

PHILLIES ALTERNATE UNIVERSE WORLD SERIES MATCHUPS

Would-be opponents of Phillies' World Series that **nearly** happened, either by the Phillies' not clearing the final NL hurdle or if the AL teams that were "runner-up" had cleared theirs . . . **Highlighted** are Phillies World Series seasons.

> 1913 PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS

Phils had a six-game lead in early June, but a Lehigh Ave. World Series (Shibe Park/Baker Bowl) was not to be.

> 1915 DETROIT TIGERS

Red Sox held off Detroit and won American League by 2.5 games.

> 1916 BOSTON RED SOX

Phillies had 1.5-game lead on Sept. 8 but lost 4 of last 5 games to finish 2.5 GB Brooklyn.

> 1917 CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Phils finished 10 games behind the Giants but 10 games ahead of the third-place Cardinals.

> 1950 DETROIT TIGERS

A late sweep by Cleveland pretty much did in Detroit (finished 3 GB Yankees).

> 1964 NEW YORK YANKEES

If you have to ask . . .

> 1976 NEW YORK YANKEES

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Phils lost in NLCS to Reds once and Dodgers twice. (Black Friday nightmares, anyone?)

> 1980 NEW YORK YANKEES

George Brett and his Royals swept out the AL royalty in the ALCS.

> 1983 CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Greg Luzinski went 2-15 (.133) in Chicago's 3-1 ALCS loss to the Orioles.

> 1993 CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Blue Jays used a three-run ninth to put away the ALCS in Game 5.

> 2008 BOSTON RED SOX

How cool (or dangerous) would it have been to see J.D. Drew play a World Series at CBP?

> 2009 LOS ANGELES ANGELS

How cool would it have been to see Bobby Abreu play a World Series at CBP?

> 2010 TEXAS RANGERS

Phils were done in by a Juan Uribe eighth-inning home run in Game 6 of NLCS at CBP.

> 2022 NEW YORK YANKEES

Houston held New York to a .162 batting average in a four-game ALCS sweep.

> 2023 TEXAS RANGERS

Feel free to look away – Phils lost NLCS Games 6 & 7 at home to the Diamondbacks.