



VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS AT BUFFALO SABRES

Saturday, March 2, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: ESPN+/Hulu



BUFFALO SABRES

28-28-4 | 60 PTS
6th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 3-2 W (OT) at TBL

Top Scorers

Rasmus Dahlin: 59 GP, 15 G, 31 A, 46 PTS
Casey Mittelstadt: 60 GP, 13 G, 32 A, 45 PTS
Alex Tuch: 53 GP, 17 G, 23 A, 40 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 15 at VGK | 5-2 W
March 2 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.

VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS

33-20-7 | 73 PTS
2nd place in the Pacific Division
Last Game: 5-4 L at BOS

Top Scorers

Mark Stone: 56 GP, 16 G, 37 A, 53 PTS
Jonathan Marchessault: 60 GP, 32 G, 20 A, 52 PTS
Jack Eichel: 42 GP, 19 G, 25 A, 44 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres have earned a win in each of their last two games against the Golden Knights, outscoring Vegas 8-4 in those games.

Each of Buffalo's last seven games have been decided by one goal.

If tonight's game is decided by one goal, the Sabres will match the franchise record for the most consecutive games decided by one goal.

In Buffalo's last 18 games, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has made 16 starts and has recorded 401 saves on 430 shots (.933) in that span.

Luukkonen ranks fourth in shutouts (4), seventh in goals-against average (2.46) and 10th in save percentage (.914) this season.

Rasmus Dahlin has registered at least one point in back-to-back games (1+2) and a point in tonight's game would give **Dahlin** his sixth point streak of three or more games this season.

Tage Thompson has recorded one goal in each of his last two games and a goal in tonight's game would give him his first goal streak of three or more games this season.



Thompson has totaled five goal streaks of three or more games in his career, all of which came with Buffalo.

Alex Tuch has recorded one point in each of his last two games (1+1).

Tuch would earn his fifth point streak of three or more games in 2023-24 with a point in tonight's game.

BACK-TO-BACK

Tonight's game opens Buffalo's ninth of 12 back-to-back sets in 2023-24, which concludes with a home contest against the Winnipeg Jets tomorrow night.

The Sabres are 4-4-0 in the first game of back-to-back sets and 3-5-0 in the second game so far this season.

Buffalo's point breakdown in back-to-back sets this season is: zero points (0), three points (0), two points (7), one point (0) and zero points (1).

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Erik Johnson (illness); **Jack Quinn** (lower body, IR); **Mattias Samuelsson** (upper body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 11-8-3 all-time on March 2.

March 2, 1998: Alexei Zhitnik scores the game's only goal and Dominik Hasek gets his second shutout in as many nights as the Sabres top the New York Rangers 1-0 at Madison Square Garden.

March 2, 2007: The Sabres score eight goals, including the first two of Mike Ryan's career, to top the Montreal Canadiens 8-5 and improve to first place in the NHL.

KNIGHT MOVES

Tage Thompson has registered three goals in his last three games against the Golden Knights.



Alex Tuch has recorded five points (3+2) in five games against the Golden Knights in his career, including at least one point in each of his last two games against Vegas.

In five games against Vegas in his career, **Dylan Cozens** has notched six points (1+5), including a three-point performance (1+2) in the last matchup between the Sabres and Golden Knights.

In his only start against the Golden Knights in his career on Dec. 19, 2022, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** recorded 41 saves on 43 shots (.953).

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Vegas Golden Knights
28-28-4	Record 33-20-7
13-16-1	Home Record 19-9-2
15-12-3	Road Record 14-11-5
6-4-0	Last 10 Games 4-5-1
2.88 (T-24th)	Goals For Per Game 3.20 (14th)
2.98 (13th)	Goals Against Per Game 2.83 (10th)
16.1% (27th)	Power Play 19.3% (20th)
78.9% (18th)	Penalty Kill 80.9% (12th)
46.2% (30th)	Team FO% 49.5% (20th)
51.1% (12th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5) 47.3% (25th)



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