

QUICK HITTERS

■ Was a middle infielder until playing 13 games in the outfield last season.

■ Playing centerfield, Herrera was the Venezuelan (winter) League's most valuable player and rookie of the year after leading the league with a .372 average to go along with six homers and 27 RBI in 58 games.

■ Also won the Texas League batting crown with Frisco, the Rangers' Double A affiliate. Herrera hit .321 (118-for-368) in 96 games... Also hit .297 (33-for-111) for High A Myrtle Beach.

■ Has never played above Double A...Has 13 home runs in 2,321 minor league at-bats (1 per 179)...Played just 11 games in leftfield as a minor leaguer.

■ Went 4-for-8 with three RBI in a 2011 two-game series against Lakewood, the only time he played against a Phillies minor league affiliate. Herrera stole three bases while Jeff Lanning was catching the first game, but was thrown out in his only attempted steal by Cameron Rupp in the second.

■ The most valuable Rule 5 selection in Phillies history is Shane Victorino. The greatest in *baseball* history is Pirates Hall of Famer Roberto Clemente. Both, oddly, were plucked from the Dodgers organization.

■ Other notable major leaguers from Maracaibo include Wilson Alvarez, Omar Daal, Carlos Gonzalez, Ender Inciarte and Hall of Fame shortstop Luis Aparicio.

Meet the Prospects: ODUBEL HERRERA

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BIG SHOT

"We think we have something with the bat... We're taking a chance on a young guy with a chance to hit [who has] some speed."
— Mike Ondo, the Phillies' director of pro scouting

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ABOUT THIS SERIES

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BIO

Full name: David Odubel Herrera

Position: Outfielder.

Age: 23.

Born: Dec. 29, 1991 in Maracaibo, Zulia, Venezuela.

Height: 5-11. **Weight:** 200.

How acquired: Selected with the ninth overall pick, from the Rangers organization, in the Rule 5 draft on Dec. 11, 2014.

2015 projection: Figures to compete for time in leftfield with Darin Ruf and Grady Sizemore (with Ben Revere playing center and Domonic Brown moving back to right).

STATS since 2013

Year	Team	LG	Level	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG
2013	Myrtle Beach	CAR	A (Adv)	29	95	13	28	2	1	1	5	16	19	.295
2013	Frisco	TEX	AA	101	389	37	100	12	7	2	30	17	67	.257
2014	Myrtle Beach	CAR	A (Adv)	29	111	26	33	3	1	0	11	23	21	.297
2014	Frisco	TEX	AA	96	368	47	118	16	4	2	48	29	70	.321
Total				610	2321	347	683	98	27	13	251	197	421	.294