



OTTAWA SENATORS vs. BUFFALO SABRES



Tuesday, December 23, 2025 | 7:00 P.M. | Canadian Tire Centre | Broadcast: MSG

BUFFALO SABRES

17-14-4 | 38 PTS

7th place in the Atlantic Division

Last Game: 3-1 W at NJD

Top Scorers

Tage Thompson: 35 GP, 18 G, 14 A, 32 PTS

Alex Tuch: 34 GP, 11 G, 18 A, 29 PTS

Rasmus Dahlin: 32 GP, 4 G, 24 A, 28 PTS

Season Series:

Oct. 15 at BUF | 8-4 W

Dec. 23 at OTT | 7:00 P.M.

April 2 at OTT | 7:00 P.M.

OTTAWA SENATORS

18-13-4 | 40 PTS

6th place in the Atlantic Division

Last Game: 6-2 W at BOS

Top Scorers

Tim Stützle: 35 GP, 17 G, 21 A, 38 PTS

Drake Batherson: 32 GP, 14 G, 21 A, 35 PTS

Dylan Cozens: 35 GP, 11 G, 16 A, 27 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres are riding a six-game winning streak and a win tonight would mark the longest winning streak by Buffalo since the team's 10-game winning streak from Nov. 8 to 27, 2018.

Buffalo has earned five consecutive wins over Ottawa and a win in tonight's game would match the longest winning streak by a Sabres team against the Senators in franchise history (thrice).

Buffalo has won eight of its last 10 games against Ottawa, including two straight road wins against the Senators.

The Sabres have recorded at least one power-play goal in eight of their last 10 games dating back to Dec. 1 at Winnipeg.

Since Dec. 1, Buffalo ranks tied for fourth among all NHL teams in power-play goals (10) and ninth in power-play percentage (27.8).

Tage Thompson has recorded 11 points (6+5) in his last 10 games, including at least one point in seven consecutive games.

Alex Lyon has made 134 saves on 145 shots in his last five appearances (.924).



Josh Norris has collected 10 points (4+6) in his last eight games.

Norris has recorded at least one point in each of the five road games he has appeared in this season (1+5).

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded 12 points (3+9) in his last 10 games, including one point in three straight contests (1+2).

Zach Benson has notched five points (3+2) in his last five games.

Peyton Krebs has tallied one point in back-to-back games (1+1) and a point tonight would give him his second point streak of three or more games of his career (5 games; March 25 to April 1, 2025; 3+3).

Owen Power is one assist away from 100 in his career and if he reaches that mark tonight, he will become the 19th defenseman in franchise history to do so with the Sabres.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Justin Danforth (lower body, IR); **Colten Ellis** (concussion, IR); **Tyson Kozak** (upper body); **Jiri Kulich** (blood clot, IR); **Conor Timmins** (broken leg, IR); **Jason Zucker** (upper body/lower body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 18-12-5 all-time on December 23.

December 23, 1989: Phil Housley records five points (1+4) in a 6-5 win over the Quebec Nordiques.

December 23, 2003: Derek Roy scores his first NHL goal in a 2-2 tie against Ottawa.

COMMON SENS

Ryan McLeod is riding a five-game point streak against the Senators and he has recorded nine points (4+5) in that span.

McLeod has collected at least one point in each game he has played against Ottawa as a member of the Sabres.

Rasmus Dahlin has registered at least one assist in five straight games against Ottawa and he has posted eight points (1+7) in that span.

Alex Tuch has posted 10 points (3+7) in his last 10 games against the Senators.

Jack Quinn has tallied at least one point in four straight games against the Senators and he has collected six points (5+1) in that span.

Tage Thompson is riding a three-game point streak (2+2) against Ottawa and he has recorded 14 points (10+4) in his last 12 games against the Senators.

Zach Benson has recorded six assists in his last four games against Ottawa.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Ottawa Senators
17-14-4	Record..... 18-13-4
11-5-2	Home Record..... 8-6-2
6-9-2	Road Record..... 10-7-2
7-3-0	Last 10 Games..... 6-4-0
3.03 (T-15th)	Goals For Per Game..... 3.26 (6th)
3.29 (23rd)	Goals Against Per Game..... 3.14 (19th)
20.4% (15th)	Power Play..... 25.9% (5th)
85.0% (T-1st)	Penalty Kill..... 71.4% (31st)
43.8% (32nd)	Team FO%..... 56.4% (2nd)
49.0% (19th)	Team SAT% (5 on 5)..... 52.1% (7th)

