



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets at Nashville Predators | Oct. 9, 2025 | Bridgestone Arena | 8 pm ET | Game 1 (Road 1)

GAME DAY SCHEDULE

10:45 am CT: Meeting & Media Avail at Bridgestone Arena

11:30 am CT: Optional Morning Skate

8:00 pm ET: Game at Nashville Post-Game: Locker room will open approximately five minutes after the game's conclusion. Head Coach Dean Evason will be available immediately after player availability.

BROADCAST INFO

TV: FANDUEL SPORTS NETWORK

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Oct. 10: 2 pm CT practice (TRIA Center)

Oct. 11: 8 pm ET at Minnesota

Oct. 12: No Practice 🦤

13: 7 pm ET vs. New Jersey

Oct. 14: No Practice

OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST: 0

COLUMBUS

40-33-9 (89 pts) 26-10-5 (57 pts) 14-23-4 (32 pts) 4th 9th 3.26 (7th-T) / 3.26 (25th) 19.5 (22nd) / 77.0 (22nd) 29.0 (10th) / 29.9 (27th-T)

HEAD-TO-HEAD (2024-25)

Record 30-44-8 (68 pts) At Home On the Road **Divsion Rank** 7th Conference Rank GF / GA (NHL rank) 2.59 (31st) / 3.34 (27th) PP / PK (NHL rank) 21.9 (18th) / 81.5 (8th) SF / SA (NHL rank)

Last Game Oct. 4 at NSH 3, CAR 2 **Next Game**

20-18-3 (43 pts) 10-26-5 (25 pts)

14th

NASHVILLE

29.3 (9th) / 28.6 (16th-T)

Oct. 11 vs Utah

ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

32-57-1-13 (9-36-1-7 Away)

THIS SEASON (CBJ, O-O-O)

Oct. 9, 2025 - at Nashville (8 pm ET) Mar. 3, 2026 - vs Nashville (7 pm ET)

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

Oct. 6, 2024 - at NSH 4, CBJ 3 (OT) Apr. 1, 2025 - at CBJ 8, NSH 4

MATCHUP NOTES

Oct. 4 at WSH 2, CBJ 1

Oct. 11 at Minnesota

- The Blue Jackets collected points in both matchups last season (1-0-1) to win the season series for the first time since 2018-19 (2-0-0)
- CBJ's eight goals scored last time out (4/1/25, 8-4 W) are the most by either team in the all-time series
- Columbus has allowed two power play goals in the last six meetings (18-of-20, 90.0 pct.) and gone 27-of-32 (84.4 pct.) on the penalty kill in the last 10 matchups overall
- The home team in the series has gone 16-3-1 in the last 20 matchups since Apr. 7, 2018
- The winning team in the series has scored four goals or more in three-consecutive outings and in eight of the previous 10 matchups (including SO goals)



CET TO WATCH - RW KIRILL MARCHENKO

Has 4-1-5 in five career GP against Nashville, inclduing scoring his third career hat trick - and first career four-point effort - last time out on Apr. 1, 2025 (3-1-4). He has collected all points against the Predators in his last two meetings.





PRED TO WATCH - C STEVEN STAMKOS

Has 20-20-40 in 34 career GP against Columbus, including 9-8-17 with two four-point outings in his last 10 matchups against the club. Has tallied 12 multi-point outings against CBJ with four games of three-plus points.



TEAM NOTES

- The Blue Jackets open their 25th season in the NHL on the road for the 10th time in franchise history, and in back-to-back seasons, with a two-game road trip to Nashville and Minnesota from Oct. 9-11. The club has a 4-6-0 record when starting the season on the road with the last win coming at Detroit in 2018. The team is 9-13-1-1 all-time in season openers.
- Columbus finished the preseason with a 2-5-0 record. The team was led offensively by D Zach Werenski (0-4-4, 2 GP) and RW Mathieu Olivier (3-0-3, 4 GP). Jet Greaves led all club goaltenders with a 1-1-0 record with a 2.44 GAA and .917 SV% in three games played.
- CBJ begin the season with 10 games in the month of October, starting with their two game trip to Nashville and Minnesota. The club then has a three-game homestand from Oct. 13-18 vs. New Jersey, Colorado, and Tampa Bay. The Jackets have 15 back-to-back this season and will play two of them this month on Oct. 24-25 vs. Washington and at Pittsburgh as well as on Oct. 28-29 at Buffalo and vs. Toronto.
- Following Thursday's season opener at Nashville the Blue Jackets will play six consecutive games against teams that made the 2025 Stanley Cup playoffs from Oct. 16-24.

PLAYER NOTES

- Blue Jackets' captain Boone Jenner enters the 2025-26 season just one goal shy of 200 for his NHL career (199-184-383, 741 GP) and ranks third in goals and fourth in points in franchise history. The team captain since 2020-21, he can join Rick Nash (289) and Cam Atkinson (213) as the only three players in CBJ history with 200-plus goals.
- 2024-25 Norris Trophy runner-up, Zach Werenski, enters the campaign as the franchise's all-time leader in goals, assists and points by a defenseman and ranks third on the all-time points list with 113-271-384 in 567 career GP. He led the NHL in ice time (26:45) and ranked third in shots on goal (298) and led league blueliners in shots and even-strength goals (17), while also ranking second in goals, points, power play goals (tied, 5), and even strength points (54) as well as fourth in assists last season.
- C Charlie Coyle, C Isac Lundestrom and LW Miles Wood are slated to make their CBJ debuts in 2025-26.