



NEW YORK RANGERS vs. BUFFALO SABRES

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: TNT



BUFFALO SABRES

11-13-4 | 26 PTS
7th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 6-5 L (SO) vs. DET

Top Scorers

Alex Tuch: 28 GP, 8 G, 16 A, 24 PTS
Tage Thompson: 23 GP, 15 G, 7 A, 22 PTS
Jason Zucker: 28 GP, 7 G, 13 A, 20 PTS

Season Series:

Nov. 7 at NYR | 6-1 W
Dec. 11 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.
Feb. 22 at BUF | 5:30 P.M.

NEW YORK RANGERS

14-12-1 | 29 PTS
5th place in the Metropolitan Division
Last Game: 2-1 L vs. CHI

Top Scorers

Artemi Panarin: 27 GP, 15 G, 19 A, 34 PTS
Will Cuylle: 27 GP, 10 G, 12 A, 22 PTS
Adam Fox: 27 GP, 0 G, 22 A, 22 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres have earned at least one point in seven of their last eight games against the Rangers (4-1-3), including at least one point in each of the last three contests between Buffalo and New York (2-0-1).

Buffalo has allowed just three power-play goals in the team's last 31 penalty-kill opportunities (90.3 percent).

Jason Zucker has registered six points (2+4) in his last four games, including one assist in each of the games in that span.



Tage Thompson has registered 16 points (11+5) in his last 14 home games.

Owen Power has recorded one assist in back-to-back games.

Beck Malenstyn has tallied one assist in two consecutive games and an assist tonight would give him the longest assist streak of his career.

Zach Benson (1+4) and **Dylan Cozens** (2+3) have both recorded five points in their last five home games.

JJ Peterka's next point will be the 100th of his NHL career.

ZUCKS FLY TOGETHER

Jason Zucker has recorded 20 points (7+13) and he is on pace for 58 points this season.

If **Zucker** records 55 or more points this season, he would become the Sabres' first free agent acquisition to do so since Randy Burridge in 1995-96 (58 points; 25+33).

Zucker is on pace to score 21 goals this season and he would become Buffalo's first free agent acquisition to record 20 or more goals in a season since Kyle Okposo in 2021-22 (21 goals).

Zucker leads all Sabres skaters in primary assists at 5-on-5 (8), three more than the next-closest Buffalo skater (**Bowen Byram, Owen Power**).

He also ranks first among all Buffalo skaters in primary assists at all strengths (11).

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Rasmus Dahlin (back, IR); **Sam Lafferty** (lower body, IR); **Mattias Samuelsson** (lower body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 12-8-2 all-time on December 11.

December 11, 1992: The Sabres get goals from seven different players in a 9-3 rout of the Hartford Whalers.

December 11, 1993: Dominik Hasek records his third of five shutouts in a 12-game span, blanking the Hartford Whalers with a 25-save performance.

RANGER DANGER

JJ Peterka has recorded one point in six consecutive games against New York.

In five games played against the Rangers in his career, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has recorded a save percentage of .929 and a goals-against average of 2.16.

Jack Quinn is riding a four-game point streak (1+4) against New York.

Ryan McLeod has tallied three points (1+2) in his last two games against the Rangers, including at least one point in both of those games.

Jordan Greenway has notched at least one point in back-to-back games against New York (1+2).

Dylan Cozens has recorded one assist in back-to-back games against the Rangers.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

| Buffalo Sabres | New York Rangers |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 11-13-4 | Record 14-12-1 |
| 6-8-3 | Home Record 7-7-1 |
| 5-5-1 | Road Record 7-5-0 |
| 3-4-3 | Last 10 Games 2-8-0 |
| 3.00 (T-16th) | Goals For Per Game 3.19 (13th) |
| 3.25 (26th) | Goals Against Per Game 3.00 (T-16th) |
| 14.5% (30th) | Power Play 22.5% (12th) |
| 80.9% (12th) | Penalty Kill 85.9% (2nd) |
| 49.4% (21st) | Team FO% 54.3% (2nd) |
| 51.6% (9th) | Team SAT% (5-on-5) 48.7% (21st) |



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