



COLORADO AVALANCHE VS. BUFFALO SABRES

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

11-11-2 | 24 PTS
5th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 3-0 L at NYI

Top Scorers

Alex Tuch: 24 GP, 8 G, 14 A, 22 PTS
Rasmus Dahlin: 24 GP, 6 G, 13 A, 19 PTS
Tage Thompson: 19 GP, 11 G, 7 A, 18 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 3 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.
Jan. 2 at COL | 9:00 P.M.

COLORADO AVALANCHE

13-12-0 | 26 PTS
4th place in the Central Division
Last Game: 4-1 L vs. EDM

Top Scorers

Nathan MacKinnon: 25 GP, 7 G, 29 A, 36 PTS
Mikko Rantanen: 25 GP, 15 G, 19 A, 34 PTS
Cale Makar: 25 GP, 8 G, 24 A, 32 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The last 20 games between Buffalo and Colorado have been decided in regulation.

Buffalo has earned a win in two of its last three games against the Avalanche.

The Sabres have earned at least one point in eight of their last twelve contests (7-4-1).

Buffalo has allowed just two power-play goals in the team's last 22 penalty-kill opportunities (90.9 percent).

Alex Tuch has recorded 10 points (4+6) in his last nine games.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched 17 points (6+11) in his last 16 games.

Dahlin's 72 career goals are the third-most by a defenseman in Sabres history and he is one goal away from tying Mike Ramsey for second place on Buffalo's all-time list for defensemen.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGHS

Tonight's game will mark **Bowen Byram's** first contest against Colorado since being acquired by the Sabres from the Avalanche in exchange for Casey Mittelstadt on March 6, 2024.

Since being acquired by Buffalo and among all NHL defensemen, **Byram** ranks tied for fifth in even-strength goals (7) and tied for 12th in even-strength points (22).

In his last three starts against Colorado, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has made 86 saves on 93 shots (.925).

In his last five games against Colorado, **Tage Thompson** has posted nine points (5+4), including at least one point in each home game in that span.

Rasmus Dahlin has tallied at least one point in five consecutive games against Colorado and he has registered six points (2+4) in that span.

Dylan Cozens has tallied four points (2+2) in his last four games against the Avalanche.

Alex Tuch has registered one point in each home game he has played against Colorado as a member of the Sabres (1+2).

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jordan Greenway (middle body, IR); **Sam Lafferty** (lower body); **Mattias Samuelsson** (lower body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 9-7-3 all-time on December 3.

December 3, 1974: Rick Martin records his second of a franchise-record four four-goal games as the Sabres top the Washington Capitals 5-3.

December 3, 1989: Mike Foligno plays in his 600th game as a Sabre in a 4-3 win vs. St. Louis.

December 3, 2011: Derek Roy records his 400th NHL point in a 3-2 win against the Nashville Predators.

SHOOTERS SHOOT

At 5-on-5, Buffalo ranks seventh among all NHL teams this season in shot attempts differential (111) despite ranking 17th in shot attempts for (1,151).

Buffalo's shot attempts percentage at 5-on-5 of (52.5) ranks sixth among all NHL teams.

The Sabres rank fifth in shot attempts percentage at 5-on-5 while trailing (56.9) at 5-on-5.

The Sabres are tied for the third-fewest shot attempts against at 5-on-5 (1,040).

Buffalo owns a 5-on-5 shot differential of 102 in situations in which the Sabres are trailing, which ranks third among all NHL teams.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Colorado Avalanche
11-11-2	Record 13-12-0
6-6-1	Home Record 7-7-0
5-5-1	Road Record 6-5-0
5-4-1	Last 10 Games 6-4-0
2.96 (18th)	Goals For Per Game 3.20 (12th)
3.04 (T-15th)	Goals Against Per Game 3.72 (30th)
15.3% (29th)	Power Play 27.2% (6th)
80.0% (T-15th)	Penalty Kill 71.9% (29th)
49.4% (20th)	Team FO% 43.4% (31st)
52.5% (6th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5) 54.0% (3rd)



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