

MATSUI HIDEKI BASEBALL MUSEUM



HIDEKI MATSUI

Birth date / June 12 1974
 Birth place / Ishikawa-prefecture
 Size • Blood type /6'-2" tall ,232lbs •
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 Education / Seiryō high school
 Bat /left
 Position / Out-fielder
 Nickname / "Godzilla"
 1974 Masao and Saeko' Matsui's
 second son born in Neagari,Ishikawa

Prefecture.

- 1976 '76-'81 Yamaguchi Nursery School,Neagari
- 1981 Hama Elementary School,Neagari
- 1985 Joined the Neagari Little League Baseball Team
- 1987 Neagari Junior High School and joined the baseball team
- 1990 Seiryō High School and joined the baseball team Participated in the 72nd Koshien National Baseball Tournament
- 1991 Participated in the 73rd Koshien National Baseball Tournament
- 1992 Participated in the 64th Invitational Koshien National Baseball Tournament
 During the tournament he hit 3 homeruns and was nicknamed 'Godzilla'.
 Participated in the 74th Koshien National Baseball Tournament
- 1992 Joined the Tokyo Giants(also drafted by the Hanshin Tigers,Chunichi Dragons and the Daiei Hawks)
- 1993 Started in the minor leagues and on May 1st began playing in the majors
 Hit his first major league homerun on May 2nd off Takatsu of the Yakult Swallows
- 1994 For the entire season he played right field and batted third in the lineup
 Tokyo Giants are the Central League and Japan Series Champion .294 batting average and also hit 20 homeruns

- 1995 Hit clean up for the first time
- 1996 Tokyo Giants are the Central League Champion
 He won the M.V.P. award with a .314 average,38 homers and 99 RBIs He hit a grand slam off Reynolds in the Japan/U.S. game
- 1997 He hit his 100th homerun while playing against the Hiroshima Carps on April 27th
- 1998 He hit a 525 foot homerun
 He won both the home run title(34) and the RBI title(100)
- 1999 He hit his 200th homerun while playing against the Hanshin Tigers on September 21th
- 2000 Tokyo Giants are the Central League and Japan Series Champion
 He won both the homerun title(42) and the RBI title(108) for the second time
 Won the league MVP award
- 2001 elected team captain
 He hit his 250th homerun while playing against the Dragons on April 12th in 1000th game
 Won the batting title with an average of .333
- 2002 He hit his 300th homerun while playing against the Hiroshima on July 9th
 Tokyo Giants are the Central League and Japan Series Champion
 He won both the homerun title(50) and the RBI title(107) for the third time
 Won the league MVP award
 Third 2 batting titles of 50HRs,107RBIs MVP award
- 2002 At the end of the 2002 season he became a free agent and expressed a desire to join MLB
- 2003 3-year contract with Yankees
 Hit his first MLB single against Halladay of the Toronto BlueJays in Toronto,Canada on March 31st hit his first MLB homerun off Mays of the Minnesota Twins at Yankee Stadium on April 8th
 Voted MVP for the week of 6/24-6/30 voted rookie MVP for the month of June
- 2004 For the second time he was voted MVP of the week (5/24-5/30) combined Japan and U.S. consecutive game streak of 1500 games played is reached on July 15th in Comerica Park Became the first Japanese player in MLB history to hit 20 homers in a season(August 4th in Yankee Stadium)
 Personal first back-to-back HRs and became the first Japanese player in MLB history to get 6 RBIs in a single game
 Became the first Japanese player in MLB history to hit 30 homers in a season(September 29th in Yankee Stadium)
 Became the first Japanese player in MLB history to hit a HR in three consecutive games (September 30th in Yankee Stadium)
- 2005 third weekly MVP 6/24-6/30

- Hit his 400th homerun(combined Japan and U.S. totals)
 Consecutive-game streak of 425 is MLB high vs Twins(in yankee stadium July 28)
 This is consecutive-game streak of 1675 in Japan&U.S,as well.
 400th HR in Japan&U.S vs Devil Rays(in Yankee stadium September 7)
 Consecutive-game streak of 3 seasons in MLB&Personal First 0.300 BA in MLB
 4-year contract with Yankees
- 2006 Broke his left wrist at the field in the 1st inning vs Red Sox. (in Yankee stadium May 11)
 Consecutive-game streak ended up with 1768 games.
 Comeback after 111 games with Standing ovation.
 4 hits of 4 at-bats with RBIs vs Devil Rays (in Yankee Stadium September 12)
 Championship of AL East division
 0.302 BA,8 HRs and 29 RBIs in 51 playing games this season.
- 2007 Hideki Matsui got his 2000th career hit .(combined Japan and U.S. totals)(May 6)
 For July of 2007 he earned his first MLB monthly MVP award.
 Hideki Matsui became the first Japanese player to have hit 100 homeruns in his MLB career.(August 5)
- 2008 Against the Indians, he extended his hitting streak to 17 games, his personal best
 Against the Twins, he played in his 2000th combined Japan/U.S. professional game
 On his birthday, he smashed a grand slam, leading his team to a come frombehind victory against the Athletics
 Against the Orioles, he hit his 444th combined Japan/U.S. homerun that tiedhim with Mr. Shigeo Nagashima
 This was also his 500th RBI in his MLB career
 In the final game played in Yankee Stadium, against the Orioles,he was in the starting lineup as the DH and while batting eighthhe belted out a hit adding to the rich 86-year history of the ballpark
- 2009 As the first Japanese player to bat cleanup on opening day for the Yankees he blasted his 445th combined Japan/U.S. homer to right-center field to surpass Mr. Shigeo Nagashima, his former mentor's home run record
 Hit his 450th combined Japan/U.S.home run against the Rangers
 Ended the regular season with a .274 batting average, 28 homers and 90 RBIs
 Rewrote Major League Baseball's record books by driving in an amazing 6 RBIs in one World Series game
 Yankees won the World Series for the first time in 9 years
 Became the first Japanese player in Major League Baseball history to receive the World Series MVP award
 Filed for free agency

Career of “Matsui Hideki” Performing Miracle

- ① Hideki Matsui and Baseball
(from childhood to joining the Yankees)
- ② The dream begins on the diamond
(elementary and junior high years)
- ③ A dreamlike homerun at the National Koshien Tournament
(Seiryu high school year)
- ④ A wards and Testimonials
- ⑤ Family and Private Life
- ⑥ The Challenge of joining the distinguished Tokyo Giants
(Tokyo Giant years)
- ⑦ Starting afresh with another dream of
playing in the Major Leagues.
(New York Yankee years)
- ⑧ Major League Baseball
- ⑨ Home-Run records



[Welcome to the MHBM]

Hideki was born very close to here in the town of Neagari on June 12, 1974.

He started playing baseball at an early age and subsequently received the kind support of many different people.

Through good fortune, he was able to make a career out of the game he loves and to this day strives to improve himself.

The passion he has for baseball and the importance of the diligent effort required to pursue dreams are the two founding principles of this museum.

I want to convey to all of you the importance of going after your dreams and also that the pinnacle of happiness is achieving your goals after working very hard to fulfill them.

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May 5,
July 20 thru August 31

Dec 25 thru Dec 30, Jan 3 thru Jan 8
Hours of Operation 9:00-5(no admittance
after 4:50)

OPEN hour

Admission fee

Adults:300yen,6-15 years old:100yen,
Under 6:Free

Free Parking

Parking lot has a capacity of 161
vehicles(14 buses,144 cars and 3
handicapped spaces)



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