

# 1961 PITTSBURGH PIRATES

75-79 6th  
MGR Danny Murtaugh (#40)

DP: 311 to 343

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		BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Dick Stuart <i>"Dr. Strangelove"</i> #7	.301	0	PK	132	135	154	255	255	SLO		1B132, OF1(LF)	R	R
Bill Mazeroski <i>"Maz"</i> #9	.265	2		115	116	132	244	243	AR	SD	2B152	R	R
Dick Groat #24	.275	0		112	114	131	251	245	AR		SS144, 3B1	R	R
Don Hoak <i>"Tiger"</i> #12	.298	4		115	122	142	256	254	AR		3B143	R	R
Roberto Clemente <i>"Arriba"</i> #21	.351	4		123	131	146	321	313	AAR	SD/T-1	OF144(RF)	R	R
Bill Virdon #18	.260	5		113	116	132	235	243	AAR	SD/T-1	OF145(CF)	L	R
Bob Skinner #4	.268	3		112	114	133	243	244	AR	T-1	OF97(LF)	L	R
<i>"Smoky"</i> Burgess #6 <i>Forrest</i>	.303	1	MK	122	124	143	253	256	SLO		C92	L	R
Hal Smith #5	.223	0		113	-	132	231	226	AR		C65	R	R
Joe Christopher #23	.263	6		-	113	125	246	242	AAR		OF55(LF/CF/RF)	R	R
<i>"Rocky"</i> Nelson #14 <i>Glenn</i>	.197	0		123	125	142	215	221	AR		1B35	L	L
Dick Schofield <i>"Ducky"</i> #11	.192	0	PK	-	113	123	221	215	AR		3B11, SS9, 2B5, OF3(LF/RF)	B	R
Gino Cimoli #20	+	.299	0	MW	-	113	131	261	254	AR	OF19(LF/CF)	R	R
Walt Moryn <i>"Moose"</i> #20	X	.200	0	MW	124	-	131	214	222	SLO	OF11(RF/LF)	L	R
Don Leppert #2		.267	0	MW	125	133	144	246	243	SLO	C21	R	R
Johnny Logan #16	X	.231	0		-	-	135	235	231	AR	3B7, SS6	R	R
Donn Clendenon #17		.314	0	PK	-	116	126	265	261	AAR	OF8(RF/LF)	R	R
Bob Friend		.139	0	MW PK	-	113	-	156	156	SLO	P41	R	R
Joe Gibbon		.136	0	MW PK	-	114	122	161	155	SLO	P30	R	L
Harvey Haddix		.143	0		-	-	126	156	161	SLO	SD P29	L	L
Tom Sturdivant	X	.250	0	MW PK	-	-	-	236	236	SLO	P13	L	R
<i>"Vinegar Bend"</i> Mizell		.130	0	PK	-	-	-	154	154	SLO	P25	R	L
Vern Law		.263	0		-	-	125	246	242	SLO	P11	R	R
Bobby Shantz		.438	0		-	-	132	345	345	SLO	SD P43	R	L
Al McBean		.267	0	MW	132	-	-	246	243	SLO	P27	R	R
Roy Face		.273	0	MW	-	-	-	245	245	SLO	P62	R	R
Pitcher R		.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO			
Pitcher L		.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO			

	ERA	IP	W	K	G	GS	SV				
Bob Friend #19	3.85	236	123	631	41	35	1	.139	R	R	<i>"Warrior"</i>
Joe Gibbon #22	3.32	195	131	562	30	29	0	.136	R	L	
Harvey Haddix #31	SD	4.10	156	126	613	29	22	0	.143	L	L <i>"Kitten"</i>
Earl Francis #27		4.21	103	142	624	23	15	0	.107	R	R
<i>"Vinegar Bend"</i> Mizell #30		5.04	100	131	636	25	17	0	.130	R	L <i>Wilmer David</i>
Tom Sturdivant #15	X	2.84	86	123	622	13	11	1	.250	L	R <i>"Smoke"</i> <i>"Snake"</i>
Vern Law #32		4.70	59	131	643	11	10	0	.263	R	R <i>"Deacon"</i>
Clem Labine #29		3.69	93	133	623	56	1	8	.100	R	R
Roy Face #26		3.82	92	115	615	62	0	17	.273	R	R <i>Elroy</i>
Bobby Shantz #28	SD	3.32	89	131	566	43	6	2	.438	R	L
Al McBean #34		3.75	74	146	611	27	2	0	.267	R	R
Al Jackson #25		3.42	24	122	612	3	2	0	.000	L	L <i>"Little Al"</i>
Fred Green #35		4.79	21	136	653	13	0	0	.000	R	L
George Witt #39		6.32	16	132	621	9	1	0	.500	R	R <i>"Red"</i>
Larry Foss #37		5.87	15	156	615	3	3	0	.167	R	R

Despite having puzzling problems FIELDING the baseball, first baseman Dick Stuart had no difficulties HITTING the baseball as the Pirates' leader with 35 homers and 117 runs batted in. One who didn't have troubles hitting the ball (and one who put-up an MVP-type season), Roberto Clemente led the National League in batting, won a Gold Glove, and compiled a "triple double" with 30 doubles, 10 triples, and 23 home runs. He led the ball club with 201 base hits and 100 runs scored. "Bobby" Clemente, as all-time great broadcaster Bob Prince liked to call the Bucs' rightfielder, knocked home 89 runs and really was just entering the prime of his legendary career. Possibly the best second-sacker in the game, Bill Mazeroski, contributed 13 dingers, 59 RBI, and won his third Gold Glove...Bob Friend was the pitching staff's top winner with a 14-19 W/L record. Joe Gibbon, who led the staff with 145 K's, was 13-10. Harvey Haddix won ten contests...The Buccos led the N.L. in batting average (.273), hits (1,448), and triples (57). They hit 128 homers...The staff ended the year with a 3.92 ERA, but led the league with fewest home runs allowed (121) and bases on balls (400)...The defending World Champions weren't as good in '61 as they were in the magical season of 1960. By the All Star break, the Pirates were seven games over .500 and 8 1/2 games in back of the league leader. They came as close as 7 1/2 games on July 20<sup>th</sup>, but fell below .500 August 15<sup>th</sup> and remained there the rest of the way. Pittsburgh finished 18 games behind pennant-winning Cincinnati. The teams split their season series, 11-11.