



GAME NOTES

WASHINGTON CAPITALS vs. BOSTON BRUINS
Capital One Arena – Washington, D.C.
SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

WASHINGTON CAPITALS

Forwards

- 19 BACKSTROM, Nicklas
- 15 MEGNA, Jayson
- 24 BARBER, Riley
- 26 DOWD, Nic
- 45 JONSSON-FJALLBY, Axel
- 49 KAMMERER, Maximilian
- 50 BAU, Mathias
- 63 GERSICH, Shane
- 67 SUTTER, Riley
- 71 CLARK, Kody
- 72 BOYD, Travis
- 77 OSHIE, T.J.
- 87 O'BRIEN, Liam

Defenseemen

- 2 NISKANEN, Matt
- 9 ORLOV, Dmitry
- 21 JOHANSEN, Lucas
- 27 ALEXEYEV, Alexander
- 36 HOBBS, Connor
- 38 WILLIAMS, Colby
- 42 FEHERVARY, Martin

Goaltenders

- 30 SAMSONOV, Ilya
- 70 HOLTBY, Braden

Senior VP/General Manager	Brian MacLellan
Head Coach	Todd Reirden
Assistant Coach	Scott Arniel
Assistant Coach	Reid Cashman
Assistant Coach	Blaine Forsythe
Goaltending Coach	Scott Murray
Assistant Coach/Video	Brett Leonhardt
Video Analyst	Tim Ohashi

2018 Washington Capitals Preseason Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/Result (ET)	TV	Radio
Sun., Sept. 16	at Boston	TD Garden	L, 2-1 (SO)	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Tues., Sept. 18	Boston	Capital One Arena	7 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Thurs., Sept. 20	at Montreal	Videotron Centre (Quebec City)	7 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Fri., Sept. 21	at Carolina	PNC Arena	7:30 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Tues., Sept. 25	at St. Louis	Enterprise Arena	8 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Fri., Sept. 28	Carolina	Capital One Arena	7 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7
Sun., Sept. 30	St. Louis	Capital One Arena	3 p.m.	NBCSW	Caps Radio 24/7

Other Dates of Note

- Tues., Oct. 2 Capitals Media Luncheon at MedStar Capitals Iceplex, 12 p.m.
- Wed., Oct. 3 vs. Boston, Opening Night presented by GEICO at Capital One Arena, 7:30 p.m.

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Washington Capitals

vs. Boston – 9.18.18

Game Recaps

Boston 2, Washington 1 (SO)

September 16, 2018

Boston, MA

The Capitals fell to the Boston Bruins 2-1 in a shootout on Sunday at TD Garden. Brett Connolly scored the lone goal in the Capitals' preseason opener, with Christian Djoos and Andre Burakovsky picking up the assists. Aaron Ness led the team in ice time (22:57), while Burakovsky led the team in ice time among forwards (19:39). Connolly led the team in shots on goal (4), while Beck Malenstyn led the team in hits (4). Ness also led the team in blocked shots (4). Pheonix Copley, who started the game in net, made 21 saves, while Vitek Vanecek stopped all 12 of the shots he faced.

Washington Capitals Preseason Notes

HOME SWEET HOME – The Capitals host the Boston Bruins on Tuesday in the preseason home opener at Capital One Arena. This is Washington's second of seven preseason games in total and the first of three home games. Since 2011-12, the Capitals are 14-4-3 at home in preseason games.

STANLEY CUPS – Five players who appeared in the Stanley Cup-clinching Game 5 win will appear in this game. Nicklas Backstrom recorded seven points (1g, 6a) during the Stanley Cup Final, which was the second-highest point total during the Final. T.J. Oshie recorded three points in Game 4 (1g, 2a). Matt Niskanen and Dmitry Orlov ranked first and third, respectively, on the Caps in time on ice (Niskanen: 24:53; Orlov: 22:57). Braden Holtby recorded a 2.16 goals against average and a .922 save percentage during the playoffs, and his 16 wins are a franchise record.

BRUISING THE BRUINS – During the regular season, the Capitals have won 12 consecutive games against the Bruins in the regular season (10/11/14-12/28/17), marking their longest winning streak against Boston in franchise history (157 GP). The Caps are the only team in the NHL to record 10 or more consecutive wins against a single opponent over the last four seasons in the NHL. Washington has outscored the Bruins 41-19 during its winning streak.

MANNING THE NET – Braden Holtby is scheduled to start in net, while Ilya Samsonov will serve as the backup. Last season at home, Holtby went 22-7-2, tied for the fifth-most home wins in the NHL, and he recorded a 2.41 goals against average and a .921 save percentage. Over the last four seasons, Holtby has 94 wins, which ranks first in the NHL. During that span, his 2.07 goals against average ranks first, while his .926 save percentage is tied for second. Samsonov posted a 12-9-1 record with a 2.31 goals against average and a .926 save percentage in 26 regular season games and a 1-2 record with a 2.30 goals against average and a .913 save percentage in five playoff games with Metallurg Magnitogorsk (KHL) last season. The Magnitogorsk, Russia, native was ranked as the top European goaltender by NHL Central Scouting prior to the 2015 NHL Draft.

FLOW LIKE AXEL – Axel Jonsson-Fjallby is set to make his NHL preseason debut. Jonsson-Fjallby recorded 16 points (7g, 9a) in 42 regular season games and eight points (6g, 2a) in 11 playoff games with Djurgårdens IF (SHL) in 2017-18. The Stockholm, Sweden, native also led Sweden to a silver medal in the 2018 U-20 World Junior Championship, earning four points (2g, 2a) in seven games.

HOME GROWN – In total, 14 players selected by Washington in the NHL draft are in the lineup for Washington on Sunday, including 2016 first round draft pick Lucas Johansen. Johansen tallied 27 points (6g, 21a) in 74 games with the Hershey Bears (AHL) in 2017-18. The 6'2", 187-pound defenseman tied for first among Hershey defensemen in goals and power play goals (2) and second in assists and points last season.

FORMER BRUINS – Assistant coach Scott Arniel have played for the Bruins. Arniel, 55, joins Washington after spending the past five seasons as an associate coach with the New York Rangers. Arniel brings more than 15 years of professional coaching experience, which includes serving as head coach for the Columbus Blue Jackets from 2010-12. In addition, the Kingston, Ont., native compiled a 218-136-21-21 record in five seasons as head coach in the American Hockey League with the Chicago Wolves and the Manitoba Moose. Arniel guided the Moose to the Calder Cup Finals in 2009 after posting franchise records with 50 wins and 107 points to finish atop the AHL standings. Arniel captured the Louis A.R. Pieri Memorial Award that season as the AHL Coach of the Year.

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2018 Washington Capitals Training Camp Roster

FORWARDS (35)

#	Player	Ht.	Wt.	Shoots	Born	Birthplace	2017-18 Club	League(s)
19	BACKSTROM, Nicklas	6'1"	208	Left	11/23/87	Gavle, Sweden	CAPITALS	NHL
24	BARBER, Riley	6'0"	200	Right	2/7/94	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Hershey	AHL
50	BAU, Mathias	6'6"	231	Left	7/3/93	Glostrup, Denmark	Hershey	AHL
68	BESSE, Grant	5'10"	184	Left	7/14/94	Plymouth, Minnesota	Cleveland	AHL
72	BOYD, Travis	5'11"	181	Right	9/14/93	Edina, Minnesota	CAPITALS	NHL
65	BURAKOVSKY, Andre	6'3"	205	Left	2/9/95	Klagenfurt, Austria	CAPITALS	NHL
71	CLARK, Kody	6'2"	184	Right	10/13/99	King City, Ontario	Ottawa	OHL
10	CONNOLLY, Brett	6'3"	192	Right	5/2/92	Prince George, B.C.	CAPITALS	NHL
26	DOWD, Nic	6'1"	194	Right	5/27/90	Huntsville, Alabama	Vancouver	NHL
20	ELLER, Lars	6'2"	203	Left	5/8/89	Rodovre, Denmark	CAPITALS	NHL
58	FLORCHUK, Eric	6'2"	178	Left	1/10/00	Fort Saskatchewan, AB	Victoria/Saskatoon	WHL
63	GERSICH, Shane	5'11"	180	Left	7/10/96	Chaska, MN	CAPITALS	NHL
76	GUSTAFSSON, Hampus	6'4"	205	Left	10/26/93	Ljungby, Sweden	Hershey	AHL
61	IKONEN, Juuso	5'8"	172	Right	1/3/95	Espoo, Finland	Brynäs IF	SHL
45	JONSSON-FJALLBY, Axel	6'2"	190	Left	2/10/98	Stockholm, Sweden	Djurgårdens IF	SHL
49	KAMMERER, Maximilian	6'1"	178	Left	9/28/96	Düsseldorf, Germany	Düsseldorfer EG	Germany
92	KUZNETSOV, Evgeny	6'2"	204	Left	5/19/92	Chelyabinsk, Russia	CAPITALS	NHL
47	MALENSTYN, Beck	6'3"	205	Left	2/4/98	Delta, British Columbia	Swift Current	WHL
51	MARTHINSEN, Kristian	6'0"	190	Left	8/28/99	Lørenskog, Norway	Almtuna	SHL (JR)
15	MEGNA, Jayson	6'0"	190	Right	9/2/91	Fort Lauderdale, Florida	Utica	AHL
54	MITCHELL, Mason	6'2"	209	Left	6/13/94	Edmonton, Alberta	Hershey	AHL
87	O'BRIEN, Liam	6'1"	212	Left	7/29/94	Halifax, Nova Scotia	CAPITALS/Hershey	NHL/AHL
77	OSHIE, T.J.	6'0"	196	Right	12/23/86	Everett, Washington	CAPITALS	NHL
8	OVECHKIN, Alex	6'3"	235	Right	9/17/85	Moscow, Russia	CAPITALS	NHL
40	PILON, Garrett	6'0"	193	Right	4/13/98	Mineola, New York	Kamloops/Everett	WHL
64	PINHO, Brian	6'2"	197	Right	5/1/95	North Andover, Massachusetts	Providence College	NCAA
14	SGARBOSSA, Michael	6'0"	182	Left	7/25/92	Campbellville, Ontario	Manitoba	AHL
17	SHUMAKOV, Sergei	6'0"	196	Right	9/4/92	Chelyabinsk, Russia	CSKA Moskva	KHL
93	SIMPSON, Mark	6'6"	202	Left	4/24/95	Rothesay, New Brunswick	Univ. of New Brunswick	USports
25	SMITH-PELLY, Devante	6'0"	224	Right	6/14/92	Scarborough, Ontario	CAPITALS	NHL
18	STEPHENSON, Chandler	6'0"	206	Left	4/22/94	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	CAPITALS	NHL
67	SUTTER, Riley	6'4"	203	Right	10/25/99	Calgary, Alberta	Everett	WHL
13	VRANA, Jakub	6'0"	199	Left	2/28/96	Prague, Czech Republic	CAPITALS	NHL
79	WALKER, Nathan	5'9"	188	Left	4/7/94	Cardiff, Wales	Hershey/CAPITALS	AHL/NHL
43	WILSON, Tom	6'4"	220	Right	3/29/94	Toronto, Ontario	CAPITALS	NHL

DEFENSEMEN (18)

27	ALEXEYEV, Alexander	6'4"	199	Left	11/15/99	St. Petersburg, Russia	Red Deer	WHL
84	BINDULIS, Kristofers	6'3"	194	Left	9/17/95	Riga, Latvia	Hershey	AHL
22	BOWEY, Madison	6'2"	197	Right	4/22/95	Winnipeg, Manitoba	CAPITALS	NHL
74	CARLSON, John	6'3"	218	Right	1/10/90	Natick, Massachusetts	CAPITALS	NHL
29	DJOOS, Christian	6'0"	180	Left	8/6/94	Gothenburg, Sweden	CAPITALS	NHL
42	FEHERVARY, Martin	6'2"	198	Left	10/6/99	Bratislava, Slovakia	IK Oskarshamn	SHL
46	GEISSER, Tobias	6'5"	213	Left	2/13/99	Stans, Switzerland	EV Zug	SWISS
36	HOBBS, Connor	6'2"	200	Right	1/4/97	Regina, Saskatchewan	Hershey	AHL
21	JOHANSEN, Lucas	6'2"	188	Left	11/16/97	Vancouver, British Columbia	Hershey	AHL
53	KANNOK-LEIPERT, Alex	6'0"	197	Right	7/20/00	Regina, Saskatchewan	Vancouver	WHL
6	KEMPNY, Michal	6'1"	195	Left	9/8/90	Hodonin, Czech Republic	CAPITALS	NHL
78	LEWINGTON, Tyler	6'2"	199	Right	12/5/94	Edmonton, Alberta	Hershey	AHL
55	NESS, Aaron	5'10"	189	Left	5/18/90	Roseau, Minnesota	CAPITALS/Hershey	NHL/AHL
2	NISKANEN, Matt	6'1"	203	Right	12/6/86	Virginia, Minnesota	CAPITALS	NHL
9	ORLOV, Dmitry	6'0"	211	Left	6/23/91	Novokuznetsk, Russia	CAPITALS	NHL
44	ORPIK, Brooks	6'3"	219	Left	9/26/80	San Francisco, California	CAPITALS	NHL
34	SIEGENTHALER, Jonas	6'3"	214	Left	5/6/97	Zurich, Switzerland	Hershey	AHL
38	WILLIAMS, Colby	6'0"	203	Right	1/26/95	Regina, Saskatchewan	Hershey	AHL

GOALTENDERS (7)

1	COPLEY, Pheonix	6'4"	200	Left	1/18/92	North Pole, Alaska	Hershey	AHL
70	HOLTBY, Braden	6'2"	210	Left	9/16/89	Lloydminster, Saskatchewan	CAPITALS	NHL
33	MILNER, Parker	6'0"	173	Left	9/6/90	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Hershey/South Carolina	AHL/ECHL
80	MORRISON, Adam	6'3"	201	Left	2/9/91	Surrey, British Columbia	Wheeling	ECHL
30	SAMSONOV, Ilya	6'4"	201	Left	2/22/97	Magnitogorsk, Russia	Magnitogorsk	KHL
35	THOMPSON, Logan	6'4"	176	Right	2/25/97	Calgary, Alberta	Brandon	WHL
41	VANECEK, Vitek	6'2"	190	Left	1/9/96	Havlickuv Brod, Czech Republic	Hershey	AHL

Rosters as of Sept.18, 2018

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2018 Washington Capitals Training Camp Roster by Group

Group White

#	Player (Position)	Ht.	Wt.	Shoots	Born	Birthplace	2017-18 Club	League(s)
6	KEMPNY, Michal (D)	6'1"	195	Left	9/8/90	Hodonin, Czech Republic	CAPITALS	NHL
13	VRANA, Jakub (F)	6'0"	199	Left	2/28/96	Prague, Czech Republic	CAPITALS	NHL
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27	ALEXEYEV, Alexander	6'4"	199	Left	11/15/99	St. Petersburg, Russia	Red Deer	WHL
34	SIEGENTHALER, Jonas (D)	6'3"	214	Left	5/6/97	Zurich, Switzerland	Hershey	AHL
41	VANECEK, Vitek (G)	6'2"	190	Left	1/9/96	Havlickuv Brod, Czech Republic	Hershey	AHL
42	FEHERVARY, Martin (D)	6'2"	198	Left	10/6/99	Bratislava, Slovakia	IK Oskarshamn	SHL
50	BAU, Mathias (F)	6'6"	231	Left	7/3/93	Glostrup, Denmark	Hershey	AHL
64	PINHO, Brian (F)	6'2"	197	Right	5/1/95	North Andover, Massachusetts	Providence College	NCAA
67	SUTTER, Riley (F)	6'4"	203	Right	10/25/99	Calgary, Alberta	Everett	WHL
68	BESSE, Grant (F)	5'10"	184	Left	7/14/94	Plymouth, Minnesota	Cleveland	AHL
70	HOLTBY, Braden (G)	6'2"	210	Left	9/16/89	Lloydminster, Saskatchewan	CAPITALS	NHL
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87	O'BRIEN, Liam (F)	6'1"	212	Left	7/29/94	Halifax, Nova Scotia	CAPITALS/Hershey	NHL/AHL

Group Red

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1	COPELY, Pheonix (G)	6'4"	200	Left	1/18/92	North Pole, Alaska	Hershey	AHL
10	CONNOLLY, Brett (F)	6'3"	192	Right	5/2/92	Prince George, B.C.	CAPITALS	NHL
14	SGARBOSSA, Michael (F)	6'0"	182	Left	7/25/92	Campbellville, Ontario	Manitoba	AHL
20	ELLER, Lars (F)	6'2"	203	Left	5/8/89	Rodovre, Denmark	CAPITALS	NHL
21	JOHANSEN, Lucas (D)	6'2"	188	Left	11/16/97	Vancouver, British Columbia	Hershey	AHL
24	BARBER, Riley (F)	6'0"	200	Right	2/7/94	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Hershey	AHL
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2	NISKANEN, Matt	6'1"	203	Right	12/6/86	Virginia, Minnesota	CAPITALS	NHL
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55	NESS, Aaron	5'10"	189	Left	5/18/90	Roseau, Minnesota	CAPITALS/Hershey	NHL/AHL
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63	GRSICH, Shane	5'11"	180	Left	7/10/96	Chaska, MN	CAPITALS	NHL
72	BOYD, Travis	5'11"	181	Right	9/14/93	Edina, Minnesota	CAPITALS	NHL
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