

NEW YORK ISLANDERS



at



GAME PREVIEW ISLANDERS (31-21-5), 3rd in Metropolitan) at DEVILS (28-26-2), 7th in Metropolitan) 2.5.2026 7:00PM ET PRUDENTIAL CENTER

The Islanders face the New Jersey Devils for the fourth and last time this season in their final game before the Olympic break. The Islanders are looking to earn four wins against the Devils in a season for the first time since 2020-21 (6 wins) and for the first time in a non-shortened season since 2018-19 (4 wins). The Isles are 6-0-1 in their last seven meetings with the Devils and have won four straight games in Newark. That is their longest winning streak in New Jersey since a six-game stretch that included two wins in regulation, two in overtime, and two in shootouts from 2013-15...Courtesy of Eric Hornick. Previously, the Isles won at the Prudential Center in overtime on a Mathew Barzal goal to snap the Devils season-opening winning streak and then defeated the Devils twice in two weeks at UBS Arena, winning by scores of 2-1 and 9-0 on January 6. In the team's last win against the club, Anthony Duclair recorded a hat trick for the first time in five years and four Islanders recorded three-plus points for the first time since 2011. All six Islanders defenseman in the match finished with a +2 rating or better for the first time since 1988. The Islanders have won five of their last six division games, outscoring opponents 26-11 and sit third in the division with 67 points (CAR - 76, PIT - 68). The Isles are 15-11-3 on the road this season and 11-6-2 against Metro opponents, including 7-0 against tri-state teams.

ALL-TIME RECORDS vs. NJD

OVERALL	153-89-22-10
HOME	86-37-11-5
AWAY	67-52-11-5

DEALING WITH THE DEVILS

MAT BARZAL

ON JANUARY 6 VS. NJD:

Barzal recorded his second three-point game of the season, scoring a goal and two assists to record the 114th multi-point game of his career, passing Patrick Flatley for the 11th most in franchise history. He also posted a season-high-tying +4 rating.

LAST 15 GAMES

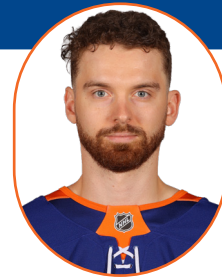
-G-	-A-	-P-	-PPP-
6	12	18	5

ALL TIME VS. NJD

-GP-	-G-	-A-	-P-
32	8	21	29



ILYA SOROKIN #30



Ilya Sorokin has faced the New Jersey Devils twice this season. In his previous two matchups with the club, he has gone 2-0-0, making 77 saves on 79 shots faced (.975). On January 6 against the Devils, he earned his fourth shutout of the season, stopping all 44 shots against him, helping the Islanders to a 9-0 win. That shutout was the 26th of his career, passing Glenn "Chico" Resch for the most shutouts in franchise history. From that game and on, Sorokin has gone 7-3-0, stopping 289 of the 312 shots he has faced for a .926 save percentage and a 2.32 goals-against average. During that stretch, he has recorded three shutouts, earning his league-leading sixth of the season on January 26 against Philadelphia. In 17 career games against New Jersey, he has posted a 10-5-2 record with a .923 save percentage and a 2.46 goals-against average.

OVERTIME IS OUR TIME

With their 5-4 win against Pittsburgh on February 3, the Islanders improved to 6-0 in overtime games and are the only team in the league without an overtime loss this season. The Isles have not allowed a goal in 15 overtime periods, outshooting opponents by a 36-19 margin. It marks just the fourth time in franchise history the Islanders have posted 10 or more overtime or shootout wins through the team's first 57 games of the season (also: 2009-10, '14-15, 'and 19-20).



ISLES TO ITALY



Bo Horvat and Ondrej Palat will represent Team Canada and Team Czechia, respectively, at the 2026 Milano Cortina Winter Olympic Games. Palat previously played for Czechia in the 2014 Sochi Olympic Games and this will mark Horvat's first time playing in the Olympics. With an appearance tonight, Palat will face his former team after being acquired on January 27 from the Devils, along with a third-round pick in 2026 and sixth-round pick in 2027, in exchange for forward Maxim Tsyplov. Palat played part of the last four seasons with New Jersey, scoring 92 points (38 goals and 54 assists) in 248 games. Prior to signing with the Devils, Palat had faced the club 22 times as a member of the Lightning, recording 16 points (five goals, 11 assists). Since joining the Islanders, Palat has recorded three points in five games played. On February 3 vs. Pittsburgh, Horvat recorded a career-high +5 rating, two goals (including the OT game-winner) and an assist. He joins Anders Lee (2017-18), John Tavares (2013), and Jason Blake (2006-07) as the only Islanders skater since 1997-98 to have 23 goals through their first 43 games of a season.

TEAM LEADERS

ISLANDERS

DEVILS

Bo Horvat (23)	GOALS	Nico Hischier (18)
Mat Barzal (34)	ASSISTS	Jesper Bratt (27)
Mat Barzal (50)	POINTS	Nico Hischier (41)
Scott Mayfield (72)	PIM	Brenden Dillon (43)
Horvat/Schaefer (4)	GWG	Bratt/Glass/Hischier/Nemec (3)
Matthew Schaefer (24:05)	TOI/GP	Luke Hughes (23:04)
Barzal/Pulock (+11)	+/-	Cody Glass (+3)

CAREER LEADERS VS. OPPONENT

Anders Lee (15)	GOALS	Jack Hughes (11)
Mat Barzal (21)	ASSISTS	Jesper Bratt (19)
Mat Barzal (29)	POINTS	Doug Hamilton (22)

