

PITTSBURGHPENGUINS VS. RIFFAIN SARRES

Friday, November 24, 2023 | 6:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: TNT



BUFFALO SABRES

8-9-2 | 18 PTS

6th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 4-3 L (OT) at WSH

Top Scorers

Rasmus Dahlin: 19 GP, 4 G, 12 A, 16 PTS **JJ Peterka:** 19 GP, 8 G, 7 A, 15 PTS

Casey Mittelstadt: 19 GP, 3 G, 12 A, 15 PTS

Season Series:

Nov. 11 at PIT | 4-0 L Nov. 24 at BUF | 6:00 P.M. Jan. 6 at PIT | 7:00 P.M.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS

9-9-0 18 PTS

6th place in the Metropolitan Division **Last Game:** 1-0 L vs. NYR

Top Scorers

Sidney Crosby: 18 GP, 12 G, 10 A, 22 PTS **Jake Guentzel:** 18 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS **Evgeni Malkin:** 18 GP, 9 G, 9 A, 18 PTS



THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has gained a point in each of its last four home games against Pittsburgh (3-0-1) for the first time since Jan. 21, 2003 to Nov. 17, 2006 (4-0-2).

The home team has won eight of the last 10 matchups between the Sabres and Penguins.

JJ Peterka has registered 13 points (6+7) in his last 12 games, the most he has recorded in any 12-game span in his career.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched five points (1+4) in his last three games and a point in tonight's game would give him a four-game point streak.

Two or more points in tonight's game would move **Dahlin** into a tie with Jerry Korab for the third-most multi-point games by a defenseman in Sabres history.

Dahlin needs one assist to reach 200 in his career.

Alex Tuch has tallied 10 points (5+5) in his last 10 games, including four goals in his last five games.

Casey Mittelstadt has notched an assist in consecutive games and an assist in tonight's game would give him a three-game assist streak.

Kyle Okposo leads all Sabres skaters in career games played (58), goals (17), assists (25) and points (42) against the Penguins.

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In his last four games against the Penguins, **Jeff Skinner** has registered four points (1+3).



BACK-TO-BACK

Tonight's game opens Buffalo's fourth of 12 back-to-back sets in 2023-24, which concludes in New Jersey tomorrow night.

The Sabres are 1-2-0 in the first game of back-to-back sets and 2-1-0 in the second game so far this season.

Buffalo's point breakdown in back-to-back sets this season is: four points (0), three points (0), two points (3), one point (0) and zero points (0).



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jack Quinn (Achilles, IR); Tage Thompson (upper body, IR)



ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 9-10-3 all-time on November 24.

November 24, 1974: Bill Hajt scores his first NHL goal, and the Sabres and Canadiens combine for 154 penalty minutes, as Buffalo defeats Montreal 6-4 at the Buffalo Memorial Auditorium.

November 24, 1986: Gilbert Perreault announces his retirement from the NHL and Lindy Ruff is selected to serve as the sixth captain in franchise history.



LL COOL JJ

Through Buffalo's first 19 games, **JJ Peterka** leads all Sabres skaters in game-winning goals (2) and shooting percentage (17.8; min. two games played), and he is tied for the team lead in goals (8), even-strength points (13) and plus/minus (plus-4).

According to Natural Stat Trick, at 5-on-5, **Peterka** leads all Sabres skaters in expected goals for (4.55) and high-danger chances for (20) and he ranks second on the team in penalties drawn (6).



Peterka is the youngest Sabres skater since Pierre Turgeon in 1990-91 (11+11) to record eight or more goals and 15 or more points through Buffalo's first 19 games of a season.



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	1	Pittsburgh Penguins
8-9-2	Record	9-9-0
4-5-0	Home Record	4-6-0
4-4-2	Road Record	5-3-0
4-4-2	Last 10 Games	6-4-0
2.84 (T-26th)	Goals For Per Game	3.22 (16th)
3.21 (18th)	Goals Against Per Gam	E 2.61 (6th)
12.7% (27th)	Power Play	13.7% (25th)
85.7% (T-6th)	Penalty Kill	85.7% (T-6th)
44.7% (31st)	Team F0%	55.3% (1st)
48.8% (18th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	53.5% (7th)



