

# 1973 NEW YORK METS

82-79 1st  
MGR Yogi Berra (#8)

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
John Milner <i>"Hammer"</i> #28	.239	1		125	126	136	232	234	AR		1B95, OF29(LF)	L L
Felix Millan <i>"the Cat"</i> #16	.290	2	MK	111	112	124	255	252	AR		2B153	R R
<i>"Bud"</i> Harrelson #3 <u>Derrel</u>	.258	5		-	112	123	244	241	AAR	SD	SS103	B R
Wayne Garrett #11	.256	6		121	122	135	235	242	AR		3B130, SS9, 2B6	L R
<i>"Rusty"</i> Staub #4 <u>Daniel</u>	.279	1		116	-	141	244	251	AR	T-1	OF152(RF)	L R
Don Hahn #25	.229	2		112	-	124	233	231	AR		OF87( <u>CF</u> /LF/RF)	R R
Cleon Jones #21	.260	1		121	-	133	243	242	AR	T-1	OF92( <u>LF</u> /CF/RF)	R L
Jerry Grote #15	.256	0	MW	111	113	125	242	241	AR	SD	C81, 3B2	R R
Ed Kranepool #7	.239	1		111	113	126	232	234	AR		1B51, OF32(LF)	L L
Teddy Martinez #17	.255	3	MW	111	-	124	241	241	AR		SS44,	R R
											OF21( <u>CF</u> /LF), 3B14, 2B5	
Willie Mays <i>"Say Hey Kid"</i> #24	.211	1		116	-	134	226	223	AR		OF45(CF), 1B17	R R
<i>"Duffy"</i> Dyer #10 <u>Donald</u>	.185	0		111	112	123	214	214	AR		C60	R R
Jim Fregosi #2 +	.234	1		-	112	123	234	232	AR		3B17, SS17, 1B3,	R R
											OF1(LF)	
Ron Hodges #42	.260	0		112	-	115	235	243	SLO		C40	L R
George Theodore <i>"Stork"</i> #9	.259	1		112	-	123	242	242	AR		OF33(LF), 1B4	R R
Ken Boswell #12	.227	0		114	116	124	231	231	AR		3B17, 2B3	L R
Jim Gosger #5	.239	0		-	-	115	232	234	AR		OF35(LF/CF)	L L
Jim Beauchamp #5	.279	1		-	114	122	251	246	AR		1B11	R R
Dave Schneck #23	.194	0	MW	-	116	-	216	216	AR		OF12(CF)	L L
Tom Seaver	.161	1	PK	112	114	123	212	164	SLO	SD	P36	R R
Jon Matlack	.138	0	PW PK	-	-	-	155	156	SLO		P34	L L
George Stone	.271	0		-	-	-	243	245	SLO		P27	L L
Ray Sadecki	.226	0	MW	-	-	132	226	231	SLO		P31	L L
<i>"Tug"</i> McGraw	.167	0	PK	-	-	-	166	166	SLO		P60	R L
Harry Parker	.174	0	MW PK	-	-	-	214	211	SLO		P38	R R
Jim McAndrew	.133	0	PW PK	-	-	132	161	154	SLO		P23	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					
Tom Seaver #41 SD	2.08	290	125	545	36	36	0	.161	R R	<i>"Tom Terrific"</i>	<i>"The Franchise"</i>	
Jerry Koosman #36	2.84	263	131	614	35	35	0	.103	R L	<i>"Kooz"</i>		
Jon Matlack #32	3.20	242	141	552	34	34	0	.138	L L			
George Stone #40	2.80	148	124	623	27	20	1	.271	L L			
Ray Sadecki #33	3.39	117	134	562	31	11	1	.226	L L			
Jim McAndrew #43	5.38	80	134	631	23	12	1	.133	R R			
<i>"Tug"</i> McGraw #45	3.87	119	143	565	60	2	25	.167	R L	<u>Frank Edwin</u>		
Harry Parker #31	3.35	97	135	566	38	9	5	.174	R R			
Phil Hennigan #34	6.23	43	134	624	30	0	3	.333	R R			
<i>"Buzz"</i> Capra #38	3.86	42	155	552	24	0	4	.000	R R	<u>Lee William</u>		
John Strohmayr #39 X	8.10	10	135	626	7	0	0	.000	R R			
Craig Swan #27	8.64	8	123	633	3	1	0	.000	R R			

The Mets were plagued with injuries for most of the season, but in a mediocre NL East, they were only 5 ½ games out of first place at the end of August. Bolstered by Tug McGraw's "Ya Gotta Believe!" rallying cry, the Mets won five of their last seven games to win the division and became the team with the LOWEST winning percentage (.509) to go to the World Series at that time. After beating the Reds (highlighted by a scuffle between Pete Rose and Buddy Harrelson at second base during Game Three) in the NLCS, the Oakland A's—in the middle of their early 70s dynasty—outlasted the Metropolitans in the '73 Fall Classic, four games to three. Willie Mays, perhaps the greatest major league player ever, ended his career in the city where it all began as a Giant in 1951..." Rusty" Staub was as beloved in New York as he was in Montreal as "Le Grand Orange." Staub, who slugged 15 homers, led the ball club with 76 RBI. John Milner was tops with 23 dingers while knocking in 72 runs. Wayne Garrett added 16 homers and 58 RBI... Tom Seaver led the pitching staff with 19 wins, 251 strikeouts, and 18 complete games. Jerry Koosman and Jon Matlack each won fourteen games. Matlack was second with 205 K's and 14 complete games. Lefthander George Stone was a 12-game winner. Mets' batters hit .246 for the season and 85 home runs. The staff was third in the N.L. with a 3.26 ERA and first with 1,027 strikeouts... The Mets won the season series with the second place Cardinals, 10-8, which New York needed to win the division by 1 ½ games. The fifth place Cubs were just five games in back of the Mets at season's end.