

# WINNIPEG JETS 18

# **BUFFALD SABRES**

Sunday, March 23, 2025 | 3:00 P.M. | Canada Life Centre | Broadcast: MSG



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27-35-6 | 60 PTS 8th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 4-1 L at MIN

### **Top Scorers**

**Tage Thompson:** 62 GP, 34 G, 26 A, 60 PTS **Rasmus Dahlin:** 60 GP, 12 G, 41 A, 53 PTS **JJ Peterka:** 63 GP, 21 G, 32 A, 53 PTS

#### Season Series:

Dec. 5 at BUF | 3-2 L (OT) March 23 at WPG | 3:00 P.M.

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48-18-4 | 100 PTS 1st place in the Central Division Last Game: 4-3 W (OT) at EDM

#### Top Scorers

Kyle Connor: 70 GP, 37 G, 49 A, 86 PTS Mark Scheifele: 70 GP, 35 G, 41 A, 76 PTS Gabriel Vilardi: 70 GP, 27 G, 34 A, 61 PTS

#### THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

**Tage Thompson** has posted 35 points (18+17) in his last 33 games, including 20 points (12+8) in his last 18.

**JJ Peterka** has tallied 21 points (11+10) in his last 19 games and he has registered nine points (4+5) in his last eight games.

Peterka has registered seven points (4+3) in his last six road games.



A goal in today's game would give **Peterka** his third goal streak of three or more games in his career.

**Owen Power** has collected five points (1+4) in his last five 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.

**Rasmus Dahlin** has recorded six points (2+4) in his last six games against Winnipeg.

In four career games against the Jets, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has recorded a save percentage of .913 and a goals-against average of 2.73.

In his last eight games against Winnipeg, **James Reimer** has made 261 saves on 284 shots (.919).



## **RIGHT OF SELF-DEFENSE**

Among all NHL teams, Buffalo ranks tied for sixth in assists by defensemen (126) and seventh in points by defensemen (158).

The Sabres have received the highest percentage of their assists from defensemen (37.0) among all NHL teams.

Buffalo defensemen have accounted for 28.7 percent of the Sabres' points, which ranks first among all NHL teams.

Rasmus Dahlin (53 points; 12+41), Owen Power (36 points; 7+29) and Bowen Byram (33 points; 7+26) all have 30 or more points this season.



#### **BUFFALO INJURY REPORT**

Jiri Kulich (concussion); Sam Lafferty (groin); Josh Norris (undisclosed)



### **ON THIS DATE**

The Sabres are 11-8-4 all-time on March 23.

March 23, 1983: The Sabres get two goals and two assists from Gilles Hamel in an 8-3 home win over the Hartford Whalers.

March 23, 1999: The Sabres acquire Rhett Warrener and a 1999 fifth-round draft choice (Ryan Miller) from the Florida Panthers in exchange for Mike Wilson.



### **PLAYERS TO WATCH**



**Tage Thompson** leads all Sabres skaters in goals (34), points (60), points per game (0.97), even-strength goals (29), even-strength points (46) and shots (198). **Thompson** ranks tied for second in even-strength goals among all NHL skaters, trailing only Leon Draisaitl (34). **Thompson** recorded two points (1+1) in Buffalo's last game at Winnipeg, a 3-2 win on Jan. 26, 2023.



Kyle Connor leads the Jets in goals (37), assists (49) and points (86) this season. Connor ranks third among all NHL skaters this season in goals and is tied for fifth in points. In his last 20 games, Connor has recorded 26 points (11+15) with points in 16 of the 20 contests. The Shelby Township, Mich. native has registered 11 points (7+4) in 13 career games against the Sabres.

# HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Winnipeg Jets
27-35-6	Record	48-18-4
17-14-3	Home Record	25-5-4
10-21-3	Road Record	23-13-0
3-6-1	Last 10 Games	6-3-1
3.07 (12th)	Goals For Per Game	3.46 (3rd)
3.53 (29th)	Goals Against Per Game	2.34 (1st)
17.8% (26th)	Power Play	30.0% (1st)
77.1% (19th)	Penalty Kill	79.0% (15th)
48.4% (25th)	Team F0%	49.1% (23rd)
50.5% (11th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	49.6% (18th)

