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# Albert Pujols Signs With Team Skechers

***Future Baseball Hall of Famer Appears in Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins® Campaign***

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Global footwear brand Skechers introduces some legendary batting power to its lineup by signing former Cardinals and Angels star Albert Pujols as its latest brand ambassador. The two-time world champion and future Hall of Famer known as *La Máquina* will star in Spanish-language [campaigns](#) designed to educate fans about easy-to-wear and comfortable Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins®.



Baseball legend Albert Pujols stars in Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins® campaign. (Photo: Business Wire)

"After 22 years on the field, I'm ready to take it easy, so these amazing shoes from Skechers that I can put on without any effort are exactly what I need," said Albert Pujols. "I'm excited to be part of the Skechers team. All it took was stepping into a pair of Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins and it was a home run for me."

"We know that the appeal of Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins extends beyond age, location or demographic," added Michael Greenberg, president of Skechers. "With his legendary performance at the plate over a storied decades-long career, Albert Pujols is beloved by fans from Los Angeles to St. Louis and throughout the Caribbean and Americas—making him the perfect ambassador to share our Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins campaign with Spanish-speaking markets. He's part of our strategy to ensure that every consumer around the world understands how easy it is to just

slip in and go with this signature Skechers innovation."

From his earliest days in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, Albert Pujols always had a natural talent for baseball and grew to become one of the greatest players in Major League Baseball history. Through 22 seasons in the big leagues, Pujols has been most associated with the St. Louis Cardinals and Los Angeles Angels as a first baseman and designated hitter. In addition to winning two championships with the Cardinals, his career accolades

include three-time National League MVP, 11-time All-Star, six-time Silver Slugger, and two-time Gold Glove winner. When Pujols retired in 2022, he was number two all-time for both RBIs and total bases, and only the fourth player ever to surpass 700 home runs. Pujols has also been recognized for his community service as the 2008 recipient of Major League Baseball's Roberto Clemente Award, which is given annually to the player who best exemplifies sportsmanship and community involvement, as well as receiving the Muhammad Ali Sports Humanitarian Award at the 2022 ESPYS.

Skechers fields a team of global ambassadors like music icon Snoop Dogg, lifestyle legend Martha Stewart, stage and screen star Ashley Park, and a slate of former professional athletes including Tony Romo, Howie Long, and Sugar Ray Leonard. The roster of elite pros around the world currently competing in Skechers footwear includes NBA stars Julius Randle and Terance Mann, golfers Matt Fitzpatrick and Brooke Henderson, soccer players Harry Kane and Oleksandr Zinchenko, Dodgers pitcher Clayton Kershaw, as well as pickleball pros Tyson McGuffin and Catherine Parenteau.

An award-winning global brand, Skechers leads the industry with comfort technologies including Skechers Hands Free Slip-ins®, Skechers Arch Fit®, Skechers Hyper Burst®, and Skechers Air-Cooled Memory Foam®, among others.

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