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COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets at Detroit Red Wings || Apr. 7, 2026 || Little Caesars Arena || 7:00 pm ET || Game 78 (Road 39)

GAME DAY SCHEDULE

11:30am ET: Morning Skate followed by Media Availability with Players and Head Coach Rick Bowness at Little Caesars Arena

7:00pm ET: Game at Detroit

Post-Game: Locker room will open approximately five minutes after the game's conclusion. Head Coach Rick Bowness will be available immediately after player availability.

BROADCAST INFO

TV: FANDUEL SPORTS NETWORK

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Jody Shelley (analyst)

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Game Notes: Game Notes available at Media.NHL.com

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Apr. 8: 12:00pm ET practice
(KeyBank Center)

Apr. 9: 7:00pm ET at Buffalo

Apr. 10: No practice

OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Brendan Smith (Knee) 39
Damon Severson (Shoulder) 5
Dmitri Voronkov (Upper Body) 4
Mathieu Olivier (Upper Body) 3

TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST: 198

COLUMBUS

38-27-12 (88 pts.)
20-11-8 (48 pts.)
18-16-4 (40 pts.)
5th, Metropolitan
11th, Eastern
3.05 (17th-T) / 3.06 (18th)
19.5 (21st) / 76.3 (27th)
29.1 (7th) / 29.1 (21st-T)
Apr. 4 at CBJ 1, WPG 2
Apr. 9 at Buffalo

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Record
At Home
On the Road
Division Rank
Conference Rank
GF / GA (NHL rank)
PP / PK (NHL rank)
SF / SA (NHL rank)
Last Game
Next Game

DETROIT

40-29-8 (88 pts.)
20-15-3 (43 pts.)
20-14-5 (45 pts.)
6th, Atlantic
10th, Eastern
2.90 (21st-T) / 3.00 (10th-T)
22.0 (13th) / 77.3 (24th-T)
28.2 (13th-T) / 27.7 (16th)
Apr. 5 at DET 4, MIN 5
Apr. 9 vs. Philadelphia

ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

49-52-1-15 (21-28-0-8 on Road)

THIS SEASON (CBJ, 1-0-1)

Nov. 22, 2025 - at DET 4, CBJ 3 (OT)

Dec. 4, 2025 - at CBJ 6, DET 5 (SO)

Apr. 7, 2026 - at Detroit (7:00 pm ET)

2024-25 RECORD (CBJ, 2-1-0)

Jan. 2, 2025 - DET 5, at CBJ 4

Feb. 27, 2025 - CBJ 5, at DET 2

Mar. 1, 2025 - at CBJ 5, DET 3

MATCHUP NOTES

- ★ Columbus has earned points in four-straight meetings of the series vs. Detroit (3-0-1) and five of the last six (3-1-2).
- ★ CBJ have earned points in three consecutive road games (1-0-2) and five of the past six at Little Caesars Arena (3-1-2).
- ★ After going 19-39-11 vs. Detroit from 2000-12, the Blue Jackets are 30-13-5 since the 2012-13 campaign.
- ★ The road team has recorded points in 10 of the last 12 games of the series dating back to Apr. 9, 2022 (7-2-3).
- ★ The teams have combined for seven or more goals in 13 of the past 16 contests, including the last seven-straight.
- ★ The winning team has scored four or more goals in 16 consecutive games since May 7, 2021 and in 18 of the last 20 in the overall series dating back to Mar. 2, 2021.
- ★ Five of the past six games at Detroit have been decided by a single goal with three decided in overtime (CBJ; 1-2).
- ★ CBJ have scored a power play goal in five of the past six meetings overall (6-of-13; 46.2 pct.).



JACKET TO WATCH - C Adam Fantilli

Has notched 5-2-7 in 7 career GP vs. Detroit. Has goals in three-straight (4-0-4) and points in six consecutive (5-2-7). Has points all three career contests at LCA (2-1-3).



RED WING TO WATCH - LW Lucas Raymond

Has recorded 9-7-16 with five multi-point efforts in 14 career GP vs. Columbus. Has goals in first two games of season series (2-1-3). Has points six-of-seven home contests vs. Columbus (6-2-8).



TEAM NOTES

- ★ Columbus fell 2-1 to Winnipeg in its most recent contest on Saturday. It begins its final road trip of the regular season on Tuesday at Detroit and includes games at Buffalo (Thursday) and Montreal (Saturday).
- ★ The Blue Jackets play all four of their games this week against the Atlantic Division. The club has earned points in 18 of its last 22 games against the division dating back to Apr. 8, 2025 (13-4-5).
- ★ CBJ rank second in the NHL in scoring the first goal of the game (46) and fourth in goals scored in the opening period (79).
- ★ The Jackets have also earned points in 25 of their past 33 contests overall since Jan. 11 (20-8-5, 45 pts.). The club ranks third in the league in goals-against per game (2.61) and fifth-T in points pct. (.632) over that stretch.
- ★ The team has earned points in 10 of its last 14 road games, ranking fifth in the league in points pct. since Jan. 11 (9-4-1, .679).
- ★ Columbus leads the NHL with a franchise-record 57 goals scored by defensemen in 2025-26 (57-133-190, 77 GP).

PLAYER NOTES

- ★ **C Adam Fantilli** has set single-season career highs in assists and points with 21-34-55 in 77 contests.
- ★ **G Jet Greaves** has earned points in 15 of his last 19 starts (12-4-3, 2.34 GAA, .913 SV% in 20 GP), ranking fifth among goaltenders in GAA and seventh in SV% since Jan. 11 (min. 6 GP).
- ★ **RW Kirill Marchenko** has posted assists in three of the past four games (1-4-5) and is the fifth player in Blue Jackets history with 25-plus goals in consecutive seasons (31 in 2024-25; 26 in 2025-26).
- ★ **LW Mason Marchment** has collected assists in each of his past three outings (1-4-5) and has 2-5-7 in his last six games. He ranks second on the team in goals since making his CBJ debut on Dec. 20, 2025 (14-14-28 in 34 GP).
- ★ **D Zach Werenski**, with 21-57-78 in 70 games in 2025-26, sits two assists shy of tying the franchise's record for assists in a single season set by Artemi Panarin (79 GP in 2018-19) and matched by the defenseman in 2024-25 (81 GP). He's also two points from becoming the third American-born defenseman in NHL history with consecutive 80-point campaigns (Brian Leetch, 1990-91 - 1991-92 with NYR; Phil Housley, 1991-92 - 1992-93 with WPG).