



DETROIT RED WINGS VS. BUFFALO SABRES

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 | 7:30 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: ESPN+ /Hulu



BUFFALO SABRES

10-13-2 | 22 PTS
7th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 2-1 L vs. NSH

Top Scorers

Casey Mittelstadt: 25 GP, 5 G, 16 A, 21 PTS
Rasmus Dahlin: 25 GP, 5 G, 15 A, 20 PTS
JJ Peterka: 25 GP, 10 G, 8 A, 18 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 5 at BUF | 7:30 P.M.
March 12 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.
March 16 at DET | 12:30 P.M.
April 7 at DET | 1:00 P.M.

DETROIT RED WINGS

13-7-3 | 29 PTS
3rd place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 5-4 W at MTL

Top Scorers

Alex DeBrincat: 23 GP, 13 G, 10 A, 23 PTS
Dylan Larkin: 21 GP, 8 G, 14 A, 22 PTS
Lucas Raymond: 23 GP, 8 G, 11 A, 19 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has earned a win in four consecutive games against Detroit and a win in tonight's game would give the Sabres their longest winning streak against the Red Wings since they won five in a row against Detroit from Feb. 6, 1981 to Jan. 6, 1982.

The Sabres have earned at least one point in 21 of their last 24 games (15-3-6) against the Red Wings, including at least one point 15 of their last 16 games against Detroit (10-1-5).

Buffalo has earned at least one point in its last eight home games against Detroit (4-0-4).

It is the longest home point streak by the Sabres against the Red Wings since Buffalo earned at least one point in 14 straight games against Detroit from Jan. 7, 1979 to March 22, 1987 (10-0-4).

Peyton Krebs has tallied three points (1+2) in his last three games.

Kyle Okposo needs one point to reach 600 in his NHL career.



Victor Olofsson has tallied seven points (1+6) in his last seven games, including three multi-assist performances in that span.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched nine points (2+7) in his last nine games.

Casey Mittelstadt has recorded eight points (2+6) in his last eight games.

Both **Eric Comrie** and **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** earned a win in their only career game against the Red Wings.

THE SKINNY

Jeff Skinner has tallied 18 points (10+8) and he is tied with **JJ Peterka** for the team lead in goals (10) through Buffalo's first 25 games.

A goal in tonight's game would give **Skinner** 140 goals with Buffalo in his career and sole possession of 19th place on Buffalo's all-time goals list, surpassing Jack Eichel.

An assist in tonight's game would give **Skinner** 300 assists in his career.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Zemgus Girgensons (lower body, IR); **Jordan Greenway** (upper body); **Jack Quinn** (Achilles, IR); **Tage Thompson** (upper body, IR); **Alex Tuch** (undisclosed)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 10-7-3 all-time on December 5.

December 5, 1971: Craig Ramsay records the first natural hat trick in Sabres history, leading the team to a 3-1 win at home against the Minnesota North Stars.

December 5, 1997: Dominik Hasek makes 38 saves in a 4-0 win against the Tampa Bay Lightning to record his third of a career-high 13 shutouts during the 1997-98 season.

CLIPPING THE WINGS

Dylan Cozens has recorded seven points (5+2) in his last four games against Detroit, including multi-goal performances on April 6, 2023 and Nov. 30, 2022.

Owen Power has registered multiple assists in each of his last two games against the Red Wings and he has recorded six points (0+6) in four games against Detroit in his career.

If **Power** records multiple assists in tonight's game, he will become the first Sabres defenseman to ever record multiple assists in three consecutive games against the Red Wings.

Kyle Okposo has recorded six points (3+3) in his last four games against Detroit, including a hat trick on Dec. 29, 2022.



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Detroit Red Wings
10-13-2	Record	13-7-3
5-6-0	Home Record	8-3-2
5-7-2	Road Record	5-4-1
3-6-1	Last 10 Games	6-2-2
2.84 (25th)	Goals For Per Game	3.74 (3rd)
3.40 (23rd)	Goals Against Per Game	2.96 (14th)
14.1% (25th)	Power Play	23.5% (8th)
81.5% (13th)	Penalty Kill	79.1% (17th)
44.5% (32nd)	Team FO%	48.8% (22nd)
48.7% (19th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	46.3% (28th)



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