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THE SABERCATS, GILGRONIS & JACKALS: MEET TEXAS' PROFESSIONAL RUGBY TEAMS

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Slowly but surely, rugby's popularity is gaining a foothold in the United States. And Texas is right in the thick of the sport's rise, with soon to be three **Major League Rugby** teams. Two – the Austin Gilgronis and the Houston SaberCats – were part of the league's 2018 founding class. Another – the Dallas Jackals – will join the league as an expansion franchise in 2022. Let's take a closer look at Texas' pro rugby teams.

AUSTIN GILGRONIS

What the Heck Is Gilgronis?

Sounds like a horrifying, hulking, mythical sea creature or something, doesn't it? Well, it's not. Gilgronis is .. wait for it .. a cocktail created by the team's owners. Don't worry. You're not the only one **who thinks it's weird!**

Are They the Only MLR Team Named After a Cocktail?

They sure aren't.

Where Do They Play?

Bold Stadium, a 5,036-seat stadium in Del Valle, which is just southeast of Austin.

When Do They Play?

The Major League Rugby regular season started in March and runs through July. The playoffs conclude Aug. 1 with the MLR Championship Final. See the Gilgronis' full schedule and ticket options [here](#).

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Are the Gilgronis Any Good?

The Gilgronis haven't exactly gotten off to the fastest start in MLR history, missing the playoffs in each of their first two seasons (the 2020 season was canceled after a handful of games).

HOUSTON SABERCATS

Isn't It Great That They Have a Normal Name?

We agree!

Are the SaberCats Any Good?

Like the Gilgronis, the SaberCats have struggled a bit their first two full seasons, missing the playoffs in 2018 and 2019 (the 2020 season was canceled after a handful of games).

Where Do They Play?

Aveva Stadium, a 2-year-old, 3,200-seat stadium 15 minutes south of downtown Houston.

When Do They Play?

The Major League Rugby regular season started in March and runs through July. The playoffs conclude Aug. 1 with the MLR Championship Final. See the SaberCats' full schedule and ticket options [here](#).

DALLAS JACKALS

When Do They Begin Playing?

The Jackals were originally set to enter Major League Rugby in 2021, but world events bumped it back to 2022.

Where Will They Play?

Brand-new Globe Life Park in Arlington. You know, where the Texas Rangers **used to** play.

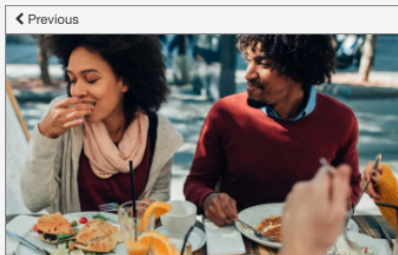
Follow the Jackals

It'll be fascinating to see this new team take shape right here in the DFW area. Stay tuned to all the developments at www.DallasJackals.com.

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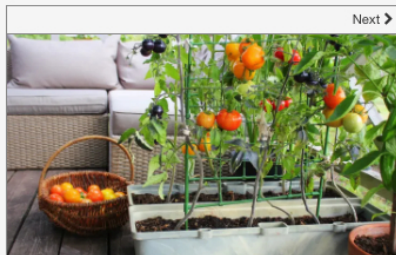


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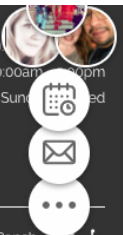
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