

AL Division Series: Tigers vs Mariners

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Seattle, Washington, USA

T-Mobile Park

Seattle Mariners

Jorge Polanco

Postgame 2 Press Conference

Mariners - 3, Tigers - 2

Q. (Indiscernible)?

JORGE POLANCO: Yeah. You know, I -- especially in the first at-bat, I only saw one pitch, but we already know what he does. We know what he throws. He got pretty good pitches, he got pretty good fastball.

I came up there just trying to get a good pitch to hit, just hit to the middle of the field and put it straight on.

Q. With the tally going into Game 3, you need the split.

JORGE POLANCO: What was that?

Q. Going on the road, you've got to split.

JORGE POLANCO: Yeah. We got the split. We're going on the road. We feel pretty good about it. It is away game, and we're just going to go out there, trying to stay focused, trying to complete over there and trying to win.

Q. What have you noticed out of Julio this series? He came through big last night, came through again, and obviously with a double tonight. What have you seen out of Julio in this series?

JORGE POLANCO: He's the same guy, you know? He's Julio. He's always prepared for the moment, and he wants the big moment, and he just -- he's just the guy that wants this moment, and he can deliver, you know? He's very confident in what he knows how to play, and we all love him. We all love the way he goes about his business.

Q. Do you feel like you were seeing the ball off of Skubal? I mean, it seems like you knew what was coming better than most out there.



JORGE POLANCO: I was feeling pretty good. I didn't know what was coming. Like I said, I just have a good approach, stay to the middle so I can recognize the second that it starts.

Q. What is it like to have this kind of performance? Because you had some great plays in the field as well in front of this crowd in a must-win game.

JORGE POLANCO: Well, when we've got a crowd like that that's supporting us, it's easy for us to go out there. I'm just trying to get focused and compete.

Q. Jorge, you guys were aggressive early in counts against Skubal. Was that the game plan, to just not let him get ahead?

JORGE POLANCO: No, that wasn't the game plan. The game plan was, like I said, to the middle, straight to the middle of the field, try and get a good pitch to hit.

Like I said before, we all know he has a pretty good fastball. We're just trying to stay to the middle of the field.

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