



Cole Hamels

Cole Hamels is a **World Series champion**, a **World Series MVP**, and a four-time **All-Star MLB pitcher**.

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Future Hall of Famer

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"I kept believing that, if I got my innings in, it would come. I just kept believing." – Cole Hamels

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Cole Hamels' Story

In 2002, Cole Hamels was drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies in the first round of the MLB Draft. After 4 years in the Phillies farm system, Cole made his major league debut and immediately made an impact. In his rookie season, he finished with a 9-8 record and a solid 4.08 ERA. The following year, he finished the season with a 15-5 record and a stellar 3.39 ERA, earning him his first All-Star selection and solidifying his status as one of the top pitchers in the league.

Then, in 2008, he played a key role in the Phillies first World Series victory since 1980. In the postseason, Cole had a 4-0 record with a 1.80 ERA. On top of the championship, he was named World Series MVP further cementing his place among the game's elite. The following four seasons would include another trip to the World Series and Cole's 2nd and 3rd All-Star appearances. However, from 2013 to 2015, the Phillies play declined.

Although Cole was pitching well, the Phillies' poor batting and fielding left the team looking to rebuild. On July 25, 2015, in what would be his final start for the Phillies before being traded, he no-hit the Chicago Cubs 5-0 at Wrigley Field with 13 strikeouts and only 2 walks. Six days later, he was traded to the Texas Rangers. He became the first pitcher to be traded during the regular season after pitching a no-hitter in his final start.

In his first full season with the Rangers, Cole posted a 15-5 record, maintained a 3.32 ERA, recorded over 200 strikeouts for the 5th time, earned his 4th All-Star, and solidified himself as an ace in the Rangers' rotation. His success continued in subsequent seasons, as he consistently delivered strong performances and helped lead the Rangers to playoff contention. While the Rangers fell short of World Series titles in 2015 and 2016, Cole's playoff performances solidified his reputation as a clutch pitcher.

After his time in Texas, Cole played for the Chicago Cubs, Atlanta Braves, Los Angeles Dodgers, and San Diego Padres before announcing his retirement in 2023. After 17 years in the MLB, he decided it was time to move on to the next chapter of his life - keynote speaking. As a World Series champion, World Series MVP, and 4-time All-Star, Cole knows what makes great teams succeed. Along with his success, he has faced many trials and tribulations in his career. These ups and downs lend well to keynotes on overcoming adversity and staying motivated. Organizations hire Cole Hamels not only for his impact on the game of baseball, but the takeaways he's fostered from his career. If you're looking for an impactful sports keynote, book Cole Hamels.



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