



WILD WEEK

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DATE	OPPONENT/EVENT	LOCATION	PRACTICE/GAME TIMES (CT)	INFORMATION
Mon., Jan. 8	Dallas Stars	Xcel Energy Center	10:30 a.m./7 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Tue., Jan. 9	Travel Day			
Wed., Jan. 10	Dallas Stars	American Airlines Center	10:30 a.m./6:30 p.m.	TNT/KFAN 100.3 FM
Thu., Jan. 11	Day Off			
Fri., Jan. 12	Philadelphia Flyers	Xcel Energy Center	10:30 a.m./7 p.m.	BSNX/KFAN 100.3 FM
Sat., Jan. 13	Arizona Coyotes	Xcel Energy Center	10:30 a.m./7 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Sun., Jan. 14	TBD			
Mon., Jan. 15	New York Islanders	Xcel Energy Center	9 a.m./5 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM



DALLAS STARS

All-Time Wild Record: 37-38-13 (24-14-5 at Xcel Energy Center, 13-24-8 at Dallas)

2023-24: The Stars won the series-opening game, 8-3, in St. Paul (11/12)...RW **Brandon Duhaime** (1-0=1), C **Vinni Lettieri** (1-0=1) and RW **Mats Zuccarello** (1-0=1) each scored for the Wild...G **Marc-Andre Fleury** saved 29-of-37 shots faced for Minnesota...D **Miro Heiskanen** (0-3=3), C **Wyatt Johnston** (2-1=3) and LW **Jason Robertson** (2-1=3) led Dallas with three points each...G **Jake Oettinger** saved 23-of-26 shots faced for the Stars.

WILD LEADERS: Zuccarello leads Minnesota with 21 points (5-16=21) in 24 games against Dallas...D **Jared Spurgeon** owns 19 points (6-23=19) in 43 contests...C **Ryan Hartman** has 14 points (7-7=14) in 28 matches...LW **Kirill Kaprizov** has 13 points (6-7=13) in nine contests.

WILD GOALIES: Fleury is 13-7-1 with a 2.45 GAA, a .919 SV% and one shutout in 21 starts vs. the Stars...G **Filip Gustavsson** is 3-1-0 with a 1.73 GAA and a .950 SV% in four starts...G **Jesper Wallstedt** has not faced the Stars.

STARS LEADERS: C **Tyler Seguin** (18-29=47 in 42 games) and LW **Jamie Benn** (20-27=47 in 53 games) lead Dallas with 47 points each against Minnesota...C **Joe Pavelski** owns 44 points (22-23=45) in 54 games...C **Matt Duchene** has 37 points (11-26=37) in 53 career games.

STARS GOALIES: Oettinger is 5-0-1 with a 2.49 GAA and a .913 SV% in eight career games (seven starts)...G **Scott Wedgewood** is 0-1-2 with a 3.25 GAA and a .887 SV% in four games (two starts)...G **Matt Murray** has not faced Minnesota.

CONNECTIONS: Minnesota General Manager **Bill Guerin** recorded 159 points (72-87=159) and 337 PIM in 216 games with Dallas...D **Alex Goligoski** recorded 187 points (32-155=187) in 385 games in parts of six seasons with the Stars (2011-16)...Zuccarello tallied three points (1-2=3) in two regular season games and added 11 points (4-7=11) in 13 playoff games with Dallas (2018-19)...Oettinger is from Lakeville...D **Ryan Suter** recorded 369 points (55-314=369) in 656 games during nine seasons with the Wild (2012-21)...C **Sam Steel** tallied 28 points (10-18=28), 18 PIM and a plus-11 rating in 65 games in one season with Minnesota (2022-23).

FAST FACTS: Minnesota is 21-15-5 in the last 10 seasons (2013-23) against Dallas...The Wild is 5-4-1 in the last 10 games against the Stars at Xcel Energy Center...Minnesota has points in 11 of the last 20 games (9-9-2) played at American Airlines Center...Minnesota was defeated by Dallas in six games in the 2016 and 2023 First Round.



PHILADELPHIA FLYERS

All-Time Wild Record: 12-15-3 (7-5-2 at Xcel Energy Center, 5-10-1 at Philadelphia)

2023-24: Philadelphia won the series-opening contest, 6-2, at Wells Fargo Center (10/26)...LW **Marcus Foligno** (1-0=1) and D **Dakota Mermis** (1-0=1) scored for Minnesota...G **Filip Gustavsson** saved 29-of-35 shots faced for the Wild...RW **Cam Atkinson** (0-3=3) and D **Travis Sanheim** (1-2=3) led the Flyers with three points each...RW **Bobby Brink** (2-0=2), C **Sean Couturier** (1-1=2) and RW **Travis Konecny** (1-1=2) all registered two point nights...G **Carter Hall** stopped 26-of-28 shots faced for Philadelphia.

WILD LEADERS: RW **Mats Zuccarello** leads the Wild with 20 points (5-15=20) in 32 matches against the Flyers...LW **Marcus Johansson** has 20 points (7-13=20) in 40 games...D **Alex Goligoski** owns 16 points (5-11=16) in 32 contests...LW **Pat Maroon** has 15 points (7-8=15) in 21 games.

WILD GOALIES: G **Marc-Andre Fleury** is 32-19-3 with a 2.87 GAA, a .902 SV% and three shutouts in 60 career games against Philadelphia...Gustavsson is 0-1-0 with a 6.01 GAA and a .829 SV% in one start vs. the Flyers (10/26/23)...G **Jesper Wallstedt** has not faced the Flyers.

FLYERS LEADERS: Atkinson leads Philadelphia with 11 points (6-5=11) in 17 games against Minnesota...Couturier has nine points

(6-3=9) in 15 games...D **Ryan Ellis** owns 8 points (3-5=8) in 32 contests...Sanheim has seven points (1-6=7) in 10 games.

FLYERS GOALIES: Hart is 3-2-1 with a 3.47 GAA and a .882 SV% in six starts against the Wild...G **Samuel Ersson** has not faced Minnesota.

CONNECTIONS: Minnesota Goaltending Coach **Frederic Chabot** went 0-1-1 in four games with the Flyers in the 1993-94 season...C **Ryan Hartman** skated in 19 games with Philadelphia during the 2018-19 season...LW **Pat Maroon** was selected by Philadelphia in the sixth round (161st overall) of the 2007 NHL Draft...Flyers Vice President & Assistant General Manager **Brent Flahr** served as Wild Assistant General Manager (2009-18) before joining Philadelphia...LW **Noah Cates** is from Stillwater and played four seasons at the University of Minnesota Duluth (2018-22)...LW **Nicolas Deslauriers** recorded three points (3-0=2) in 20 games with the Wild (2021-22)...D **Ryan Poehling** is from Lakeville and played at St. Cloud State University for three seasons (2016-19)...D **Nick Seeler** was selected by the Wild in the fifth round (131st overall) of the 2011 NHL Draft and collected 11 points (2-9=11) in 99 games with Minnesota (2017-20)...RW **Bobby Brink** is from Minnetonka.

FAST FACTS: The Wild is 6-3-1 in its last 10 contests against the Flyers...Minnesota's five goals on March 3, 2022, set a new team-high against Philadelphia...Minnesota has posted back-to-back shutouts twice against Philadelphia (last, 11/11-11/14/17)...The first time was Feb. 10-12, 2003, which also marked the first back-to-back shutouts in team history...The Wild has shutout the Flyers five times in the 28 all-time meetings—tied for its most shutouts against an Eastern Conference team.



ARIZONA COYOTES

All-Time Wild Record: 47-27-9 (24-12-5 at Xcel Energy Center, 23-15-4 at Arizona)

2022-23: The Wild went 2-1-1 in the season series...Minnesota earned a 4-3 victory in the series-opening game at Xcel Energy Center (11/27), Wild won the second game, 2-1, in St. Paul (1/14), lost the third game, 3-2, at Mullett Arena (2/6) and lost a 5-4 overtime game at Arizona (3/12)...LW **Kirill Kaprizov** led Minnesota with five points (2-3=5)...C **Joel Eriksson Ek** (0-3=3) and RW **Mats Zuccarello** (2-1=3) each had three points...G **Marc-Andre Fleury** was 2-1-0 with a 2.35 GAA and a .920 SV% in three starts for the Wild...G **Filip Gustavsson** made 18 saves in the fourth meeting...C **Barrett Hayton** (2-3=5) and RW **Clayton Keller** (2-3=5) led Arizona with five points each...D **Jakob Chychrun** (2-1=3), LW **Matias Maccelli** (0-3=3), C **Jack McBain** (1-2=3), RW **Brett Ritchie** (1-2=3) and D **Juuso Valimäki** (0-3=3) had three points each...G **Connor Ingram** went 0-2-0 with a 3.07 GAA and a .893 SV% in two starts for the Coyotes...G **Karel Vejmelka** went 2-0-0 with a 2.90 GAA and a .913 SV% in two starts.

WILD LEADERS: Zuccarello leads the Wild with 25 points (7-18=25) in 27 games against the Coyotes...D **Jared Spurgeon** has 23 points (6-17=23) in 37 games...Kaprizov owns 20 points (9-11=20) in 15 contests...LW **Marcus Foligno** has 17 points (9-8=17) in 27 games.

WILD GOALIES: Fleury is 17-10-1 with a 2.16 GAA, a .921 SV% and three shutouts in 30 games (29 starts) against the Coyotes...Gustavsson is 0-1-1 with a 4.38 GAA and a .757 SV% in his two starts against Arizona...G **Jesper Wallstedt** has not faced the Coyotes.

COYOTES LEADERS: RW **Jakub Voracek** leads Arizona with 20 points (4-16=20) in 26 games against the Wild...RW **Clayton Keller** has 16 points (7-9=16) in 23 games C **Nick Schmaltz** owns 16 points (3-13=16) in 26 matches.

COYOTES GOALIES: Vejmelka is 3-1-0 with a 3.76 GAA and a .891 SV% in four career starts against the Wild...Ingram is 1-2-0 with a 2.72 GAA and a .912 SV% in three career starts against the Wild.

CONNECTIONS: D **Alex Goligoski** collected 152 points (28-124=152) in 362 games during five seasons with the Coyotes (2016-21)...C **Nick Bjugstad** is a Minneapolis native and played three seasons at the University of Minnesota (2010-13)...He tallied 30 points (13-17=30) in 101 games in two seasons with the Wild (2020-22)...C

Travis Boyd is from Hopkins and played four seasons at the University of Minnesota (2011-15)...C **Logan Cooley** played one season at the University of Minnesota (2022-23)...D **Matt Dumba** was selected seventh overall by the Wild in the 2012 NHL Draft and collected 236 points (79-157=236), 399 PIM and a plus-29 rating in 598 games over a span of 10 seasons (2013-2023)...McBain was selected by the Wild in the third round (63rd overall) of the 2018 NHL Draft...LW **Jason Zucker** was selected by Minnesota in the second round (59th overall) of the 2010 NHL Draft and collected 243 points (132-111=243) in 456 games in nine seasons (2011-20) with the Wild.

FAST FACTS: Minnesota's 47 all-time wins against Arizona are fifth-most against an opponent...The Wild is 11-3-1 against the Coyotes since the start of the 2020 season...Minnesota is 27-7-4 in its last 38 meetings against Arizona, including a 12-game point streak (9-0-3, 1/9/14-2/8/18) - the longest point streak in franchise history vs. an opponent...Minnesota is 10-4-2 in the last 16 games at Arizona...The Wild is 11-2-2 in the last 15 games played in Saint Paul.



NEW YORK ISLANDERS

All-Time Wild Record: 19-11-2 (10-4-2 at Xcel Energy Center, 9-7-0 at New York)

2023-24: Minnesota won the series-opening game, 4-2, at UBS Arena (11/7)...C **Joel Eriksson Ek** (1-1=2) and LW **Pat Maroon** (1-1=2) led the Wild with two points each...LW **Kirill Kaprizov** (1-0=1) and C **Vinni Lettieri** (1-0=1) also scored...G **Marc-Andre Fleury** saved 27-of-29 shots faced for Minnesota...D **Noah Dobson** (1-0=1) and RW **Oliver Wahlstrom** (1-0=1) each scored for the Islanders...G **Semyon Varlamov** stopped 27-of-31 shots faced for New York.

WILD LEADERS: LW **Marcus Johansson** leads Minnesota with 23 points (3-20=23) in 39 games against the Islanders...RW **Mats Zuccarello** owns 17 points (4-14=18) in 37 matches...D **Alex Goligoski** has 14 points (2-12=14) in 31 contests...D **Jared Spurgeon** owns eight points (3-5=8) in 19 contests...C **Joel Eriksson Ek** has eight points (3-5=8) in 10 games.

WILD GOALIES: Fleury is 28-12-6 with a 2.43 GAA, a .918 SV% and five shutouts in 48 games (46 starts) vs. the Islanders...G **Filip Gustavsson** is 2-1-0 with a 2.29 GAA and a .920 SV% in three starts...G **Jesper Wallstedt** has not faced the Islanders.

ISLANDERS LEADERS: C **Bo Horvat** leads the Islanders with 14 points (9-5=14) in 22 matches against Minnesota...RW **Kyle Palmieri** owns 13 points (5-8=13) in 21 games against Minnesota...LW **Anders Lee** has 12 points (6-5=11) in 17 contests...C **Brock Nelson** has nine points (6-3=9) in 18 matches.

ISLANDERS GOALIES: Varlamov is 13-15-1 with a 2.33 GAA, a .926 SV% and one shutout in 30 games (29 starts) against Minnesota...G **Ilya Sorokin** is 0-2-1 with a 2.32 GAA and a .920 SV% in three starts.

CONNECTIONS: Minnesota President of Hockey Operations and General Manager **Bill Guerin** tallied 80 points (39-41=80) and 128 PIM in 142 games with the Islanders in two seasons (2007-09)...Wild Assistant Coach **Darby Hendrickson** skated in 16 games with the Islanders in 1995-96...Spurgeon was drafted by New York in the sixth round of the 2008 NHL Draft (156th overall)...Islanders Special Assignment Coach **Jacques Lemaire** was the first Head Coach in Wild history and posted a record of 293-255-108 in 656 games over eight seasons (2000-09)...He is Minnesota's all-time leader in games coached and victories and was the recipient of the Jack Adams Award as the NHL's top coach in 2003...RW **Cal Clutterbuck** was selected by Minnesota in the third round of the 2006 NHL Draft (72nd overall) and collected 110 points and 1,457 hits in 346 contests with the Wild (2007-13)...Lee hails from Edina and played high school hockey at Edina and St. Thomas Academy...Nelson is from Warroad...RW **Hudson Fasching** is from Apple Valley and played three seasons at the University of Minnesota (2013-16).

FAST FACTS: The Wild has won five consecutive games against the Islanders and is 7-2-1 in the last 10 meetings...14 of the 32 all-time meetings with the Islanders have been decided by one goal (8-4-2), including eight of the 15 matches at Xcel Energy Center (5-1-2).