

**FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP****December 23, 2023 – CALGARY FLAMES [3] at LOS ANGELES KINGS [5]**[Game Summary](#) | [Event Summary](#)

The Calgary Flames headed to Los Angeles for their final game before the Christmas Break on December 23rd. The Kings would open the scoring with Quinton Byfield netting the icebreaker 1:01 into the game. Rasmus Andersson would respond just under two minutes later, but Pierre-Luc Dubois gave the Kings the lead just before the break. Blake Coleman would draw the Flames level in the second, but the Kings would score twice in the latter stages of the middle stanza to give them a 4-2 lead through 40. Coleman would strike again in the third to bring the Flames within one, but an empty netter from the Kings gave them a 5-3 lead, and that is how this one ended.

CGY GOAL SCORERS: Andersson (5), Coleman (11,12)**GOALIE:** Markstrom 29/33, 0.879 Sv%**PP:** 1/6 (16%)**PK:** 4/4 (100%)**FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 3-1-1**

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
December 23, 2023	CGY [3] at LAK [5]	Moore	Markstrom	Talbot
December 21, 2023	CGY [3] at ANA [0] W	DeSimone	Markstrom	Dostal
December 18, 2023	FLA [1] vs. CGY [3] W	Backlund	Markstrom	Stolarz
December 16, 2023	TBL [2] vs. CGY [4] W	Sharangovich	Vladar	Vasilevskiy
December 14, 2023	CGY [2] at MIN [3] SOL	Boldy*	Vladar	Gustavsson

*shootout winning goal

FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
December 27, 2023	7:30pm	vs. Seattle Kraken	Scotiabank Saddledome
December 31, 2023	6:00pm	vs. Philadelphia Flyers	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 2, 2024	6:00pm	at Minnesota Wild	Xcel Energy Center
January 4, 2024	6:00pm	at Nashville Predators	Bridgestone Arena
January 6, 2024	11:00am	at Philadelphia Flyers	Wells Fargo Center

TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS

This is the third of four meetings this season between the Flames and Kraken. The Flames have won both prior meetings this season.

This is a Pacific Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 5-3-1 against Pacific Division teams and a record of 9-9-2 against Western Conference opponents.

LAST MEETING WITH THE KRAKEN:

The Calgary Flames last met the Seattle Kraken on Nov. 20. Calgary would come out of the gates flying, leading to Elias Lindholm breaking the ice just 1:16 into the contest to put the Flames up 1-0. From there, the teams would trade goals in the opening frame, with Vince Dunn evening the score, before Jonathan Huberdeau gave the Flames the lead back to make it 2-1 through 20. In the second, Seattle would net a pair of unanswered goals from Jordan Eberle and Jared McCann to go up 3-2 through two periods. The Flames would outshoot the Kraken 16-3 in the final stanza, leading to Andrew Mangiapane tying the game with under five minutes left in regulation to force overtime. In the extra frame, Rasmus Andersson saw his wrap-around attempt stopped, but collected his own rebound and scored to give the Flames a 4-3 victory.

KILLER CONFIDENCE:

Blake Coleman scored the Flames ninth shorthanded goal on Dec. 23 at LAK which gives them the most in the NHL so far this season. Calgary has scored a league-leading six shorthanded goals over the month of December, led by Blake Coleman who has the most markers on the Penalty Kill since the start of December in the league with four. Five different skaters have tallied while a man-down for Calgary this season, with Sharangovich (2), Andersson, Lindholm, and Backlund all joining Coleman.

WORKIN' ON A COLE MINE:

Blake Coleman scored two goals on Dec. 23 at LAK for his third multi-goal game as a Flame. Coleman scored on the power play and shorthanded to become the first Flames player to score a shorthanded goal and power-play goal in the same game since Noah Hanifin on Nov. 25, 2018 (2-0—2 at ARI). Coleman's shorthanded goal was also his fourth of the season, trailing only Simon Holmstrom (5) for the most in the League. The last Flames player to score more shorthanded goals in a campaign was Mark Jankowski (5) in 2018-19

FLAMES FIRSTS VS. SEATTLE:

A pair of Flames marked firsts of their NHL career against the Seattle Kraken this season. Martin Pospisil scored his first NHL goal at Climate Pledge Arena against the Seattle Kraken earlier this season on November 4th while defenceman Nick DeSimone recorded his first NHL point that same night.

LOOK BACKS AT IT:

With his assist on Rasmus Andersson's overtime-winning goal in their last meeting, Flames captain Mikael Backlund scored the 500th point in his NHL career against the Seattle Kraken and became the 11th player in Flames franchise history to achieve the milestone. Prior to Backlund, the most recent Flame to record his 500th point as captain was Mark Giordano who did so with an assist on April 4th, 2021, against Toronto. Backlund has also skated in the third-most games in franchise history with 942, just seven games away from tying Mark Giordano for second-most (949).

MARKY MARK 200:

Jacob Markstrom recently recorded the 200th win of his career with the 25-save effort on Dec. 21 at ANA. In reaching the 200-win plateau, Markstrom became the third Swedish-born goaltender in NHL history to record 200 career wins, joining Henrik Lundqvist (459) and Tommy Salo (210). Markstrom also joined Braden Holtby (299) as the only goalies from the 2008 draft to reach 200 wins in the NHL.

WORLD JUNIOR WATCH:


Flames 2023 first-round pick Sam Honzek is representing Slovakia at the 2024 IIHF World Junior Championships in Sweden. Slovakia faced Czechia in their first game of the tournament, with Honzek scoring the game-winning goal and adding an assist in a 6-2 Slovakian victory. Honzek was also selected to Team Slovakia for the 2023 World Juniors, playing in two games. The 19-year-old was named an assistant captain for Slovakia, and his nation gets set to face Switzerland in their next tilt.

HEY DID YOU KNOW?

Mikael Backlund is now seven games away from tying Mark Giordano for the second-most games played in Flames franchise history at 949.

With his late tying goal in Seattle on Nov. 20, Andrew Mangiapane netted the 100th NHL goal of his career.

CALGARY FLAMES vs. SEATTLE KRAKEN

CGY vs. SEA	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
 	8-1-0-0	2-1-0-0	6-0-0-0	8-1-0	W4

GAME INFO:

Calgary Flames vs. Seattle Kraken

7:30pm MT

Scotiabank Saddledome

TV: Sportsnet 360

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

2023-24 Season Series: 2-0-0 (Home: 0-0-0, Road 2-0-0)

Nov. 4, 2023 – CGY [6] at SEA [3]

Nov. 20, 2023 – CGY [4] at SEA [3] (OT)

Dec. 27, 2024 – SEA vs. CGY

Mar. 4, 2024 – SEA vs. CGY

2022-23 Season Series: 2-1-0 (Home: 0-1-0, Road 2-0-0)

Last Home Win vs. SEA: April 12, 2022 – Calgary [5] vs. Seattle [3]

Last Road Win @ SEA: November 20, 2023 – Calgary [4] at Seattle [3] (OT)

Last Home Loss vs. SEA: November 1, 2022 – Seattle [5] vs. Calgary [4]

Last Road Loss @ SEA: TBD

2023-24 CALGARY FLAMES

FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:

Nov. 30 – acquired a 2024 fifth-round draft pick and a 2026 third-round draft pick from the Vancouver Canucks in exchange for Nikita Zadorov (D)

Dec. 1 – recalled Ilya Solovyov (D) from Calgary AHL

Dec. 2 – signed Mark Pysyk (D) to a one-year two-way contract

Dec. 3 – assigned Mark Pysyk (D) to the Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 5 – recalled Dustin Wolf (G) from Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 9 – recalled Matt Coronato (F) from Calgary (AHL), placed Jacob Markstrom (G) on IR

Dec. 12 – recalled Nick DeSimone (D) from Calgary (AHL); assigned Matt Coronato (F) to Calgary AHL

Dec. 17 – activated Jacob Markstrom (G) off IR; reassigned Dustin Wolf (G) and Ilya Solovyov (D) to Calgary (AHL)

FLAMES RECENT INJURIES (Total man games lost – 120)

Jakob Pelletier – upper body injury (34 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)

Kevin Rooney – upper body injury (34 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)

Oliver Kylington – (34 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)

Adam Ruzicka – upper body injury (4 games, 10/26/23 – 11/7/23)

Jacob Markstrom – upper-body injury (2 games, 11/10/23 – 11/14/23)

Connor Zary – lower body injury (1 game, 11/22/23)

Jacob Markstrom – Illness (1 game, 11/27/23)

Jacob Markstrom – fractured finger (7 games, 12/5/23 – 12/16/23)

Chris Tanev – upper-body injury (3 games: 12/12/23 – pres.)

FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:

Blake Coleman – 498 GP (2 away from 500 games played)

Mikael Backlund – 192 goals (8 away from 200 goals)

Nazem Kadri – 592 points (8 away from 600 points)

Andrew Mangiapane – 192 points (8 away from 200 points)

Andrew Mangiapane – 91 assists (9 away from 100 assists)

HOW THE FLAMES WERE BUILT: (* = injured)

Draft (9)	Free Agent (9)	Trade (6)	Waivers (1)
Andersson (53 rd overall, 2015)	Coleman (July 2021)	Hanifin (From CAR – 2018)	Greer (From BOS – 2023)
Backlund (24 th overall, 2007)	Duehr (April 2021)	Huberdeau (From FLA – 2022)	
Dube (56 th overall, 2016)	DeSimone (2022)	Lindholm (From CAR – 2018)	
Kylington* (60 th overall, 2015)	Gilbert (July 2022)	Sharangovich (From NJD – 2023)	
Mangiapane (166 th overall, 2015)	Kadri (August 2022)	Vladar (From BOS – 2021)	
Pelletier* (26 th overall, 2019)	Markstrom (October 2020)	Weegar (From FLA – 2022)	
Pospisil (105 th overall, 2018)	Oesterle (July 2023)		
Ruzicka (109 th overall, 2017)	Tanev (October 2020)		
Zary (24 th overall, 2020)	Rooney* (July 2022)		

RECORD BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
HOME	1-2-0	3-1-1	3-3-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	1-4-1	4-3-1	1-2-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	2-6-1	7-4-2	4-5-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

POINTS LEADER BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Player	Lindholm/ Mangiapane	Kadri	Sharangovich/ Coleman				
Points	6pts	4-9 – 13	11 pts				

RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
0-2-0	3-1-1	1-2-1	1-2-0	5-1-1	1-1-1	2-6-1

RECORD BY DAYS BETWEEN GAMES/ON...

0 Days: 0-3-1

1 Day: 8-8-3

2 Days: 5-4-1

3 Days: 1-0-0

4+ Days: 1-0-0

First of B2B: 2-1-1

Second of B2B: 0-3-1

RECORD WHEN...

	0G	1G	2G	3G	4G	5G	6G	7G
Scoring	0-1-0	0-4-0	2-6-1	3-3-0	5-0-3	2-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
Allowing	1-0-0	3-0-0	4-0-0	5-4-1	1-5-0	0-4-3	0-2-0	0-0-0

PLAYER HIGHS

*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Coleman)	12/23/23 at LAK
Assists, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Points, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Shots, Game:	7 (Kadri)	12/14/23 at MIN
TOI, Game:	29:37 (Andersson)	12/11/23 at COL
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Tanev)	11/24/23 vs. DAL
Saves, Game:	41 (Markstrom)	11/22/23 at NSH
Goal Streak	5 GP (Sharangovich: 6G)	12/9/23 – 12/16/23
Assists Streak	4 GP (Coleman: 4A)	12/7/23 – 12/12/23
Point Streak	7 GP (Coleman: 3G, 5A)	12/7/23 – 12/21/23





	LAST TIME (2023-24)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	12/18/23 vs. FLA	12/16/23 vs. TBL
Regulation win, away	11/24/23 at DAL	11/14/23 at MTL
Regulation loss, home	12/9/23 vs. NJD	12/5/23 vs. MIN
Regulation loss, away	12/23/23 at LAK	12/11/23 at COL
OT win, home	11/30/23 vs. DAL	11/27/23 vs. VGK
OT win, away	11/20/23 at SEA	
OT loss, home		
OT loss, away	12/12/23 at VGK	
Shootout win, home		
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home	11/18/23 vs. NYI	
Shootout loss, away	12/14/23 at MIN	11/10/23 at TOR
Shutout, home		
Shutout, away	12/21/23 at ANA	

CALGARY FLAMES ALL-TIME LEADERS (***Bolded*** = Active Players)

CAREER GAMES PLAYED:

Rank	Player	Years With Flames	Games
1 st	Jarome Iginla	1996-97 – 2012-13	1,219
2 nd	Mark Giordano	2005-06 – 2020-21	949
3rd	Mikael Backlund	2008-09 - Present	942
4 th	Robyn Regehr	1999-00 – 2010-11	826
5 th	Al MacInnis	1981-82 – 1993-94	803

CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:

JERSEY	GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home 	9	6	3	0	3-1 W vs. FLA (12/18/23)
Away 	18	6	8	4	3-5 L at LAK (12/23/23)
Alternate 	6	2	3	1	2-4 L vs. NJD (12/9/23)
Heritage 	1	0	1	0	2-5 L at EDM

CALGARY FLAMES ALTERNATE JERSEY SCHEDULE:

Nov. 16 vs. VAN (5-2 W)	Nov. 18 vs. NYI (4-5 SOL)	Dec. 2 vs. VAN (3-4 L)	Dec. 5 vs. MIN (2-5 L)
Dec. 7 vs. CAR (3-2 W)	Dec. 9 vs. NJD (2-4 L)	Jan. 23 vs. STL	Jan. 25 vs. CBJ
Jan. 27 vs. CHI	Mar. 12 vs. COL	Mar. 14 vs. VGK	Apr. 2 vs. ANA
Apr. 6 vs. EDM			

CALGARY FLAMES HERITAGE CLASSIC JERSEY SCHEDULE:

Oct. 29 at EDM (2-5 L)	Jan. 20 vs. EDM	Feb. 24 at EDM
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CALGARY **WRANGLERS**

ON THE FARM

CALGARY WRANGLERS (AHL): 18-7-2

The Calgary Wranglers enter their second season in Calgary, AB after moving from Stockton, CA prior to the start of last season. The Wranglers finished off a five-game road trip with a pair of games in Colorado against the Eagles. Calgary won both games to head into the Christmas break on a two-game win streak.