



**Monday, April 8, 2024**

# **ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS VS. COLORADO ROCKIES**

**Game Time:** 08:40 pm ET

**Watch:** MLB NETWORK

**Selection:** ARIZONA - 1.5 RUN LINE

It is very difficult to imagine that Kyle Freeland is going to take the mound tonight feeling confident. In two starts so far this season he has lasted 5.2 innings and given up 17 earned runs. Now he faces a team that he has struggled mightily against throughout his career, that being the Arizona Diamondbacks. In 22 career starts vs the Dbacks he is 4-9 with a 6.04 era, 40 walks, and 74 strikeouts in 111.2 innings of work. In Freeland's first start of the season vs the Dbacks he was lit up giving up 10 runs on 10 hits over 2.1 innings of work in a 16-1 loss. The Snakes went on to take 3 of 4 in that opening series scoring a whopping 32 runs.

Zac Gallen on the otherhand is off to a strong start to the season and has been very successful vs the Rockies in his career. In 15 career starts he is 7-1 with a 2.41 era, 24 walks, and 95 strikeouts in 82 innings. He is also 2-0 with a 2.43 era, 5 walks, and 40 strikeouts in 6 career starts (37 innings) at Coors Field.

Arizona offensively have been on a roll as they rank 4th in the MLB with a .285 team batting average, 5th in OBP .364, 4th in SLG .455, and 4th in OPS .818. The Rockies are hitting .242 as a team which ranks 15th in the mlb and so far have been a middle of the pack offensive team. Pitching wise the Rockies are dead last in the league with a 8.04 team era, and a 1.93 WHIP. The Diamondbacks are the superior team in this matchup and should have no problem scoring runs in the hitter friendly confines of Coors Field. Take the Diamondbacks to cover the run line with the listed pitchers to start the game.

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