

Signed by the Rangers as a free agent on July 1, 2023, Alex Belzile set career highs in games played (31), goals (6), assists (8) and points (14) last season with the Montreal Canadiens. He has collected 15 points (6G, 9A) in 44 career NHL contests, all with Montreal, and has appeared in six Stanley Cup Playoff outings. The 6-foot, 196-pound right wing has produced 194 points (82G, 112A) in 319 career American Hockey League games with the Hamilton Bulldogs, San Antonio Rampage and Laval Rocket. He's a two-time Kelly Cup Champion, capturing ECHL titles with the Alaska Aces in 2014 and the Colorado Eagles in 2017.

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Nickname: Belz or Belzy

What he'd be doing for a career if not playing hockey: Teacher

Hidden Talent: Tennis Place to visit: Hawaii

Favorite TV show: The Office

Favorite music: Les Cowboys Fringuants First jersey ever bought: Montreal Canadiens Superpower he'd most like to have: Teleportation

Favorite movie: Moneyball

LOOSE PUCKS

- Older brother Patrick played hockey at McGill University in Canada
- Played his first NHL game in the Toronto bubble in the 2020 Stanley Cup Playoffs, skating in Montreal's series-clinching Game 4 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins
- Got married to his long-time girlfriend, Marie-Christine this summer
- First job was at a grocery store in the fruits and vegetables department
- Is also a big baseball fan, following the Toronto Blue Jays and Anaheim Angels in particular
- Played his first NHL game at age 28 and scored his first NHL goal on Feb. 12, 2023 vs. Edmonton, at age 31