



TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS PREGAME NOTES



TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS [27-21-9 – 63 POINTS] at TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING [37-14-4 – 78 POINTS]

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MAPLE LEAFS HISTORY vs. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

All-Time Record:	67-39-2-8 (116 Games)
All-Time Road Record:	32-19-1-5 (57 Games)
2024-25:	4-0-0
Last Five:	5-0-0
Last 10:	8-2-0
First Matchup Between Clubs:	Oct. 15, 1992 (TOR 5 vs. TBL 3)
All-Time Record:	67-39-2-8 (116 Games)
All-Time Home Record:	35-20-1-3 (59 Games)
All-Time Road Record:	32-19-1-5 (57 Games)
Last Road Win vs. Opponent:	Apr. 9, 2025 (TOR 4 at TBL 3 – OTW)

MAPLE LEAFS / LIGHTNING 2025-26 TEAM STATS

	TORONTO	TAMPA BAY
Goals For Per Game:	3.28 (13th)	3.55 (2nd)
Goals Against Per Game:	3.39 (27th)	2.51 (2nd)
Power Play %:	18.8 (22nd)	22.4 (12th)
Penalty Kill %:	83.7 (5th)	83.9 (4th)
Shots Per Game:	27.3 (21st)	28.1 (16th)
Shots Against Per Game:	31.6 (32nd)	26.4 (7th)
Faceoff %:	56.2 (1st)	47.0 (29th-T)

(NHL rank in parenthesis)

MAPLE LEAFS CAREER LEADERS vs. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

Games Played:	John Tavares (51), Morgan Rielly (40), William Nylander (33)
Goals:	John Tavares (17), Auston Matthews (15), William Nylander (15)
Assists:	John Tavares (34), Auston Matthews (19), Max Domi (15)
Points:	John Tavares (51), Auston Matthews (34), William Nylander (28)
PIM:	Bobby McMann (26), John Tavares (26), Two Players Tied (23)

UPCOMING MILESTONES

- Jake McCabe - Two games away from 700 career NHL games.
- Bobby McMann - Four games away from 200 career NHL games.
- John Tavares - Two assists away from 300 assists with the Maple Leafs.

INJURY REPORT

- Dakota Joshua (Kidney)
- Chris Tanev (Lower Body)

TEAM NOTES

TODAY'S MATCHUP

● The Maple Leafs are facing off against the Tampa Bay Lightning tonight at Benchmark International Arena in the second of three games between the clubs this season. The Maple Leafs won their first game of the season against the Lightning in a 2-0 final on December 8th at Scotiabank Arena. Toronto posted a 4-0-0 record against Tampa Bay during the 2024-25 season, earning a win in five-consecutive meetings against the Lightning. Toronto is skating in their first game of a two-game road trip. The team has posted an 11-12-3 record on the road this season. The Maple Leafs enter tonight's game on a three-game winning streak. The Maple Leafs are skating in their first game of a back-to-back tonight, taking on the Florida Panthers tomorrow night at Amerant Bank Arena. The Maple Leafs have posted a 4-5-0 record in the first game of back-to-back this season.

LAST GAME

● The Maple Leafs won 5-2 against the Edmonton Oilers on February 3rd at Rogers Place. Matias Maccelli tied a single-game career-high in goals with two which he has marked on five occasions during his NHL career. Matthew Knies, John Tavares (PP) and Bobby McMann (EN) also scored a goal each for the Maple Leafs. Knies also added an assist, marking his 14th multi-point game of the season. Anthony Stolarz stopped 34 of 36 shots he faced in Toronto's win.



RECENT TRANSACTIONS

- February 20, 2026 - The Maple Leafs have assigned forward Bo Groulx and defenceman William Villeneuve to the Toronto Marlies (AHL).