

VANCOUVER CANUCKS VIS. BUFFALD SABRES

Saturday, January 13, 2024 | 4:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

18-20-4 | 40 PTS 7th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 5-3 W vs. OTT

Top Scorers

Casey Mittelstadt: 42 GP, 11 G, 24 A, 35 PTS Rasmus Dahlin: 41 GP, 12 G, 22 A, 34 PTS Jeff Skinner: 38 GP, 17 G, 16 A, 33 PTS

Season Series:

Jan. 13 at BUF | 4:00 P.M. March 19 at VAN | 10:00 P.M.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS

28-11-3 | 59 PTS 1st place in the Pacific Division Last Game: 4-3 W (OT) at PIT

Top Scorers

J.T. Miller: 42 GP, 19 G, 39 A, 58 PTS Elias Pettersson: 42 GP, 22 G, 35 A, 57 PTS Quinn Hughes: 42 GP, 11 G, 40 A, 51 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres have earned wins in three of their last four matchups with the Canucks.

In his last 12 games, **Casey Mittelstadt** has registered 13 points (5+8).

Alex Tuch has tallied 12 points (3+9) in his last 12 games.

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded five points (2+3) in his last four games.

Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen is 3-0-0 in his last three starts and he has registered a save percentage of .933 and a goals-against average of 1.99 in that span.



LIVING IN A VAN-COUVER DOWN BY THE RIVER

Rasmus Dahlin is riding a five-game point streak against Vancouver and he has notched eight points (2+6) in that span.

In seven career games against the Canucks, **Dahlin** has posted 10 points (2+8).

A point in tonight's game would give **Dahlin** the second-longest point streak ever by a Sabres defenseman against the Canucks (Rasmus Ristolainen;

seven games; Feb. 12, 2017 to Jan. 11, 2020).



In his last 10 games against the Canucks, **Kyle Okposo** has recorded 10 points (5+5), including at least one point in nine of those 10 contests.

In 18 games against Vancouver in his career, **Okposo** has tallied 18 points (5+13), the most among all Sabres skaters.

In three games against the Canucks as a member of the Sabres, **Alex Tuch** has recorded

five points (2+3), including at least one point in each of those three games.

Tuch has 13 points (3+10) and a plus-14 rating in 14 career games against Vancouver.

Casey Mittelstadt has recorded at least one point in three straight games against the Canucks and he has tallied five points (2+3) in that span.



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jeff Skinner (upper body)



ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 9-11-1 all-time on January 13.

<u>January 13, 1974:</u> Gilbert Perreault scores his 100th NHL goal and Dave Dryden records his fifth and final shutout as a member of the Sabres in a 1-0 victory against the St. Louis Blues.

January 13, 2015: The Sabres retire Dominik Hasek's No. 39 jersey.

<u>January 13, 2022</u>; **Jeff Skinner** reaches 500 career NHL points with two goals in Buffalo's 4-1 win at Nashville.



COZ AND EFFECT

According to Natural Stat Trick, **Dylan Cozens** leads all Sabres skaters in individual high-danger chances for (40) at 5-on-5 despite ranking ninth on the team in 5-on-5 ice time (508:34).

Cozens is tied with **Rasmus Dahlin** and **JJ Peterka** for the team lead in penalties drawn at 5-on-5 (12).

Among Sabres skaters with at least 10 games played in 2023-24, **Cozens** ranks second in penalties drawn per 60 (1.17) at all strengths.

Cozens is tied for the team lead in primary assists this season (13).



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Vancouver Canucks
18-20-4	Record	28-11-3
9-10-1	Home Record	14-4-1
9-10-3	Road Record	14-7-2
5-4-1	Last 10 Games	7-2-1
3.02 (21st)		3.90 (1st)
3.36 (23rd)	Goals Against Per Gam	2 2.60 (4th)
14.2% (27th)	Power Play	23.5% (10th)
78.5% (19th)	Penalty Kill	78.2% (21st)
46.8% (28th)	Team F0%	49.2% (20th)
50.9% (11th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	49.3% (19th)



