



TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING VS. BUFFALO SABRES

Saturday, January 20, 2024 | 12:30 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

20-21-4 | 44 PTS
7th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 3-0 W vs. SJS

Top Scorers

Casey Mittelstadt: 45 GP, 12 G, 27 A, 39 PTS
Rasmus Dahlin: 44 GP, 13 G, 23 A, 36 PTS
Jeff Skinner: 38 GP, 17 G, 16 A, 33 PTS

Season Series:

Oct. 17 at BUF | 3-2 W (OT)
Jan. 20 at BUF | 12:30 P.M.
Feb. 29 at TBL | 7:00 P.M.
April 15 at TBL | 7:00 P.M.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

23-17-5 | 51 PTS
4th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 7-3 W vs. MIN

Top Scorers

Nikita Kucherov: 44 GP, 28 G, 47 A, 75 PTS
Brayden Point: 45 GP, 21 G, 26 A, 47 PTS
Victor Hedman: 43 GP, 8 G, 36 A, 44 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW



If **Rasmus Dahlin** dresses for today's game, it will mark the 400th game of his career. He would become the 14th defenseman to play in 400 or more games with Buffalo and the 12th defenseman to play the first 400 games of their career with the Sabres.

Among those skaters, **Dahlin** (399 games played) currently ranks second in assists (210) and points (361) and third in goals (59).

Dahlin would become the 49th defenseman in NHL history to record 250 or more points in their first 400 NHL games.

The Sabres have won three straight games against the Lightning and a win in today's game would give them four consecutive wins over Tampa Bay for the first time since the team won four straight games over the Lightning from Oct. 24, 2009 to March 27, 2010.

Buffalo has earned at least one point in four straight contests against Tampa Bay (3-0-1).

Three of the last four games between Buffalo and Tampa Bay have been decided in overtime.

In his last 15 games, **Casey Mittelstadt** has registered 17 points (6+11).

Tagge Thompson has recorded 12 points (7+5) in his last 12 games.

Alex Tuch has tallied seven points (3+4) in his last seven games.

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded seven points (3+4) in his last seven games.

Jack Quinn has recorded an assist in back-to-back games and an assist in today's game would give him the first three-game assist streak of his career.

Ryan Johnson has registered three assists in his last two games, including at least one assist in each game in that span.

With a point in today's game, **Johnson** would record a three-game point streak for the first time in his career.



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Dylan Cozens (upper body); **Erik Johnson** (upper body); **Mattias Samuelsson** (upper body); **Jeff Skinner** (upper body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 9-11-1 all-time on January 20.

January 20, 1972: Don Luce scores the game's only goal as Roger Crozier (29 saves) and Dunc Wilson (36 saves) combine to stop 65 of 66 shots in a 1-0 Sabres win vs. Vancouver.

January 20, 2013: Thomas Vanek records five points (2+3) and Steve Ott scores a goal in his Sabres debut in a 5-2 Sabres win vs. Philadelphia.

BOLT CUTTERS

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded five assists in his last four games against the Lightning, including at least one assist in each game in that span.

An assist in today's game would make **Dahlin** the 14th defenseman to ever record an assist streak of five or more games against the Lightning, and the first to do so with the Sabres.

In 11 games against the Lightning in his career, **Tagge Thompson** has registered 12 points (7+5).

Thompson has recorded eight points (5+3) in his last five games against Tampa Bay, including three multi-point performances in that span.

Jack Quinn has recorded a goal in three straight games against the Lightning.



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Tampa Bay Lightning
20-21-4	Record 23-17-5
11-11-1	Home Record 15-5-3
9-10-3	Road Record 8-12-2
6-4-0	Last 10 Games 6-4-0
2.96 (T-20th)	Goals For Per Game 3.38 (10th)
3.16 (19th)	Goals Against Per Game 3.38 (T-24th)
14.5% (27th)	Power Play 31.0% (1st)
79.7% (17th)	Penalty Kill 80.7% (13th)
46.6% (29th)	Team FO% 51.4% (10th)
51.1% (11th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5) 50.7% (12th)



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