



# NEW JERSEY DEVILS vs. BUFFALO SABRES



Sunday, December 21, 2025 | 7:00 P.M. | Prudential Center | Broadcast: MSG

## BUFFALO SABRES

16-14-4 | 36 PTS

7th place in the Atlantic Division

Last Game: 3-2 W (SO) vs. NYI

### Top Scorers

**Tage Thompson:** 34 GP, 18 G, 13 A, 31 PTS

**Alex Tuch:** 33 GP, 11 G, 18 A, 29 PTS

**Rasmus Dahlin:** 31 GP, 4 G, 23 A, 27 PTS

### Season Series:

Nov. 28 at BUF | 5-0 L

Dec. 21 at NJD | 7:00 P.M.

Feb. 25 at NJD | 7:00 P.M.

## NEW JERSEY DEVILS

20-14-1 | 41 PTS

5th place in the Metropolitan Division

Last Game: 2-1 W at UTA

### Top Scorers

**Jesper Bratt:** 35 GP, 6 G, 23 A, 29 PTS

**Nico Hischier:** 35 GP, 10 G, 18 A, 28 PTS

**Timo Meier:** 30 GP, 11 G, 12 A, 23 PTS

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres are riding a five-game winning streak and a win tonight would extend their season-long winning streak to six games.

A win tonight would mark the longest winning streak by Buffalo since the team's six-game winning streak from Dec. 13 to 31, 2022.

Buffalo has earned 23 winning streaks of six or more games in franchise history, including eight following the 2004-05 lockout.

**Tage Thompson** has recorded 10 points (6+4) in his last nine games, including at least one goal in six consecutive games.

A goal tonight would give **Thompson** the longest goal streak of his career (7 games), which would mark the longest streak by a Sabres skater since Miroslav Satan from Dec. 19, 1998 to Jan. 2, 1999 (8 games).

He would become the eighth Sabres skater in franchise history to register a goal streak of seven or more games.

**Alex Tuch** has posted 13 points (4+9) in his last 13 games, including five points his last five contests (2+3).

**Alex Lyon** has made 134 saves on 145 shots in his last five appearances (.924).



**Zach Benson** has notched four points (2+2) in his last four games.

A point in tonight's game would mark the second time this season that **Benson** has recorded at least five points in any five-game span (Oct. 15 to 24, 2025; 0+7).

**Josh Norris** has collected nine points (3+6) in his last seven games.

**Rasmus Dahlin** has recorded 11 points (3+8) in his last nine games, including one point in back-to-back contests (1+1).

Tonight's game concludes Buffalo's fifth of 13 back-to-back sets in 2025-26, which opened with a 3-2 shootout win over the New York Islanders last night.

The Sabres are 2-3-0 in the first game of back-to-back sets and 2-1-1 in the second game so far this season.

## BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

**Justin Danforth** (lower body, IR); **Colten Ellis** (concussion, IR); **Tyson Kozak** (upper body); **Jiri Kulich** (blood clot, IR); **Conor Timmins** (broken leg, IR); **Jason Zucker** (upper body/lower body, IR)

## ON THIS DATE

**The Sabres are 15-7-3 all-time on December 21.**

December 21, 1975: Rick Martin scores four goals and Fred Stanfield scores three as the Sabres defeat Washington by a score of 14-2, the largest winning margin in franchise history.

## THE DEVIL WEARS BLUE AND GOLD

**Alex Tuch** has registered 18 points (4+14) in his last 15 games against New Jersey, including 13 points (3+10) in 12 games against the Devils as a member of the Sabres.

**Tuch** has recorded at least one point in each of the five road contests he has appeared in against New Jersey with Buffalo. He has totaled six points (1+5) in that span.

**Tage Thompson** has registered 16 points (11+5) in his last 14 games against the Devils.

**Thompson** is riding a three-game road point streak against New Jersey and he has posted four points (2+2) in that span.

**Rasmus Dahlin** has tallied 18 assists against New Jersey in his career, three shy of Phil Housley for the most by a Sabres defenseman against the Devils in franchise history.

In four career road games at New Jersey, **Ryan McLeod** has collected four points (2+2).

## HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	New Jersey Devils
16-14-4	Record..... 20-14-1
11-5-2	Home Record..... 10-6-1
5-9-2	Road Record..... 10-8-0
7-3-0	Last 10 Games..... 4-6-0
3.03 (T-15th)	Goals For Per Game..... 2.80 (T-25th)
3.35 (26th)	Goals Against Per Game..... 3.00 (T-14th)
20.4% (14th)	Power Play..... 20.9% (11th)
84.8% (1st)	Penalty Kill..... 75.8% (27th)
43.9% (32nd)	Team FO%..... 50.1% (16th)
49.3% (19th)	Team SAT% (5 on 5)..... 50.7% (14th)

