

# Rays clinch 2nd consecutive AL East crown

Stanton's slam lifts Yanks to win over Red Sox

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Sept. 26, (AP): The Tampa Bay Rays clinched their second straight AL East title, with Mike Zunino hitting a go-ahead homer and Brandon Lowe later adding a pair of RBI doubles to beat the Miami Marlins 7-3.

Pete Fairbanks retired Lewis Brinson on a foul popup with the bases loaded for the final out, giving the Rays the chance to celebrate on the field. Earlier in the day, Tampa Bay's magic number was cut to one when the New York Yankees beat Boston 5-3.

There was a standing ovation from the season-high crowd of 23,783 at Tropicana Field when the Yankees' victory was announced after the top of the sixth inning.

Tampa Bay improved to 96-59 and won its fourth division title since becoming a major league team for the 1998 season. The club debuted as the Devil Rays then, and wore jerseys with that name during this clinching victory.

The Rays, who lost the World Series to the Los Angeles Dodgers in six games last season, have never won the championship.

Shane Bieber (10-6) allowed one run and six hits over five innings.

Zunino connected off Sandy Alcantara (9-14) for his 32nd homer.

## Yankees 5, Red Sox 3

In Boston, Giancarlo Stanton hit a go-ahead grand slam over the Green Monster in the eighth inning and New York tied Boston for the top spot in the AL wild-card race.

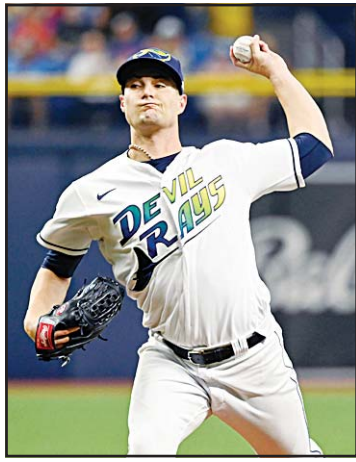
Both teams are two games ahead of Toronto and three up on Seattle in the chase for two postseason spots. But the Yankees now have a chance to nudge in front of their longtime rivals in Sunday night's series finale at Fenway Park.

Stanton connected off reliever Darwinson Hernandez with two outs to give the Yankees a 5-2 lead. The slugger also had three hits and a three-run homer Friday night to help New York win the series opener.

## Cardinals 8, Cubs 5

In Chicago, the St. Louis Cardinals set a franchise record with their 15th straight win, boosted when catcher Yadier Molina and center fielder Harrison Bader helped pull off a wild double play against Chicago.

Bader, Tyler O'Neill and Paul DeJong homered as these Cardinals broke the team record of 14 wins in a row set in 1935, a year after Dizzy Dean and the



Tampa Bay Rays starter Shane Bieber pitches against the Miami Marlins during the first inning of a baseball game, on Sept. 25, in St. Petersburg, Fla. (AP)

Gas House Gang won the World Series. Bader went 4 for 4 and scored three times as the Cardinals held their comfortable lead for the second NL wild card.

## Braves 10, Padres 8, 10 Innings

In San Diego, Jorge Soler hit a go-ahead double with one out in the 10th inning for his fourth RBI, and Atlanta maintained its 1 1/2-game lead in the NL East while eliminating San Diego from playoff contention.

The Padres were one out from a win in regulation when Eddie Rosario hit a tying single off major league saves leader Mark Melancon, who was trying for his 39th.

Soler, who hit a three-run homer in the sixth, then helped seal the biggest collapse in Padres history with his hit off Daniel Hudson (5-3). Ozzie Albies added a sacrifice fly.

## Brewers 2, Mets 1

In Milwaukee, Corbin Burnes pitched seven brilliant innings to win his ninth consecutive decision and Milwaukee moved to the brink of clinching the NL Central title with a victory over New York.

The Brewers, already assured a fourth straight playoff berth, can wrap up the division crown Sunday with a win at home against the Mets or a Cardinals loss to the Cubs in Chicago.

## Phillies 3, Pirates 0

In Philadelphia, ranger Suarez pitched a four-hit shutout, Bryce Harper homered and the Philadelphia Phillies kept up their playoff push by beating Pittsburgh for their fifth straight win.

The Phillies remained 1 1/2 games behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East. Philadelphia visits the Braves for a three-game series beginning Tuesday.

Suarez (7-5) allowed just four singles, walked none and struck out seven in his first major league complete game. He didn't permit a runner past first base and faced only one batter more than the minimum.

## Giants 7, Rockies 2

In Denver, Brandon Belt went deep twice as San Francisco set a franchise record for home runs in a season, and the Giants beat Colorado to extend their NL West lead.

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Belt hit a solo homer in the first inning and a three-run shot in the fifth off Jon Gray (8-12). His second drive was the team's 236th homer of the season, surpassing the 235 hit by the 2001 club. That squad featured Barry Bonds' major league-record 73 homers.

## Diamondbacks 7, Dodgers 2

In Phoenix, Ketel Marte and Carson Kelly homered early off Clayton Kershaw, Zac Gallen pitched one-run ball for six innings and Arizona kept Los Angeles from reaching 100 wins.

The Dodgers (99-56) fell two games behind first-place San Francisco in the NL West. The second-place team will host the NL wild-card game on Oct. 6, likely against St. Louis.

Gallen (3-10), who hadn't won since Aug. 26 against Philadelphia, struck out



New York Yankees' Giancarlo Stanton hits a grand slam during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox, on Sept 25, in Boston. (AP)

six in the first two innings.

## Athletics 2, Astros 1

In Oakland, Calif., Starling Marte hit a game-ending double with one out in the ninth inning to lift Oakland over Houston.

The Athletics are four games behind co-wild card leaders New York and Boston, with Seattle and Toronto in between.

Houston's magic number to clinch

the AL West is two over the Mariners.

Elvis Andrus singled off Ryan Pressly (5-3) to begin the Oakland ninth and scored the winning run, but injured his left ankle on the play.

## Blue Jays 6, Twins 1

In Minneapolis, Teoscar Hernández, Marcus Semien and George Springer homered, and Toronto held its position in the playoff chase by beating Minnesota.

Robbie Ray (13-6) scattered three hits in six innings as the Blue Jays ended a three-game slide.

Toronto stayed two games behind Boston and New York in the AL wild-card race with seven games remaining.

Semien hit his 43rd home run in the sixth for a 3-1 lead. That tied him with Dave Johnson of Atlanta in 1973 for the most home runs in a season by a second baseman. Springer snapped an 0-for-16 skid with a two-run shot in the seventh.

## Angels 14, Mariners 1

In Anaheim, Calif., Shohei Ohtani tripled in his first two at-bats and Los Angeles damaged Seattle's playoff chances by ending its six-game winning streak.

Jonathan Diaz (1-0) pitched seven strong innings in relief for his first major league win and the Angels scored eight runs in the third as the Mariners dropped three games out in the AL wild-card chase with seven to play.

Boston and New York are tied atop the wild-card standings, with Toronto two games back in the race for two spots.

## Indians 6, White Sox 0

In Cleveland, Eli Morgan allowed one hit in six innings and José Ramirez drove in three runs, powering Cleveland past the AL Central champion White Sox.

Chicago remained four games behind AL West leader Houston in the race for home-field advantage in the Division Series. Both teams have seven games remaining.

Morgan (4-7) struck out six and walked one, giving up only a double to Yoan Moncada in the fifth.

## Tigers 5, Royals 1

In Detroit, Miguel Cabrera drove in four runs, including a go-ahead double in the sixth inning, and Detroit downed Kansas City.

Jeimer Candelario delivered an RBI double for the Tigers, who have won five of six. Jonathan Schoop had two hits and scored two runs.

Drew Hutchison (3-1) allowed only an unearned run in 2 2/3 innings of relief. Michael Fulmer got four outs for his 12th save.

## Orioles 3, Rangers 2

In Baltimore, Jose Trevino and Nathaniel Lowe went deep for the Rangers, who have lost nine of 11 to fall to 56-99. Texas is headed toward its first 100-loss season since 1973.

The game was scoreless in the seventh when the 105-loss Orioles broke through against starter Jordan Lyles (9-13). Trey Mancini walked and scored on Pat Valaika's double, and Gutierrez followed with his second homer.

## Reds 7, Nationals 6

In Cincinnati, Nick Castellanos hit a solo home run with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning to give Cincinnati a win over Washington.

The Reds remained six games behind St. Louis for the second NL wild card with seven remaining. Cincinnati won back-to-back home games for the first time since sweeping Miami in a four-game series Aug. 19-22.

## MLB Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26, (AP): Results and standings from the MLB games on Saturday.

American League				National League				
East Division				East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Tampa Bay	96	59	.619	—	Atlanta	82	72	.532
Boston	88	67	.568	8	Philadelphia	81	74	.523
New York	88	67	.568	8	New York	79	81	.474
Toronto	86	69	.555	10	Miami	84	90	.416
Baltimore	50	105	.323	46	Washington	64	91	.413
Central Division				Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Chicago	87	68	.561	—	z-Milwaukee	93	62	.600
Cleveland	76	78	.494	10-1/2	St. Louis	86	69	.555
Detroit	75	79	.487	11-1/2	Cincinnati	80	75	.516
Kansas City	70	84	.455	16-1/2	Chicago	67	88	.432
Minnesota	69	86	.445	18	Chicago	57	97	.370
West Division				West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	91	64	.587	—	z-San Francisco	101	54	.652
Seattle	85	70	.548	6	z-Los Angeles	99	56	.639
Oakland	84	71	.542	7	San Diego	78	77	.503
Los Angeles	74	81	.477	17	Colorado	71	83	.461
Texas	56	99	.361	35	Arizona	50	105	.323

Note: x-clinched division z-clinched playoff berth

## Pick of the month: Top 14-inch 2021 laptops you can get today in Kuwait and why you should go for the HUAWEI MateBook 14



HUAWEI MateBook 14

### By Mohanad Merheb

For a long time, the majority of laptops fell into one of three camps. There were 13-inch laptops meant for portability, 17-inch laptops for people who needed large displays, and 15-inch laptops for everyone else! Nevertheless, every now and then some brands would buck the trend with a 14-inch laptop, which provides the portability of an ultra-slim machine with enough screen space to be productive. Whether you are looking for a laptop for gaming or a creative workstation for content creation or simply an everyday laptop for this back to school season, one of the first things you would consider are price and the best possible features. Ideally, the top 14-inch laptops should be packing serious internals and hardware ranging from quality processors, to amazing graphic cards while still keeping things nice with a minimalist, thin and light design, and would not break the bank either. Here, we have rounded up some of the top 2021 14-inch laptops that you could get your hands on in Kuwait under KWD 349,900 price and why you the HUAWEI MateBook 14 should be on top of your list.

Huawei's latest 2K all-rounded sleek laptop features a 2K eye-comfort FullView display with a resolution of 2160x1440, and a pixel density of 185 pixels per inch (ppi), and with support for 100 percent of the sRGB colour space, 1500:1 contrast ratio and peak brightness of 300 nits.

In terms of performance and workload, this 2K all-rounded laptop does not disappoint. The 11th Gen Intel® Core™ Processor powers the HUAWEI MateBook 14 for heavy computing and getting work done smoothly.

The HUAWEI MateBook 14 falls under the range of Super Device Products Huawei recently launched. This laptop can connect wirelessly with compatible tablets like the all-new 12.6-inch HUAWEI MatePad 11 and with monitors like the HUAWEI MateView via a USB-C cable providing you with futuristic multi-device collaboration and cross-device file sharing with simple drag and drop between the trio.

The new HUAWEI MateBook 14 Leverages the distributed capabilities of the Super Device to boost productivity and creativity. You can wirelessly project the



12.6-inch HUAWEI MatePad pro to the HUAWEI MateBook 14 to enjoy the new features of the Tablet-PC Multi-screen Collaboration that come with three modes; Mirror, Extend and Collaborate.

Based on Huawei's distributed technologies, Multi-screen Collaboration features help bridge the gap between Windows and Android operating systems at the ground level, enabling seamless cross-device collaboration, file sharing and multi-screen control. Under Multi-screen Collaboration, the recently launched HUAWEI nova 8 can be connected with the HUAWEI MateBook 14 to form a powerful Super Device. Once connected, the laptop can access mobile files, and open up to three folders while the smartphone can function as the PC's thumb device, making cross-device file management easier than ever.

Moreover, you can connect the laptop with the HUAWEI MateView via cable to have an extra screen providing you with an immersive viewing space while also wirelessly projecting the screen of the 12.6-inch HUAWEI MatePad Pro onto the HUAWEI MateBook 14. The benefits of having this trio set-up is the easy

swapping of wireless and wired connections which lets you easily switch between work mode, and personal mode.

Besides aesthetically pleasing designs and high performance, battery life is also an essential part of the user experience. The 56Wh high capacity battery in the HUAWEI MateBook 14 works together with Huawei's smart power management solution to maximise battery life. The versatile in-box 65W USB Type-C power adaptor supports multiple power output standards for not only fast notebook charging, but also HUAWEI SuperCharge when connected to compatible Huawei smartphones. Moreover, when needed, Power off Reverse Charging enables the new 14-inch notebook to act as an emergency power bank for charging other devices.

HP's Pavilion x360 14-dw1002ne comes with a 14-inch touch-screen display with a screen resolution of 1920 x 1080 pixel per density. You get to see more content with 178° wide-viewing angles and a vibrant picture. In addition, with touchscreen technology, you can control your PC right from the screen.



The HP Pavilion x360 14-dw1002ne is fitted with the 11th Generation Intel® Core™ i7 processor for getting things done fast with good performance and stable connectivity.

Battery life and charging speeds are key factors when deciding the top laptops available in the market. HP's Pavilion 14-DW1002NE comes with a 40Wh Battery which lasts long. Meanwhile the 45W HP's Express Charge can provide users with 50% battery power in approximately 45 minutes.

In terms of computing and processing convenience, this laptop comes fitted with an 8GB RAM and 512GB internal storage (SSD) for sleek multitasking. This combination is ideal for running several programs smoothly.

The Lenovo Yoga Slim 14 ITL05 comes with a 14-inch touch-enabled display with a FHD+ screen resolution of 1920 x 1080-pixel density. Edged with razor-thin bezels, the 14" display offers stunning clarity, colour, and detail, and 300 nits of brightness.

Optimized with machine-learning technologies, the Lenovo Yoga Slim 14 ITL05 offers ultra responsive, intuitive performance in a remarkably thin and light laptop.

When fully charged, Lenovo

claims the Lenovo Yoga Slim 14 ITL05 will run all day—for up to 14 hours. In addition, when you need a boost, switch to Intelligent Cooling mode, which is co-engineered with Intel®, for an extra 15-20% battery life. Alternatively, there is Rapid Charge Pro, which gets you back to 80% capacity within an hour. The 60.7Wh battery can be charged up to 50 percent in 30 minutes with standby mode or while powered off.

Moreover, with up to 16GB RAM and 512GB internal memory storage you are guaranteed smooth computing and multitasking regardless of the workload.

There are many 14-inch laptops in the Kuwait market covering a gamut of budgets and use cases. While some can be happy with a system good enough for web surfing, others need a laptop that can handle tasks that are more intensive. The HUAWEI MateBook 14 gives you all that and a tad bit starting with its 2K eye-comfort FullView display, 11th Gen Intel® Core™ Processor for smooth and solid performance, Super Device features which offers futuristic ways to interconnect with multiple devices for seamless cross-device sharing and so much more!