



MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB

GAME NOTES



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Minnesota Wild (28-25-6) at Nashville Predators (33-25-2)

Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024 | 7 p.m. CT | Bridgestone Arena

SERIES NOTES



NASHVILLE PREDATORS

All-Time Wild Record: 37-38-12 (22-16-5 at Xcel Energy Center, 15-22-7 at Nashville)

2023-24: Minnesota is 1-1-0 against Nashville this season...The Wild won the series-opening matchup, 6-1, at Bridgestone Arena (11/30)...Nashville earned a 3-2 win at Xcel Energy Center (1/25)...C **Connor Dewar** (3-1=4 in one game) and LW **Kirill Kaprizov** (1-3=4 in two games) lead Minnesota with four points ... RW **Mats Zuccarello** has two assists (0-2=2) in two games...G **Filip Gustavsson** is 1-1-0 with a 2.02 GAA and a .929 SV% in two starts for the Wild...D **Roman Josi** (1-1=2 in two games) and C **Ryan O'Reilly** (0-2=2 in two games) lead the Predators with two points...G **Juuse Saros** is 1-1-0 with a 4.44 GAA and a .846 SV% in two starts for Nashville...G **Kevin Lankinen** entered in relief during the first game and saved 14-of-16 shots faced.

WILD LEADERS: D **Alex Goligoski** leads Minnesota with 27 points (5-22=27) in 44 games against Nashville...LW **Marcus Johansson** owns 14 points (2-12=14) in 21 games...RW **Mats Zuccarello** owns 14 points (1-13=14) in 22 games...LW **Pat Maroon** has 12 points (3-9=12) in 38 contests.

WILD GOALIES: G **Marc-Andre Fleury** is 11-9-2 with a 2.30 GAA, a .916 SV% and three shutouts in 22 career games (21 starts) against the Predators...Gustavsson is 2-1-1 with a 2.73 GAA and a .903 SV% in four starts.

PREDATORS LEADERS: Josi owns 35 points (15-20=53) in 42 games against the Wild...O'Reilly has 35 points (16-19=53) in 56 games...LW **Filip Forsberg** owns 30 points (17-13=30) in 32 games...D **Tyson Barrie** has 19 points (4-15=19) in 38 games.

PREDATORS GOALIES: Saros is 7-3-0 with a 2.23 GAA, a .929 SV% and two shutouts in 10 career starts against the Wild...Lankinen is 0-1-1 with a 2.87 GAA and a .918 SV% in four games (two starts) against Minnesota.

CONNECTIONS: Wild Head Coach **John Hynes** went 134-96-18 in parts of four seasons (2020-23) as Nashville's Head Coach...C **Freddy Gaudreau** tallied eight points (3-5=8) in 84 games with Nashville in three seasons (2016-19)...C **Ryan Hartman** recorded 26 points (13-13=26) in 85 games in parts of two seasons with the Predators (2017-19)...Predators Head Coach **Andrew Brunette** recorded 321 points (119-202=321) in 489 games with the Wild (2001-04, 2008-11)...He also spent five seasons in Minnesota's hockey operations department (2014-19) as an Assistant Coach, Hockey Operations Advisor, Assistant General Manager and Director of Player Personnel...Nashville Assistant Coach **Todd Richards** served as Wild Head Coach for two seasons (2009-11)...D **Ryan McDonagh** hails from Saint Paul...Novak played four seasons at the University of Minnesota (2015-19) and is from St. Paul...C **Gustav Nyquist** recorded five points (1-4=5) in three regular season games and five points (0-5=5) in six Stanley Cup Playoff games with Minnesota last season...LW **Cole Smith** is a native of Brainerd.

FAST FACTS: Minnesota is 5-4-1 in its last 10 games played against the Predators at Xcel Energy Center.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (CT)	TV/RADIO
Sat., March 2	at St. Louis	5 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Sun., March 3	vs. San Jose	6 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Thu., March 7	at Arizona	8 p.m.	BSNX/KFAN 100.3 FM

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NOTES & MILESTONES

Team: Is 11-5-1 since Jan. 15th. During that span Minnesota ranks second in the NHL with 3.94 goals per game and 67 total goals, is fifth with a 30.9 PP% and plus-15 goal differential, and tied for fifth with a .676 point percentage.

Matt Boldy: T-8th in the NHL with 22 goals scored since Nov. 28...Has 14 points (7-7=14) in his last 10 games...Tied a career-high with four points (1-3=4) vs. VAN (2/19).

Jonas Brodin: Has five goals (5-1=6) in his last nine games played.

Declan Chisholm: Has four points (1-3=4) in six games played for Minnesota since 2/17...Scored the first goal of his NHL career while making his Wild debut vs. BUF (2/17)...Skated a career-high 21:54 of TOI vs. CAR (2/27).

Joel Eriksson Ek: Leads Minnesota with 12 PPGs and a career-high 28 goals this season...Recorded an eight-game point streak (7-8=15), a career long, from 2/9 to 2/24...Ranks T-6th in the NHL in PPGs and ninth with 217 shots on goal this season...Has 29 points (13-16=29) in his last 22 games.

Brock Faber: Leads all NHL rookies with 25:09 TOI per game, 117 blocked shots and 30 assists, and is second with 34 points (4-30=34)...Seventh among all NHL skaters in TOI/game.

Filip Gustavsson: Played in his 100th career NHL game at EDM (2/23)...Is 5-0-0 in his last five road games with a 2.45 GAA and a .932 SV%.

Kirill Kaprizov: Leads Minnesota with 63 points (26-37=63) this season...Recorded an eight-game point streak (7-11=18), tied for the second-longest of his career, from 2/9 to 2/24...Also posted an eight-game assist streak from 2/9 to 2/24, one game shy of his own nine-game franchise record (11/11/22 - 12/1/22)...Was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the period ending 2/26 after posting six goals and 12 points in four contests (6-6=12), marking his third First Star honor of the season...With three points (2-1=3) at SEA (2/24), recorded his 80th career multi-point game to move past Zach Parise (79 MPG with MIN) for sole possession of third-most in franchise history...Has 39 points (18-21=39) and a plus-11 rating in his last 24 games played.

Marco Rossi: Among NHL rookies is T-1st in goals (17) and GWG (two), third in points (17-16=33) and fourth in shots on goal (113).

Mats Zuccarello: Tied a career high with four points on 2/19 vs. VAN (1-3=4) and 2/24 at SEA (0-4=4)...His four-assist game at SEA (2/24) was tied for the second-highest single-game assist total in franchise history...Now has five four-point games with the Wild, second-most in franchise history (Gaborik, seven)...Leads the Wild with 39 assists this season.

INJURIES

Zach Bogosian: upper body
Marcus Foligno: lower body
Pat Maroon: upper body
Jared Spurgeon: left hip/back: out for the season

2023-24 Total Man Games Lost: 175

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#4 - **Jon Merrill** (MAIR-ihl)
#5 - **Jake Middleton** (MIH-duhl-tuhn)
#6 - **Dakota Mermis** (MUHR-mihs)
#7 - **Brock Faber** (FAY-burr)
#10 - **Vinni Lettieri** (luh-TAYR-ee)
#12 - **Matt Boldy** (BOHL-dee)
#14 - **Joel Eriksson Ek** (JUHL AIR-ihk-suhn EHK)
#15 - **Mason Shaw** (SHAH)
#17 - **Marcus Foligno** (foh-LEE-noh)
#20 - **Pat Maroon** (ma-ROON)
#21 - **Brandon Duhaime** (doo-HAYM)
#23 - **Marco Rossi** (RAH-see)
#24 - **Zach Bogosian** (buh-GOH-zuhm)
#25 - **Jonas Brodin** (JOE-nuhs broh-DEEN)
#26 - **Connor Dewar** (KAW-nuhr DOO-uhr)
#27 - **Jake Lucchini** (loo-CHEE-nee)
#29 - **Marc-Andre Fleury** (MAHRK-AWN-dray FLUH-ree)
#32 - **Filip Gustavsson** (FIHL-ihp GUHS-tahf-suhn)
#33 - **Alex Goligoski** (goh-lih-GAW-skee)
#36 - **Mats Zuccarello** (MATS zoo-ka-REHL-oh)
#38 - **Ryan Hartman** (HAHRT-muhn)
#46 - **Jared Spurgeon** (SPUHR-juhn)
#47 - **Declan Chisholm** (DEHK-luhn CHIHZ-uhm)
#89 - **Frederick Gaudreau** (goo-DROH)
#90 - **Marcus Johansson** (joh-HAN-sun)
#97 - **Kirill Kaprizov** (kih-REEL kah-PREE-zawf)

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HEAD COACH JOHN HYNES



John Hynes was named Head Coach of the Minnesota Wild on Nov. 27, 2023. Bringing eight seasons of NHL head coaching experience to the start of his Wild tenure, Hynes owns a career record of 307-270-65 (.529) in 642 regular season games with Minnesota, the Nashville Predators and New Jersey Devils.

Hynes, 48, most recently served as Head Coach of the Nashville Predators for parts of four seasons (2020-23). He was named Head Coach of the Predators on Jan. 7, 2020, and recorded a 134-96-18 record in 248 games (.576) while qualifying for the Stanley Cup Playoffs three consecutive seasons (2020-22). Prior to his time with the Predators, Hynes spent four-plus seasons as Head Coach of the New Jersey Devils and went 150-159-45 in 354 games (2015-19).

Before his time in New Jersey, Hynes spent six seasons with the Wilkes-Barre Penguins in the American Hockey League, including five seasons as Head Coach (2010-15) and one season as Assistant Coach (2009-10). He led Wilkes-Barre to a record of 231-126-27 in 384 games (.636) and five consecutive appearances in the Calder Cup Playoffs while helping the team allow the fewest goals in the AHL in four of his five seasons. Hynes received the Louis A. R. Pieri Memorial Award, annually awarded to the AHL's most outstanding head coach, at the conclusion of the 2010-11 season.

In between assistant coaching positions at Mass-Lowell (2000-01) and the University of Wisconsin (2002-03), Hynes spent nine seasons on the coaching staff of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program, serving as an Assistant Coach (1998-2000, 2001-02) and Head Coach (2003-09). Team USA claimed four medals during his time with the National Team Development Program at the IIHF World Under-18 Championships, including gold medals in 2002 and 2006.

The native of Warwick, R.I., has also served as an Assistant Coach for Team USA at the 2004 IIHF World Junior Championship, where the Americans won gold for the first time and earned their first medal in the event since 1997. Hynes was also Head Coach of Team USA at the 2016 IIHF World Championship, an Assistant Coach at the 2016 World Cup of Hockey and an Assistant Coach at the 2019 IIHF World Championship.

He played forward at Boston University (1993-97) and helped the Terriers advance to four consecutive Frozen Four appearances and win the 1995 NCAA championship. Hynes was inducted into the Rhode Island Hockey Hall of Fame on August 23, 2023.

He and his wife, Sarah, have three daughters, Sophia, Julia and Anna.

TEAM NOTES



GETTING WARMER

- Is 11-5-1 since Jan. 15th. During that span Minnesota ranks second in the NHL with 3.94 goals per game and 67 total goals, is fifth with a 30.9 PP% and plus-15 goal differential, and tied for fifth with a .676 point percentage.
- Is 7-2-1 since Feb. 7. During that span ranks third in the NHL with 39 total goals scored and fourth with 3.90 goals per game and a 12.7 shooting percentage.
- Posted a six-game point streak from 2/7 to 2/19 and won five consecutive road contests from 1/19 to 2/14.

KEEB-LER COOKIES

- The line of Kirill Kaprizov, Joel Eriksson Ek and Matt Boldy has combined for 20 goals, 26 assists and 46 points in 10 games since 2/7 at CHI.
- Since Feb. 7, Kaprizov (7-11=18) ranks T-2nd in the NHL in points, Eriksson Ek (7-8=15) ranks T-9th and Boldy (7-7=14) ranks T-11th.

OFFENSIVE EXPLOSION VS. CANUCKS

- Minnesota set a new single-game franchise record for goals scored in a 10-7 win vs. VAN (2/19).
- Minnesota's seven third-period goals vs. Vancouver marked a franchise record for goals scored in a single period. Per #NHLStats, the last time a team scored more goals in a period was Feb. 3, 1999, when the Capitals put up eight in the second frame against the Lightning.
- The Wild scored six third-period goals in a span of 5:45 vs. Vancouver, a franchise record and the fourth-fastest six-goal spree in NHL history.
- The Wild overcame a three-goal deficit to win in regulation for the third time in franchise history vs. Vancouver.
- Minnesota's 37.0 shooting percentage vs. Vancouver (10 goals on 27 shots) marked the best single-game shooting percentage by a team with 25-plus shots on goal since the start of the the 2000-01 NHL season.
- The Wild scored three 5-on-3 goals against the Canucks, tying the single-game NHL record since the league began tracking power-play time in 2009-10.

YOUNG GUNS

- Minnesota leads the NHL with 0.49 rookie points scored per game played (min. 40 games played by rookies).

Rookie Points per Game Played, 2023-24 NHL Season

Rk.	Team	GP by Rookies	Points/GP
1.	Minnesota Wild	146	0.49
2.	Columbus Blue Jackets	151	0.44
3.	Nashville Predators	80	0.39
4.	New Jersey Devils	125	0.38
5.	Arizona Coyotes	112	0.37

- Minnesota ranks first in the NHL this season with 72 points scored by rookies (22-50=72).

Points Scored by Rookies, 2023-24 NHL Season

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	Minnesota Wild	72
2.	Chicago Blackhawks	71
3.	Columbus Blue Jackets	66
4.	Anaheim Ducks	60
5.	Calgary Flames	52

MOVING ON UP

- Wild C **Joel Eriksson Ek** (28 goals this season) and LW **Kirill Kaprizov** (26 goals this season) have each solidified places on the franchise's all-time goal scoring list:

All-Time Goals Scored, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Player	Goals
1.	Marian Gaborik	219
2.	Mikko Koivu	205
3.	Zach Parise	199
4.	Kirill Kaprizov	140
5.	Jason Zucker	132
6.	Joel Eriksson Ek	120
7.	Andrew Brunette	119
8.	Eric Staal	111
9t.	Jared Spurgeon	110
9t.	Nino Niederreiter	110



PLAYER NOTES

KIRILL THE THRILL

- **Kirill Kaprizov** leads Minnesota with 63 points (26-37=63) and six GWG this season while ranking second in goals, assists and PPGs (10).
- Has 39 points (18-21=39) and a plus-11 rating in his last 24 games played.
- Was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the period ending 2/26 after posting six goals and 12 points in four contests (6-6—12), marking his third First Star honor of the season. Became the first player in franchise history to earn NHL First Star of the Week honors three times in a single season (also 12/24/23 and 1/21/24).
- Kaprizov has now been named an NHL Star of the Week five times in his career, trailing only Devan Dubnyk (6x) for most in franchise history. He is the only Wild player to receive four First Star awards (also 1/18/21).
- With three points (2-1=3) at SEA (2/24), recorded his 80th career multi-point game to move past Zach Parise (79 MPG with MIN) for sole possession of third-most in franchise history.
- Kaprizov posted his fourth career regular-season hat trick vs. VAN (2/19) and finished with a career-high six points (3-3=6), which tied the single-game franchise record.
- With a 3-1=4 line in the third period vs. VAN (2/19), Kaprizov also tied the franchise records for single-period goals and single-period points.
- Became the first player in franchise history to reach 50 points in four consecutive seasons with an assist at ARI (2/14).
- With a goal vs. PIT (2/9), Kaprizov reached 20 for the season and became the first player in franchise to record four consecutive 20-goal seasons with the club.
- Kaprizov received his third NHL All-Star honor on 1/4/24, becoming the second player in franchise history to be selected to three All-Star games and first to do so in three consecutive seasons.
- Was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the period ending Jan. 21 after ranking T-1st in the NHL in scoring (4-4=8) and goals in four games.
- Notched his third career regular-season hat trick (3-0=3) at CAR (1/21).
- Scored his 133rd career goal vs. ANA (1/27) to move past Jason Zucker (132 goals with MIN) for sole possession of fourth on the franchise's all-time goal scoring list.
- Currently with 23 career multi-goal games, Kaprizov registered the 19th multi-goal game of his NHL career at BOS (12/19), moving past Eric Staal and Mikko Koivu (each with 18 multi-goal games) for third-most in franchise history.
- Currently with 49 career PPGs, Kaprizov scored the 40th PPG of his career at MTL (10/17) to become the fifth player in franchise history to reach 40 career PPGs. He joined Zach Parise (69), Mikko Koivu (60), Marian Gaborik (59) and Andrew Brunette (55).
- Kaprizov recorded the 27th three-point game of his career at SEA (2/24, 2-1=3). Only two players have more such games in a Wild sweater (Mikko Koivu, 34 and Marian Gaborik, 29).

HE'S GOING STREAKING

- Kaprizov recorded an eight-game point streak (7-11=18) from 2/9 to 2/24, tied for the second-longest of his career.

Regular-Season Point Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23.....	14
2t.	Mikael Granlund, 2016-17	12
2t.	Kevin Fiala, 2021-22.....	12
4t.	Seven instances.....	10

- Kaprizov also recorded an eight-game assist streak from 2/9 to 2/24, one game shy of his own nine-game franchise record set last season (11/11/22 - 12/1/22).

Regular-Season Assist Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23.....	9
2t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2023-24.....	8
2t.	Jim Dowd, 2001-02	8
2t.	Mats Zuccarello, 2023-24.....	8
4t.	Jared Spurgeon, 2021-22.....	7
4t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2021-22.....	7
4t.	Ryan Suter, 2013-14	7

- Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov is the only player among all 32 NHL clubs to hold the franchise record (outright or tied) for all three scoring milestones: goal streak, assist streak and point streak.

STONE-COLD KIRILL-ER

- Kaprizov's game-winning goal in overtime vs. MTL (12/21) marked the eighth of his NHL career, furthering his franchise record.

All-Time OT Goals, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Player	OT Goals
1.	K. Kaprizov	8
2.	M. Dumba	6
3t.	B. Burns	5
3t.	M. Koivu	5
5t.	J. Spurgeon.....	4
5t.	M. Gaborik.....	4

- Kaprizov currently stands at 12 career overtime points in a Wild sweater, second-most in franchise history.

All-Time OT Points, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Player	OT Points
1.	M. Koivu	13
2.	K. Kaprizov	12
3t.	P. Bouchard	10
3t.	M. Gaborik	10
5.	K. Fiala.....	9

PLAYER NOTES



CROWN JOEL

- **Joel Eriksson Ek** leads Minnesota with 12 PPGs and a career-high 28 goals this season while ranking third with four GWG.
- Eriksson Ek posted an eight-game point streak (7-8=15) from 2/9 to 2/24, a career long.
- Ranks T-6th in the NHL in PPGs and ninth with 217 shots on goal this season.
- Has 29 points (13-16=29) in his last 22 games.
- Posted a career-long four-game goal streak (7-4=11) from 2/12 to 2/19.
- The Swede posted his second career hat trick vs. VAN (2/19) and finished with a career-high six points (3-3=6), which tied the single-game franchise record. With the hat trick, he reached 120 career goals and moved past Andrew Brunnette (119 goals with MIN) for sixth on the franchise goal list.
- Recorded a six-game point streak (6-5=11) from 1/15 to 1/25.
- Posted a career-best plus-4 rating at CAR (1/21).
- Recorded a career-high 25:30 in TOI at CBJ (1/6).
- Eriksson Ek tied his career high with eight shots on goal at WPG (12/30) and vs. VAN (12/16).
- Currently with 37 career PPGs, Eriksson Ek needs two PPGs to tie Brian Rolston (39 PPGs with MIN) for sixth on the franchise's all-time list.
- Eriksson Ek reached 100 career goals by scoring a PPG at BUF (11/10), becoming the 11th player in franchise history to reach the milestone.
- Won 19-of-23 faceoffs (83%) at BUF (11/10), tying his career high (10/19/21 vs. WPG, 19-of-25).
- Eriksson Ek has recorded 13 multi-point games this season, second on the team.



BOLDY AND THE BEAUTIFUL

- **Matt Boldy** is T-8th in the NHL with 22 goals scored since Nov. 28 and has 14 points (7-7=14) in his last 10 games.
- Boldy ranks third on the Wild with 23 goals this season and fourth with 47 points (23-24=47).
- Boldy notched his 11th career mult-goal game with a 2-0=2 line at EDM (2/23). According to NHL Stats, is one of two Wild players with as many such performances before turning 23 is Marian Gaborik (14 times).
- Tied a career-high with four points (1-3=4) vs. VAN (2/19).
- Recorded three consecutive multi-point games from 2/9-2/14, a career-long.
- Posted seven SOG and three points (1-2=3) at VGK (2/12), both tying season highs.
- Boldy scored his 31st goal of the 2022-23 season at CHI (4/10) to surpass Marian Gaborik (30 in 2002-03 and 2001-02) for most by a Wild player age 22 or younger.
- Collected his 100th career point (45-55=100) in the 125th game of his career at PIT (4/6/23). Among players to debut with the franchise, he required the second-fewest games to reach the mark behind Kirill Kaprizov (92 GP).
- Scored 12 goals in the month of March 2023, becoming the third Wild player with as many in a calendar month (Kaprizov, 14 in March 2022; E. Staal, 13 in Feb. 2018).
- Recorded his third career hat trick (3-0=3) vs. SEA (3/27), the first natural hat trick of his career and his second hat trick in a five-game span.
- Became the fourth U.S.-born NHL player to record three hat tricks before turning 22, joining Jimmy Carson (seven), Alex DeBrincat (four) and Jeremy Roenick (four).
- Has joined Marian Gaborik (67 in 2001-02 & 65 in 2002-03) and Pierre-Marc Bouchard (59 in 2005-06) as the only Wild players to record a 50-point season before age 22.





PLAYER NOTES

BROCKED AND LOADED

- Brock Faber** leads all NHL rookies with 25:09 TOI per game, 117 blocked shots and 30 assists, and is second with 34 points (4-30=34).
- Faber is seventh among all NHL skaters in TOI/game and ranks T-15th in assists and T-21th in scoring among NHL defensemen.
- Recorded his seventh multi-point game of the season with two assists at VGK (2/12), tying Kurtis Foster (2005-06) for the third-highest total by a Wild rookie.
- With an assist vs. PIT (2/9), moved his season point total to 4-27=31 and surpassed Filip Kuba (9-21=30 in 2000-01) for the highest single-season point total by a Wild rookie defenseman. Also moved past Calen Addison (26 assists in 2022-23) for most single-season assists by a Wild rookie.
- Recorded a six-game point streak (2-7=9) from 1/15 to 1/25, the longest point streak in franchise history by a rookie defenseman.
- Played in his 50th career game vs. NSH (1/25). With 29 points (4- 25=29) in 50 career games, matched Marek Zidlicky for the second-most points by a Wild defenseman through their first 50 games with the Wild. The only blueliner with more is Ryan Suter (4-29—33 in 50 GP), per NHL Stats.
- Posted his second career three-point game (1-2=3) at FLA (1/19). According to NHL Stats, he is the fourth rookie in franchise history with multiple three-point games: Kirill Kaprizov (3), Calen Addison (2x) and Rickard Wallin (2x).
- Reached 20 assists on the season with a helper at TBL (1/18). Per NHL Stats, became the fifth rookie in Wild history, and fourth in as many seasons, to reach the 20-assist plateau in a campaign, joining Calen Addison (26 in 2022-23), Matt Boldy (24 in 2021-22), Kirill Kaprizov (24 in 2020-21) and Filip Kuba (21 in 2000-01).
- Per NHL Stats, among defensemen to start their NHL career with the Wild, he required the fewest games (46 GP) in franchise history to reach 20 NHL assists with the franchise. Among all players under that criteria, he required the second fewest behind only Matt Boldy (40).
- Has recorded five games with 30-plus minutes of TOI this season, four of which came in a five-game span from 12/14 to 12/21. Became one of two NHL rookies since 1997-98 to play four games with 30-plus minutes of TOI in a single season.
- Skated a career-high 33:25 vs. MTL (12/21), the highest single-game total in the NHL this season and the third-highest by an NHL rookie since the start of the 2000-01 season.
- Owns four of the top eight single-game TOI totals by a rookie in Wild franchise history.
- Per NHL Stats, since time on ice began being tracked in 1997-98, Faber is only the 2nd rookie to record consecutive 30+-minute games (Atlanta's Toby Enstrom in March 2008), doing so vs. CGY (12/14) and vs. VAN (12/16).

Single-Season Assists by a Rookie, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Assists
1.	Brock Faber, 2023-24	30
2.	Calen Addison, 2022-3	26
3t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2020-21	24
3t.	Matt Boldy, 2021-22	24
5.	Filip Kuba, 2000-01	21

Single-Season Points by a Rookie Defenseman, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Points
1.	Brock Faber, 2023-24	34
2.	Filip Kuba, 2000-01	30
3.	Calen Addison, 2022-3	29
4.	Kurtis Foster, 2005-06	28
5.	Matt Dumba, 2014-15	16

MARCO POLO

- Among NHL rookies, **Marco Rossi** is T-1st in goals (17) and GWG (two), third in points (17-16=33) and fourth in shots on goal (113).
- Tallied the first OTG of his career at CBJ (1/6).
- Became the 12th rookie in franchise history to record a three-point game (1-2=3), doing so vs. MTL (12/21).
- Rossi became the third-fastest Wild rookie to record ten goals in a season by scoring vs. CGY (12/14), his 27th game played in 2023-24. The only others to require fewer than 30 games to reach the mark are Kirill Kaprizov (25 GP in 2020-21) and Matt Boldy (25 GP in 2021-22).
- Recorded the first multi-goal game of his career vs. CHI (12/3), scoring two.
- Recorded a four-game point streak (1-3=4) from 11/12 - 12/24/23, a career long.

Single-Season Goals by a Rookie, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Goals
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2020-21	27
2.	Marian Gaborik, 2000-01	18
3.	Marco Rossi, 2023-24	17
4t.	Matt Boldy, 2021-22	15
4t.	Pascal Dupuis, 2001-02	15
6.	Justin Fontaine, 2013-14	13

Single-Season Points by a Rookie, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Points
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2020-21	51
2.	Matt Boldy, 2021-22	39
3.	Marian Gaborik, 2000-01	36
4.	Brock Faber, 2023-24	34
5.	Marco Rossi, 2023-24	33
6.	Filip Kuba, 2000-01	30
7.	Calen Addison, 2022-23	29
8.	Kurtis Foster, 2005-06	28
9.	Pascal Dupuis, 2001-02	27
10.	Nick Johnson, 2011-12	26

SHOT THROUGH THE HART

- Ryan Hartman** is fifth on Minnesota with 15 goals and 119 shots this season while ranking seventh with 32 points (15-17=32).
- Hartman was awarded the NHL's Third Star of the Week for the week ending Oct. 29 after ranking second in the NHL with five goals (5-2=7) in four appearances.
- Recorded five points (3-2=5) vs. EDM (10/24), marking his second career hat trick (first with MIN) and tying his career-best in points in a game.

PLAYER NOTES



MATS-TER OF HIS CRAFT

- Mats Zuccarello** leads the Wild with 39 assists and ranks third with 50 points (11-39=50) this season.
- Zuccarello tied his single-game career high with four points (1-3=4) vs. VAN (2/19) and four points (0-4=4) at SEA (2/24).
- His four-assist game at SEA (2/24) was tied for the second-highest single-game assist total in franchise history. Now has five four-point games with the Wild, second-most in franchise history (Gaborik, seven).
- Played in the 800th game of his NHL career vs. NYI (1/15).
- Recorded a 10-game point streak (3-11=14) from 11/10 to 12/5, tied for the longest of his career (two other occurrences).
- He is the first player in Wild history to record three separate double-digit point streaks with the franchise.
- Notched an eight-game assist streak from 11/18 to 12/5, the longest of his career and one shy of the franchise record (Kaprizov, nine games in 2022-23).
- Recorded an 11-game home point streak (6-10=16), the longest in Wild franchise history to start a season and the longest home point streak of Zuccarello's career.
- Reached 600 career points (192-408=600) with an assist at CGY (12/5), the first Norwegian player to reach the mark.
- Recorded the 400th assist of his NHL career against OTT in Sweden (11/18), becoming the first Norwegian player to reach the mark.
- Zuccarello started the season on a six-game point streak, his longest point streak to open a season and tied for the second-longest season-opening point streak in franchise history.
- Zuccarello ranks second among active undrafted NHL players in career points (623), second in career assists (422), and third in career goals (197) and career games played (815).

Career Points, Active Undrafted Players

Rk.	Player	Points
1.	Artemi Panarin	740
2.	Mats Zuccarello	623
3.	Mark Giordano	575
4.	Torey Krug	473
5.	Jonathan Marchessault	469

Career Goals, Active Undrafted Players

Rk.	Player	Goals
1.	Artemi Panarin	249
2.	Jonathan Marchessault	220
3.	Mats Zuccarello	197
4.	Tyler Johnson	188
5.	Mark Giordano	156

Career Assists, Active Undrafted Players

Rk.	Player	Assists
1.	Artemi Panarin	491
2.	Mats Zuccarello	426
3.	Mark Giordano	419
4.	Torey Krug	386
5.	Jonathan Marchessault	249

IN FULL BLOOM

- Goaltender **Marc-Andre Fleury** is 5-1-0 with a 2.20 GAA, a .921 save percentage and one shutout in eight game appearances (six starts) since Jan. 13th.
- Fleury recorded his 552nd career win with a 5-0 victory vs. NYI (1/15), moving past Patrick Roy (551 career wins) for second-most in NHL history.
- Posted the 74th shutout of his NHL career vs. NYI (1/15) and needs two more to tie Tony Esposito and Ed Belfour (76 career SO each) for 10th most in NHL history.
- Fleury became the fourth goaltender in NHL history to reach 1,000 games played when he started vs. WPG (12/31).
- With his 20th save of the game vs. WPG (12/31), became the third goaltender in NHL history to reach 26,000 career saves.
- He made 24 saves at NYR (11/9) to reach 25,808 career saves and pass Roy (25,800 career saves) for third most in NHL history.
- Fleury made a season-high 40 saves in a 4-3 OT win at BOS (12/19), his 40th career game with 40-plus saves (T-11th most in NHL history).
- Fleury made his season debut at MTL (10/17), making 27 saves in the 5-2 win and improving his record to 27-13-6 all-time against the Canadiens.
- Fleury played 58:31 vs. LAK (10/19), moving his career minutes total to 57,164:32 and surpassing Terry Sawchuk (57,155:51) for fourth on the all-time list among NHL goaltenders.
- Fleury notched the 65th shootout win of his career vs. NYR (11/4), further extending his all-time NHL record.
- Finished 24-16-4 for the 2022-23 season, Fleury recorded his 15th career season of 20-plus wins, tied for third-most in NHL history: Patrick Roy (17), Martin Brodeur (16) and Ed Belfour (15).
- With 73 career shutouts, Fleury has recorded a shutout against 29-of-32 NHL teams (St. Louis, Vegas and Minnesota), the most in league history.
- Fleury faced his 28th career penalty-shot attempt at MTL (10/25). Per NHL Stats, Fleury's 22 saves on 28 all-time attempts trail only Roberto Luongo (33 PS SA, 29 PS saves) for the all-time lead in both categories.

All-Time Minutes Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Minutes Played
1.	Martin Brodeur	74,438:25
2.	Patrick Roy	60,214:34
3.	Roberto Luongo	59,879:00
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	58,586:55

All-Time Games Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career GP
1.	Martin Brodeur	1,266
2.	Roberto Luongo	1,044
3.	Patrick Roy	1,029
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	1,013

All-Time Wins, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Wins
1.	Martin Brodeur	691
2.	Marc-Andre Fleury	556
3.	Patrick Roy	551

All-Time Saves, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Saves
1.	Martin Brodeur	28,928
2.	Roberto Luongo	28,409
3.	Marc-Andre Fleury	26,309
4.	Patrick Roy	25,800

MINNESOTA WILD 2023-24 GAME NOTES TABLES

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MINNESOTA WILD MONTH-BY-MONTH

	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
2000-01	2-7-3	5-7-2	5-3-4	6-5-2	4-7-0	2-8-6	1-2-1	-
2001-02	4-3-4	7-6-2	2-8-3	4-6-5	2-4-1	6-5-3	1-3-3	-
2002-03	8-1-2	5-6-3	7-4-3	5-7-1	7-4-0	9-5-2	1-2-0	-
2003-04	4-6-1	4-6-3	6-2-6	3-6-7	4-5-2	7-4-4	2-0-0	-
2005-06	6-4-2	4-6-1	8-7-1	7-7-0	4-2-1	5-7-2	4-3-1	-
2006-07	9-2-0	4-8-1	7-7-1	7-4-2	8-2-2	10-3-2	3-0-0	-
2007-08	7-3-2	7-6-0	8-6-0	7-4-1	7-5-2	7-4-4	1-0-1	-
2008-09	6-2-1	8-5-0	4-9-1	7-5-1	5-5-2	6-6-4	4-1-0	-
2009-10	5-9-0	5-3-3	10-6-0	7-6-1	3-3-0	7-7-2	1-2-2	-
2010-11	4-4-2	7-6-0	6-5-3	8-4-0	8-5-1	4-8-2	2-3-0	-
2011-12	4-3-3	11-4-0	6-6-3	3-6-1	4-7-2	5-9-1	2-1-1	-
2012-13	-	-	-	4-2-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	5-8-1	-
2013-14	6-4-3	9-4-2	5-9-0	9-4-1	4-0-1	6-5-4	4-1-1	-
2014-15	6-3-0	7-6-1	4-5-3	5-6-2	11-2-1	11-3-0	2-3-1	-
2015-16	7-2-2	4-5-2	9-3-2	3-7-3	5-8-1	10-4-1	0-4-0	-
2016-17	6-2-1	5-6-2	12-1-1	10-2-1	8-3-1	4-10-2	4-1-0	-
2017-18	4-4-2	8-6-1	8-6-0	7-2-2	9-2-2	7-5-3	2-1-1	-
2018-19	7-3-2	7-6-0	4-8-1	8-4-0	5-6-3	5-7-3	1-2-0	-
2019-20	4-9-0	7-2-4	8-6-1	4-4-1	9-4-1	3-2-0	-	-
2020-21	-	-	-	6-4-0	6-2-0	9-5-2	10-3-2	4-2-1
2021-22	5-3-0	10-3-1	4-3-1	8-1-1	4-6-0	10-4-2	12-2-2	
2022-23	4-4-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	6-4-2	7-4-2	10-1-3	2-4-1	
2023-24	3-4-2	4-6-2	9-5-0	5-8-1	7-2-1			
All-Time	111-82-33	132-112-31	143-113-34	139-108-36	139-93-27	154-116-52	64-45-19	4-2-1

2023-24 MONTHLY COMPARISONS

Month	Record	GF-GA*	PP	PK	SF-SA
October	3-4-2	32-38	5-36 (13.9%)	19-28 (72.0%)	283-309
November	4-6-2	34-41	8-43 (18.6%)	35-49 (71.4%)	370-330
December	9-5-0	44-34	9-39 (23.1%)	36-47 (76.6%)	407-421
January	5-8-1	39-53	12-46 (26.1%)	32-42 (76.2%)	410-437
February	7-2-1	39-30	12-47 (25.5%)	28-35 (80.0%)	306-298
March					
April					

2023-24 10-GAME COMPARISONS

Game	Record	GF-GA*	PP	PK	SF-SA
1-10	3-5-2	35-43	6-38 (15.8%)	21-33 (63.6%)	308-347
11-20	3-5-2	25-35	6-37 (16.2%)	29-40 (72.5%)	314-265
21-30	7-3-0	33-20	5-24 (20.8%)	28-35 (80.0%)	286-313
31-40	4-6-0	25-36	8-35 (22.9%)	21-28 (75.0%)	287-280
41-50	5-4-1	33-33	9-32 (28.1%)	25-32 (78.1%)	301-312
51-60	6-2-1	37-29	12-45 (26.7%)	26-32 (78.8%)	281-277
61-70					
71-82					

2023-24 MINNESOTA WILD GOAL PRODUCTION

Goals for	Times	Wild Record	Goals Against	Times	Wild Record
0	3	0-3-0	0	3	3-0-0
1	5	0-4-1	1	6	6-0-0
2	14	3-9-2	2	11	9-1-1
3	16	6-8-2	3	15	6-7-2
4	8	6-1-1	4	13	3-8-2
5	8	8-0-0	5	2	0-1-1
6	3	3-0-0	6	3	0-3-0
7	1	1-0-0	7	5	1-4-0
8			8	1	0-1-0
10	1	1-0-0	10		
GOALS FOR:	189	28-25-6	GOALS AGAINST:	196	28-25-6

*Includes shootout goals

2023-24 MINNESOTA WILD HIGHS AND LOWS

INDIVIDUAL

Most Goals, Game	3 – 5x
Most Assists, Game	4 – Zuccarello, 2/24 at SEA
Most Points, Game	6 – Eriksson Ek and Kaprizov, 2/19 vs VAN (Ties franchise record)
Most Goals, Period	3 – Kaprizov, 2/19 vs VAN (3rd)
Most Assists, Period	3 – Kaprizov, 10/24 vs EDM (3rd), Zuccarello, 2/19 vs VAN (3rd)
Most Points, Period	4 – Kaprizov, 2/19 vs VAN (3rd)
Most Shots, Game	8 – Eriksson Ek, 12/17 vs VAN and 12/30 at WPG, Kaprizov, 2/14 at ARI
Most Penalty Minutes, Game	19 – Bogosian, 1/25 vs NSH
Most Hits, Game	9 – Foligno, 11/10 at BUF
Most Blocked Shots, Game	7 – 2x, Spurgeon, 12/5 at CGY, Middleton, 12/10 at SEA
Most PPG, Game	2 – 4x
Most PPG, Season	12 - Eriksson Ek
Most SHG, Season	1 – Duhaime, Dewar, Eriksson Ek
Most GWG, Season	6 – Kaprizov
Most Overtime Goals	2 – Kaprizov
Consecutive Games with a Goal	4 – Kaprizov, 12/19-12/27, Eriksson Ek, 2/12-2/19
Consecutive Games with an Assist	8 – Zuccarello, 11/18-12/5, Kaprizov, 2/9-2/24
Consecutive Games with a Point	10 – Zuccarello, 11/10-12/5
Most TOI, Game	33:25 – Faber, 12/21 vs. MTL
Most Saves, Game	49 - Gustavsson, 10/21 vs CBJ

TEAM

Consecutive Games Won	4 – 11/28-12/5, 12/19-12/27, 2/7-2/14
Consecutive Games Earning a Point	6 – 2/7-2/19
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation	4 – 12/30-1/4
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation and OT/SO	7 – 11/9 – 11/26
Most Goals For, Period	7 – 2/19 vs VAN (3rd) (Franchise record)
Most Goals Against, Period	4 – 10/19 vs LAK (1st), 1/10 at DAL (3rd)
Most Goals For, Game	10 - 2/19 vs VAN (Franchise record)
Most Goals Against, Game	8 – 11/12 vs DAL
Most Power-Play Goals For, Period	3 – 1/19 at FLA (2nd), 2/19 vs VAN (3rd)
Most Power-Play Goals For, Game	5 – 1/19 at FLA
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Period	2 – 10/26 at PHI (2nd), 11/12 vs DAL (2nd and 3rd), 1/18 at TBL (3rd)
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Game	5 – 11/12 vs. DAL
Most Power-Play Attempts For, Game	8 – 10/17 at MTL
Most Power-Play Attempts Against, Game	8 – 11/12 vs DAL
Most Shots For, Period	20 – 1/15 vs NYI (2nd), 2/14 at ARI (1st)
Most Shots For, Game	43 – 2/14 at ARI
Most Shots Against, Period	24 – 2/23 at EDM (3rd)
Most Shots Against, Game	54 – 10/21 vs CBJ
Most Shots For, Overtime	5 – 10/27 at WSH
Most Shots Against, Overtime	4 – 10/21 vs CBJ, 1/12 vs. PHI
Fewest Shots For, Period	2 – 11/9 at NYR (1st), 1/8 vs. DAL (3rd)
Fewest Shots For, Game	19 – 1/21 at CAR
Fewest Shots Against, Period	1 – 2/7 at CHI (1st)
Fewest Shots Against, Game	18 – 11/4 vs NYR
Most Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	84 – 10/17 at MTL
Most Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	44 – 10/17 at MTL
Fewest Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	8 – 10/19 vs LAK
Fewest Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	0 – 10/17 vs LAK

2023-24 MULTIPLE POINT GAMES

Player	2 pts.	3 pts.	4 pts.	5 pts.	6 pts.	Total	Record
Kirill Kaprizov	10	6			1	17	13-4-0
Joel Eriksson Ek	11	1			1	13	12-0-1
Matt Boldy	7	3	1			11	8-3-0
Mats Zuccarello	7	2	2			11	8-2-1
Brock Faber	4	2				6	5-1-0
Marco Rossi	4	1				5	2-3-0
Marcus Johansson	3	1				4	2-1-1
Ryan Hartman	4			1		5	3-2-0
Pat Maroon	3					3	1-1-1
Jake Middleton		2				2	1-1-0
Marcus Foligno	2					2	2-0-0
Jonas Brodin	1					1	1-0-0
Dakota Mermis	1					1	0-0-1
Connor Dewar			1			1	1-0-0
Vinni Lettieri	1					1	1-0-0
Freddy Gaudreau	1					1	0-1-0

THE LAST TIME:	HOME	ROAD
Recorded a shutout	1/15/24, 5-0 vs. NYI (Fleury, 21 saves)	12/10/23, 3-0 at SEA (Gustavsson, 24 saves)
Were shutout	1/13/24, 6-0 vs. ARI (Ingram, 38 saves)	12/8/23, 2-0 at VAN (DeSmith, 26 saves)
Won a 1-0 game	11/17/16, 1-0 vs. BOS (Dubnyk, 25 saves)	11/11/22, 1-0 at SEA (Fleury, 28 saves)
Lost a 1-0 game	3/7/23, 1-0 SOL vs. CGY (Markstrom, 40 saves)	11/8/22, 1-0 at LA (Quick, 22 saves)
Scored 5 or more goals	2/19/24, 10-7 win vs. VAN	2/24/24, 5-2 win at SEA
Allowed 5 or more goals	2/19/24, 10-7 win vs. VAN	2/20/24, 6-3 loss at WPG
Overcame 2-goal deficit to win	2/19/24 vs. VAN (down 5-3 in 3rd, 10-7 win)	3/15/23 at STL (Down 3-1 in 1st, 8-5 win)
Overcame 3-goal deficit to win	2/19/24 vs. VAN (down 4-1 and 5-2 in 2nd, 10-7 win)	10/8/15 at COL (down 4-1 in 3rd, 5-4 win)
Overcame 4-goal deficit to win	1/9/10 vs. CHI (down 5-1 in 3rd, 6-5 SO win)	Never
Surrendered 2-goal lead in loss	1/12/24 vs. PHI (ahead 3-1 in 3rd, 4-3 OTL)	3/13/23 at ARI (ahead 4-2 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)
Surrendered 3-goal lead in loss	2/15/19 vs. NJ (ahead 4-1 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	5/13/21 at STL (ahead 3-0 in 1st, 7-3 loss)
Surrendered 4-goal lead in loss	Never	Never
Had a penalty shot	12/20/16, Staal vs. Varlamov (unsuccessful)	11/18/23, Johansson vs. Forsberg (unsuccessful)
Scored on a penalty shot	3/22/14, Coyle vs. Howard	12/16/14, Niederreiter vs. Raanta
Faced a penalty shot	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury (goal)	2/8/23, Faksa vs. Gustavsson (no goal)
Allowed a penalty shot goal	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury	1/21/14, Jordie Benn vs. Kuemper
Had a hat trick	2/19/24, Kaprizov, Eriksson EK vs. VAN (10-7 win)	1/21/24, Kaprizov at CAR (5-2 win)
Allowed a hat trick	2/19/24, Miller vs. VAN (10-7 win)	10/14/23, Matthews at TOR (7-4 loss)
Scored a shorthanded goal	1/15/24, Eriksson Ek (5-0 W)	10/17/23, Duhaime/Dewar at MTL (5-2 win)
Allowed a shorthanded goal	1/8/24, Hintz, Faska vs. DAL (4-0 loss)	10/27/23, Wilson at WSH (3-2 SOL)
Scored an empty net goal	2/19/24, Kaprizov, Brodin vs. VAN (10-7 win)	2/23/24, Zuccarello at EDM (4-2 win)
Allowed an empty net goal	1/4/24, vs. TBL, Hagel (4-1 loss)	2/20/24, Niederreiter at WPG (6-3 loss)
Did not record penalty	10/19/23 vs. LAK (7-3 loss)	4/24/24 at SJ (6-3 win)
Opponent did not record penalty	1/22/22 vs. DET (4-2 win)	4/14/22 at DAL (3-2 OT win)
Played in a penalty free game	Never	11/30/13 at COL (3-2 SO loss)
Won an overtime game	12/21/23 vs. MTL (Kaprizov)	1/6/24 at CBJ (Rossi)
Lost an overtime game	2/17/24 vs. BUF (Jokiharju)	4/13/23 at NSH (Parssinen)
Won a shootout	12/16/23 vs. VAN (Zuccarello)	12/4/22 at DAL (Gaudreau)
Lost a shootout	4/3/23 vs. VGK (Smith)	11/18/23 at OTT (Norris)
Recorded 20+ shots in a period	1/15/24 vs. NYI (20 in 2nd, 5-0 win)	2/14/24 at ARI (20 in 1st, 3-1 win)
Allowed 20+ shots in a period	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (22 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	2/23/24 at EDM (24 in 3rd, 4-2 win)
Recorded 0 shots in a period	1/10/19 vs. WPG (0 in 3rd, 3-2 win)	11/08/01 at BOS (0 in 3rd, 5-3 win)
Allowed 0 shots in a period	3/3/13 vs. EDM (0 in 2nd, 4-2 win)	Never
Recorded 50 or more shots	Record is 49 vs. ANA 12/3/22	Record is 49 at NSH 4/5/22
Surrendered 50 or more shots	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (54 in 5-4 OT loss)	3/18/21 at COL (55 in 5-1 loss)