



SAN JOSE SHARKS PRESEASON GAME NOTES



Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023

7:00 p.m./SAP Center, San Jose

San Jose Sharks

Team Preseason Game: 4
Preseason Home Game: 3

1-2-0

1-1-0 (Home)
0-1-0 (Road)

Los Angeles Kings

Team Preseason Game: 6
Preseason Road Game: 5

3-1-1

1-0-0 (Home)
2-1-1 (Road)

#	Goalie	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SV%
29	Mackenzie Blackwood	1	0	1	0	3.04	.875
30	Magnus Chrona	-	-	-	-	-	-

#	P	Skater	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
5	D	Matt Benning	1	0	0	0	-3	2
7	F	Nico Sturm	1	0	1	1	-1	0
10	F	Anthony Duclair	1	0	0	0	1	0
11	F	Luke Kunin	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	F	Thomas Bordeleau	2	0	0	0	-1	0
38	D	Mario Ferraro	1	0	0	0	0	0
41	F	Tanner Kaspick	1	0	0	0	0	2
44	D	Marc-Edouard Vlasic	1	1	0	1	1	4
45	F	Nathan Todd	2	2	0	2	2	0
48	F	Tomáš Hertl	1	1	2	3	1	0
49	F	Scott Sabourin	1	0	0	0	0	0
56	F	Ethan Cardwell	1	0	0	0	0	0
59	D	Nick Cicek	1	0	0	0	-2	0
68	F	Mike Hoffman	1	0	1	1	1	0
71	D	Nikolai Knyzhov	1	0	0	0	-2	0
72	F	William Eklund	1	1	0	1	-1	0
84	D	Jan Rutta	1	0	0	0	0	0
85	D	Shakir Mukhamadullin	1	0	1	1	0	0
90	F	Justin Bailey	1	1	0	1	0	0
94	F	Alexander Barabanov	1	0	1	1	1	2

#	Goalie	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SV%
31	G David Rittich	2	1	0	0	1.56	.933
35	G Jacob Ingham	1	0	0	1	2.97	.906

#	P	Skater	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
5	D	Andreas Englund	2	0	0	0	1	0
6	D	Kevin Connauton	2	0	0	0	-2	14
7	D	Tobias Bjornfot	2	0	0	0	1	0
28	F	Jaret Anderson-Dolan	1	0	0	0	-1	0
38	F	Alex Turcotte	2	0	1	1	2	0
40	D	Joe Hicketts	2	0	1	1	1	0
41	F	Akil Thomas	2	3	0	3	3	0
42	F	Martin Chromiak	3	1	0	1	-3	0
43	D	Jacob Moverare	1	1	0	1	0	0
45	F	Jacob Doty	2	0	0	0	-2	9
50	F	Mikhail Maltsev	3	0	2	2	0	0
52	F	Taylor Ward	2	0	1	1	1	0
54	F	Charles Hudon	2	0	0	0	1	2
68	F	Samuel Fagemo	2	1	1	2	1	0
73	F	Francesco Pinelli	2	0	2	2	0	0
78	F	Alex Laferriere	3	2	1	3	3	0
79	F	Samuel Helenius	3	0	0	0	0	2
86	D	Jacob Modry	-	-	-	-	-	-
89	F	Koehn Ziemmer	2	0	1	1	0	0
92	D	Brandt Clarke	2	0	3	3	2	4

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Mike Grier

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Tonight's Officials

Referees

Chris Schlenker (#3), Brandon Schrader (#34)

Video Judge

Mike Shanley

Linespeople

Travis Gawryletz (#67), Ben O'Quinn (#91)

National Anthem

Emily Griswold



PRESEASON GAME 4 | SEPT. 30, 2023 | 7:00 P.M. PT | SAN JOSE, CALIF. | SAP CENTER AT SAN JOSE



VS



SAN JOSE SHARKS
(1-2-0)

HEAD COACH: David Quinn
2022-23 RECORD: 22-44-16 (60 Pts)
2022-23 FINISH: 7th Pacific

2022-23 LEADERS

GOALS: Timo Meier (31)
ASSISTS: Erik Karlsson (76)
POINTS: Erik Karlsson (101)
GAA: James Reimer (3.48)
SVP: James Reimer (.883)

LOS ANGELES KINGS
(3-1-1)

HEAD COACH: Todd McLellan
2022-23 RECORD: 47-25-10 (104 Pts)
2022-23 FINISH: 3rd Pacific

2022-23 LEADERS

GOALS: Adrian Kempe (41)
ASSISTS: Kevin Fiala (49)
POINTS: Anze Kopitar (74)
GAA: Joonas Korpisalo (2.13)
SVP: Joonas Korpisalo (.921)

SHARKS 2023 PRESEASON SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME/RESULT	TV	RADIO
Sun.	Sept. 24	Vegas	SAP Center at San Jose	W, 5-2	SJSharks.com	
Tue.	Sept. 26	Anaheim	SAP Center at San Jose	L, 2-4	SJSharks.com	
Wed.	Sept. 27	at Anaheim	Honda Center	L, 2-4		
Sat.	Sept. 30	Los Angeles	SAP Center at San Jose	7:00 p.m. PT	SJSharks.com	
Tue.	Oct. 3	at Vegas	T-Mobile Arena	7:00 p.m. PT		
Thu.	Oct. 5	at Los Angeles*	Delta Center (Salt Lake City, Utah)	6:00 p.m. PT		

STORYLINES

BUILDING ON THE FOUNDATION

The 2022-23 season represented a new era in Sharks hockey, with **Mike Grier** taking over as General Manager and Head Coach **David Quinn** serving in his first year behind the bench in San Jose. The club saw several returning regulars notch career highs, including:

- » F **Alexander Barabanov** in goals (15), assists (32) and points (47)
- » D **Matt Benning** in assists (23) and points (24)
- » F **Nico Sturm** in goals (14), assists (12) and points (26)
- » F **Tomas Hertl** in assists (41)

Additionally, a handful of Sharks prospects found their way into the lineup for the Sharks last season, earning valuable NHL experience:

- » F **Thomas Bordeleau** posted two assists in an eight-game stint.
- » D **Nick Cicek** made his NHL debut and appeared in 16 games for the Sharks, finishing with four assists.
- » F **William Eklund** notched a pair of goals and finished with three points (2g, 1a) in eight games.
- » F **Danil Gushchin** found the scoresheet in each of the two games in which he played, scoring a goal and adding an assist.
- » F **Adam Raska** appeared in three games.
- » F **Tristen Robins** played in three games to close out the campaign.
- » D **Henry Thrun** notched two assists in his debut and skated in eight games.

FRESH FACES

The summer was spent reshaping the roster for the Sharks, who added many players with NHL experience. The work started on June 27 with a trade with the New Jersey Devils to acquire **G Mackenzie Blackwood**, then continued in July with the acquisition of F **Anthony Duclair** from the Florida Panthers and with the additions of F **Ryan Carpenter**, D **Kyle Burroughs**, F **Givani Smith** and F **Filip Zadina** in free agency. Another haul came in August, when the Sharks received F **Mikael Granlund**, F **Mike Hoffman** and D **Jan Rutta**.

HIGH MARKS FOR LOGAN

Sharks captain Logan Couture posted a strong season in 2022-23, finishing second on the club in goals (27) and points (78), tied for the second-most assists (40). His goal total was tied for his most since 2017-18, and his point total was the second-best of his career (2018-19; 70).

Couture, who was second among San Jose forwards with 25 points after the All-Star Break, became the fifth player from the 2007 NHL Draft class to reach 700 career points, reaching the milestone with an assist on April 10 at Winnipeg. He had a five-point outing (2g, 3a) against Pittsburgh on Jan. 28, his best single-game scoring effort of his career. The Guelph, Ontario native enters the season with 927 career NHL games played.

ALL-TIME PRESEASON SERIES

The Sharks trail in the all-time preseason series against Los Angeles, **10-20-23**.

Last year, the Sharks took both games against the Kings.

GAME ONE RECAP

SJS 5, VGK 2... Behind three-point efforts from **Henry Thrun** (2g, 1a) and **Tomas Hertl** (1g, 2a), the Sharks jumped out to an early lead and never looked back en route to a preseason-opening win. **Kyle Burroughs** (1g, 1a) also posted a multi-point effort and **Kaapo Kahkonen** made 32 saves on 34 shots faced in the victory.

GAME TWO RECAP

SJS 2, ANA 4... Goals from **William Eklund** and **Marc-Edouard Vlasic** helped San Jose nearly climb out of a three-goal, first-period deficit, but the Sharks could not find the equalizer in a 4-2 setback. **Kevin Labanc**, **Shakir Mukhamadullin** and **Nico Sturm** each registered an assist in the contest. **Mackenzie Blackwood** made 21 saves on 24 shots faced in his first preseason appearance in teal.

GAME THREE RECAP

SJS 2, ANA 4... **Nathan Todd** netted his second goal of the preseason and **Justin Bailey** lit the lamp for the first time in teal, but the Sharks were unable to overcome four goals by the Ducks for the second consecutive game. San Jose struck on the power play for the third consecutive game while **Georgi Romanov** made his first appearance in net with the Sharks.

STORYLINES CONTINUED

A REHASH OF NASH

The Sharks made nine picks in the 2023 NHL Draft, which took place in Nashville, Tennessee on June 28 and 29. Highlighted by two first-round selections, including the team’s highest since 1998 at fourth overall, San Jose added the following players to the pipeline:

ROUND	OVERALL	NAME	POSITION	2022-23 CLUB(S) (LEAGUE)	COUNTRY OF BIRTH
1	4	William Smith	C	USA U-18 (NTDP)	USA
1	26	Quentin Musty	LW	Sudbury (OHL)	USA
2	36	Kasper Halttunen	RW	HIFK U20 (U20 SM-sarja) HIFK (Liiga) Kiekko-Vantaa (Mestis)	Finland
3	71	Brandon Svoboda	C	Youngstown (USHL)	USA
4	123	Luca Cagnoni	D	Portland (WHL)	Canada
5	130	Axel Landen	D	HV71 J20 (J20 Nationell) HV71 J18 (J18 Region) HV71 J18 (J18 Nationell)	Sweden
5	132	Eric Pohlkamp	D	Cedar Rapids (USHL)	USA
7	196	David Klee	C	Waterloo (USHL)	USA
7	203	Yegor Rimashevskiy	RW	MHK Dynamo Moskva (MHL)	Belarus

DEEPER WATERS

Sharks general manager **Mike Grier** has made an impact since arriving in San Jose, adding to the team’s draft capital and prospect pool while reshaping the NHL roster. Since taking the reins for the Sharks, the club has seen the departures of forward **Timo Meier** and defenseman **Erik Karlsson** via trade while adding three first round picks: 26th overall in 2023 (Quentin Musty), a conditional first from New Jersey in 2024 and Pittsburgh’s (top-10 protected) in 2024, as well as later-round selections, to go along with prospects highlighted by defensemen **Shakir Mukhamadullin** and **Nikita Okhotiuk** from New Jersey, among others.

Among other trades since the start of the 2022-23 season in which the Sharks received future picks, the club received a 2023 fourth-round selection from Seattle (originally from Colorado, 123rd overall; D Luca Cagnoni) in exchange for D Jaycob Megna, a 2025 fourth-round selection in exchange for F Vladislav Namestnikov.

In total, Grier has acquired 14 draft picks since being named Sharks GM.

FUTURE FISH

- » F **Thomas Bordeleau** was selected to participate in the AHL All-Star Classic and finished the season with 41 points (22g, 19a) in 65 games.
- » F **Filip Bystedt** was named SHL Rookie of the Year after tallying 20 points (7g, 13a) in 45 games with Linköping HC.
- » F **Ethan Cardwell** was named Sharks Prospect of the Year presented by Kaiser Permanente after tallying 90 points with Barrie (OHL) in 2022-23.
- » G **Magnus Chrona** earned First Team All-NCHC recognition and was named NCHC Goaltender of the Year after going 22-8-0 with a .915 SVP and 2.19 GAA.
- » D **Jake Furlong** was named Halifax Mooseheads (QMJHL) Most Improved Player in 2022-23, finishing the year with 50 points in 67 games.
- » F **Danil Gushchin** led Barracuda rookies with 45 points (22g, 23a) in 67 games.
- » F **Cam Lund** earned Hockey East All-Rookie Team honors and was named Northeastern’s Rookie of the Year.
- » D **Shakir Mukhamadullin** made his North American debut with the Barracuda on March 21 and finished his 12 AHL games with 10 points (1g, 9a).
- » F **Will Smith** finished his USNTDP career with the second-most career points (191) and had the second-highest single-season point total (127) in the program’s history in 2022-23. He earned the Bob Johnson Award for excellence in international hockey competition.
- » F **Alex Young** notched an 18-game point streak for Colgate and has transferred to Arizona State ahead of the 2023-24 season.

SHARKS PRESEASON RESULTS									
DATE	GAME	SCORE	PP	PK	GOALS	GOALTENDERS	SV/SA	GWG	ATT.
Sept. 24	San Jose vs. Vegas	5 4-1-0 2 1-1-0	1/4 0/3	3/3 3/4	3, 48, 45, 3pp, 4 49, 21	Kahkonen PATERA/Vikman	32/34 16/21	Todd	9,785
Sept. 26	San Jose vs. Anaheim	2 0-1-1 4 3-0-1	1/3 1/3	2/3 2/3	72pp, 44 20, 51, 28, 39	Blackwood Stalock	21/24 15/17	Agozzino	7,448
Sept. 27	San Jose at Anaheim	2 1-0-1 4 2-1-1	1/5 0/3	3/3 4/5	90pp, 45 34, 69, 20, 26	Romanov Dostal	22/26 47/49	Leason	10,486
Sept. 30	San Jose vs. Los Angeles								
Oct. 3	San Jose at Vegas								
Oct. 5	San Jose at Los Angeles*								

*Game to be played at Delta Center in Salt Lake City, Utah



STORYLINES CONTINUED

MILESTONES TO WATCH

San Jose could have some notable milestones in the 2023-24 season, players entering the year with:

Player	Statistic(s) To Watch
Alexander Barabanov	160 games played, 94 points, 66 assists
Matt Benning	443 games played, 83 assists
Mackenzie Blackwood	152 games played
Kyle Burroughs	95 games played
Logan Couture	927 games played, 377 assists
Anthony Duclair	490 games played, 261 points
Mario Ferraro	252 games played
Mikael Granlund	750 games played, 484 points
Tomas Hertl	664 games played, 450 points, 247 assists
Mike Hoffman	679 games played, 464 points
Nikolai Knyzhov	71 games played
Luke Kunin	282 games played
Kevin Labanc	432 games played, 80 goals
Oskar Lindblom	336 games played
Jacob Peterson	77 games played
Jan Rutta	294 games played, 70 points
Marc-Edouard Vlasic	1,239 games played, 287 assists, 364 points
Filip Zadina	190 games played, 68 points
Fabian Zetterlund	81 games played

Significant milestones achieved in 2022-23 included:

DATE	PLAYER	MILESTONE
April 12	Jacob MacDonald	100th NHL game
April 10	San Jose Sharks (team)	1,000th all-time goal by a defenseman (Erik Karlsson)
April 10	Logan Couture Tristen Robins	700th NHL point NHL debut
April 4	Kaapo Kahkonen	100th NHL game
April 1	Nico Sturm Danil Gushchin	200th NHL game NHL debut, first NHL goal
March 30	Henry Thrun	NHL debut, first NHL point (assist)
March 23	Radim Simek	200th NHL game
March 20	Matt Benning	100th NHL point (assist)
March 14	William Eklund	First NHL goal
March 11	Tomas Hertl	200th NHL goal
Feb. 14	Logan Couture	900th NHL game
Jan. 7	Kevin Labanc	400th NHL game
Jan. 1	Marc-Edouard Vlasic Oskar Lindblom	1,200th NHL game 300th NHL game
Dec. 20	Matt Benning	400th NHL game
Dec. 9	Eetu Makiniemi	First NHL win
Nov. 19	Mario Ferraro	200th NHL game
Nov. 17	Nick Cicek	First NHL point (assist)
Nov. 15	Luke Kunin	100th NHL point (goal)
Nov. 11	David Quinn Tomas Hertl	100th NHL win 400th NHL point (assist)
Nov. 10	Tomas Hertl	600th NHL game
Nov. 1	Alexander Barabanov	100th NHL game
Oct. 27	Logan Couture	300th NHL goal
Oct. 22	Oskar Lindblom	100th NHL point (assist)
Oct. 20	Mike Grier David Quinn	First win as NHL GM First win as Sharks head coach
Oct. 15	Nico Sturm	First goal as a Shark
Oct. 8	Luke Kunin	First goal as a Shark

STORYLINES CONTINUED
OFF-SEASON TRANSACTIONS

DATE	TRANSACTION
Aug. 6	Acquired F Mikael Granlund , F Mike Hoffman and D Jan Rutta as well as Pittsburgh’s first-round selection (Top 10 protected) in the 2024 NHL Draft in exchange for D Erik Karlsson (\$1.5 million retained), F Dillon Hamaliuk and San Jose’s third-round selection in the 2026 NHL Draft.
July 12	Signed F Kasper Halttunen to a three-year, entry-level contract
July 10	Signed F Filip Zadina to a one-year contract
July 5	Signed D Leon Gawanke to a one-year, two-way contract
July 3	Signed F Nathan Todd to a two-year, two-way contract
July 2	Acquired D Leon Gawanke from Winnipeg in exchange for D Artemi Kniazev
July 1	Acquired F Anthony Duclair from Florida in exchange for F Steven Lorentz and San Jose’s fifth-round selection in the 2025 NHL Draft Signed F Fabian Zetterlund to a two-year contract Signed F Scott Sabourin to a two-year, two-way contract Signed F Ryan Carpenter to a one-year, two-way contract Signed F Givani Smith to a two-year contract Signed D Kyle Burroughs to a three-year contract Signed G Mackenzie Blackwood to a two-year contract
June 30	Signed G Eetu Makiniemi to a one-year, two-way contract
June 29	Acquired a third-round selection (71st overall, Brandon Svoboda) from Carolina in exchange for a third-round (94th overall, originally CAR) and fourth-round selection (100th overall) in the 2023 NHL Draft Acquired a 2025 seventh-round selection from Washington in exchange for a 2023 seventh-round selection (206th overall)
June 27	Acquired G Mackenzie Blackwood from New Jersey in exchange for San Jose’s 2023 sixth-round selection (164th overall)
June 12	Signed F Filip Bystedt to a three-year, entry-level contract
May 3	Signed D Valteri Pulli and G Georgi Romanov to two-year, two-way contracts



LOS ANGELES KINGS

2023 PRESEASON BOOKLET



2023 Preseason Schedule

Sept. 22: Kings at Arizona, 9:00 p.m. PST*	Rod Laver Arena, Melbourne, Australia	NHL Network
Sept. 23: Kings vs. Arizona, 9:00 p.m. PST*	Rod Laver Arena, Melbourne Australia	NHL Network
Sept. 24: Kings at Anaheim, 5:00 p.m. PST	Honda Center, Anaheim, Calif.	iHeart Radio
Sept. 27: Kings at Vegas, 7:00 p.m. PST	T-Mobile Arena, Las Vegas, Nev.	iHeart Radio
Sept. 29: Kings at Anaheim, 7:00 p.m. PST	Pechanga Arena, San Diego, Calif.	iHeart Radio
Sept. 30: Kings at San Jose, 7:00 p.m. PST	SAP Center, San Jose, Calif.	iHeart Radio
Oct. 3: Kings vs. Anaheim, 7:00 p.m. PST	Crypto.com Arena, Los Angeles, Calif.	iHeart Radio
Oct. 5: Kings vs. San Jose, 6:00 p.m. MST^	Delta Center, Salt Lake City, Utah	BSW/iHeart Radio
Oct. 7: Kings vs. Vegas, 1:00 p.m. PST	Crypto.com Arena, Los Angeles, Calif.	BSW/iHeart Radio

*Sept 22 game will be played at 2:00 p.m. Australia time (Sept. 23)
 *Sept 23 game will be played at 2:00 p.m. Australia time (Sept. 24)
 ^Oct. 5 game will begin at 5:00 p.m. PST

2022-23 SEASON STATISTICS

Team Record:	47-25-10, 104 points, 3rd Pacific Division
Most Points:	Anze Kopitar, 74 points (28-46=74)
Most Goals:	Adrian Kempe, 41 goals (41-26=67)
Most Assists:	Kevin Fiala, 49 assists (23-49=72)
Most Wins, Goaltender:	Pheonix Copley, 24
2023 NHL All-Star Game Participant:	Kevin Fiala

2022-23 LA KINGS TEAM AWARDS

Bill Libby Memorial Award "Most Valuable Player"	Anze Kopitar
Mark Bavis Memorial Award "Best Newcomer"	Kevin Fiala
Outstanding Defensemen	Drew Doughty
Best Defensive Player	Anze Kopitar
Ace Bailey Memorial Award "Most Inspirational Player"	Pheonix Copley
Unsung Hero Award	Matt Roy
Most Popular Player	Adrian Kempe
Jim Fox Community Service Award	Kevin Fiala
Daryl Evans Youth Hockey Service Award	Quinton Byfield
Bill Masterton Memorial Trophy Nominee	Pheonix Copley
King Clancy Memorial Trophy Nominee	Mikey Anderson

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LA KINGS | TRAINING CAMP ROSTER 2023-24

No.	FORWARDS (32)	HT	WT	PLACE OF BIRTH	DOB	2022-23 CLUB	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
9	Adrian Kempe	6-2	200	Kramfors, Sweden	9/13/96	LA Kings	82	41	26	67	55
11	Anze Kopitar	6-3	225	Jesenice, Slovenia	8/24/87	LA Kings	82	28	46	74	4
12	Trevor Moore	5-10	195	Thousand Oaks, California	3/31/95	LA Kings	59	10	19	29	14
22	Kevin Fiala	5-10	205	St. Gallen, Switzerland	7/22/96	LA Kings	69	23	49	72	52
24	Phillip Danault	6-1	200	Victoriaville, Quebec	2/24/93	LA Kings	82	18	36	54	63
28	Jaret Anderson-Dolan	5-11	200	Calgary, Alberta	9/12/99	LA Kings	46	7	5	12	2
33	Viktor Arvidsson	5-10	185	Skellefteå, Sweden	4/8/93	LA Kings	77	26	33	59	24
34	Arthur Kaliyev	6-2	210	Tashkent, Uzbekistan	6/26/01	LA Kings	56	13	15	28	12
36	T.J. Tynan	5-8	160	Orland Park, Illinois	2/25/92	Ontario Reign (AHL)	72	8	73	81	44
37	Tyler Madden	5-11	170	Deerfield Beach, Florida	11/9/99	Ontario Reign (AHL)	71	20	13	33	12
38	Alex Turcotte	5-11	185	Island Lake, Illinois	2/26/01	LA Kings	4	0	0	0	5
41	Akil Thomas	5-11	185	Toronto, Ontario	1/2/00	Ontario Reign (AHL)	13	5	3	8	8
42	Martin Chromiak	6-0	190	Ilava, Slovakia	8/20/02	Ontario Reign (AHL)	55	15	13	28	12
45	Jacob Doty*	6-3	220	Billings, Montana	6/19/93	Ontario Reign (AHL)	9	1	2	3	17
46	Blake Lizotte	5-9	170	Lindstrom, Minnesota	12/13/97	LA Kings	81	11	23	34	70
47	Andre Lee	6-4	205	Karlstad, Sweden	7/26/00	Ontario Reign (AHL)	58	6	3	9	38
48	Nikita Pavlychev*	6-7	211	Yaroslavl, Russia	3/23/97	Ontario Reign (AHL)	14	1	2	3	8
50	Mikhail Maltsev	6-3	198	St. Petersburg, Russia	3/12/98	Greenville Swamp Rabbits (ECHL)	36	25	20	45	29
						Colorado Avalanche	5	0	0	0	0
						Colorado Eagles (AHL)	28	11	10	21	8
52	Taylor Ward	6-2	195	Kelowna, British Columbia	3/31/98	Ontario Reign (AHL)	71	9	17	26	46
54	Charles Hudon*	5-10	190	Alma, Quebec	6/23/94	Colorado Avalanche (NHL)	9	0	0	0	0
55	Quinton Byfield	6-5	215	Newmarket, Ontario	8/19/02	Colorado Eagles (AHL)	61	29	25	54	40
						LA Kings	53	3	19	22	30
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	16	9	6	15	18
57	Hayden Hodgson	6-2	208	Windsor, Ontario	3/2/96	Philadelphia Flyers	1	0	0	0	0
59	Isaac Johnson^	6-3	183	Andover, Minnesota	1/24/99	Lehigh Valley Phantoms (AHL)	44	3	5	8	83
						Manitoba Moose (AHL)	11	1	1	2	4
						Newfoundland Growlers (ECHL)	36	18	27	45	18
61	Trevor Lewis	6-1	201	Salt Lake City, Utah	1/8/87	Calgary Flames	82	9	11	20	18
68	Samuel Fagemo	6-0	200	Göteborg, Sweden	3/14/00	LA Kings	9	2	1	3	0
73	Francesco Pinelli	6-1	185	Hamilton, Ontario	4/11/03	Ontario Reign (AHL)	56	23	9	32	8
						Kitchener Rangers (OHL)	60	41	49	56	20
						Harvard (NCAA)	34	21	21	42	20
78	Alex Laferriere	6-1	180	Chatham, New Jersey	10/28/01	Ontario Reign (AHL)	4	1	0	1	0
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	61	2	12	14	59
						Winnipeg Jets	73	27	36	63	77
89	Koehn Ziemmer	6-0	202	Mayerthorpe, Alberta	12/8/04	Prince George Cougars (WHL)	68	41	48	89	43
90	Ryan Francis^	5-9	176	Halifax, Nova Scotia	12/2/01	Laval Rocket (AHL)	4	0	1	1	2
91	Carl Grundstrom	6-0	195	Umea, Sweden	12/1/97	Trois-Rivières Lions (ECHL)	57	23	24	47	32
						LA Kings	57	12	7	19	16

No.	DEFENSEMEN (18)	HT	WT	PLACE OF BIRTH	DOB	2022-23 CLUB	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
3	Matt Roy	6-1	205	Detroit, Michigan	3/1/95	LA Kings	82	9	17	26	22
5	Andreas Englund	6-3	189	Stockholm, Sweden	1/21/96	Chicago Blackhawks	11	0	1	1	9
						Colorado Avalanche	36	0	3	3	26
						Colorado Eagles (AHL)	15	1	2	3	47
6	Kevin Connauton	6-2	205	Edmonton, Alberta	2/23/90	Lehigh Valley Phantoms (AHL)	63	3	12	15	49
7	Tobias Bjornfot	6-0	200	Upplands Vasby, Sweden	4/6/01	LA Kings	10	0	1	1	6
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	50	5	7	12	8
8	Drew Doughty	6-1	210	London, Ontario	12/8/89	LA Kings	81	9	43	52	34
40	Joe Hicketts	5-8	176	Kamloops, British Columbia	5/4/96	Iowa Wild	72	6	42	48	69
43	Jacob Moverare	6-3	210	Ostersund, Sweden	8/31/98	LA Kings	2	0	0	0	0
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	62	4	22	26	37
44	Mikey Anderson	6-0	195	Roseville, Minnesota	5/25/99	LA Kings	77	5	15	20	40
49	Steve Santini	6-2	209	Bronxville, New York	3/7/95	St. Louis Blues	4	0	1	1	2
						Springfield Thunderbirds (AHL)	64	2	8	10	32
53	Jordan Spence	5-10	170	Sydney, Australia	2/24/01	LA Kings	6	0	1	1	0
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	56	4	41	45	34
56	Tyler Inamoto*	6-2	195	Flemington, New Jersey	5/6/99	Ontario Reign (AHL)	7	0	1	1	4
						Greenville Swamp Rabbits (ECHL)	36	3	5	8	30
58	Cole Krygier	6-3	192	Novi, Michigan	5/5/00	Michigan State (NCAA)	38	10	6	16	60
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	8	1	1	2	6
64	Wyatte Wylie*	6-0	190	Everett, Washington	11/2/99	Lehigh Valley Phantoms (AHL)	45	3	7	10	17
70	Kim Nousiainen	5-8	180	Kuopio, Finland	11/14/00	Ontario Reign (AHL)	37	2	4	6	4
81	Angus Booth	6-1	176	Montreal, Quebec	4/27/04	Shawinigan Cataractes (QMJHL)	62	3	16	19	62
84	Vladislav Gavrikov	6-3	221	Yaroslavl, Russia	11/21/95	LA Kings	20	3	6	9	8
						Columbus Blue Jackets	52	3	7	10	30
86	Jacob Modry^	6-5	193	El Segundo, California	1/23/99	SUNY-Plattsburgh (NCAA)	28	4	9	23	13
						Savannah Ghost Pirates	3	0	1	1	0
92	Brandt Clarke	6-2	185	Nepean, Ontario	2/9/03	LA Kings	9	0	2	2	6
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	5	1	1	2	2
						Barrie Colts (OHL)	31	23	38	61	28
No.	GOALTENDERS (7)	HT	WT	PLACE OF BIRTH	DOB	2022-23 CLUB	GP	W-L-OT	GAA	PCT	
1	Erik Portillo	6-6	224	Goteborg, Sweden	9/3/00	University of Michigan (NCAA)	38	25-11-2	3.00	.908	
29	Pheonix Copley	6-4	200	North Pole, Alaska	1/18/92	LA Kings	37	24-6-3	2.64	.903	
						Ontario Reign (AHL)	11	6-4-1	2.48	.913	
31	David Rittich	6-4	205	Jihlava, Czechia	8/19/92	Winnipeg Jets	21	9-8-1	2.67	.901	
35	Jacob Ingham*	6-5	205	Barrie, Ontario	6/10/00	Ontario Reign (AHL)	0	0-0-0	0	.000	
39	Cam Talbot	6-4	201	Caledonia, Ontario	7/5/87	Ottawa Senators	36	17-14-2	2.93	.898	
75	Ryan Bednard*	6-5	205	Macomb, Michigan	3/31/97	Grand Rapids Griffins (AHL)	5	1-2-0	1.67	.946	
						Belleville Senators (AHL)	1	0-0-1	3.74	.875	
						Wheeling Nailers (ECHL)	4	2-1-0	2.06	.936	
						Greenville Swamp Rabbits (ECHL)	20	11-8-1	2.81	.913	
85	J.F. Berube~	6-1	177	Repentigny, Quebec	7/13/91	Charlotte Checkers (AHL)	19	8-6-3	3.22	.885	

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LA KINGS PRESEASON QUICK HITS

Going Down Under!

The Kings and Coyotes games are historic as they mark the first ever NHL games played in the Southern Hemisphere. This year's Global Series also marks the first time the Kings have played abroad since the NHL China Games in 2017. Headlining the roster are a trio of two-time Stanley Cup Champions with the Kings, including captain **Anze Kopitar**, alternate captain **Drew Doughty**, and forward **Trevor Lewis**. After helping the Kings capture the first Stanley Cup in franchise history in 2012, the trio led the Kings to a Western Conference Final appearance in 2013 before winning the Stanley Cup again in 2014.

In total, the roster features 23 players who played at least one game with the Kings during in 2022-23 NHL season, including 2023 NHL All-Star Game participant **Kevin Fiala** and 2022 NHL All-Star Game participant **Adrian Kempe**, who entering his eighth season as a King after establishing a new single-season career high in goals with 41 in 2022-23 to become the first Kings skater since **Luc Robitaille** in 1993-94 to score at least 40 goals in a season (44). Defenseman **Vladislav Gavrikov** is set to play in his second consecutive NHL Global Series (Tampere, Finland) after doing so last year with the Columbus Blue Jackets.

Game start times in Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) and Pacific Standard Time (PST) are as follows:

- Game 1: Saturday, September 23 at 2:00 p.m. AEST (Friday, September 22 at 9:00 p.m. PST)
- Game 2: Sunday, September 24 at 2:00 p.m. AEST (Saturday, September 23 at 9:00 p.m. PST)

Captain's Camp

King's forward **Anze Kopitar** is set to play in his 18th season with the Kings, and his eighth season as captain. Kopitar led all Kings in scoring last year for a sixth consecutive season with 74 points (28-46-74). It was the 15th time in his career he led the Kings in scoring, a franchise a record that trails only **Gordie Howe** (17) for most seasons leading a single franchise in scoring in league history.

Kopitar enters camp having signed a new two-year contract extension worth an average annual value (AAV) of \$7,000,000 through the 2025-26 season. Last season, Kopitar became the first player in NHL history to play in all 82 regular season games and take fewer than five penalty minutes (PIM) while averaging over 20 minutes of time-on-ice (TOI), culminating in him being awarded his second career Lady Byng Trophy. He joined **Pavel Datsyuk** as the only players in NHL history to win multiple Selke Trophies and multiple Lady Byng Trophies. Kopitar became the third player to record 1,100 points in a Kings sweater last season, and his 1,141 points trail only **Luc Robitaille** (1,154) and **Marcel Dionne** (1,307) for the most in Kings history.

King of the Blueline

Drew Doughty enters camp as the longest tenured defenseman and second-longest tenured skater on the Kings roster, entering his 16th season as a member of the team. The four-time All-Star and former Norris Trophy winner recorded 52 points (9-43=52) in 2022-23, his fourth season of at least 50 points as a King, joining **Rob Blake** and **Steve Duchesne** for the most 50-point season from a blueliner in franchise history. Doughty also scored his 30th career game-winning goal last season, passing Blake for the most by a defenseman in Kings history.

New Kids on the Block

Originally a first-round pick of the Columbus Blue Jackets, the Kings acquired forward **Pierre-Luc Dubois** (3rd overall, 2016) via a trade with the Winnipeg Jets on June 7, in exchange for forwards **Alex Iafallo**, **Gabriel Vilardi**, **Rasmus Kupari**, and a 2024 second-round draft pick. Dubois posted career-highs in assists (36) and points (27-36=63) in 73 games with the Jets and added four points (2-2=4) in five Stanley Cup Playoff games last season.

The 2022-23 season marked the first time he's produced consecutive 60-point campaigns (60 points (28-32=60); 2021-22) and the second time he's surpassed 20 goals in back-to-back seasons (2017-19). Dubois was signed to an eight-year contract carrying an AAV of \$8,500,000 through the 2030-31 season this summer.

The Kings also signed goaltender **Cam Talbot** to a one-year, \$1-million contract on July 1. Talbot made 32 starts for the Ottawa Senators last season, posting a 17-14-2 record with one shutout, a 2.93 goals-against average (GAA) and a .898 save percentage (SV%) in 36 appearances. Talbot reunites with Kings head coach **Todd McLellan**, who he played under while in Edmonton for parts of four seasons (2015-19).

Gavrikov Locked Down

Kings defenseman **Vladislav Gavrikov** is set to take part in his first training camp as a member of the Kings. After being acquired via trade with the Columbus Blue Jackets on March 1, 2023, Gavrikov played in 20 regular-season games with the Kings last season, earning nine points (3-6=9). During that time, Gavrikov led all Kings defensemen in plus/minus (plus-12), tied for most takeaways by a defenseman (8), ranked second on the blue line in TOI (21:01 min.) and shorthanded TOI (1:59 min.) and finished third amongst team blueliners in blocked shots (26). Gavrikov also recorded an assist in six playoff games during the 2023 Stanley Cup Playoffs. On June 7, the Kings signed Gavrikov to a two-year contract extension worth an AAV of \$5,875,000 through the 2024-25 season.

Hey Now, You're an All-Star

In his first season with the Kings, **Kevin Fiala** was selected to his first NHL All-Star Game and enjoyed a point-per-game pace season for the second-consecutive year, registering 72 points (23-49=72) in 69 games. Among his season highlights: first Kings skater since 1999-00 to record 60 points in 60 games or less; first Kings skater since 2017-18 to record five-or-more 3+ point games in season; fifth Kings player in the last 20 years to reach the 30-point mark in 28 games or fewer; fifth-fastest skater in Kings history to eclipse the 20-assist mark; and 20-multi-point games, the most by a King in their first season since 2005-06. For his performance, he was named the Kings' "Best Newcomer" in 2022-23.

Starting QB

Kings forward **Quinton Byfield** is entering his fourth season with the Kings. He is projected to start the season on the King's top-line after finding success in the role last season playing alongside forwards **Adrian Kempe** and **Anze Kopitar**, establishing new single-season career highs in assists (19), points (22), games played (53) and plus/minus (plus-13). Byfield also recorded a career-long five-game point and assist streak (0-5=5) from Feb. 28 - March 9, becoming the first Kings skater 20 years of age or younger since **Drew Doughty** (20 y/o, 1-6=7, Feb. 8 to March 4, 2010) to record a five-game point streak and the first since **Darryl Sydor** (20 y/o, 0-5=5, Feb. 27 to March 9, 1993) to record a five-game assist streak.

Young Gun

Already a cornerstone of the Kings defense corps, **Mikey Anderson** currently ranks second on the Kings in both time-on-ice per game (21:03) and plus/minus rating (+30) since making the Kings opening night roster in 2020-21. His 2022-23 campaign was one to remember as he established single-season career-highs in nearly every statistical category. Known for his selfless defensive play and leadership qualities, Anderson ranks among the Kings team leaders in blocked shots, hits, takeaways and time-on-ice per game. As a result, on Feb. 15, the Kings signed the 24-year-old blueliner to an eight-year contract extension worth an AAV of \$4,125,000 through the 2030-31 season.

Moore History in the Making

Kings Forward **Trevor Moore** is entering his fifth season as a member of the Kings, the first season of his five-year contract extension signed on Dec. 15 worth an average annual value (AAV) of \$4,200,000 through the 2027-28 season. The Thousand Oaks, Calif. native tallied his 100th career NHL point on Nov. 10 vs. Chicago, becoming the seventh California-born player in league history and 24th active undrafted skater to reach such a mark. He also scored his 100th career point as a member of the Kings on March 25 vs. Winnipeg to become the second California-born player in league history to score at least 100 points for a California-based team.

Moore is the first California-born player in NHL history to score a hat trick for a California-based team, doing so on Nov. 16 in Edmonton. He enters the 2023-24 season with 105 points (40-65=105) as a member of the Kings, just five points shy of the most points by a California-born skater for a California-based team in NHL history, a mark currently held by Pittsburgh Penguins forward **Matt Nieto**, who scored 109 points (47-62=109) in 364 games for the San Jose Sharks.

Rise of the Phoenix

Kings goaltender **Phoenix Copley** enters his second season with the Kings and his first full season having started last season with the Ontario Reign, the Kings' primary American Hockey League (AHL) affiliate. On March 6, 2023, against the Washington Capitals, Copley stopped 20-of-22 shots to record his 20th victory as a King in just his 29th appearances of the season with the club, becoming the fastest goaltender in Kings history to reach the 20-win mark in a single season, breaking the previous record of 30 games played (**Jonathan Quick**, 30 GP in 2015-16). Copley currently stands 10 wins shy of 50 in his NHL career.

Returning Faces

27 of the 68 players participating in Training Camp were drafted by the Kings, including returning forward **Trevor Lewis** (17th overall, 2006) and goaltender **J.F. Berube** (95th overall, 2009). Lewis played for the Kings from 2008-20, putting up 163 points (70-93=163) in 674 Games Played with the team. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on July 1, 2023, and will take part in his first Kings training camp since 2019-20. Berube signed a Professional Tryout Agreement (PTO) with the Kings on Sept. 5, 2023, returning to the franchise for the first time since a stint with the Ontario Reign in 2020-21.

Upcoming Milestones

The Kings have many skaters nearing potential milestones for the 2023-24 season. In the Games Played category, King's defenseman **Drew Doughty** is five games from 1,100 in his career, which would make him the fourth player in team history to play 1,100 games in a Kings sweater. Additionally, Doughty would become the 12th defenseman in NHL history to skate in at least 1,100 games with a single franchise. Doughty is also 17 games shy of surpassing **Dave Taylor** for the third-most games played in Kings history. Kings captain **Anze Kopitar** is five games shy of surpassing former teammate **Dustin Brown** for most games played in franchise history. Kopitar is also eight games from 1,300 in his NHL career. He would become the first player in Kings history to skate in 1,300 games for the club and the 15th player in NHL history to skate in 1,300 games for a single franchise. Other upcoming games played milestones are as follows:

- Forward **Quinton Byfield**, one game from 100.
- Forward **Jaret Anderson-Dolan**, four games from 100.
- Defenseman **Andreas Englund**, 20 games from 100.
- Defenseman **Mikey Anderson**, six games from 200.
- Forward **Carl Grundstrom**, 14 games from 200.
- Forward **Arthur Kaliyev**, 63 games from 200.
- Defenseman **Matt Roy**, 12 games from 300.

- Defenseman **Vladislav Gavrikov**, 24 games from 300.
- Forward **Trevor Moore**, 37 games from 300.
- Forward **Blake Lizotte**, 42 games from 300.
- Forward **Kevin Fiala**, 12 games from 500.
- Forward **Adrian Kempe**, 28 games from 500.
- Forward **Pierre-Luc Dubois**, 66 games from 500.
- Forward **Phillip Danault**, 47 games from 600.
- Forward **Trevor Lewis**, eight games from 900.

In the goals category, captain **Anze Kopitar** is seven goals shy of 400 in his career. He would become the fourth player in team history to score 400 goals as a member of the Kings, joining **Dave Taylor** (431), **Marcel Dionne** (550) and **Luc Robitaille** (557). Additionally, defenseman **Drew Doughty** is nine goals shy of 150 in his career, which would make him the 46th defenseman in NHL history to reach the mark. Other upcoming goal milestones are as follows:

- Forward **Trevor Lewis**, 10 goals from 100.
- Forward **Viktor Arvidsson**, 27 goals from 200.

In the assist category, defenseman **Drew Doughty** is 22 assists shy of 500 in his career. Doughty would become the fifth skater and first defenseman in Kings history to record 500 career assists with the team. Additionally, King's captain **Anze Kopitar** is 10 assists shy of passing **Marcel Dionne** for most assists in franchise history (757). Other upcoming assist milestones are as follows:

- Forward **Trevor Moore**, 27 assists from 100.
- Forward **Pierre-Luc Dubois**, 24 assists from 200.
- Forward **Viktor Arvidsson**, 26 assists from 200.

Lastly, in the points category, King's captain **Anze Kopitar** is 14 points shy of surpassing **Luc Robitaille** for second-most points in King's franchise history (1,154). Additionally, Kopitar is 59 points from 1,200 in his career. Kopitar has scored at least 60 points in every full 82-game NHL season since 2017-18. Other upcoming point milestones are as follows:

- Forward **Blake Lizotte**, nine points from 100.
- Defenseman **Vladislav Gavrikov**, 18 points from 100.
- Defenseman **Matt Roy**, 19 points from 100.
- Forward **Arthur Kaliyev**, 44 points from 100.
- Forward **Carl Grundstrom**, 45 points from 100.
- Forward **Adrian Kempe**, 47 points from 300.
- Forward **Kevin Fiala**, 45 points from 400.

Broadcast Breakdown

On Sept. 14, the Kings announced the team's television schedule for the 2023-24 season. The schedule features 63 regular-season games on Bally Sports West and six games on KCAL-TV (Channel 9), with 13 additional games nationally televised across ESPN, TNT and Hulu. The Kings begin their transition to a singular broadcast team across television and audio this season, as Hall of Famer **Nick Nickson** will serve as club play-by-play announcer, working closely with award-winning analyst **Jim Fox** and analyst **Daryl Evans**. **Carrlyn Bathe** will return serving as a reporter, delivering interviews and reports throughout the season. All games available on Bally Sports West and KCAL-TV will also be available through the subscription-based streaming service Bally Sports+.