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# Minnesota Wild (13-4-4) at Buffalo Sabres (11-9-1)

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# GAME BROADCASTS



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## SERIES NOTES



#### BUFFALO SABRES

All-Time Wild Record: 15-10-6 (5-6-4 at Xcel Energy Center, 10-4-2 at Buffalo)

**2023-24:** Minnesota went 0-1-1 against Buffalo...The Sabres recorded a 3-2 victory in the series-opening game at KeyBank Center (11/10)...Minnesota fell to Buffalo 3-2 in overtime in the second meeting at Xcel Energy Center (2/17)...LW Kirill Kaprizov led Minnesota with three points (1-2=3)...RW Mats Zuccarello (0-2=2) and C Joel Eriksson Ek (2-0=2) had two points each...G Filip Gustavsson started both games, going 0-1-1 with a 3.01 GAA and a .887 SV%...D Henri Jokiharju (2-1=3) and C Tage Thompson (0-3=3) led Buffalo with three points each...G Devon Levi saved 33-of-35 shots to earn the win in the first meeting...G Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen stopped 30-of-32 shots to earn the overtime win in the second meeting.

WILD LEADERS: LW Marcus Johansson leads with Minnesota with 20 points (12-8=20) in 30 career games vs. Buffalo...Zuccarello owns 19 points (5-14=19) in 26 matches...D Jared Spurgeon has 11 points (5-6=11) in 18 games...Kaprizov (5-4=9 in six games) and C Freddy Gaudreau (0-9=9 in 10 games) own nine points each.

WILD GOALIES: G Marc-Andre Fleury is 23-7-4 with a 2.21 GAA, a .920 SV% and four shutouts in 36 games (33 starts) vs. the Sabres...Gustavsson is 0-1-1 with a 3.01 GAA and a .887 SV% in two starts.

**SABRES LEADERS:** D **Rasmus Dahlin** leads Buffalo with 10 points (4-6=10) in nine career games vs. Minnesota...RW **Alex Tuch** owns nine points (4-5=9) in 19 games...LW **Jason Zucker** has six points (1-5=6) in seven games...Jokiharju (2-3=5 in seven games) and Thompson (1-4=5 in nine games) each own five points.

**SABRES GOALIES:** G **James Reimer** is 8-6-1 with a .913 SV%, 2.69 GAA and two shutouts in 16 career games (15 starts) against Minnesota...G Luukkonen is 3-0-1 with a 2.60 GAA and a .923 SV% in four starts against Minnesota.

**CONNECTIONS:** LW **Marcus Foligno** was born in Buffalo and tallied 116 points (49-67=116) and 334 PIM in 347 games with the Sabres (2011-17)...Foligno was drafted by the Sabres in the fourth round (104th overall) of the 2009 NHL Draft...Johansson tallied 30 points (9-21=30) in 60 games with Buffalo in 2019-20...D **Zach Bogosian** collected 67 points (13-54=67) and 234 PIM in 243 games in parts of six seasons with Buffalo (2014-20)...LW **Jordan Greenway** was drafted 50th overall by the Wild in the 2015 NHL Draft and recorded 119 points (38-81=119), 227 PIM and a plus-18 rating in 317 games over a span of six seasons with Minnesota (2017-23)...Tuch was drafted 18th overall by the Wild in the 2014 NHL Draft and made his NHL debut with Minnesota, skating in six games during the 2016-17 season...LW **Jason Zucker** was selected by Minnesota in the second round (59th overall) of the 2010 NHL Draft and collected 243 points (132-111=243) in 456 games across nine seasons (2011-20) with the Wild.

**FAST FACTS:** Minnesota's 7-0 win at Buffalo (1/15/15) is tied for the largest margin of victory in franchise history.

# **NOTES & MILESTONES**

Team: With a 13-4-4 record (.714), ranks third in the NHL in point percentage and points and T-6th in wins...30 points is tied for the franchise's highest total through a season's first 21 games (13-4-4, 2013-14)... Has scored 70 goals this season, second-most in franchise history through the first 21 games of a season (76 goals, 2021-22 season)...Minnesota's plus-18 goal differential through 21 games is a franchise high...Ranks second the NHL with a 2.45 GAA and T-3rd with a .914 SV%, and sixth with a plus-18 goal differential...Also ranks second the NHL by allowing only 1.81 even-strength goals per game, and ranks eighth by scoring 2.71 even-strength goals per game...Owns an active seven-game point streak on the road (5-0-2), tied with Winnipeg (7-0-0) and Vancouver (7-0-0, active) for the longest in the NHL this season...Leads the NHL with 21 road points (9-1-3), ranks T-1st with nine road victories and second with a .808 road point percentage...T-1st in the NHL with a plus-19 goal differential on the road...Is one of two NHL teams (Carolina) yet to record consecutive regulation losses this season... Recorded a season-high 44 shots on goal vs. Winnipeg (11/25), the team's highest total since recording 46 shots vs. Colorado on 4/4/24. Matt Boldy: Recorded a six-game point streak (3-4=7) from 11/10 - 11/23...Tied for the NHL leads with five GWG...Ranks second on the Wild with 22 points (11-11=22).

**Joel Eriksson Ek:** Won 18-of-24 face offs (75.0 pct.) taken at CGY (11/23). His 18 total face off wins marked a season high and the fourth-highest total of his NHL career (19 face offs won, three occurrences). He last won 18-plus face offs on 2/19/24 vs. PIT (19-for-33).

**Brock Faber:** 10th in the NHL with 24:50 of TOI/G...Owns three points (1-2=3) in his last four games.

**Marc-Andre Fleury:** Played in the 1,030th game of his NHL career at EDM (11/21), passing Patrick Roy (1,029 gp) for third all time among NHL goaltenders (Brodeur, 1,266; Luongo, 1,044)...Also made his 1,000th career start at EDM (11/21), becoming the fourth goaltender in NHL history to reach the mark (Brodeur, 1,251; Luongo, 1,014; Roy, 1,003)...Owns a 4-0-1 record for the season and is the only NHL goaltender with five-plus starts to not suffer a regulation loss.

**Marcus Foligno:** With two points (1-1=2) at EDM (11/21), reached 301 career points (130-171=301) and eclipsed the 300-point mark in his 817th career NHL game...T-8th in the NHL with 72 hits this season.

Freddy Gaudreau: Owns 12 points (4-8=12) in last 13 games, beginning 10/29 at PIT.

Filip Gustavsson: Is a 9-4-3 and ranks T-2nd in the NHL with a 2.18 GAA, fourth with a .923 SV% and T-7th with nine wins...Has allowed two or fewer goals in 11 starts this season, most in the NHL.

**Marcus Johansson:** Owns an active four-game point streak (2-2=4)...Finished with a game-high eight shots on goal at CGY (11/23), tying his career-high mark (three total occurrences, last 2/19/19 vs. PIT while with New Jersey).

**Kirill Kaprizov:** Leads the NHL with 12 multi-point games, 1.70 points/game, 26 even-strength points (11-15=26) and 24 points on the road (8-16=24) this season while ranking T-3rd with 34 points (13-21=34), sixth with 21 assists, T-6th with 13 goals and T-8th with a plus-15 rating...Fourth among NHL forwards in TOI/G (22:15)...Recorded an 11-game road point streak (8-16=24) from 10/15 - 11/21, a franchise record...Recorded a seven-game point streak (6-7=13) from 11/7 - 11/21...Needs one PPG to pass Mikko Koivu (60 PPG) for second-most all-time in franchise history (Parise, 69 PPG).

Jake Middleton: Tallied a goal and tied his career high with five shots on goal vs. WPG (11/25)...T-6th in the NHL with a plus-16 rating...T-11th among NHL defensemen with four goals (leads team defensemen).

**Marco Rossi:** Has tallied a point in 14 of 21 games this season and ranks T-2nd on the Wild with 11 assists and third in scoring (6-11=17).

# **UPCOMING GAME SCHEDULE**

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TV/RADIO
Fri., Nov. 29	vs. Chicago	1 p.m.	FanDuel/KOOL FM 107.9
Sat., Nov. 30	vs. Nashville	7 p.m.	FanDuel/KFAN FM 100.3
Tue., Dec. 3	vs. Vancouver	7 p.m.	FanDuel/KFAN FM 100.3

## **CURRENT INJURIES**

Marat Khusnutdinov: lower-body injury (two games missed) Mats Zuccarello: lower-body injury (five games missed)

#### 2024-25 Total Man Games Lost: 26

## **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

- #4 Jon Merrill (MAIR-ihl)
- #5 Jake Middleton (MIH-duhl-tuhn)
- **#7 Brock Faber** (FAY-burr)
- #12 Matt Boldy (BOHL-dee)
- **#13 Yakov Trenin** (YAK-ov trey-nin)
- #14 Joel Eriksson Ek (JUHL AIR-ihk-suhn EHK)
- **#17 Marcus Foligno** (foh-LEE-noh)
- #19 Devin Shore (shore)
- **#22 Marat Khusnutdinov** (ma-ROT hoost-nuh-DEE-nov)
- #23 Marco Rossi (RAH-see)
- #24 Zach Bogosian (buh-GOH-zhuhn)
- #25 Jonas Brodin (JOE-nuhs broh-DEEN)
- #29 Marc-Andre Fleury (MAHRK-AWN-dray FLUH-ree)
- **#32 Filip Gustavsson** (FIHL-ihp GUHS-tahf-suhn)
- **#36 Mats Zuccarello** (MATS zoo-ka-REHL-oh)
- **#38 Ryan Hartman** (HAHRT-muhn)
- #39 Ben Jones (jones)
- #46 Jared Spurgeon (SPUHR-juhn)
- #47 Declan Chisholm (CHIHZ-uhm)
- #72 Travis Boyd (BOYD)
- #89 Frederick Gaudreau (goo-DROH)
- #90 Marcus Johansson (joh-HAN-sun)
- #94 Jakub Lauko (yaw-KUHB LAU-koh)
- #97 Kirill Kaprizov (kih-REEL kah-PREE-zawf)

# **RECENT TRANSACTIONS**

#### November 1 - November 26, 2024

11/25/24	Emergency conditions have been terminated and F Travis
	Boyd remains on regular recall
11/22/24	Recalled F Travis Boyd from lowa (emergency recall)
11/17/24	Recalled F Ben Jones and F Devin Shore from lowa
	Reassigned D Daemon Hunt, F Michael Milne and
	F Liam Ohgren to lowa
11/15/24	Placed F Mats Zuccarello on injured reserve
11/15/24	Recalled F Liam Ohgren from lowa (emergency recall)
11/13/24	Recalled F Michael Milne from Iowa
11/12/24	Recalled D Daemon Hunt from Iowa
11/11/24	Reassigned F Michael Milne to lowa
11/6/24	Recalled F Michael Milne from Iowa

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# TEAM NOTES

# **HOT START**

With 30 points (13-4-4) through 21 games this season, The Wild has tied its best start in franchise history through a season's first 21 games.

#### First 21 Games, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Season	Record	Points
1t.	2024-25	13-4-4	30
1t.	2013-14	13-4-4	30
3t.	2021-22	14-6-1	29
3t.	2011-12	13-5-3	29
5.	2002-03	12-5-4	28

- Minnesota's plus-18 goal differential through 21 games is a franchise high.
- Has scored 70 goals this season, second-most in franchise history through the first 21 games of a season (76 goals, 2021-22 season).
- Is one of two NHL teams (Carolina) vet to record two consecutive regulations losses this season.
- Is one of 89 teams in NHL history to record 30 points in a season's first 20 games, including the 2024-25 Winnipeg Jets. Of the 87 teams to reach the mark prior to this season, 64 made the Stanley Cup Playoffs.
- The Wild began the season with a seven-game season-opening point streak (5-0-2) from 10/10 - 10/24, marking the fourth time in franchise history achieving the mark following 2007-08 (7-0-1 in 8 GP), 2008-09 (6-0-1 in 7 GP) and 2001-02 (3-0-4 in 7 GP).
- Of the 121 previous teams in NHL history to record 16 points or more in a season's first 10 games, 87 have made the playoffs.
- Of the 60 previous occurrences of a season-opening seven-game point streak in NHL history, 53 teams made the playoffs. 13 of those teams won the Stanley Cup.

# **OUT IN FRONT**

- The Wild has allowed 12 first-period goals this season, tied for fewest in the NHL (also LAK). Minnesota owns a plus-7 goal differential (18 goals for, 11 goal against) in the first period this season, sixth in the NHL.
- The Wild is 9-0-0 when leading through two periods and 8-0-1 when leading through one period this season.
- The Wild has scored first in a 14 games this season, most in the NHL, and holds a 10-2-2 record when doing so.
- Minnesota began the season by not trailing in regulation for 391:31, the second-longest season-opening mark in NHL history (1969-70 Boston Bruins, 457:21) and the second-longest streak at any point in a season in franchise history (414:32, 2014-15).

#### Season-Opening Streaks, Leading in Regulation

Rk.	Team, Season	Minutes	<b>Completed Games</b>
1.	Boston Bruins, 1969-70	457:21	7
2.	Minnesota Wild, 2024-25	391:31	6
3.	Montreal Canadiens, 2015-16	324:47	5
4.	Boston Bruins, 1990-91	301:41	5
5.	New York Rangers, 1973-74	297:37	4

The run was also the second-longest streak at any point in Wild history. trailing only a 414:32 mark in 2014-15.

# WILD UNDER HYNES

- The Wild has played 84 regular-season games under Head Coach John Hynes dating back to Nov. 28, 2023 vs. STL.
- Hynes owns a 47-28-9 record (.613) during that span. His .613 point • percentage ranks second all-time among Wild head coaches.
- The Wild ranks T-8th in the NHL in points (103) and wins (47) since Hynes took the bench on Nov. 28, 2023.

# YOUNG GUNS

- The Wild ranks fifth in the NHL with 53 points (20-33=53) registered by players aged 23 years or younger to start the season (Boldy, Faber, Khusnutdinov, Rossi).
- Matt Boldy is third among NHL players who started the season age 23 or younger with 11 goals and 22 points (11-11=22). Marco Rossi ranks T-9th with 17 points (6-11=17).
- Minnesota ranked second in the NHL last season with 0.42 rookie points • scored per game played (min. 100 games played by rookie skaters).
- Minnesota finished second in the NHL last season with 104 points • scored by rookies (34-70=104) and third with 245 games played by rookie skaters (248 including goalies).

# **STINGY PLAY**

- Minnesota ranks second the NHL with a 2.45 GAA and T-3rd with a .914 SV%. Also ranks second in the NHL by allowing only 1.81 even-strength goals per game.
- The Wild has recorded 13 games allowing two-or-fewer goals this season, tied for most in the NHL (New Jersev).
- The Wild is allowing 2.31 opponent power-play opportunities per game, the third-best mark in the NHL this season.

#### **Opponent Power-Play Opportunities/Game, 2024-25 Season**

	Team	OPPO/G
1.	New York Islanders	2.15
2.	Vegas Golden Knights	2.25
3.	Minnesota Wild	2.31
4.	Edmonton Oilers	2.40
5.	St. Louis Blues	2.50

# **ON THE ROAD AGAIN**

- Minnesota leads the NHL with 21 road points (9-1-3), ranks T-1st with nine road victories and second with a .808 road point percentage. Also ranks T-1st in the NHL with a plus-19 goal differential on the road.
- Owns an active seven-game point streak on the road (5-0-2), tied with • Winnipeg (7-0-0) and Vancouver (7-0-0, active) for the longest in the NHL this season.
- The Wild recorded a five-game road point streak from 10/13 10/24, • tied for the longest in franchise history to start a season (also 2002-03) season, 3-0-2).
- Minnesota's recorded five road wins and 11 road points in October, marking the first time in franchise history the club has reached either mark in that month.
- Minnesota currently owns 10 road points in November (4-0-2), tied for the highest total in franchise history (10 road points in November, 2019-20 and 2011-12 seasons).

# PLAYER NOTES

# **KIRILL THE THRILL**

- **Kirill Kaprizov** leads the NHL with 12 multi-point games, 1.70 points/game, 26 even-strength points (11-15=26) and 24 points on the road (8-16=24) this season while ranking T-3rd with 34 points (13-21=34), sixth with 21 assists, T-6th with 13 goals and T-8th with a plus-15 rating.
- Fourth among NHL forwards in TOI/G (22:15)
- With two goals (2-0=2) at STL (11/19), became one of 19 players in NHL history (29 total occurrences) to record 12 multi-point outings in a team's first 18 games played. He is the first to achieve the feat since Peter Forsberg (2005-06)
- With two points (1-1=2) vs. MTL, became the fastest player in franchise history (16 GP) to reach 30 points in a season, shattering the mark he set in 2022-23 (22 GP). Also became the ninth NHL player born outside of North America to reach the 30-point mark in 16 or fewer games.
- With three points (2-1=3) in the 292nd game of his career at ANA (11/8), tied Evgeni Malkin as the fourth-fastest active NHL player to record 100 multi-point games (Crosby - 235 games; McDavid - 270 games; Ovechkin - 272 games; Kaprizov - 292 games; Malkin - 292 games). Tied Malkin and Glenn Anderson as the 27th fastest player in NHL history to reach the mark. Among Wild players, Marian Gaborik was previously the fastest to reach 100 multi-point games, doing so in 455 contests.
- Ranks third in Wild history with 102 multi-point games (Koivu, 153; Gaborik, 114).
- With a PPG at ANA (11/8), tied Mikko Koivu (60 PPG) for second-most all-time in franchise history (Parise, 69 PPG).
- With three assists (0-3=3) at SJS (11/7), recorded his eighth career threeassist game and tied Mats Zuccarello and Pierre-Marc Bouchard for the second most in franchise history (Mikko Koivu, 16 three-assist games).
- Currently with 37 career three-plus point games, notched his 35th game with three-plus points of his career with a three-point performance (2-1=3) vs. TBL (11/1) to move past Mikko Koivu (34 games) for most in franchise history.
- Kaprizov was named the NHL's Third Star of the Month for October (5-3=18 in 9 GP), averaging two points/game (first in NHL) and tallying a point in eight of nine contests to lead the Wild to a 6-1-2 record. Is the fourth Wild player to be named an NHL Star of the Month, joining Eric Staal, (First Star-Feb. 2018); Devan Dubnyk (4x) and Josh Harding (Third Star-Nov. 2013).
- Currently with 39 career multi-assist games, needs two more to tie Jared Spurgeon (41) for third-most in franchise history.
- Scored his 27th career game-opening goal at TBL (10/24) to pass Jason Zucker for the fourth most in Wild history.

## STONE-COLD KIRILL-ER

 Kaprizov notched the 24th GWG of his career at ANA (11/8), moving past Eric Staal (23 GWG) for fourth-most in franchise history.

#### All-Time Game-Winning Goals, Minnesota Wild History

	Player	GWG
	M. Ĝaborik	43
	Z. Parise	
3.	M. Koivu	
4.	K. Kaprizov	24
5.	E. Staal	23

 Kaprizov's game-winning goal in overtime vs. MTL (12/21/23) marked the eighth of his NHL career, furthering his franchise record.

#### All-Time OT Goals, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Plaver	OT Goals
1.	Player K. Kaprizov	8
2.	M. Dumba	6
3t.	B. Burns	5
3t.	М. Коіvu	5
5t.	J. Spurgeon	4
5t.	M. Ġaborik	4
7t.	M. Boldy	3
7t.	K. Fiala	3
5t. <b>7t.</b>	M. Gaborik M. Boldy	

## **HE'S GOING STREAKING**

 Kaprizov recorded an 11-game point streak (8-16=24) on the road from 10/15 - 11/21, a franchise record.

#### Longest Regular-Season Road Point Streaks, Wild History

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- Kaprizov posted a seven-game point streak (6-7=13) from 11/7 -11/21.
- Kaprizov posted a multi-point streak of eight games on the road (6-14=20) from 10/15 11/8, joining Steven Stamkos (8 GP in 2017-18) and Roman Josi (8 GP in 2021-22) as the only active players to achieve the mark
- Kaprizov recorded seven-game multi-point and assist streaks (6-11=17) from 10/15 - 11/1.
- His streak of seven consecutive games with multiple points set a franchise record and T-4th longest in the NHL since the 2000-01 season.

#### Longest Regular-Season Multi-Point Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2024-25	7
2.	Mat Zuccarello, 2021-22	6
3t.	Kevin Fiala, 2021-22	5
3t.	Kevin Fiala, 2019-20	5
3t.	Marian Gaborik, 2005-06	5

The assist streak was also tied for the longest in the NHL this season, T-3rd longest of Kaprizov's career and T-5th longest in franchise history.

#### Longest Regular-Season Assist Streaks, Wild History

	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23	9
	Kirill Kaprizov, 2023-24	
2t.	Jim Dowd, 2001-02	8
	Mats Zuccarello, 2023-24	
5t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2024-25	7
5t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2021-22	7
	Jared Spurgeon, 2021-22	
	Ryan Suter, 2013-14	

 Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov is the only player among all 32 NHL clubs to hold the franchise record (outright or tied) for all three scoring milestones: goal streak, assist streak and point streak.

#### Longest Regular-Season Point Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov. 2022-23	14
2t.	Mikael Granlund, 2016-17	12
2t.	Kevin Fiala, 2021-22	12
4t.	Seven instances	10
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#### Longest Regular-Season Goal Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23	7
2t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2021-22	6
2t.	Nino Niederreiter, 2017-18	6
2t.	Brian Rolston, 2007-08	6
5t.	Eight instances	5

# PLAYER NOTES

## **CROWN JOEL**

- Joel Eriksson Ek won 18-of-24 face offs (75.0 pct.) taken at CGY (11/23). His 18 total face off wins marked a season high and the fourthhighest total of his NHL career (19 face offs won, three occurrences). He last won 18-plus face offs on 2/19/24 vs. PIT (19-for-33).
- The Swede recorded a three-game goal and point streak (3-2=5) from 10/22 10/26.
- Eriksson Ek played in his 500th career NHL game vs. SEA (10/12).
- Opened the season with a goal (1-0=1) and five hits vs. CBJ (10/10), tied for the ninth-highest single-game hit total of his career.
- Currently with 38 career PPGs, Eriksson Ek needs one PPG to tie Brian Rolston (39 PPGs with MIN) for sixth on the franchise's all-time list.
- Eriksson Ek ranked second on the Wild with 12 PPGs and a career-high 30 goals last season while ranking third in points (30-34=64).
- Became the 11th player in franchise history to record 30 goals in a single season, reaching the mark vs. SJS (3/28/24).

## **BOLDY AND THE BEAUTIFUL**

- **Matt Boldy** recorded a six-game point streak (3-4=7) from 11/10 11/23.
- Tied for the NHL leads with five GWG.
- Ranks second on the Wild with 22 points (11-11=22).
- With a GWG vs. MTL (11/14), reached 19 career GWG and tied Ryan Hartman and Pierre-Marc Bouchard for 10th-most in franchise history.
- Is the fourth NHL player since 2000-01 to record five GWG in a season's first 16 games, joining Fedorov (six, 2002-23), Draisaitl (five, 2021-22) and Matthews (five, 2020-21).
- Reached 100 career assists at CBJ (10/19), becoming the 26th player to reach 100 assists in a Wild sweater.
- Boldy opened the 2024-25 season with three points (1-2=3) vs. CBJ (10/10), marking his 12th career three-point game and becoming the sixth player in franchise history with three-plus points in the season opener.
- Collected his 100th career point (45-55=100) in the 125th game of his career at PIT (4/6/23). Among players to debut with the franchise, he required the second-fewest games to reach the mark behind Kirill Kaprizov (92 GP).

## MARCO POLO

- **Marco Rossi** owns points in 14 of 21 games played this season (5-10=15) and ranks T-2nd on the team with 11 assists and third with 17 points (6-11=17).
- Rossi recorded a career-long six-game point streak (3-4=7) from 10/12 - 10/24.
- Posted a three-game goal streak (3-0=3) from 10/12 10/22, also a career-long mark.
- Rossi picked up his 46th career point in his 108th career game at CBJ (10/19). Per NHL Stats, he surpassed Marko Dano (45 in 141 GP) for fifth most by an Austria-born player.
- Among NHL rookies, Rossi finished second in goals (21), T-3rd in shots (167), T-4th in GWG (two) and fifth in points (21-19=40) last season.
- With two assists at LAK (4/15/24), became the third rookie in franchise history with 40 points in a single season.
- Recorded a career-high seven shots on goal vs. STL (3/23/24) and notched his third career multi-goal game (2-0=2), moving his season total to 20 goals and joining Kirill Kaprizov (27 goals, 2020-21) as the only Wild rookies with 20-goal seasons. Also moved past Marian Gaborik (18-18=36, 2000-01 season) for the fourth-highest singleseason point total by a Wild rookie.

# **BROCKED AND LOADED**

- Brock Faber played in his 100th career NHL game vs. MTL (11/14).
- Ranks 10th in the NHL with 24:50 of TOI/G.
- Owns three points (1-2=3) in his last four games.
- Recorded a three-game point streak (2-1=3) from 10/26 11/1.
- Reached 50 career points (8-42=50) in his 89th career game at CBJ (10/19), becoming the second-fastest Wild defenseman to reach 50 points with the franchise (Ryan Suter, 83 games).
- Faber led all NHL rookies with 24:58 TOI per game and 150 blocked shots, ranked T-1st with 39 assists and third with 46 points (8-39=47). Faber finished sixth among all NHL skaters in TOI/game.
- With a blocked shot at LAK (4/15/24), became the ninth NHL rookie to post 150-plus blocks in a season since 2005-06.
- With two blocks at COL (3/8/24), reached 126 for the season and moved past Nate Prosser (124 blocked shots in 2011-12) for the highest single-season blocked shot total by a rookie in franchise history.
- With an assist vs. PIT (2/9/24), moved his season point total to 4-27=31 and surpassed Filip Kuba (9-21=30 in 2000-01) for the highest single-season point total by a Wild rookie defenseman. Also moved past Calen Addison (26 assists in 2022-23) for most single-season assists by a Wild rookie.
- Played in his 50th career game vs. NSH (1/25). With 29 points (4-25=29) in 50 career games, matched Marek Zidlicky for the second-most points by a Wild defenseman through their first 50 games with the Wild. The only blueliner with more is Ryan Suter (4-29—33 in 50 GP), per NHL Stats.
- Recorded five games with 30-plus minutes of TOI last season, four of which came in a five-game span from 12/14/23 to 12/21/23. Became one of two NHL rookies since 1997-98 to play four games with 30-plus minutes of TOI in a single season.
- Skated a career-high 33:25 vs. MTL (12/21/23), the highest singlegame total in the NHL last season and the third-highest by an NHL rookie since the start of the 2000-01 season.
- Per NHL Stats, since time on ice began being tracked in 1997-98, Faber is only the 2nd rookie to record consecutive 30-plus-minute games (Atlanta's Toby Enstrom in March 2008), doing so vs. CGY (12/14/23) and vs. VAN (12/16/23).

#### Single-Season Assists by a Rookie, Wild History

<u> Rk.</u>	Player, Season	Assists
1.	Brock Faber, 2023-24	39
2.	Calen Addison, 2022-23	26
3t.	Kirill Kaprizov, 2020-21	24
3t.	Matt Boldy, 2021-22	24
5.	Filip Kuba, 2000-01	21

### Single-Season Points by a Rookie Defenseman, Wild History

Player, Season	<b>Points</b>
Brock Faber, 2023-24	47
Filip Kuba, 2000-01	
Calen Addison, 2022-3	29
Kurtis Foster, 2005-06	
Matt Dumba, 2014-15	16
	<b>Brock Faber, 2023-24</b> Filip Kuba, 2000-01 Calen Addison, 2022-3 Kurtis Foster, 2005-06



# **PLAYER NOTES**

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# THE GUS BUS IS ROLLING

- Filip Gustavsson owns a 9-4-3 record and is T-1st in the NHL with a 2.18 GAA, fourth with a .923 SV% and T-7th with nine wins.
- Has allowed two or fewer goals in 11 starts this season, most in the NHL.
- Made a season-high 38 saves vs. DAL (11/16).
- Notched the seventh shutout of his NHL and Wild career vs. MTL (11/14), tying Darcy Kuemper for sixth in franchise history.
- Earned the NHL's Third Star of the Week for the period ending 10/20 after going 2-0-0, stopping 50 of 52 shots faced in two starts for a 1.00 GAA and a .962 SV%.
- Gustavsson scored the first goal of his hockey career, a power-play goal, at STL (10/15), becoming the first goaltender in franchise history to find the net.
- Is one of 15 goalies in NHL history to score a goal, a feat that has only been done a total 18 times.
- The play also marked the third PPG scored by a goalie in NHL history.
- He is the 10th goalie to score a goal by shooting it into an empty net (the others were the last to touch an own-goal).

#### Goals-Against Average, 2024-25 NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player, Team	GAA
1.	Filip Gustavsson, MIN	2.07
	Andrei Vasilevskiy, TBL	
3.	Anthony Stolarz, TOR	2.18
	Connor Hellebuyck, WPG	
	Jake Oettinger, DAL	

#### Save Percentage, 2024-25 NHL Goaltenders

<u>Rk.</u>	Player, Team	SV%
1.	Anthony Stolarz, TOR	0.927
2t.	Filip Gustavsson, MIN	0.926
	Dustin Wolf, CGY	
	Lukas Dostal, ANA	
5t.	Connor Hellebuyck, WPG	0.923
	Joey Daccord, SEA	

## **OH CAPTAIN MY CAPTAIN**

- Jared Spurgeon record a three-game point streak (0-3=3) from 11/14 • - 11/19.
- Ranks first in franchise history in plus-minus rating (plus-123), blocked shots (1,516), second in games played (881) and minutes skated (19,554:34), third in assists (280) and fourth in scoring (110-280=390) and shots (1,460).
- Since entering the NHL in 2010-11, has recorded the fewest PIMs by a defenseman playing in 700-plus games.

# **IN FULL BLOOM**

- Goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury played in the 1,030th game of his NHL • career at EDM (11/21), passing Patrick Roy (1,029 gp) for third all time among NHL goaltenders (Brodeur, 1,266; Luongo, 1,044).
- Also made his 1,000th career start at EDM (11/21), becoming the • fourth goaltender in NHL history to reach the mark (Brodeur, 1,251; Luongo, 1,014; Roy, 1,003).
- Owns a 4-0-1 record for the season and is the only NHL goaltender with • five-plus starts to not suffer a regulation loss
- Is playing in his 21st career NHL season, tied for second-most by a • goaltender in NHL history and trailing only Martin Brodeur (22 seasons).
- Posted the 75th shutout of his NHL career vs. ANA (3/14/24) and needs • one more to tie Tony Esposito and Ed Belfour (76 career SO each) for 10th most in NHL history.
- Fleury recorded his 552nd career win with a 5-0 victory vs. NYI (1/15/24), moving past Patrick Rov (551 career wins) for second-most in NHL history.
- Fleury became the fourth goaltender in NHL history to reach 1,000 • games played when he started vs. WPG (12/31/23).
- He made 24 saves at NYR (11/9/23) to reach 25,808 career saves and • pass Roy (25,800 career saves) for third most in NHL history.
- Fleury made a season-high 40 saves in a 4-3 OT win at BOS (12/19/23), his 40th career game with 40-plus saves (T-11th most in NHL history).
- Fleury notched the 65th shootout win of his career vs. NYR (11/4), • further extending his all-time NHL record.
- Fleury has recorded a shutout against 29-of-32 NHL teams (St. Louis, • Vegas and Minnesota), the most in league history.
- Fleury faced his 28th career penalty-shot attempt at MTL (10/25). Per . NHL Stats, Fleury's 22 saves on 28 all-time attempts trail only Roberto Luongo (33 PS SÁ, 29 PS saves) for the all-time lead in both categories.

### All-Time Minutes Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Minutes Played
1.	Martin Brodeur	74,438:25
2.	Patrick Roy	
	Roberto Luongo	
	Marc-Andre Fleury	

#### All-Time Games Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career GP
1.	Martin Brodeur	
2.	Roberto Luongo	
3.	Marc-Andre Fleury	1,030
4.	Patrick Roy	

#### All-Time Games Started, NHL Goaltenders

	Player	Career GP
1.	Martin Brodeur	1,251
2.	Roberto Luongo	1.014
3.	Patrick Roy	1.003
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	1.000

#### **All-Time Wins, NHL Goaltenders**

Rk.	Player	Career Wins
1.	Martin Brodeur	691
2.	Marc-Andre Fleury	565
3.	Patrick Roy	551

#### All-Time Saves, NHL Goaltenders

RK.	Player	Career Saves
1.	Martin Brodeur	
	Roberto Luongo	
3.	Marc-Andre Fleury	
	Patrick Rov	

#### MINNESOTA WILD 2024-25 GAME NOTES TABLES 11/26/24 MINNESOTA WILD MONTH-BY-MONTH

OCT. NOV. DEC. JAN. FEB. MARCH APRIL MAY								
2000.01					-	-		MAI
2000-01	2-7-3	5-7-2	5-3-4	6-5-2	4-7-0	2-8-6	1-2-1	-
2001-02	4-3-4	7-6-2	2-8-3	4-6-5	2-4-1	6-5-3	1-3-3	-
2002-03	8-1-2	5-6-3	7-4-3	5-7-1	7-4-0	9-5-2	1-2-0	-
2003-04	4-6-1	4-6-3	6-2-6	3-6-7	4-5-2	7-4-4	2-0-0	-
2005-06	6-4-2	4-6-1	8-7-1	7-7-0	4-2-1	5-7-2	4-3-1	-
2006-07	9-2-0	4-8-1	7-7-1	7-4-2	8-2-2	10-3-2	3-0-0	-
2007-08	7-3-2	7-6-0	8-6-0	7-4-1	7-5-2	7-4-4	1-0-1	-
2008-09	6-2-1	8-5-0	4-9-1	7-5-1	5-5-2	6-6-4	4-1-0	-
2009-10	5-9-0	5-3-3	10-6-0	7-6-1	3-3-0	7-7-2	1-2-2	-
2010-11	4-4-2	7-6-0	6-5-3	8-4-0	8-5-1	4-8-2	2-3-0	-
2011-12	4-3-3	11-4-0	6-6-3	3-6-1	4-7-2	5-9-1	2-1-1	-
2012-13	-	-	-	4-2-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	5-8-1	-
2013-14	6-4-3	9-4-2	5-9-0	9-4-1	4-0-1	6-5-4	4-1-1	-
2014-15	6-3-0	7-6-1	4-5-3	5-6-2	11-2-1	11-3-0	2-3-1	-
2015-16	7-2-2	4-5-2	9-3-2	3-7-3	5-8-1	10-4-1	0-4-0	-
2016-17	6-2-1	5-6-2	12-1-1	10-2-1	8-3-1	4-10-2	4-1-0	-
2017-18	4-4-2	8-6-1	8-6-0	7-2-2	9-2-2	7-5-3	2-1-1	-
2018-19	7-3-2	7-6-0	4-8-1	8-4-0	5-6-3	5-7-3	1-2-0	-
2019-20	4-9-0	7-2-4	8-6-1	4-4-1	9-4-1	3-2-0	-	-
2020-21	_	-	-	6-4-0	6-2-0	9-5-2	10-3-2	4-2-1
2021-22	5-3-0	10-3-1	4-3-1	8-1-1	4-6-0	10-4-2	12-2-2	
2022-23	4-4-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	6-4-2	7-4-2	10-1-3	2-4-1	
2023-24	3-4-2	4-6-2	9-5-0	5-8-1	7-3-1	7-3-3	4-5-0	
2024-25	6-1-2	7-3-2						
All-Time	117-83-35	139-115-33	143-113-34	139-108-36	139-94-27	159-118-55	68-50-19	4-2-1

2024-25 MONTHLY COMPARISONS

Month	Record	GF-GA*	PP	РК	SF-SA
October	6-1-2	34-24	8-31 (25.8%)	12-17 (70.6%)	258-257
November	7-3-2	36-30	4-30 (13.3%)	24-32 (75.0%)	346-346
December					
January					
February					
March					
April					

### 2024-25 10-GAME COMPARISONS

Game	Record	GF-GA*	PP	РК	SF-SA
1-10	7-1-2	39-27	8-33 (24.2%)	14-21 (66.7%)	280-287
11-20	6-2-2	30-23	4-26 (15.4%)	20-25 (80.0%)	280-284
21-30	0-1-0	1-4	0-2	2-3 (66.7%)	44-32
31-40					
41-50					
51-60					
61-70					
71-82					

### 2024-25 MINNESOTA WILD GOAL PRODUCTION (Includes shootout goals)

Goals for	Times	Wild Record	Goals Against	Times	Wild Record
0			0	1	1-0-0
1	5	0-3-2	1	4	4-0-0
2	1	1-0-0	2	8	5-1-2
3	3	3-0-1	3	3	3-0-0
4	4	3-0-1	4	2	0-1-1
5	7	6-1-0	5	2	0-1-1
6			6		
7			7	1	0-1-0
8			8		
9			9		
GOALS FOR:	70	13-4-4	GOALS AGAINST:	54	13-4-4

## 2024-25 MINNESOTA WILD HIGHS AND LOWS

### INDIVIDUAL

Most Goals, Game	2 – 7x, Most Recent: Gaudreau 11/21 at EDM			
Most Assists, Game	3 – Middleton, 10/22 at FLA			
Most Points, Game	3-9x, Most Recent: Gaudreau (2-1=3) 11/21 at EDM			
Most Goals, Period	2 – 2x, Kaprizov 11/1 vs. TBL (3rd) and 11/19 at STL (3rd)			
Most Assists, Period	2 – 4x, Most Recent: Kaprizov at SJS (2nd)			
Most Points, Period	2-10x, Most Recent: Rossi (1-1=2) at CGY (3rd)			
Most Shots, Game	9 – Boldy 10/26 at PHI			
Most Penalty Minutes, Game	6 – 2x, Trenin, 10/19 at CBJ; Bogosian, 11/8 at ANA			
Most Hits, Game	9 – Foligno, 11/1 vs. TBL			
Most Blocked Shots, Game	6 – 2x, Middleton, 10/10 vs. CBJ; Brodin, 10/19 at CBJ			
Most PPG, Game	1 – 12x			
Most PPG, Season	4 – Boldy			
Most SHG, Season	1 – Lauko, 10/15 at STL			
Most GWG, Season	5 – Boldy			
Most Overtime Goals	1 – Boldy			
Consecutive Games with a Goal	3 – Rossi (10/15-10/22); Kaprizov (11/14-11/19)			
Consecutive Games with an Assist	7 – Kaprizov (10/15-11/1)			
Consecutive Games with a Point	7 – Kaprizov (10/15-11/1) and (11/7-11/21)			
Most TOI, Game	28:20 – Faber, 10/12 vs. SEA			
Most Saves, Game	38 – Gustavsson, 11/16 vs. DAL			
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\*Bold indicates active streak

## TEAM

Consecutive Games Won	4 - 10/15 - 10/24
Consecutive Games Earning a Point	7 (5-0-2) - 10/10 - 10/24
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation	
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation and OT/SO	2 - 2x, $10/12 - 10/13$ ; $11/23 - 11/25$
Most Goals For, Period	4 – 2x, 11/1 at TBL (3rd)
Most Goals Against, Period	4 – 10/26 at PHI (3rd)
Most Goals For, Game	5 - 7x, Most Recent 11/21 at EDM
Most Goals Against, Game	7 – 10/26 at PHI
Most Power-Play Goals For, Period	1 – 12x
Most Power-Play Goals For, Game	2 – 10/15 at STL
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Period	1 – 11x, Most Recent: 11/25 vs. WPG (3rd)
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Game	2 - 2x, 11/1 vs. TB; 11/23 at CGY
Most Power-Play Attempts For, Game	5 – 2x, 10/15 at STL; 10/29 at PT
Most Power-Play Attempts Against, Game	6 – 11/8 at ANA
Most Shots For, Period	22 – 11/25 vs. WPG (1st)
Most Shots For, Game	44 – 11/25 vs. WPG
Most Shots Against, Period	15 – 4x, Most Recent: 11/16 vs. DAL (1st)
Most Shots Against, Game	40 – 11/16 vs. DAL
Most Shots For, Overtime	2 – 11/23 at CGY
Most Shots Against, Overtime	3 – 11/23 at CGY
Fewest Shots For, Period	3 – 11/23 at CGY (2nd)
Fewest Shots For, Game	18 – 10/24 at TBL
Fewest Shots Against, Period	2 – 2x, 11/5 vs LAK (1st); 11/14 vs. MTL (1st)
Fewest Shots Against, Game	19 – 11/14 vs MTL
Most Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	26 – 11/16 vs. DAL
Most Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	14 – 11/16 vs. DAL
Fewest Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	4 – 10/22 at FLA
Fewest Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	0 – 10/22 at FLA

### 2024-25 MULTIPLE POINT GAMES

Player	2 pts.	3 pts.	4 pts.	5 pts.	6 pts.	Total	Record
Kirill Kaprizov	6	6				12	10-1-1
Matt Boldy	5	1				6	4-0-2
Marco Rossi	3					3	1-0-2
Mats Zuccarello	3					3	2-0-1
Joel Eriksson Ek	2					2	1-1-0
Marcus Foligno	2					2	1-1-0
Freddy Gaudreau		2				2	2-0-0
Brock Faber	1					1	1-0-0
Ryan Hartman	1					1	1-0-0
Marcus Johansson	1					1	1-0-0
Jake Middleton		1				1	1-0-0
Jared Spurgeon	1					1	1-0-0

THE LAST TIME:	HOME	ROAD			
Recorded a shutout	11/14/24, 3-0 vs. MTL (Gustavsson, 19 saves)	4/7/24, 4-0 at CHI (Wallstedt, 24 saves)			
Were shutout	1/13/24, 6-0 vs. ARI (Ingram, 38 saves)	3/20/24, 6-0 at LAK (Rittich, 31 saves)			
Won a 1-0 game	11/17/16, 1-0 vs. BOS (Dubnyk, 25 saves)	11/11/22, 1-0 at SEA (Fleury, 28 saves)			
Lost a 1-0 game	3/7/23, 1-0 SOL vs. CGY (Markstrom, 40 saves)	11/8/22, 1-0 at LA (Quick, 22 saves)			
Scored 5 or more goals	11/1/24, 5-3 win vs. TBL	11/21/24, 5-3 win at EDM			
Allowed 5 or more goals	11/5/24, 5-1 loss vs. LAK	10/26/24, 7-5 loss at PHI			
Overcame 2-goal deficit to win	3/3/24 vs. SJS (down 2-0 in 1st, 4-3 win)	10/29/24 at PIT (Down 2-0 in 1st, 5-3 win)			
Overcame 3-goal deficit to win	2/19/24 vs. VAN (down 4-1 and 5-2 in 2nd, 10-7 win)	10/8/15 at COL (down 4-1 in 3rd, 5-4 win)			
Overcame 4-goal deficit to win	1/9/10 vs. CHI (down 5-1 in 3rd, 6-5 SO win)	Never			
Surrendered 2-goal lead in loss	10/12/24 vs. SEA (ahead 2-0 in 2nd, 5-4 SOL)	3/13/23 at ARI (ahead 4-2 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)			
Surrendered 3-goal lead in loss	2/15/19 vs. NJ (ahead 4-1 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	5/13/21 at STL (ahead 3-0 in 1st, 7-3 loss)			
Surrendered 4-goal lead in loss	Never	Never			
Had a penalty shot	12/20/16, Staal vs. Varlamov (unsuccessful)	3/8/24, Zuccarello vs. Georgiev (unsuccessful)			
Scored on a penalty shot	3/22/14, Coyle vs. Howard	12/16/14, Niederreiter vs. Raanta			
Faced a penalty shot	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury (goal)	11/8/24, Zegras vs. Gustavsson (no goal)			
Allowed a penalty shot goal	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury	1/21/14, Jordie Benn vs. Kuemper			
Had a hat trick	3/3/24, Kaprizov vs. SJS (4-3 win)	1/21/24, Kaprizov at CAR (5-2 win)			
Allowed a hat trick	3/23/24, Kyrou vs. STL (5-4 OTL)	10/26/24, Couturier at PHI (7-5 loss)			
Scored a shorthanded goal	1/15/24, Eriksson Ek (5-0 W)	10/15/24, Lauko at STL (4-1 win)			
Allowed a shorthanded goal	4/18/24, Gourde (2) vs. SEA (4-3 loss)	10/24/24, Hagel at TBL (4-2 win)			
Scored an empty net goal	11/14/24, Kaprizov vs. MTL (3-0 win)	11/19/24, Kaprizov at STL (4-2 win)			
Allowed an empty net goal	11/25/24, vs. WPG, Lowry (4-1 loss)	10/26/24, Couturier at PHI (7-5 loss)			
Did not record penalty	10/19/23 vs. LAK (7-3 loss)	10/22/24 at FLA (5-1 win)			
Opponent did not record penalty	1/22/22 vs. DET (4-2 win)	4/14/22 at DAL (3-2 OT win)			
Played in a penalty free game	Never	11/30/13 at COL (3-2 SO loss)			
Won an overtime game	11/3/24 vs. TOR (Boldy)	1/6/24 at CBJ (Rossi)			
Lost an overtime game	3/30/24 vs. VGK (Marchessault)**	11/10/24 at CHI (Kurashev)			
Won a shootout	12/16/23 vs. VAN (Zuccarello)	12/4/22 at DAL (Gaudreau)			
Lost a shootout	10/12/24 vs. SEA (Eberle)	11/23/24 at CGY (Andersson)			
Recorded 20+ shots in a period	11/25/24 vs. WPG (22 in 1st, 4-1 loss)	2/14/24 at ARI (20 in 1st, 3-1 win)			
Allowed 20+ shots in a period	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (22 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	2/23/24 at EDM (24 in 3rd, 4-2 win)			
Recorded 0 shots in a period	1/10/19 vs. WPG (0 in 3rd, 3-2 win)	11/08/01 at BOS (0 in 3rd, 5-3 win)			
Allowed 0 shots in a period	3/3/13 vs. EDM (0 in 2nd, 4-2 win)	Never			
Recorded 50 or more shots	Record is 49 vs. ANA 12/3/22	Record is 49 at NSH 4/5/22			
Surrendered 50 or more shots	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (54 in 5-4 OT loss)	3/18/21 at COL (55 in 5-1 loss)			

\*\*Indicates regulation loss in standings due to goaltender being pulled