



MINNESOTA WILD vs. BUFFALO SABRES

Saturday, March 22, 2025 | 2:00 P.M. | Xcel Energy Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

27-34-6 | 60 PTS
8th place in the Atlantic Division
Last Game: 5-2 L at UTA

Top Scorers

Tage Thompson: 61 GP, 34 G, 26 A, 60 PTS
Rasmus Dahlin: 59 GP, 12 G, 40 A, 52 PTS
JJ Peterka: 62 GP, 20 G, 32 A, 52 PTS

Season Series:

Nov. 27 at BUF | 1-0 L
March 22 at MIN | 2:00 P.M.

MINNESOTA WILD

31-27-11 | 73 PTS
4th place in the Central Division
Last Game: 4-0 W vs. SEA

Top Scorers

Matt Boldy: 69 GP, 23 G, 35 A, 58 PTS
Marco Rossi: 69 GP, 21 G, 32 A, 53 PTS
Kirill Kaprizov: 37 GP, 23 G, 29 A, 52 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres have earned at least one point in six of their last seven games against the Wild (5-1-1).

Buffalo has earned at least one point in four straight games against Minnesota on the road (3-0-1).

Tage Thompson has posted 35 points (18+17) in his last 32 games, including 20 points (12+8) in his last 17.



JJ Peterka has tallied 20 points (10+10) in his last 18 games and he has registered eight points (3+5) in his last seven games.

Peterka has registered six points (3+3) in his last five road games.

In his last seven games, **Ryan McLeod** has recorded seven points (2+5), including one point in each of his last five contests.

McLeod would record the longest point streak of his career with a point today.

Bowen Byram has registered four assists in his last four games and an assist in today's game would mark the first time he has recorded five or more assists in any five-game span in his career.

Owen Power has collected four points (1+3) in his last four games.

Josh Norris has notched one point in two consecutive games (1+1) and a goal today would give him his third three-game point streak this season.

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Rasmus Dahlin has posted 10 points (4+6) in 10 career games against the Wild.

In his last three games against Minnesota, **Tage Thompson** has tallied three points (0+3).

In five career games against the Wild, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has posted a save percentage of .931, a goals-against average of 2.31 and a 3-1-1 record.

Luukkonen has recorded at least 30 saves in four of those five games (29 saves on 30 shots on Nov. 27, 2024).

Josh Norris has registered one goal in back-to-back games against the Wild and he has recorded four points (3+1) in four career games against Minnesota.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Zach Benson (illness); **Jiri Kulich** (concussion); **Josh Norris** (undisclosed)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 11-6-1 all-time on March 22.

March 22, 1985: Tom Barrasso sets an NHL record with an assist in his third straight game.

March 22, 1992: Pat LaFontaine, Wayne Presley and Donald Audette score three times in a 39-second span, recording the fastest three goals in franchise history in a 6-2 win at Chicago.

ON CLEOD RYAN

Over Buffalo's last seven games, **Ryan McLeod** is tied with **Tage Thompson** for the team lead in points (7) and even-strength points (5).

This season, **McLeod** has set new single-season career highs in goals (16), assists (22), points (38), even-strength goals (14), even-strength points (34) and faceoff win percentage (51.8).

McLeod's 16 goals are the most by a Sabres skater acquired in a trade in their first season with Buffalo since Jeff Skinner in 2018-19 (40).

McLeod leads all Sabres forwards in total shorthanded time on ice (145:58) and he ranks second among all Buffalo forwards in shorthanded time on ice per game (2:17).



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	Minnesota Wild
27-34-6	Record 39-25-5
17-14-3	Home Record 17-15-2
10-20-3	Road Record 22-10-3
3-6-1	Last 10 Games 5-4-1
3.10 (10th)	Goals For Per Game 2.72 (24th)
3.52 (29th)	Goals Against Per Game 2.80 (10th)
18.0% (26th)	Power Play 21.1% (20th)
76.9% (22nd)	Penalty Kill 71.4% (31st)
48.5% (25th)	Team FO% 46.9% (28th)
50.6% (10th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5) 47.8% (29th)



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