

**FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP****January 2, 2024 – CALGARY FLAMES [3] at MINNESOTA WILD [1]**[Game Summary](#) | [Event Summary](#)

The Calgary Flames began a four-game road trip on Tuesday night at Xcel Energy Center against the Minnesota Wild. Andrew Mangiapane broke the ice for the Flames when he tipped home a Rasmus Andersson point shot midway through the opening 20 to put the Flames up 1-0. In the final minute of the first, Elias Lindholm found a streaking Jonathan Huberdeau who outwaited Marc-Andre Fleury and slid home his first goal of the new year to put the Flames up 2-0 through 20. In the second, Minnesota would draw within one after Pat Maroon found a loose puck and netted the Wild's first of the night to make it 2-1 through 40. In the third, Jacob Markstrom shut the door, stopping all 17 third-period shots the Wild threw at him and Blake Coleman added an empty netter as the Flames started off 2024 with a 3-1 win.

CGY GOAL SCORERS: Mangiapane (7), Huberdeau (5), Coleman (14)**GOALIE:** Markstrom 28/29, .966 Sv%**PP:** 0/1 (0%)**PK:** 3/3 (100%)**FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 3-2-0**

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
January 2, 2024	CGY [3] at MIN [1] W	Huberdeau	Markstrom	Fleury
December 31, 2023	PHI [3] vs. CGY [4] W	Coleman	Markstrom	Ersson
December 27, 2023	SEA [2] vs. CGY [1] L	Wennberg	Markstrom	Driedger
December 23, 2023	CGY [3] at LAK [5] L	Moore	Markstrom	Talbot
December 21, 2023	CGY [3] at ANA [0] W	DeSimone	Markstrom	Dostal

*shootout winning goal

FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
January 4, 2024	6:00pm	at Nashville Predators	Bridgestone Arena
January 6, 2024	11:00am	at Philadelphia Flyers	Wells Fargo Center
January 7, 2024	1:00pm	at Chicago Blackhawks	United Center
January 9, 2024	7:00pm	vs. Ottawa Senators	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 11, 2024	7:00pm	at Arizona Coyotes	Mullett Arena

TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS

This is the third and final meeting this season between the Flames and Predators. The teams have split the first two meetings with the home team winning in both prior matchups by a score of 4-2.

This is a Pacific Division versus Central Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 5-6-1 against Central Division teams and a record of 10-10-2 against Western Conference opponents.

VERSUS NASHVILLE THIS SEASON:

The Flames welcomed the Nashville Predators to the Scotiabank Saddledome on November 7th for the first matchup of the season-series. Nashville would go up 2-0 through 20, off goals from Micheal McCarron and Kiefer Sherwood while Juuse Saros stopped all 17 shots the Flames fired in the opening stanza. Calgary would draw within one in the middle frame with Dillon Dube getting the home-side on the board to make it 2-1 through 40. The Flames would get goals from Noah Hanifin, Blake Coleman, and Nazem Kadri in a three-goal third period, and rally for a 4-2 triumph in game one of the season-series. Their second matchup came at Bridgestone Arena on November 22nd with Noah Hanifin and Yegor Sharangovich tallying for Calgary, but the Flames fell 4-2 in Nashville.

LOOK BACKS AT IT:

With his goal on New Years Eve, Mikael Backlund surpassed Mark Giordano (509) for sole possession of ninth place on the Flames' all-time scoring list. The Flames captain recorded his 500th NHL point earlier this season in Seattle to become the 11th player in Flames franchise history to achieve the milestone. Backlund is now 19 points away from tying Guy Chouinard for 8th on the Flames all-time scoring list.

A ROSE FOR YOU:

Adam Ruzicka has played 106 games in his NHL career and has a chance to tie Ronald Petrovicky (107GP) for the most games played by a Slovakian-born skater in Flames franchise history. Ruzicka is the Flames highest all-time scoring Slovakian skater with 14 goals and 26 assists for 40 points in his 106 contests with Calgary. Ruzicka was the 47th Slovakian-born skater to reach 100 games in NHL history when he achieved the milestone back on December 14th and is one of four active Slovaks with 100-plus NHL games under their belt, along with Tomas Tatar (817 GP), Erik Cernak (333 GP) and Martin Fehervary (181 GP).

EAT IT:

Chris Tanev earned Second Star honors on Tuesday in Minnesota after blocking a game-high five shots and skating in the third-most ice time for the Flames at 23:12. As a team, the Flames have blocked the third-most shots in the NHL so far this season at 288 (as of Jan. 3), led by Tanev who has gotten in front of 96 pucks in 34 games thus far. Fellow defenceman MacKenzie Weegar trails Tanev by just one block with 95, and as of January 3rd the two rank sixth and seventh in the league in shot blocks. Rasmus Andersson is third on the team with 92 blocks, making the Flames the only team to have three different skaters with 90-plus blocks this season.

KILLER CONFIDENCE:


The Calgary Flames have scored nine shorthanded goals so far this season, which is tied for the most in the NHL. The Flames scored a league-best six shorthanded goals through the month of December, led by Blake Coleman who has the most markers on the Penalty Kill since December 1st with four. Coleman's four shorthanded goals in December tied Theo Fleury for the most in a calendar month in Flames franchise history. Five different skaters have tallied while a man-down for Calgary this season, with Sharangovich (2), Andersson, Lindholm, and Backlund all joining Coleman. The Flames also sport the league's fifth-best PK unit at 84.6% on the kill thus far through the 2023-24 campaign.

HEY DID YOU KNOW?

Mikael Backlund is now five games away from tying Mark Giordano for the second-most games played in Flames franchise history at 949.

Predators forward Ryan O'Reilly and Flames defenceman Chris Tanev were teammates on Team Canada during the 2016 IIHF World Championships. They both skated in all 10 games Canada played, winning the Gold Medal.

CALGARY FLAMES vs. NASHVILLE PREDATORS

CGY vs. NSH	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
	39-35-4-6	19-15-3-4	20-20-1-2	2-4-4	L1

GAME INFO:

Calgary Flames vs. Nashville Predators
 7:00pm CT
 Bridgestone Arena
 TV: Sportsnet West
 Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

2023-24 Season Series: 1-1-0 (Home: 1-0-0, Road 0-1-0)

Nov. 7, 2023 – NSH [2] vs. CGY [4]
 Nov. 22, 2023 – CGY [2] at NSH [4]
 Jan. 4, 2024 – CGY at NSH

2022-23 Season Record vs. NSH: 0-2-1 (Home: 0-1-1, Road: 0-1-0)

Last Home Win vs. NSH: November 7, 2023 – Nashville [2] vs. Calgary [4]
Last Road Win @ NSH: April 26, 2022 – Calgary [5] at Nashville [4] (OT)
Last Home Loss vs. NSH: April 10, 2023 – Nashville [3] vs. Calgary [2] (SO)
Last Road Loss @ NSH: November 22, 2023 – Calgary [2] at Nashville [4]

2023-24 CALGARY FLAMES**FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:**

Nov. 30 – acquired a 2024 fifth-round draft pick and a 2026 third-round draft pick from the Vancouver Canucks in exchange for Nikita Zadorov (D)
Dec. 1 – recalled Ilya Solovyov (D) from Calgary AHL
Dec. 2 – signed Mark Pysyk (D) to a one-year two-way contract
Dec. 3 – assigned Mark Pysyk (D) the Calgary (AHL)
Dec. 5 – recalled Dustin Wolf (G) from Calgary (AHL)
Dec. 9 – recalled Matt Coronato (F) from Calgary (AHL), placed Jacob Markstrom (G) on IR
Dec. 12 – recalled Nick DeSimone (D) from Calgary (AHL); assigned Matt Coronato (F) to Calgary AHL
Dec. 17 – activated Jacob Markstrom (G) off IR; reassigned Dustin Wolf (G) and Ilya Solovyov (D) to Calgary (AHL)

FLAMES RECENT INJURIES (Total man games lost – 129)

Jakob Pelletier – upper body injury (37 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)
 Kevin Rooney – upper body injury (37 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)
 Oliver Kyllington – (37 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)
 Adam Ruzicka – upper body injury (4 games, 10/26/23 – 11/7/23)
 Jacob Markstrom – upper-body injury (2 games, 11/10/23 – 11/ 14/ 23)
 Connor Zary – lower body injury (1 game, 11/22/23)
 Jacob Markstrom – Illness (1 game, 11/27/23)
 Jacob Markstrom – fractured finger (7 games, 12/5/23 – 12/16/23)
 Chris Tanev – upper-body injury (3 games: 12/12/23 – 12/16/23)

FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:

Andrew Mangiapane – 196 points (4 away from 200 points)
Andrew Mangiapane – 94 assists (6 away from 100 assists)
Nazem Kadri – 594 points (6 away from 600 points)
Mikael Backlund – 193 goals (7 away from 200 goals)
Jonathan Huberdeau – 787 games played (13 away from 800 games played)

HOW THE FLAMES WERE BUILT: (* = injured)

Draft (9)	Free Agent (9)	Trade (6)	Waivers (1)
Andersson (53 rd overall, 2015)	Coleman (July 2021)	Hanifin (From CAR – 2018)	Greer (From BOS – 2023)
Backlund (24 th overall, 2007)	Duehr (April 2021)	Huberdeau (From FLA – 2022)	
Dube (56 th overall, 2016)	DeSimone (2022)	Lindholm (From CAR – 2018)	
Kylington* (60 th overall, 2015)	Gilbert (July 2022)	Sharangovich (From NJD – 2023)	
Mangiapane (166 th overall, 2015)	Kadri (August 2022)	Vladar (From BOS – 2021)	
Pelletier* (26 th overall, 2019)	Markstrom (October 2020)	Weegar (From FLA – 2022)	
Pospisil (105 th overall, 2018)	Oesterle (July 2023)		
Ruzicka (109 th overall, 2017)	Tanev (October 2020)		
Zary (24 th overall, 2020)	Rooney* (July 2022)		

RECORD BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
HOME	1-2-0	3-1-1	4-4-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	1-4-1	4-3-1	1-2-2	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	2-6-1	7-4-2	5-6-2	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

POINTS LEADER BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Player	Lindholm/ Mangiapane	Kadri	Coleman	Weegar			
Points	6pts	4-9 – 13	7-6 – 13	0-2 – 2			

RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-2-0	3-1-1	2-2-1	1-3-0	5-1-1	1-1-1	2-6-1

RECORD BY DAYS BETWEEN GAMES/ON...

0 Days: 0-3-1

1 Day: 9-8-3

2 Days: 5-4-1

3 Days: 1-1-0

4+ Days: 2-0-0

First of B2B: 2-1-1

Second of B2B: 0-3-1

RECORD WHEN...

	0G	1G	2G	3G	4G	5G	6G	7G
Scoring	0-1-0	0-5-0	2-6-1	4-3-0	6-0-3	2-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
Allowing	1-0-0	4-0-0	4-1-0	6-4-1	1-5-0	0-4-3	0-2-0	0-0-0

PLAYER HIGHS

*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Coleman)	12/23/23 at LAK
Assists, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Points, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Shots, Game:	7 (Greer)	1/2/24 at MIN
TOI, Game:	29:37 (Andersson)	12/11/23 at COL
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Tanev)	11/24/23 vs. DAL
Saves, Game:	41 (Markstrom)	11/22/23 at NSH
Goal Streak	5 GP (Sharangovich: 6G)	12/9/23 – 12/16/23
Assists Streak	4 GP (Coleman: 4A)	12/7/23 – 12/12/23
Point Streak	7 GP (Coleman: 3G, 5A)	12/7/23 – 12/21/23





	LAST TIME (2023-24)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	12/31/23 vs. PHI	12/18/23 vs. FLA
Regulation win, away	1/2/24 at MIN	11/24/23 at DAL
Regulation loss, home	12/27/23 vs. SEA	12/9/23 vs. NJD
Regulation loss, away	12/23/23 at LAK	12/11/23 at COL
OT win, home	11/30/23 vs. DAL	11/27/23 vs. VGK
OT win, away	11/20/23 at SEA	
OT loss, home		
OT loss, away	12/12/23 at VGK	
Shootout win, home		
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home	11/18/23 vs. NYI	
Shootout loss, away	12/14/23 at MIN	11/10/23 at TOR
Shutout, home		
Shutout, away	12/21/23 at ANA	

CALGARY FLAMES ALL-TIME LEADERS (***Bolded*** = Active Players)

CAREER GAMES PLAYED:

Rank	Player	Years With Flames	Games
1 st	Jarome Iginla	1996-97 – 2012-13	1,219
2 nd	Mark Giordano	2005-06 – 2020-21	949
3rd	Mikael Backlund	2008-09 - Present	945
4 th	Robyn Regehr	1999-00 – 2010-11	826
5 th	Al MacInnis	1981-82 – 1993-94	803

CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:

JERSEY	GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home 	11	7	4	0	4-3 W vs. PHI (12/31/23)
Away 	19	7	8	4	3-1 W at MIN (1/2/24)
Alternate 	6	2	3	1	2-4 L vs. NJD (12/9/23)
Heritage 	1	0	1	0	2-5 L at EDM

CALGARY FLAMES ALTERNATE JERSEY SCHEDULE:

Nov. 16 vs. VAN (5-2 W)	Nov. 18 vs. NYI (4-5 SOL)	Dec. 2 vs. VAN (3-4 L)	Dec. 5 vs. MIN (2-5 L)
Dec. 7 vs. CAR (3-2 W)	Dec. 9 vs. NJD (2-4 L)	Jan. 23 vs. STL	Jan. 25 vs. CBJ
Jan. 27 vs. CHI	Mar. 12 vs. COL	Mar. 14 vs. VGK	Apr. 2 vs. ANA
Apr. 6 vs. EDM			

CALGARY FLAMES HERITAGE CLASSIC JERSEY SCHEDULE:

Oct. 29 at EDM (2-5 L)	Jan. 20 vs. EDM	Feb. 24 at EDM
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ON THE FARM

CALGARY WRANGLERS (AHL): 19-9-3

The Calgary Wranglers enter their second season in Calgary, AB after moving from Stockton, CA prior to the start of last season. The Wranglers began 2024 by welcoming Coachella Valley for a pair of games. Despite falling in both matchups, the Wranglers remain first in the Pacific Division standing with three games in hand over the Tucson Roadrunners.