2014 Baseball Forecaster: An Encyclopedia Of Fanalytics
Synopsis

The industry’s longest-running publication for baseball analysts and fantasy leaguers, the 2014 Baseball Forecaster, published annually since 1986, is the first book to approach prognostication by breaking performance down into its component parts. Rather than predicting batting average, for instance, this resource looks at the elements of skill that make up any given batter’s ability to distinguish between balls and strikes, his propensity to make contact with the ball, and what happens when he makes contact—“reverse engineering those skills back into batting average. The result is an unparalleled forecast of baseball abilities and trends for the upcoming season and beyond.

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Customer Reviews

This book takes a while to love. You must put in the time to know what each stat means. If you put in the time, the book is very rewarding for the Fantasy and Computer Replay fanatics. The blurbs for each player are useful as well for those that do not want to put in the time to decode the system. The only flaw I see in the book at all is that the author appears to deny the existence of Mike Trout, although some wise editor put him on the cover.

It’s the statistical analysis for fantasy-baseball junkies everywhere. It’s pretty easy to understand, and gives you projections based on historical probability. Pretty awesome stuff. And they explain it
all so you and I (non-mathematicians) can understand. If you need to get through the off-season with a smile, or just need to plan your draft strategy - this is better, more thorough information than you’re going to find on the grocery store shelves.

If your looking for something with a summation about each player and an auction value you should just go buy a magazine. If you put the time in with this book it will be a valuable tool come draft day.

I bought this as a companion, and possible counterpoint, to Baseball Prospectus. I love the detail and projections as a way of filling the long offseason waiting on baseball to return. Even if you don’t agree on the analysis and projections for your favorite teams or players, I think any baseball fan would enjoy reading about the process.

Great Winter reading for baseball geeks. Complete player coverage, very in depth. Get a head start on the 2014 fantasy season.

This is my fourth straight year to use the Baseball Forecaster in my fantasy baseball draft prep work. Hopefully it will be the fourth straight year I win my league. I refer to this guide whenever I am considering a trade or picking up a player. Amazingly accurate information based upon strong analysis of multiple factors. Highly recommended.

the bible of fantasy baseball. Whether other experts admit it or not they all look here first. If you wanna know the whys and wherefores if a players season was just luck or skill supported this is the place that breaks it down.

I have attended some of Mr. Schandler’s Baseball seminars and he researches the yearly book well. He is too notch as well as his staff. I was impressed with all the Major League Personal that use his Sabermatics material.

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