NEW YORK ISLANDERS

GAME DAY PREVIEW

ISLANDERS vs. PANTHERS

3.16.2025

7:30PM ET UBS ARENA PLAYERS TO WATCH

Tonight, the New York Islanders host the Florida Panthers in the third and final meeting between the two clubs this season. The Islanders will look to earn their first win against Florida since March 28, 2024, a 3-2 win at Amerant Bank Arena. The Islanders will play five of their next six games at UBS Arena. They can earn points for the fourth straight home game tonight, as they look to defeat Florida at UBS Arena for the first time since December 23, 2022. They can also improve to 4-2-0 in their last six meetings against an Atlantic Division opponent.

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BY THE NUMBERS



MAR. 16, 2025

Islanders netminder **IIya Sorokin**'s next game will be the 242nd of his NHL career, passing Kelly Hrudey (241) for fourth-most games played by an Islanders goaltender in franchise history. Sorokin is one of ten Russia-born goalies in NHL history to play at least 240 games.

Forward Jean-Gabriel Pageau leads active Islanders skaters with 16 points (nine goals, seven assists) in 31 career meetings against the Panthers. Pageau has four points (two goals, two assists) in his last four meetings against Florida, including a power-play goal when these teams last met on February 2 in Sunrise.



ALL-TIME RECORDS vs. FLA

OVERALL	
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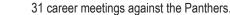
TEAM LEADERS

ISLANDERS		PANTHERS
Anders Lee (25)	GOALS	Sam Reinhart (32)
Bo Horvat (23)	ASSISTS	Aleksander Barkov (43)
Anders Lee (45)	POINTS	Sam Reinhart (70)
Casey Cizikas (38)	PIM	A.J. Greer (96)
Bo Horvat (5)	GWG	Carter Verhaeghe (5)
Noah Dobson (23:43)	TOI/GP	Seth Jones (24:32)
Anders Lee (+16)	+/-	Gustav Forsling (+31)

CASEY CIZIKAS #53

Islanders forward **Casey Cizikas** has found the scoresheet in each of his last three meetings against Florida. He notched an assist when these teams last met in February, and two assists in the Islanders' last win over the Panthers on March 28, 2024. The 34-year-old has points in two of the Islanders' last three victories (one goal, two assists). The club is 7-3-0 when

the Toronto, ON native finds the scoresheet this season. Eight of Cizikas' 12 points this season have been recorded at UBS Arena. He has nine points (two goals, seven assists) in



SAM BENNETT #9

Panthers forward **Sam Bennett** has points in his last five straight games (three goals, three assists), including two goals in the Panthers' win over Toronto on Thursday. The 28-year-old scored the game-winner when Florida visited UBS Arena on Oct. 26. A native of Holland Landing, ON, Bennett has 22 goals in 65 games this season, tied for second on the Panthers (Tkachuk), his third career 20-goal campaign. Bennett has found the scoresheet in 10 of 13 games since these teams last met in February, tallying 14 points (six goals, eight assists) in that span.



ISLANDERS PANTHERS 29-28-8 (65gp/66pts) RECORD 41-23-3 (67gp/85pts) 6th in Metropolitan **STANDINGS** 1st in Atlantic L. 3-1, Mar. 15 at MTL L/OT, 2-1, Mar. 14 vs. EDM LAST GAME Mar. 18 at PIT **NEXT GAME** Mar. 20 at CBJ FACE-OFFS **PENALTY KILL** 70.9% 80.9% 55.0% 49.4% **POWER PLAY** NYI FLA 217 29.0 28.8 26.5 11.7% 23.9% 3.21 2.97 2.69 2.66 GA/GP GF/GP SA/GP SHOTS/GP