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DALLAS STARS VS NEW YORK RANGERS

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Game Day Guide: Stars vs Rangers

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Game 17: Dallas Stars vs New York Rangers
When: Monday, November 20 at 7:00 PM CT
Where: American Airlines Center
TV: Bally Sports Southwest
Radio: The Ticket 96.7-FM, 1310-AM
Live Stats: NHL Game Center
Tickets and Parking: View seats and purchase parking
Theme Night: Hockey Fights Cancer

	Dallas Stars	**New York Rangers**
Record	11-4-1 (4-3-0 Home)	12-2-1 (7-1-1 Away)
Rank	23 Points (1st Central)	25 Points (1st Metropolitan)
Power Play	20.8% (11-for-53)	33.3% (16-for-48)
Penalty Kill	89.1% (49-for-55)	84.8% (39-for-46)
Last 10 Games	7-3-0	9-0-1

Five Points 5

- The Dallas Stars face the New York Rangers Monday night at American Airlines Center for the first of two meetings between the clubs this season. The Stars look to snap a three game winless streak (0-2-1) against the Rangers, as well as a three-game losing streak (0-3-0) against them at home.
- Forward Roope Hintz has tallied points (1-2--3) in each of his last two games against the Rangers and had earned four points (2-2--4) in four games against them at American Airlines Center.
- Forward Tyler Seguin has recorded a point in each of his last three games (2-1--3) against the Rangers and has seven points (4-3--7) in his last nine games against them.
- Forward Joe Pavelski has earned five points (3-2--5) in his last six games against the Rangers. He leads current Stars skaters with 19 points (6-13--19) and shares first on the club with six goals in 22 games against the Rangers
- Defenseman Miro Heiskanen has four points (1-3--4) in his last three games against the Rangers and has earned at least a point in each of his two home games (0-3--3) against them.

Active Streaks
Tyler Seguin (2-1--3, 3 GP)
Roope Hintz (1-2--3, 2 GP)
Mason Marchment (1-1--2, 2 GP)

Leading Scorers
Joe Pavelski (6-13--19, 22 GP)
Matt Duchene (6-10--16, 23 GP)
Tyler Seguin (5-8--13, 29 GP)

Players To Watch 👀
Forward Tyler Seguin posted two goals (2-0--2) against the Avalanche on Saturday, marking his third consecutive multi-point performance (3-3--6). Seguin shares the lead among Stars skaters with four multi-point performances this season and is one of four Stars players to record a multi-goal game this season. The Brampton, Ontario native shares fifth on the club with five goals and sixth with 12 points (5-7--12).

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Heika's Take: Stars fall in late-game collapse against Avalanche

By Mike Heika
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The Stars did a lot of good things Saturday night.
Then they did a few bad things.

And then the whole thing just fell apart.

Dallas took a 3-0 lead against the Colorado Avalanche and then allowed six unanswered goals in a 6-3 loss. In doing so, they saw an end to their four-game winning streak and also saw their lead in the Central Division shrink to one point. It was a rough night that the team is hoping can eventually turn into something good.

"It was a good learning lesson for us," Stars coach Pete DeBoer said. "It's good that it's early in the year and not in the playoffs."

DeBoer on learning from tonight's loss
The Stars are off to a great start in the standings, but haven't been consistently good yet. They sit 11-4-1, one point ahead of the 11-5-0 Avalanche. They were trending toward strong play in recent games and got off to one of their best starts of the season on Saturday night. [Tyler Seguin](#) scored 10 minutes in, [Joe Pavelski](#) added a power play goal in the first period, and then Seguin scored his second of the game to put Dallas up 3-0 just 2:12 into the second period. For most at American Airlines Center, it seemed like a sure win was coming.

But then Dallas flubbed a 5-on-3 advantage that lasted more than a minute, and Colorado came back and scored a nice transition goal. The Stars challenged for goaltender interference on that play and lost the challenge. While Dallas killed the ensuing penalty, there still was a feeling of lost momentum.

"When you play really good teams, you've got to limit all of those mistakes," DeBoer said. "Poor penalties, puck management, poor challenge on the coach's part. You've got to do everything right against good teams or they make you pay."

And while there wasn't a real feeling of "quicksand" for the Stars, it was clear the Avalanche were feeding off the energy. Colorado finished with a 15-5 advantage in shots on goal in the third period and a 24-11 edge in shot attempts. And most of the traction for Dallas in keeping those numbers even somewhat close came after Colorado took a 5-3 lead at the 14:43 mark of the third.

Before that, it really was lopsided.

"It just got away from us a little bit," said Pavelski. "It shows you just how fine a line it is when it's going good and it turns the other way. It's a lesson early on that we can learn from."
Pavelski on not establishing zone time

Pavelski said the Stars were getting in on the forecheck early in the game and creating both puck possession and scoring chances. Past the midway point, Dallas didn't get the puck deep and often was turned away with little time in the offensive zone. Was that because they were sitting on a lead? Or was it because Colorado got desperate?

It was probably a little of both.
The Avalanche got the transition goal from Miles Wood, and then scored on a power play to make it 3-2 heading into the second intermission. And while the game was there for the Stars to take hold of, it seemed Colorado was empowered by small things like the 5-on-3 kill and the failed challenge.

"It felt like they turned it up a notch in the third," said captain Jamie Benn." I think we let them hang around for too long, and they're a good team. Those guys know how to win."
Jamie Benn on not responding in the third period

Now, the Stars have to react and do so quickly. They play host to the New York Rangers (12-2-1) on Monday and the Vegas Golden Knights (13-3-2) on Wednesday.

"We don't want to let things linger, we want to get after it," Pavelski said. "No one is happy with it, we have that understanding. We've got two good teams coming and we'll put our focus on the Rangers right now."

And to do that, they have to understand what they did wrong . . . and what they did right.
"You can't just walk out of the rink with a bad taste in your mouth because of the result," DeBoer said. "I think you have to look at it realistically."

"Honestly, I feel better coming out of this game because of how we played for long stretches of the game against a really good team," he added. "I thought we really controlled the play for long periods of time. We've got to learn to handle those momentum swings better, learn to play with a lead better, learn to push back in the third instead of sag. But we definitely showed that we can play with the Colorado Avalanche, so that's a good thing. We just have things we have to clean up."

Avalanche score 6 straight, rally past Stars for 3rd win in row

By Taylor Baird
Nov. 18, 2023

DALLAS -- The Colorado Avalanche rallied with six straight goals for a 6-3 win against the Dallas Stars at American Airlines Center on Saturday.

Valeri Nichushkin tied it 3-3 at 4:19 of the third period on a tap-in from the slot. Mikko Rantanen gave the Avalanche a 4-3 lead at 14:32 when his shot deflected off Dallas forward Evgenii Dadonov, and 11 seconds later, Andrew Cogliano made it 5-3, sweeping the puck into the net at 14:43 as it sat on the goal line.

"It was a close game all night long, in my opinion," Colorado coach Jared Bednar said. "I know the scoring kind of wasn't [good] for them, great for us, but I thought it was a well-played hockey game."

Cale Makar had three assists, and Alexandar Georgiev made 25 saves for the Avalanche (11-5-0), who have won three in a row.

COL@DAL: Rantanen scores on backhand in 3rd
Tyler Seguin had two goals, and Mason Marchment had two assists for the Stars (11-4-1). Jake Oettinger made 32 saves and allowed more than three goals for the first time this season. "Something I never would have predicted," Seguin said of failing to protect the lead. "It's not us. I don't recall the last time this happened to us where we've been up three and then give up the game like that. We're happy it happened now, where it's not a playoff game or it's not late in the season. It's a great learning tool for us to study and learn from."

Seguin gave Dallas a 1-0 lead at 10:33 of the first period when Marchment found him on the back door from below the goal line.

Joe Pavelski made it 2-0 on the power play at 14:21 on a one-timer from the slot off a pass by Jason Robertson.

"Just goes to show you how fine of a line it is when you're going good and when it turns the either way," Pavelski said. "It's a lesson early on that we can learn from. No lead is really safe. Have to keep putting teams away, keep doing it the right way. It's alright if we've got to learn it right now. Good teams, if you give them a little space and give them a little confidence, they get moving, and you see what they can do."

Seguin extended the lead to 3-0 at 2:12 of the second period on a rebound from the bottom of the right face-off circle.

"I think tonight, we knew we were playing well and we still had that belief that we could win," Makar said. "It was a very lively bench, very lively game, and it's a lot of fun when the guys are playing like that. When we're controlling the pace of the game, that's the way we like to play. Credit to a lot of forwards tonight, I feel like they did a really good job."

COL@DAL: Wood trims Avalanche's deficit in 2nd
Miles Wood cut it to 3-1 at 13:27 on a breakaway, and Ryan Johansen made it 3-2 at 17:09 on a tipped shot from the slot on the power play.

Ross Colton scored into an empty net with 30 seconds left for the 6-3 final.
"I feel better coming out of this game because of how we played for long stretches of the game against a really good team," Dallas coach Peter DeBoer said. "I thought we really, really controlled the play for long periods of time. We've got to learn to handle those momentum swings better, learn to play with the lead better. Those are all the learning things there. Learn to push back in the third there instead of sag. We definitely showed that we can play with the Colorado Avalanche, that's a good thing. We've just got things we need to clean up."

NOTES: The Avalanche rallied from a three-goal deficit to win in regulation on the road for the first time since Jan. 21, 2004, when they defeated the Florida Panthers 6-5. ... Makar has three assists in back-to-back games and extended his point streak to six games. He required the fewest games among defensemen in NHL history (254) to reach 200 career assists. ... Duchene extended his point streak to five games. ... Seguin scored his 40th game-opening goal since he joined the Stars in 2013. The only player with as many over that span for Dallas is Jamie Benn (51). ... The Stars lost in regulation when scoring the first goal for the first time this season (6-1-1).

The Athletic

Weekend NHL rankings: Wild struggle, Capitals surge as American Thanksgiving looms

By Sean McIndoe
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Happy Thanksgiving week to readers south of the border. In America, this is a week for travel, family and fun. In Canada, it's a week to go "Wait, why is there football on a Thursday afternoon?" But in either country, it means if you're not in a playoff spot, you might be in trouble.

There are different theories about just how far out you can be, and just how unlikely a comeback could be. But the most basic version is also the scariest: Teams that are out of a playoff spot on U.S. Thanksgiving are very unlikely to make it, period. We're told that even coaches buy into it.

The good news, if your team is on the outside looking in, is that we're a few days early here. The bad news is that some teams have already clinched, in the sense that even if they win the rest of their pre-Thanksgiving games, they'll still be out in the cold on Thursday morning. Let's focus on those teams, and try to figure out who's going to defy the odds.

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Road to the Cup
The five teams with the best chances of winning the Stanley Cup.
It's Kyle Connor's world right now, we're all just living in it.

5. New York Rangers (12-2-1, +18 true goals differential*) — Sorry Canucks fans, there's no room for you to squeeze in this week, with all five of last week's teams staying strong. That includes the Rangers, who've now won four straight and 10 of 11. The big story heading into Saturday's showdown with the Devils was the return of Jack Hughes, and he scored early. But the Rangers pulled off a third-period comeback to take it in regulation, with unlikely hero Jimmy Vesey getting the winner.

4. Colorado Avalanche (11-5-0, +12) — Three games, three wins including one over the Stars, and 19 goals scored. They'd looked wobbly lately, but this week was a flex.

3. Boston Bruins (13-1-2, +23) — Was Patrice Bergeron actually holding them back all these years? MY COLUMN:

2. Dallas Stars (11-4-1, +10) — I'm keeping them at No. 2, even after the loss to the Avs. They've got the Rangers tonight in a great matchup, which will either make me look smart for staying patient or have us all wondering whether they're good enough to beat the very best teams.

1. Vegas Golden Knights (13-4-2, +17) — With losses in three of four and five of seven, the invincibility sheen has worn off. This is their fifth straight week in my top spot, but it could be their last if they can't turn it around.