



BOSTON BRUINS VS. BUFFALO SABRES

Saturday, December 21, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | TD Garden | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

11-18-4 | 26 PTS
8th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 6-3 L vs. TOR

Top Scorers

Tagge Thompson: 28 GP, 16 G, 9 A, 25 PTS
Alex Tuch: 33 GP, 9 G, 16 A, 25 PTS
JJ Peterka: 31 GP, 9 G, 14 A, 23 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 21 at BOS | 7:00 P.M.
Jan. 28 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.
March 17 at BOS | 7:00 P.M.
April 6 at BUF | 6:00 P.M.

BOSTON BRUINS

17-13-4 | 38 PTS
4th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 3-2 L (OT) at EDM

Top Scorers

David Pastrnak: 34 GP, 12 G, 21 A, 33 PTS
Brad Marchand: 34 GP, 13 G, 13 A, 26 PTS
Elias Lindholm: 34 GP, 5 G, 12 A, 17 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo's 128 victories over Boston all-time are the second-most against any single team in franchise history.

The Sabres have only defeated the Montreal Canadiens (136) more times than they have beaten the Bruins.

The Sabres have defeated the Bruins in two of their last three road contests in Boston.



Owen Power has notched at least one point in back-to-back games (1+2).

Power would record his fourth point streak of three or more games this season with a point in tonight's game.

In his last five games, **JJ Peterka** has recorded six points (1+5), including at least one in each of his last three games.

A point in tonight's game would give **Peterka** the seventh point streak of four or more games in his career.

Dylan Cozens has recorded one point in back-to-back games (1+1).

SHIPPING UP TO BOSTON

Alex Tuch has registered six points (3+3) in his last three road games against the Bruins.

In his last three road games against the Bruins, **Dylan Cozens** has posted three points (1+2).

JJ Peterka has recorded one point in back-to-back road contests in Boston (1+1).

In 27 career games against Boston, **James Reimer** has registered a .925 save percentage and a 2.59 goals-against average.

Reimer possesses a save percentage of .918 and a goals-against average of 2.89 in 14 road appearances against the Bruins.

Bowen Byram is expected to play against Boston for the first time in his career tonight.

Boston is the only active team that **Byram** has not yet faced in his career.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jordan Greenway (middle body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 15-6-3 all-time on December 21.

December 21, 1975: Rick Martin scores four goals and Fred Stanfield scores three as the Sabres defeat Washington by a score of 14-2, the largest winning margin in franchise history. The Sabres roster combined for 40 points in the game, the most in team history.

December 21, 1991: Alexander Mogilny sets the franchise record for fastest goal from the start of a game, beating Toronto goaltender Jeff Reese just five seconds after the opening faceoff.

December 21, 2006: Six Sabres skaters (Maxim Afinogenov, Daniel Briere, Ales Kotalik, Toni Lydman, Jason Pominville, Derek Roy) record multiple points as Buffalo defeats Nashville 7-2.

GOOD ZUCK CHARM

Jason Zucker is on pace to score 20 goals this season and if he does, 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, who is on pace to record 52 points this season, leads all Sabres skaters in primary assists at 5-on-5 (8), two more than the next-closest Buffalo skater (**Bowen Byram, JJ Peterka**).

According to Natural Stat Trick, **Zucker** ranks second among all Sabres skaters in high-danger chances (43) and high-danger chances at 5-on-5 (28).

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Boston Bruins
11-18-4	Record	17-13-4
6-10-3	Home Record	9-6-2
5-8-1	Road Record	8-7-2
0-8-2	Last 10 Games	6-3-1
2.88 (21st)	Goals For Per Game	2.59 (27th)
3.48 (27th)	Goals Against Per Game	3.15 (24th)
13.5% (30th)	Power Play	12.7% (31st)
77.1% (23rd)	Penalty Kill	77.9% (21st)
49.1% (22nd)	Team FO%	52.3% (8th)
51.3% (9th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	49.1% (19th)



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