

# ARIZONA COYOTES VS. BUFFALO SABRES Monday, December 11, 2023 7:00 P.M. KeyBank Center Broadcast: MSG

Season Series:

Dec. 11 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.

Dec. 16 at ARI | 9:00 P.M.



## **BUFFALO SABRES**

11-14-3 | 25 PTS 7th place in the Atlantic Division Last Game: 3-2 L (SO) vs. MTL

### **Top Scorers**

**Casey Mittelstadt:** 28 GP, 6 G, 16 A, 22 PTS **Rasmus Dahlin:** 27 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS **Jeff Skinner:** 28 GP, 12 G, 9 A, 21 PTS

### THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has earned at least one point in 19 of its last 24 games against Arizona (17-5-2), including wins in three of the team's last four games against the Coyotes.

**Tage Thompson** has tallied a point in each of the three games (1+2) he has played in since returning from injury and a point in tonight's game would give him a four-game point streak, which would mark the second time he has notched a point in four consecutive games this season.



**Thompson** recorded 11 points (5+6) in 10 games played before his injury.

**Kyle Okposo** recorded his 600th NHL point on Dec. 9 vs. Montreal and a goal in tonight's game would give him a goal in two or more consecutive games for the second time this season.

**Connor Clifton** has registered an assist in back-to-back games and assist in tonight's game would give him a three-game assist streak, which would match the longest assist streak of his career (Oct. 12 to 17, 2022 with Boston).

Jeff Skinner has recorded three points (2+1) in his last three games.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched 10 points (3+7) in his last 11 games.

Dating back to Nov. 14 (13 games), **Victor Olofsson** is tied for the most points (10) among all Sabres skaters.

### **DEVON THE ZONE**

On Dec. 9 vs. Montreal, **Devon Levi** made 29 saves and became the youngest Sabres goaltender since Tom Barrasso from Feb. 8, 1987 to Feb, 20, 1987 (four games) to record 29 or more saves in two or more consecutive games.

If **Levi** plays and makes 29 or more saves in tonight's game, he will become just the fifth goaltender (Carter Hart, Spencer Knight, Robin Lehner, Andrei Vasilevskiy) in the last 10 years his age or younger to record 29 or more saves in three or more consecutive games.

Over his last two starts, Levi has made 60 saves on 63 shots (.952).

It is the third time, and the first time he has done so while allowing three or fewer goals, that **Levi** has made 60 or more saves in a two-game span in his career.

### **BUFFALO INJURY REPORT**

Zemgus Girgensons (lower body, IR); Jordan Greenway (upper body, IR); Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen (illness); Jack Quinn (Achilles, IR); Alex Tuch (undisclosed, IR)

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## **ARIZONA COYOTES**

13-11-2 28 PTS 5th place in the Central Division Last Game: 5-3 L at BOS

**Top Scorers** 

**Clayton Keller:** 26 GP, 9 G, 16 A, 25 PTS **Nick Schmaltz:** 26 GP, 9 G, 11 A, 20 PTS **Matias Maccelli:** 26 GP, 4 G, 15 A, 19 PTS

### **ON THIS DATE**

The Sabres are 11-8-2 all-time on December 11.

<u>December 11, 1993:</u> Dominik Hasek records his third of five shutouts in a 12game span, blanking the Hartford Whalers with a 25-save performance.

<u>December 11, 2021</u>: **Jeff Skinner** plays in his 800th career NHL game in a 3-2 shootout loss against the Capitals.

### **COYOTE UGLY**

In eight games against Arizona as a member of the Sabres, **Jeff Skinner** has registered nine points (6+3), including a three-point (2+1) performance in the last meeting between the two teams.

**Tage Thompson** has tallied at least one point in three consecutive games against the Coyotes and he has recorded five points (2+3) in that span.



In his last three games against the Coyotes, **Rasmus Dahlin** has notched four points (0+4), including at least one assist in each of the three games in that span.

### If he records an assist in tonight's game, Dahlin

would become the third Buffalo defenseman, and the first since Phil Housley from Jan. 29, 1986 to Feb. 12, 1988 (6 games, 1+8), to notch at least one assist in four or more games against the Coyotes.

### **HEAD-TO-HEAD**

Buffalo Sabres		Arizona Coyotes
11-14-3		
5-7-1	Home Record	
6-7-2	Road Record	
3-5-2	Last IO Games	
2.82 (25th) G	oals For Per Game	
3.32 (21st) <b>Coa</b>	s Against Per Game.	2.96 (11th)
14.3% (25th)	Power Play	24.4% (7th)
81.1% (13th)	Penalty Kill	80.7% (14th)
44.8% (32nd)	Team FO%	47.0% (27th)
49.7% (15th) <b>Te</b>	am SAT% (5-on-5)	

