

# NEW YORK ISLANDERS AT

Saturday, October 21, 2023 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



# **BUFFALO SABRES**

1-3-0 2 PTS 8th place in the Atlantic Division Last Game: 4-3 L vs. CGY

#### **Top Scorers**

**Rasmus Dahlin:** 4 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS **Dylan Cozens:** 4 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS **JJ Peterka:** 4 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has defeated New York in four of the past six matchups between the two clubs.

The Sabres have earned wins in each of their last five home games against the Islanders.

The only instance of Buffalo winning six consecutive home games against New York occurred when the Sabres won the first six home games they ever played against the Islanders from Nov. 26, 1972 to Dec. 18, 1974.



**Dylan Cozens** has registered at least one point in consecutive games (1+2) and a point in tonight's game would give him his first point streak of three or more games since he did so from April 4 to 8, 2023 (3+2).

**Cozens** has registered six points (2+4) in his last six contests against the Islanders.

A goal in tonight's game would make Cozens the third member of the 2019 NHL Draft class to score 50 career goals.

**Rasmus Dahlin** is riding a three-game point streak and a point in tonight's game would give him a four-game point streak for the first time since he notched at least one point in five consecutive games from March 31 to April 8, 2023.

Jeff Skinner leads all current Sabres skaters in goals (13), assists (12) and points (25) against the Islanders.

In two career starts against the Islanders in his career, **Eric Comrie** has posted a .965 save percentage and a 1.03 goals-against average.

#### LIGENSE TO KILL

The Sabres rank fifth among all NHL teams in penalty kill percentage (93.8).

Buffalo has successfully killed 15 of the 16 power plays they have faced in 2023-24.

Entering play tonight, the Sabres are one of 10 teams who have allowed one or fewer power-play goals.

**Erik Johnson** leads all Sabres skaters in time on ice in shorthanded situations (14:44).

# BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jack Quinn (Achilles, IR); Matt Savoie (upper body, IR)

#### Season Series: Oct. 14 at NYI | 3-2 L Oct. 21 at BUF | 7:00 P.M. March 14 at BUF | 7:30 P.M.

# **NEW YORK ISLANDERS**

2-0-1 | 5 PTS 3rd place in the Metropolitan Division Last Game: 5-4 L (OT) vs. NJD

#### **Top Scorers**

Brock Nelson: 3 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 4 PTS Kyle Palmieri: 3 GP, 1 G, 3 A, 4 PTS Bo Horvat: 3 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS

## **ON THIS DATE**

The Sabres are 11-2-4 all-time on October 21.

October 21, 1988: Sabres acquire Larry Playfair from Los Angeles in exchange for Bob Logan and a ninth-round pick in the 1989 NHL Draft (Jim Giacin).

October 21. 1987: Pierre Turgeon scores his first career goal, becoming the youngest player in Sabres history to score a goal (18 years, 54 days).

October 21, 1989: Rob Ray scores a goal on his first NHL shot and adds an assist in a 4-2 win at Pittsburgh.

#### FEELING EVIL

**Rasmus Dahlin** is tied for second among all NHL defensemen in assists (4) and fourth in evenstrength points (3).

**Dahlin** recorded two assists on Oct. 19 and surpassed John Van Boxmeer (52) for sole possession of the fourth-most multi-point games by a defenseman in Sabres history. He trails Jerry Korab (55), Doug Bodger (57) and Phil Housley (143).



Among all defensemen in 2022-23, **Dahlin** finished tied for second primary assists (35) and sixth in total assists (58).

## HEAD-TO-HEAD

<b>Buffalo Sabres</b>	Ne	ew York Islanders
1-3-0		
1-2-0	Home Record	
0-1-0	Road Record	
1-3-0	Last 10 Games	
2.25 (26th)	Goals For Per Game	2.67 (T-22nd)
3.50 (T-21st) <b>Go</b>	als Against Per Gan	<b>ne</b> 2.33 (7th)
7.7% (27th)	Power Play	12.5% (23rd)
93.8% (5th)	Penalty Kill	60.0% (31st)
41.6% (30th)	<b>Team FO%</b>	60.6% (1st)
47.2% (25th)	feam SAT% (5-on-5)	51.1% (14th)



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