

LA KINGS REGULAR-SEASON PREVIEW: GAME 21 @ FLORIDA

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Los Angeles Kings 2015-16 Regular Season:

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The **Los Angeles Kings** are coming off two-straight losses, but they have no time to dwell as they are right back to work on Monday night. Just over 24 hours after losing a back-and-forth contest in Carolina, the silver-and-black will be in Sunrise paying a visit to the 8-8-3 **Florida Panthers**.

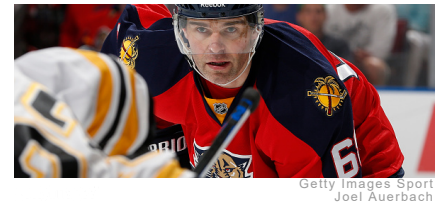
Like entering Sunday's game, the Kings hope for a sweep of a season series. But unlike Sunday, the Kings will hope to complete the sweep after defeating Florida by a 4-1 count on Nov. 7 in Los Angeles. The Panthers, however, may have other ideas.

Coming a hard-fought overtime loss on Saturday to the **New York Rangers**, the Panthers will hope to right the ship against a Kings team that has had some slow starts as of late, costing them wins in their latter two outings.

The ageless one, **Jaromir Jagr**, continues to lead the Panthers in scoring with eight goals and 16 points. Monday will mark Jagr's 32nd-career — and possibly final — game against the Kings. In his previous 31 outings, the future Hall-of-Famer has registered 30 points (13 goals, 17 assists). The Kings did, however, keep Jagr off the scoresheet a few weeks ago. They may not be so lucky this time. But, if the silver-and-black play a better defensive game and stay out of the penalty box, they may just be able to slow down No. 68 and, for that matter, the rest of the Panthers' squad.



Anze Kopitar is coming off a two-goal outing on Sunday and **Milan Lucic** is coming off a strong performance as well. Despite not registering any points on Sunday, Lucic did screen **Cam Ward** to help Kopitar score both of his tallies. Screening the opposing netminders and creating traffic is just what the Kings need to generate more offense — and if they can do that on Monday night, they should be in good shape. **Jeff Carter**, who scored twice in Detroit on Friday, notched two points against the Panthers back on Nov. 7. The Kings will be hoping that Carter can light the lamp again on Monday.



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Jonathan Quick is expected to be back in the Los Angeles net in this one. While none of Carolina's goals were necessarily his fault on Sunday, he was nonetheless a victim of some bad bounces. The Kings are hoping that better luck is in the cards for Quick on Monday.

The Kings will look for a split on their road swing before finishing in Tampa on Wednesday. We'll see what the silver-and-black has in store.

Enjoy the game!