more than 140 games. He appeared in 161, and took advantage by slashing .314/.465/.624 with those 42 home runs, 120 RBI, and 118 runs scored.

The outfielder found a way to be consistent in most situations during this campaign. Whether he was facing a lefty or a righty, at home or away, or before or after the All-Star break, his OPS wasn't all that different. The same could be said when looking at his performance on a monthly basis -- he posted an OPS above 1.000 in five of the six months, with the lone exception being a .985 mark in May. He also didn't hit fewer than five homers in any month, with April (11) and August (nine) being the high points.

#### Giancarlo Stanton: 37 Home Runs in 2014

The 2014 season was Stanton's age-24 campaign, but he'd already racked up plenty of dingers by this point in his career. This performance was the second time he slugged 37 in a season, and it was his third year with at least 30 homers. It was the first time he appeared in 140-plus games since 2011 and it was also the first time he led the league in homers.

Despite playing in a cavernous Marlins Park that's not friendly to power hitters, Stanton made a habit of slugging plenty of dingers in front of the home crowd. In this instance, 24 of his 37 homers came in Miami. And while he didn't enjoy a month with double-digit home runs, he did hit eight on three different occasions (April, May, and August). Those were also the only three times he racked up at least 20 RBI in a month, too.

### **Marcell Ozuna: 37 Home Runs in 2017**

While Stanton was busy lighting the world on fire and winning the NL MVP award, his teammate, [Marcell Ozuna](#), was enjoying his own career year at the time. In the two seasons that preceded his 2017 performance, the outfielder collected 33 homers and 120 RBI in 1,102 plate appearances. It took him about half the time (679 plate appearances, to be exact) to outperform both of those numbers (37 homers and 124 RBI).

Similar to Stanton, Ozuna also enjoyed hitting at Marlins Park, where 22 of his homers were launched. And if we look at his season in two-month increments, he remained quite consistent in the power category. Ozuna slugged 14 homers by the end of May, and another 10 between June and July. He finished strong by combining for 13 round-trippers between August and September, as well.

### **Miguel Cabrera: 34 Home Runs in 2007**

We had a tie here between [Miguel Cabrera](#) and Stanton, who also hit 34 homers in 2011. So, we went to the tiebreakers, and Miggy won in both wRC+ (142 vs. 141) and fWAR (5.0 vs. 4.2). This was Cabrera's final season with the Marlins before getting traded to the [Detroit Tigers](#), and he went out with a bang.

It was his fourth straight season with 100-plus RBI, a streak that would go on for another seven years. It was also his third season of 30-plus homers, and his first of seven straight years reaching that benchmark. Regarding 2007, it's obvious that if you kept Miggy in check at the plate, opposing teams had a good chance of winning. The stark difference in these two situations is quite eye-popping, though. In wins, Miggy slashed .424/.508/.784 with 23 home runs and 81 RBI. In losses, his triple slash dropped to .235/.308/.386 with 11 homers and 36 RBI. For those keeping score at home, that's an OPS of 1.292 in victories vs. an OPS of .694 in losses.

As it turns out, he got himself onto [another home run list](#) or two in the coming years.

## **Marlins Home Run Leaders: The Rest**

Here are all the other seasons of at least 30 homers in Marlins history:

- Giancarlo Stanton, 2011: 34 home runs
- [Hanley Ramirez](#), 2008: 33
- Miguel Cabrera, 2005: 33
- [Dan Uggla](#), 2010: 33
- [Carlos Delgado](#), 2005: 33
- Miguel Cabrera, 2004: 33
- Dan Uggla, 2008: 32
- [Mike Lowell](#), 2003: 32
- [Mike Jacobs](#), 2008: 32
- [Cliff Floyd](#), 2001: 31
- [Derrek Lee](#), 2003: 31
- Dan Uggla, 2007 and 2009: 31
- [Preston Wilson](#), 2000: 31

## Top 21 Marlins All-Time Home Run Leaders

The Miami Marlins' [career home run leader](#) is also the franchise's [single-season home run king](#). Both of those records, which are held by [Giancarlo Stanton](#), seem to be safe for a while when looking at the numbers. Who falls behind him on the Marlins all time home run leaders list, though?

Since the Marlins played their first season in 1993, the organization has watched 10 different players rack up at least 100 home runs while playing in South Beach. Let's get to the details for the top of Miami's career home run leaderboard.

## Marlins All Time Home Run Leaders: Top 5

### Giancarlo Stanton: 267 Home Runs

Are there any Marlins-related home run lists that Stanton won't be on? That seems doubtful. He led [the league in home runs](#) twice during his time in Miami. After hitting 22 dingers through his first 100 games as a rookie in 2010, he never hit fewer than 24 in a single season.

Believe it or not, the only time Stanton hit 30-plus home runs in back-to-back seasons for the Marlins came in 2011 and 2012 when he slugged 34 and 37, respectively. That 2012 campaign was impressive because he reached that number in just 123 games played (501 plate appearances) and led the league with a .608 slugging percentage. In fact, that number is still the second-best mark during a single season in his career (it was .631 during his 2017 NL MVP campaign).

Stanton enjoyed two months in 2012 where he slugged better than .750 -- he collected 12 homers in May and another 10 in August. He actually ended the year quite strong with 18 combined dingers between August and September.

### Dan Uggla: 154 Home Runs

[Dan Uggla](#)'s MLB career had a quick demise, but when he was with the Marlins, he was one of baseball's premier power hitters as a second baseman. Uggla finished third in NL Rookie of the Year voting in 2006 after posting a .818 OPS with 27 home runs and 90 RBI. His production remained consistent through his final year in South Beach, with 2010 being his best work.

After that performance as a rookie, he rattled off four straight years with at least 30 homers and 88 RBI, culminating in 2010 with career-high marks in dingers (33) and RBI (105). He slashed .287/.369/.508 in the process, winning a Silver Slugger and finishing 17th in NL MVP voting. The second baseman spent about half of his total plate appearances (311, to be exact) as the Marlins' clean-up hitter, and that's where he saw the most success. Uggla hit 19 of his home runs and collected 57 of his RBI in this spot of the lineup, slashing .300/.379/.564 in that situation.

### **Hanley Ramirez: 148 Home Runs**

Remember how I just said Uggla placed third in the 2006 NL Rookie of the Year voting? That's partially because [Hanley Ramirez](#) took home the hardware. He posted a .833 OPS with 17 home runs, 59 RBI, 119 runs scored, and 51 stolen bases during his first full year in the big leagues. Fellow teammate, pitcher [Josh Johnson](#), also finished fourth in this voting.

The Marlins had some good young talent during that time.

As for Ramirez, that was the start of an impressive tenure with the organization. Between 2007 and 2010, Hanley racked up three top-11 finishes in MVP voting (which includes finishing second in 2009), two Silver Sluggers, three All-Star Game appearances, and a batting title.

He finished with a .300 batting average in each of these campaigns. His slash line was .319/.394/.532, and he added an average of 27 home runs, 82 RBI, 111 runs scored, and 36 steals per season.

### **Mike Lowell: 143 Home Runs**

Since he spent the last five years of his career and won the 2007 World Series with the Boston Red Sox, I tend to forget that [Mike Lowell](#) spent the majority of his career with the Marlins. He was a consistent producer in the power department during the early portion of his career, but the third baseman saved his best work for the end of his tenure there in 2003 and 2004.

He posted his first and only season of 30-plus homers with 32 dingers to go along with 105 RBI and a .881 OPS in 2003. Lowell went to his second straight All-Star Game, won his only Silver Slugger award, and finished 11th in NL MVP voting. He followed that up in 2004 with another 27 homers, 85 RBI, a .870 OPS, and his third straight appearance in the midsummer classic.

This period was the only time in his career in which he finished with at least a .870 OPS in consecutive seasons. The 59 combined homers he hit were also the most Lowell slugged in any two-year span as a big leaguer.

### **Miguel Cabrera: 138 Home Runs**

From the moment he hit [his first home run](#) in 2003 (a walk-off bomb), we should've known [Miguel Cabrera](#) was going to be a generational talent. Nearly 20 years later, he's [cemented his place in history](#) by accumulating 500 home runs and 3,000 hits.

In the four full seasons he spent with Florida before getting traded to the Detroit Tigers, Miggy posted at least 20 homers with 100 RBI in each campaign. Three of those seasons went for at least 30 homers, and while he was a terrific all-around hitter from the jump, his last three years were taken to another level.

Between 2005 and 2007, Cabrera averaged 32 home runs with 44 doubles, 119 RBI, and 103 runs scored. He did all that with a sparkling .327/.405/.564 line. He finished with an OPS greater than .940 in each campaign, but 2006 was his best, as it settled in at .998.

## **Marlins All Time Home Run Leaders: The Rest**

Here's what the rest of Miami's top-21 career home run leaders looks like right now:

- [Derrek Lee](#): 129 home runs
- [Gary Sheffield](#): 122
- [Jeff Conine](#): 120
- [Cliff Floyd](#): 110
- [Preston Wilson](#): 104
- [Marcell Ozuna](#): 96
- [Justin Bour](#): 83
- [Alex Gonzalez](#): 81
- [Cody Ross](#): 80
- [Charles Johnson](#): 75
- [Mike Jacobs](#): 69
- [Josh Willingham](#): 63
- [Derek Dietrich](#): 60
- [Christian Yelich](#): 59
- [J.T. Realmuto](#): 59
- [Kevin Millar](#): 59