



2022-23

DATES OF INTEREST



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AUGUST 2022

- Aug. 18-21: NHL Amateur Officials Exposure Combine (Buffalo, N.Y.)
- Aug. 23-24: 2022 NHL/NHLPA European Player Media Tour (Paris, France)

SEPTEMBER 2022

- Sept. 10-14: NHL Officials Training Camp (Buffalo, N.Y.)
- Wednesday, Sept. 14: Rookie camps open
- Sept. 15-16: 2022 NHL/NHLPA North American Player Media Tour (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Sept. 15 to Oct. 15: NHL celebrates **Hispanic Heritage Month**
- Wednesday, Sept. 21: Training camps open
- Sept. 22-25: USHL Fall Showcase (Cranberry Township, Pa.)
- Sept. 24 to Oct. 8: NHL Preseason Games

OCTOBER 2022

- Monday, Oct. 3: **2022 NHL Global Series Challenge** (Nashville Predators at SC Bern). Predators D **Roman Josi** returns to his hometown to face SC Bern at PostFinance Arena in Bern, Switzerland.
- Tuesday, Oct. 4: **2022 NHL Global Series Challenge** (San Jose Sharks at Eisbaren Berlin). Sharks F **Nico Sturm** returns to his birth country to face Eisbaren Berlin at Mercedes-Benz Arena in Berlin, Germany.
- Thursday, Oct. 6: **Kraft Hockeyville 2020** (Ottawa Senators at Montreal Canadiens). The game honors the community of Twillingate, N.L., and will be played at Steele Community Centre in Gander.
- Friday, Oct. 7: **Opening day of the 2022-23 regular season and 2022 NHL Global Series** with the Nashville Predators and San Jose Sharks contesting the first half of their back-to-back at O2 Arena in Prague, Czechia
- Saturday, Oct. 8: **2022 NHL Global Series** (Nashville Predators at San Jose Sharks). The Predators and Sharks contest the second half of their back-to-back at O2 Arena in Prague, Czechia.
- Kraft Hockeyville 2021** (Ottawa Senators at Montreal Canadiens). The game honors the community of Elsipogtog First Nation, N.B., and will be played at J.K. Irving Centre in Bouctouche.
- Monday, Oct. 10: Opening day playing rosters set (5 p.m. ET)
- Tuesday, Oct. 11: **First games of the 2022-23 regular season in North America**, with the Tampa Bay Lightning and New York Rangers contesting a rematch of the 2022 Eastern Conference Final at Madison Square Garden on ESPN and the Los Angeles Kings hosting the Vegas Golden Knights at Crypto.com Arena on ESPN



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- Wednesday, Oct. 12: TNT doubleheader featuring the Boston Bruins visiting the Washington Capitals at Capital One Arena and the Colorado Avalanche raising their 2022 Stanley Cup banner in a pre-game ceremony before facing the Chicago Blackhawks at Ball Arena
- Canadian doubleheader on Sportsnet with the Montreal Canadiens hosting the Toronto Maple Leafs at Bell Centre and the Vancouver Canucks visiting the Edmonton Oilers at Rogers Place
- The Carolina Hurricanes and Columbus Blue Jackets will contest the 60,000th regular-season game in NHL history. This number includes the two games that were forfeited in 1917-18 due to the Montreal Wanderers fire.
- Friday, Oct. 14: Carolina Hurricanes D **Brent Burns** returns to San Jose for the first time after playing each of his last 11 seasons with the Sharks from 2011-12 to 2021-22. Burns is the franchise's all-time leader in [goals](#) (172), [assists](#) (422) and [points](#) (594) among defensemen.
- Saturday, Oct. 15: **First Hockey Night in Canada of the season** features the "Battle of Ontario" with the Toronto Maple Leafs hosting the Ottawa Senators at Scotiabank Arena and the "Battle of Alberta" with the Calgary Flames visiting the Edmonton Oilers at Rogers Place.
- Los Angeles Kings F **Kevin Fiala** returns to Minnesota for the first time after playing parts of the last four seasons with the Wild. Fiala led the team in [goals](#) (79), [assists](#) (107) and [points](#) (186) since joining the club on Feb. 25, 2019.
- The San Jose Sharks host the **Doug Wilson Recognition Night** at SAP Center in honor **Doug Wilson**, who was the franchise's first-ever captain and served as the club's general manager from May 13, 2003 to April 7, 2022
- Tuesday, Oct. 18: NHL Board of Governors Meeting (New York, NY)
- Friday, Oct. 21: Seattle Kraken F **Andre Burakovsky** returns to Colorado for the first time after playing each of the last three seasons with the Avalanche, which included winning the Stanley Cup with the team last year
- Friday, Oct. 25: CSD: Preliminary Players to Watch List

NOVEMBER 2022

- Tuesday, Nov. 1: NHL begins the annual campaign for **Hockey Fights Cancer**
- Friday, Nov. 4: Columbus Blue Jackets F **Patrik Laine** and Colorado Avalanche F **Mikko Rantanen** return to their birth country with the clubs contesting the first half of their back-to-back at Nokia Arena in Tampere, Finland, as part of the **2022 NHL Global Series**
- Saturday, Nov. 5: **2022 NHL Global Series** (Colorado Avalanche at Columbus Blue Jackets). The Colorado Avalanche and Columbus Blue Jackets contest the second half of their back-to-back at Nokia Arena in Tampere, Finland.
- Nov. 11-14: **Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Weekend** (Toronto, Ont.) – Class of 2022 Inductees: **Daniel Alfredsson**, **Roberto Luongo**, **Riikka Sallinen**, **Daniel Sedin** and **Henrik Sedin** (Player category); **Herb Carnegie** (Builder category)
- Friday, Nov. 11: **Hockey Hall of Fame Game** (Pittsburgh Penguins at Toronto Maple Leafs)
- Saturday, Nov. 12: Ottawa Senators F **Claude Giroux** returns to Philadelphia for the first time after playing parts of the first 15 NHL seasons with the Flyers from 2007-08 to 2021-22, including 10 as team captain. Giroux ranks among the top 10 on the franchise's all-time lists for [games played](#) (1,000; 2nd), [points](#) (900; 2nd), [assists](#) (609; 2nd) and [goals](#) (291; 8th).



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- Tuesday, Nov. 15: NHL General Managers' Meeting (Toronto, Ont.)
- Saturday, Nov. 19: **First of five 15-game days scheduled for the 2022-23 regular season** (also Nov. 23, March 11, March 25 & April 13), with only the Arizona Coyotes and Vancouver Canucks idle
- Calgary Flames F **Jonathan Huberdeau** returns to Florida for the first time after playing each of his first 10 NHL seasons with the Panthers from 2012-13 to 2021-22. Huberdeau ranks first in franchise history in games played (671), assists (415) and points (613) and second in goals (198).
- Sunday, Nov. 20: The Chicago Blackhawks will retire **Marian Hossa's** No. 81 in a pre-game ceremony prior to hosting the Pittsburgh Penguins at United Center. Hossa helped Chicago win three Stanley Cups (2010, 2013 & 2015) during his eight seasons with the franchise from 2009-10 to 2016-17.
- Monday, Nov. 21: CSD: Players to Watch List Updated
- Wednesday, Nov. 23: **Second 15-game day scheduled for the 2022-23 regular season**, with only the Los Angeles Kings and Tampa Bay Lightning idle
- Friday, Nov. 25: **2022 NHL Thanksgiving Showdown** features a doubleheader with the Philadelphia Flyers hosting the Pittsburgh Penguins at Wells Fargo Center and the St. Louis Blues visiting the Tampa Bay Lightning at AMALIE Arena
- 2022-23 regular season eclipses the quarter-mark** during a 14-game day (328 GP)
- Saturday, Nov. 26: **NHL Founders Day (1917)**. Eighteen teams are in action on the 105th anniversary of the League's founding.
- Tuesday, Nov. 29: Florida Panthers F **Matthew Tkachuk** returns to Calgary for the first time after playing each of his first six NHL seasons with the Flames from 2016-17 to 2021-22
- Wednesday, Nov. 30: 50th Anniversary U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Induction – Class of 2022 Inductees: **Steve Cash, Jim Johansson, Monique Lamoureux-Morando, Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson, Ryan Miller** and Celebration of Lester Patrick (RiverCentre, St. Paul, Minn.)

DECEMBER 2022

- Thursday, Dec. 1: Signing deadline for Group 2 free agents (5 p.m. ET)
- Montreal Canadiens F **Sean Monahan** returns to Calgary for the first time after playing each of his first nine NHL seasons with the Flames from 2013-14 to 2021-22
- Thursday, Dec. 8: Anaheim Ducks D **John Klingberg** returns to Dallas for the first time after playing each of his first eight NHL seasons with the Stars from 2014-15 to 2021-22. Klingberg ranks among the top five on the franchise's all-time lists for [points](#) (374; 3rd), [assists](#) (303; 3rd) and [goals](#) (71; t-4th) among Stars/North Stars defensemen.
- Nashville Predators D **Ryan McDonagh** returns to Tampa Bay for the first time after playing parts of the last five seasons with the Lightning, which included winning back-to-back Stanley Cups with the team in 2020 and 2021
- Dec. 12-13: NHL Board of Governors Meeting (Fla.)
- Monday, Dec. 19: **105th Anniversary of the first games in NHL history**. A total of 16 teams are in action, including the Buffalo Sabres visiting the Vegas Golden Knights at T-Mobile Arena to face former Sabres captain and current Golden Knights F **Jack Eichel**.



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- Dec. 20-27: **Holiday roster freeze in effect:** For all players on an NHL active roster, injured reserve, or with non-roster and injured non-roster status as of 11:59 p.m. (local time) Dec. 19, a roster freeze shall apply through 12:01 a.m. (local time) Dec. 28, with respect to waivers, trades and loans, subject to the exceptions provided for in CBA Article 16.5 (d)
- Dec. 24-26: **Holiday break** (no scheduled practices – dressing rooms closed)
- Dec. 26 to Jan. 5: **2023 IIHF Men's World Junior Championship** (Halifax, N.S. & Moncton, N.B.)
- Saturday, Dec. 31: **New Year's Eve** features a 12-game slate, starting at 1 p.m. ET and concluding with two Hockey Night in Canada matchups at 10 p.m. ET between the Calgary Flames and Vancouver Canucks as well as the Edmonton Oilers and Winnipeg Jets

JANUARY 2023

- Monday, Jan. 2: **2023 Discover NHL Winter Classic** (Pittsburgh Penguins at Boston Bruins). The Pittsburgh Penguins and Boston Bruins square off at Fenway Park, home of MLB's Boston Red Sox, in the NHL's 36th regular-season outdoor game.
- Jan. 8-15: **2022 IIHF Ice Hockey U18 Women's World Championship** (Brunflo and Ostersund, Sweden)
- Week of Jan .9: **NHL Central Scouting Mid-Season Rankings** released
- Tuesday, Jan. 10: **2022-23 regular season surpasses the halfway mark** during a 10-game day (656 GP)
- Monday, Jan. 16: USA Hockey's annual BioSteel All-American Prospects Game (USA Hockey Arena, Plymouth, Mich.)
- Thursday, Jan. 19: The Buffalo Sabres will retire **Ryan Miller's** No. 30 in a pre-game ceremony prior to hosting the New York Islanders at KeyBank Center. Miller played parts of his first 11 NHL seasons with the Sabres from 2002-03 to 2013-14 and is the franchise's all-time leader in [wins](#) (284) and [games played](#) (540) among goaltenders.
- Saturday, Jan. 21: *Scotiabank Hockey Day in Canada* (Host city: Owen Sound, Ont.)
- Monday, Jan. 23: Columbus Blue Jackets F **Johnny Gaudreau** returns to Calgary for the first time after playing each of his first nine NHL seasons with the Flames from 2013-14 to 2021-22. Gaudreau ranks among the top 10 on the franchise's all-time lists for [points](#) (5th; 609), [assists](#) (5th; 399) and [goals](#) (9th; 210).
- Tuesday, Jan. 24: Washington Capitals G **Darcy Kuemper** returns to Colorado for the first time after backstopping the Avalanche to a Stanley Cup last year
- Wednesday, Jan. 25: 2023 CHL/NHL Top Prospects Game (Langley Events Centre, Langley, B.C.)

FEBRUARY 2023

- Feb. 1-28: NHL celebrates **Black History Month**.
- Feb. 2-4: No scheduled practices – dressing rooms closed



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- Feb. 2-5: **NHL All-Star Break** (no games played):
- Feb. 3-5: No scheduled practices; dressing rooms closed
 - Friday, Feb. 3: **2023 NHL All-Star Skills Presented by Draft Kings** at FLA Live Arena in Sunrise, Fla.
 - Saturday, Feb. 4: **2023 Honda NHL All-Star Game** at FLA Live Arena in Sunrise, Fla.
- Thursday, Feb. 9: **2022 Stanley Cup Final rematch** (Colorado Avalanche at Tampa Bay Lightning). The defending-champion Colorado Avalanche visit the Tampa Bay Lightning at AMALIE Arena in their first of two head-to-head games over a six-day span (also Feb. 14 at Ball Arena).
- Friday, Feb. 10: Pittsburgh Penguins F **Rickard Rakell** returns to Anaheim for the first time after playing parts of his first 10 NHL seasons with the Ducks
- Saturday, Feb. 11: New York Rangers F **Vincent Trocheck** returns to Carolina for the first time after playing parts of the last three seasons with the Hurricanes
- The Los Angeles Kings will unveil a statue of **Dustin Brown** and retire his No. 23 in a pre-game ceremony prior to hosting the Pittsburgh Penguins at Crypto.com Arena. Brown captained the Kings to their Stanley Cups in 2012 and 2014 and is the franchise's all-time leader in [games played](#) (1,296 GP).
- Saturday, Feb. 18: **2023 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series** (Washington Capitals at Carolina Hurricanes). The Washington Capitals and Carolina Hurricanes square off at Carter-Finley Stadium, home of the North Carolina State Wolfpack, in the NHL's 37th regular-season outdoor game. The hosts will become the 28th franchise to participate in a regular-season outdoor game.
- Feb. 20-26: Hockey Week Across America (USA Hockey); USA Hockey National Try Hockey for Free Day (Feb. 25)
- Saturday, Feb. 25: The San Jose Sharks will retire **Patrick Marleau's** No. 12 in a pre-game ceremony prior to hosting the Chicago Blackhawks at SAP Center. Marleau, the NHL's all-time leader in [games played](#) (1,779 GP), played parts of 21 seasons with the Sharks and tops various all-time franchise lists including [games played](#) (1,607 GP), [points](#) (1,111) and [goals](#) (522).
- Calgary Flames F **Nazem Kadri** returns to Colorado for the first time since helping the Avalanche win the Stanley Cup last year

MARCH 2023

- March 1-31: NHL celebrates **Gender Equality Month**
- Wednesday, March 1: Carolina Hurricanes F **Max Pacioretty** may return to Vegas for the first time after playing each of the last four seasons with the Golden Knights. Pacioretty underwent surgery to repair a torn Achilles tendon on Aug. 10, with the recovery time expected to be six months.
- Friday, March 3: 2023 NHL Trade Deadline (3 p.m. ET)
- 2022-23 regular season enters its final quarter** during a five-game day (984 GP)
- Monday, March 6: Ottawa Senators F **Alex DeBrincat** returns to Chicago for the first time after playing each of his first five NHL seasons with the Blackhawks from 2017-18 to 2021-22



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- Saturday, March 11: **Third 15-game day scheduled for the 2022-23 regular season**, with only Anaheim Ducks and Calgary Flames idle
- Edmonton Oilers G **Jack Campbell** returns to Toronto for the first time after playing parts of the last three seasons with the Maple Leafs. Campbell went 51-14-9 in 77 appearances with Toronto (2.50 GAA, .916 SV%, 7 SO), including posting a [franchise-record 11-game winning streak](#) in 2020-21.
- March 13-15: NHL General Managers' Meeting (Manalapan, Fla.)
- Sunday, March 19: New Jersey Devils F **Ondrej Palat** returns to Tampa Bay for the first time after playing each of his first 10 NHL seasons with the Lightning from 2012-13 to 2021-22, which included winning back-to-back Stanley Cups in 2020 and 2021
- Tuesday, March 21: Detroit Red Wings F **David Perron** returns to St. Louis for the first time after playing parts of 11 seasons across three different stints with the Blues, which included winning the Stanley Cup in 2019
- Saturday, March 25: **Fourth 15-game day scheduled for the 2022-23 regular season**, with only the Arizona Coyotes and Colorado Avalanche idle

APRIL 2023

- April 1-30: NHL celebrates **Earth Month**
- April 6-8: NCAA Frozen Four (Amalie Arena, Tampa, Fla.)
- April 7-17: IIHF Women's World Championship (Canada)
- Saturday, April 8: **First 16-game day in NHL history** is highlighted by a Hockey Night in Canada doubleheader, with the Toronto Maple Leafs hosting the Montreal Canadiens at Scotiabank Arena and the Calgary Flames visiting the Vancouver Canucks at Rogers Arena
- Thursday, April 13: **Final 15-game day scheduled for the 2022-23 regular season**, with only the Calgary Flames and New York Islanders idle.
- TBD: **2023 NHL Draft Lottery**
- Monday, April 17: **2023 Stanley Cup Playoffs begin**
- Week of 17th: NHL Central Scouting Final Rankings released
- April 20-30: 2023 IIHF Men's U18 World Championship (Basel and Porrentruy, Switzerland)

MAY 2023

- May 1-31: NHL celebrates **Asian & Pacific Islander Heritage Month**
- May 12-28: **2023 IIHF Men's World Championship** (Tampere, Finland and Riga, Latvia)
- May 28 to June 4: **2023 CHL Memorial Cup** (Kamloops, B.C.)



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JUNE 2023

June 1-30:	NHL celebrates Pride Month
June 4-10:	2023 NHL Scouting Combine (LECOM Harborcenter, Buffalo, N.Y.)
Monday, June 19:	Last possible day of 2023 Stanley Cup Final Deadline for first club-elected salary arbitration notification (5 p.m. ET)
Monday June 26:	2023 NHL Awards (Bridgestone Arena, Nashville, Tenn.)
Tuesday, June 27:	NHL General Managers' Meeting (Nashville, Tenn.)
June 28-29:	2023 NHL Draft (Bridgestone Arena, Nashville, Tenn.)

JULY 2023

Saturday, July 1:	Free agency begins (12 p.m. ET)
Wednesday, July 5:	Deadline for player-elected salary arbitration notification (5 p.m. ET)
Thursday, July 6:	Deadline for second club-elected salary arbitration notification
July 20 to Aug. 4:	Salary arbitration hearings held

AUGUST 2023

Sunday, Aug. 6:	Deadline for salary arbitration decisions to be rendered
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