

FLORIDA PANTHERS VS. RIFFAIN SARRES

Saturday, March 8, 2025 | 6:00 P.M. | Amerant Bank Arena | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

24-31-6 | 54 PTS 8th place in the Atlantic Division Last Game: 6-5 L at TBL

Top Scorers

Tage Thompson: 55 GP, 31 G, 23 A, 54 PTS **Rasmus Dahlin:** 53 GP, 11 G, 40 A, 51 PTS **JJ Peterka:** 59 GP, 19 G, 32 A, 51 PTS

Season Series:

Oct. 12 at BUF | 5-2 W Oct. 28 at BUF | 5-2 L March 8 at FLA | 6:00 P.M. April 12 at FLA | 6:00 P.M.

FLORIDA PANTHERS

39-21-3 | 81 PTS 1st place in the Atlantic Division Last Game: 3-0 W vs. CBJ

Top Scorers

Sam Reinhart: 63 GP, 32 G, 35 A, 67 PTS **Aleksander Barkov:** 53 GP, 17 G, 42 A, 59 PTS **Matthew Tkachuk:** 52 GP, 22 G, 35 A, 57 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Alex Tuch has collected 13 points (8+5) in his last 11 games, including eight goals in his last nine games.

Tuch is riding a five-game road goal streak and a goal in tonight's game would make him the first Sabres skater since Jason Pominville from Oct. 21 to Nov. 13, 2006 (seven games; 7+1) to register a road goal streak of six or more games.

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded 27 assists in his last 27 games and he has registered 20 points (5+15) in his last 16 games, including at least one point in four straight games (2+3).

Dahlin's 27 assists ranks tied for third among all NHL skaters in that span.

Dahlin has registered one point in four consecutive games (1+3) against the Panthers.

With a point tonight, **Dahlin** would join Doug Bodger (Jan. 30, 1994 to March 24, 1995; 0+5) and Tyler Myers (March 20, 2010 to Feb. 10, 2011; 1+7) as the only defensemen in franchise history to register a point streak of five or more games against Florida.

JJ Peterka has tallied 19 points (9+10) in his last 15 games and he is riding a seven-game point streak (4+6), the longest such streak of his career.

Peterka would match the longest point streak by a Sabres skater this season (**Tage Thompson**; eight games; Oct. 12 to Nov. 1; 6+6) with a point in tonight's game



Tage Thompson has posted 29 points (15+14) in his last 26 games, including 14 points (9+5) in his last 11

Thompson has recorded one goal in three consecutive games he would match the longest goal streak of his career (twice) with a goal in tonight's game.

In his last seven games against the Panthers, **Thompson** has registered seven points (2+5).

Owen Power has notched one assist in each of his last two road contests against Florida



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jason Zucker (lower body)



ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 11-9-5 all-time on March 8.

March 8, 1972: Rene Robert makes his Buffalo Sabres debut.



JOSHING AROUND

Josh Norris registered 156 points (90+66) in 236 career games with the Ottawa Senators, including a career-high 35 goals, 20 assists and 55 points during the 2021-22 season before being acquired by Buffalo yesterday.

33 of **Norris'** 90 NHL goals have been scored on the power play, including a career-high 16 power-play goals in 2021-22.

Norris was named to the NHL's All-Rookie Team in 2020-21 after recording 35 points (17+18) in 56 games for Ottawa.



Norris ranked fourth among all Senators forwards in shorthanded ice time (119:23) and is tied for third in the league with three shorthanded goals.

Norris has won 53.8 percent of his faceoff this season – a mark which leads all Sabres centermen.

He has won 52.3 percent of his faceoffs in his career.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Florida Panthers
24-31-6	Record	39-21-3
15-14-3	Home Record	21-10-2
9-17-3	Road Record	18-11-1
4-5-1	Last 10 Games	8-2-0
3.18 (11th)	Goals For Per Game	3.25 (8th)
3.49 (30th)	Goals Against Per Game	2.73 (9th)
17.0% (27th)	Power Play	23.4% (13th)
76.8% (21st)	Penalty Kill	80.8% (12th)
48.1% (26th)	Team F0%	49.3% (22nd)
50.6% (12th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	55.2% (2nd)