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2023 SEASON SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (PT)
REGULAR SEASON [0-0]		
SEPT. 10	@ PITTSBURGH	10:00 AM
SEPT. 17	@ LA RAMS	1:05 PM
SEPT. 21	NY GIANTS	5:15 PM
OCT. 1	ARIZONA	1:25 PM
OCT. 8	DALLAS	5:20 PM
OCT. 15	@ CLEVELAND	10:00 AM
OCT. 23	@ MINNESOTA	1:25 PM
OCT. 29	CINCINNATI	1:25 PM
NOV. 12	@ JACKSONVILLE	10:00 AM
NOV. 19	TAMPA BAY	1:05 PM
NOV. 23	@ SEATTLE	5:20 PM
DEC. 3	@ PHILADELPHIA	1:25 PM
DEC. 10	SEATTLE	1:05 PM
DEC. 17	@ ARIZONA	1:05 PM
DEC. 25	BALTIMORE	5:15 PM
DEC. 31	@ WASHINGTON	10:00 AM
TBD	LA RAMS	TBD

MEDIA CENTER

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MEDIA GUIDE

The 49ers 2023 media guide is available online at <https://49ers.1rmg.com/season/2023/media-guide/> and will be updated weekly throughout the season.

WEEKLY RELEASE

The electronic version of the 49ers weekly release is available online. To access the book, please visit: <https://49ers.1rmg.com/weekly-releases/>

49ERS AT STEELERS

The San Francisco 49ers open the 2023 regular season at Acrisure Stadium as they take on the Pittsburgh Steelers. This matchup marks the 23rd meeting all-time between the two clubs and the first meeting since the Niners defeated the Steelers, 24-20, in 2019 at Levi's Stadium.

The 49ers lead the all-time series against the Steelers 12-10, including a 6-5 record on the road, and have won three of the last five matchups between the teams. This matchup also marks the first time the 49ers have opened the season in Pittsburgh since the 1993 season.

San Francisco finished the preseason with a 1-2 record. Offensively, the team registered 338.3 yards per game and scored 13.3 points per game while averaging 5.9 yards per play. The Niners defense held its opponents to 287.7 total yards per game and 113.7 passing yards per game, which ranked first in the NFL.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 119.0** QB **Brock Purdy** led all QBs through the final 5 weeks (Weeks 14-18) of the 2022 regular season with a passer rating of 119.0.
- 115** LB **Fred Warner** is 1 of 2 players since the 2000 season to register at least 115 tackles in each of the first 5 seasons of his career (LB Kirk Morrison, Oak.), according to the Elias Sports Bureau.
- 16.77** The **49ers** finished the 2022 season with an average margin of victory of 16.77, which was the highest margin of victory in the NFL.
- 6.62** In 2022, the **49ers offense** averaged 6.62 YAC per receipt., ranking 1st in the NFL.
- 2** The **49ers** were 1 of 2 teams (LAC) in 2022 to rank in the top-5 in both red zone drives (63) and red zone drives allowed (37).
- 1** Over the last 4 seasons (2019-22), the **49ers defense** ranks 1st in the NFL in both yds. allowed per play (5.0) and total yds. allowed per game (301.8).
- 1-0** The **49ers** look to start the regular season 1-0 for the eighth time in the past 12 seasons.

49ERS ON THE AIR

TELEVISION: FOX

Play-By-Play: Joe Davis

Color Analyst: Daryl Johnston

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Play-By-Play: Jesús Zárate

Color Analyst: Carlos Yustis

THE HEAD COACHES



Kyle Shanahan was named the 20th head coach of the San Francisco 49ers on February 6, 2017. Over the last six seasons, he has posted a 52-46 record (6-3 in the postseason) and led the 49ers to two NFC West Division Titles (2019 & 2022), three trips to the NFC Championship Game and a trip to Super Bowl LIV. He completed his sixth season

with the 49ers after spending the previous two seasons as the offensive coordinator of the Atlanta Falcons. Shanahan has 20 seasons of coaching experience at the NFL level, including nine seasons as an offensive coordinator for the Atlanta Falcons (2015-16), Cleveland Browns (2014), Washington Redskins (2010-13) and Houston Texans (2008-09). In six of his nine seasons as an offensive coordinator (2008-09, 2012-13 and 2015-16), and three as head coach of the 49ers (2019, 2021-22), Shanahan has directed an offense that ranked in the top 10 in the NFL in yards gained. In 2019, Shanahan led the 49ers to NFC West and Conference titles en route to a trip to Super Bowl LIV, winning Coach of the Year honors by Sporting News and NFC Coach of the Year by the Committee of 101. Two years later, Shanahan guided the team to its second NFC Championship Game in two seasons (2021). In 2022, Shanahan led the 49ers to 12-consecutive wins after a 3-4 start, a second NFC West Division Title in four seasons and the teams second-consecutive appearance in the NFC Championship Game. Following the 2016 season, Shanahan earned Associated Press Assistant Coach of the Year honors after helping the Atlanta Falcons make an appearance in Super Bowl LI.

COACHES COMPARISON

Kyle Shanahan

52-46 (.531)

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58-49 (.542)

7th

7th

20th

Record as Head Coach

Record with Current Team

Overall Record (Regular/Postseason)

Years as Head Coach with Team

Years as Head Coach in NFL

Years as an NFL Coach

Mike Tomlin

163-93-2 (.636)

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171-102-2 (.622)

17th

17th

23rd



Mike Tomlin is in his 17th season as head coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers. Tomlin, who was hired as the 16th head coach in franchise history on January 22, 2007, holds the third-best record among active NFL head coaches, behind Andy Reid and Bill Belichick. During his tenure with the Steelers, he has led the team to seven AFC North titles, 10

playoff appearances, two AFC Championships and two Super Bowls (XLIII and XLV). He has never coached a losing season in Pittsburgh. In 2022, Tomlin led the Steelers to a 9-8 regular season record after making playoff appearances in 2021 and 2020. Tomlin's Steelers missed the playoffs in both 2019 and 2018, but from 2014-17 Tomlin led his team to at least 10 regular season wins and four consecutive playoff appearances, including an AFC Championship Game appearance in 2016. The Steelers went 8-8 and missed the playoffs in both the 2012 and 2013 seasons after posting 12-4 records in 2010 and 2011. In 2010, Tomlin guided Pittsburgh to its second AFC Championship in three years and an appearance in Super Bowl XLV. In just his second year at the helm (2008), Tomlin led the Steelers to a 27-23 victory over the Arizona Cardinals in Super Bowl XLIII. He was, at the time, the youngest head coach in NFL history to both coach in and win a Super Bowl. Prior to becoming a head coach in the NFL, Tomlin spent one season (2006) as defensive coordinator for the Minnesota Vikings, leading a unit that was ranked first in the NFL in rushing defense (61.6 ypg). He began his NFL coaching career with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, where he spent five seasons (2001-05) as defensive backs coach.

ROAD WARRIORS

- San Francisco finished the 2022 regular season with a 5-3 record on the road. Combined with a 6-3 road record in 2021, a 5-3 road record in 2020 and a 7-1 road record in 2019, it marked the first time since the 1994-97 seasons that the 49ers reached 5-or-more road wins in four-consecutive seasons.
- From 2019-22 under head coach Kyle Shanahan, San Francisco's 23 victories for a .697 winning percentage on the road is the 3rd-highest in the NFL over that span.

HIGHEST WIN % ON THE ROAD IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Wins	Losses	Win %
1. Kansas City Chiefs	27	6	.818
2. Buffalo Bills	23	9	.719
3. San Francisco 49ers	23	10	.697
4. New Orleans Saints	22	11	.667
5. Baltimore Ravens	21	12	.636



WILD, WILD, WEST

- San Francisco's 16 wins over NFC West opponents over the past four seasons (2019-22) are the 4th-most division wins for a team in the NFC.

MOST DIVISION WINS IN THE NFC, 2019-22

Team	Wins	Losses	Win %
1. Green Bay Packers	18	6	.750
2t. Dallas Cowboys	17	7	.708
New Orleans Saints	17	7	.708
4. San Francisco 49ers	16	8	.667
5t. Minnesota Vikings	14	10	.583
Philadelphia Eagles	14	10	.583
Seattle Seahawks	14	10	.583
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	14	10	.583

- During that span, no NFC West team has scored more points than the 49ers (613).
- The 2022 49ers went undefeated (6-0) in the NFC West for the first time since 1997. The team also defeated the Seattle Seahawks 41-23 in the NFC Wild Card game (1/14/23 - NFC-WC).

49ERS RECORD WHEN

TEAM	2023 Reg. Season	Shanahan Reg. Season
Overall	0-0	52-46
At Home	0-0	26-23
On the Road	0-0	26-23
Neutral Site	0-0	1-0
In Primetime	0-0	12-11
In Dome	0-0	6-7
In September	0-0	9-10
In October	0-0	11-16
In November	0-0	11-9
In December	0-0	17-10
In January	0-0	4-1
In February	0-0	0-0
Vs. NFC	0-0	38-36
Vs. NFC West	0-0	18-18
Vs. NFC East	0-0	5-7
Vs. NFC North	0-0	6-6
Vs. NFC South	0-0	7-5
Vs. AFC	0-0	16-10
Vs. AFC West	0-0	4-4
Vs. AFC East	0-0	3-2
Vs. AFC North	0-0	4-1
Vs. AFC South	0-0	5-3
Scoring on opening drive	0-0	30-12
Scoring first	0-0	22-17
Leading at half	0-0	37-9
Leading after three quarters	0-0	45-9
Winning time of possession	0-0	31-17
Out-rushing opponent	0-0	41-17
Out-passing opponent	0-0	33-26
Out-gaining opponent	0-0	44-21
OFFENSE		
40% + 3rd down conversions	0-0	37-18
50% + 3rd down conversions	0-0	25-7
Not throwing an INT	0-0	28-9
Passing for 300+ yards	0-0	11-11
Having a 100+ yard rusher	0-0	15-6
Having a 100+ yard receiver	0-0	21-16
Scoring 20+ points	0-0	48-20
Scoring 30+ points	0-0	29-4
Rushing for 150+ yards	0-0	25-7
Having 20+ first downs	0-0	40-27
Not allowing a sack	0-0	12-3
Allowing two or fewer sacks	0-0	35-20
DEFENSE		
Opp. less than 40% on 3rd down	0-0	34-17
Opp. less than 30% on 3rd down	0-0	17-6
Scoring a defensive TD	0-0	10-2
Returning an INT for a TD	0-0	8-1
Returning a fumble for a TD	0-0	2-1
Recording 3+ sacks	0-0	29-16
Recording 5+ sacks	0-0	7-2
Winning the turnover battle	0-0	27-6
Allowing 17 or fewer points	0-0	33-4
Allowing a 100-yard rusher	0-0	4-7
Allowing a 100-yard receiver	0-0	16-19
Not allowing a rushing TD	0-0	29-11
Not allowing a passing TD	0-0	17-3

2022 COMPARISON

49ERS (rank)	Record	STEELERS (rank)
13-4 (1st NFCW)		9-8 (3rd AFCN)
26.5 (6th)	Points Per Game	18.1 (t-26th)
365.6 (5th)	Total Offense	322.6 (23rd)
138.8 (8th)	Rushing Offense	121.9 (16th)
226.8 (13th)	Passing Offense	200.6 (24th)
31:48 (2nd)	Possession Average	31:13 (7th)
16.3 (1st)	Points Allowed Per Game	20.4 (t-10th)
300.6 (1st)	Total Defense	330.4 (13th)
77.7 (2nd)	Rushing Defense	108.1 (9th)
222.9 (20th)	Passing Defense	222.3 (19th)
44 (t-10th)	Sacks	40 (t-14th)
20 (t-1st)	Interceptions	20 (t-1st)
39.72 (29th)	Punting Avg. (Gross)	41.09 (18th)
+13 (1st)	Turnover Differential	+4 (t-9th)
49ERS		
PASSING YARDS		
Jimmy Garoppolo .. 2,437		Kenny Pickett..... 2,404
Brock Purdy1,374		Mitchell Trubisky 1,252
RUSHING YARDS		
Christian McCaffrey..... 746		Najee Harris.....1,034
Jeff Wilson Jr..... 468		Jaylen Warren379
RECEPTIONS		
Brandon Aiyuk.....78		Diontae Johnson..... 86
George Kittle.....60		Pat Freiermuth..... 63
RECEIVING YARDS		
Brandon Aiyuk.....1,015		Diontae Johnson.....882
George Kittle.....765		George Pickens..... 801
INTERCEPTIONS		
Tashaun Gipson Sr..... 5		Minkah Fitzpatrick..... 6
SACKS		
Nick Bosa.....18.5		Alex Highsmith14.5
Samson Ebukam.....5.0		Cameron Heyward ...10.5



SERIES HISTORY VS. PITTSBURGH



PITTSBURGH STEELERS

Overall: 12-10

Home: 6-5

Away: 6-5

Date	Win	Score	Location	Date	Win	Score	Location	Date	Win	Score	Location
10/14/51	49ers	28-24	P	9/19/77	Steelers	27-0	P	11/7/99	Steelers	27-6	SF
12/7/52	Steelers	24-7	SF	11/27/78	Steelers	24-7	SF	11/17/03	49ers	30-14	SF
11/20/54	49ers	31-3	P	11/1/81	49ers	17-14	P	9/23/07	Steelers	37-16	P
9/28/58	49ers	23-20	SF	10/14/84	Steelers	20-17	SF	12/19/11	49ers	20-3	SF
10/29/61	Steelers	20-10	P	9/13/87	Steelers	30-17	P	9/20/15	Steelers	43-18	P
9/26/65	49ers	27-17	SF	10/21/90	49ers	27-7	SF	9/22/19	49ers	24-20	SF
11/24/68	49ers	45-28	P	9/5/93	49ers	24-13	P				
12/15/73	Steelers	37-14	SF	12/15/96	49ers	25-15	P				

Record: At Levi's Stadium: (1-0)

Acrisure Stadium: (0-2)

Points: At Levi's Stadium: (24-20)

Acrisure Stadium: (34-80)

SERIES HIGHLIGHTS

Matchups: 22

Series Record: 49ers lead series 12-10

49ers Home Record vs. Steelers: 49ers lead series 6-5

49ers Away Record vs. Steelers: 49ers lead series 6-5

First Meeting: 10/14/51, 49ers win 28-24, at Pit.

Last Meeting: 9/22/19, 49ers win 24-20, at SF

Current Streak: Won 1

Longest 49ers Win Streak: 3 (10/21/90 - 12/15/96)

Longest Steelers Win Streak: 3 (12/15/73 - 11/27/78)

Most 49ers Points: 45 (11/24/68): 49ers win 45-28, at Pit.

Most Steelers Points: 43 (9/20/15): Steelers win 43-18, at Pit.

49ers Shutouts: None

Steelers Shutouts: 1 (9/19/77): Steelers win 27-0, at Pit.



CONTROL THE CLOCK

- The 49ers have an average time of possession of 31:17 over the past four seasons (2019-22), ranking 3rd in the NFL over that span (Bal. - 32:21; GB - 32:00).
- The 49ers finished the 2022 regular season with an average time of possession of 31:48, which ranked 2nd in the NFL (Was. - 33:02).

HIGHEST AVG. TIME OF POSSESSION IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	TOP
1. Baltimore Ravens	32:21
2. Green Bay Packers	32:00
3. San Francisco 49ers	31:17
4. New Orleans Saints	30:58
5. Cleveland Browns	30:44

GET OUT IN FRONT

- The 49ers have outscored their opponents 1,732-1,342 since 2019. The team's +390 point differential ranks 1st in the NFC and 4th in the NFL (Buf. - +544; KC - +497; Bal. - +444) over that span.
- In the 2022 regular season, the Niners outscored opponents 450-277. The team's +173 point differential ranked 1st in the NFL.

HIGHEST PT. DIFFERENTIAL IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Diff.
1. Buffalo Bills	+544
2. Kansas City Chiefs	+497
3. Baltimore Ravens	+444
4. San Francisco 49ers	+390
5. New England Patriots	+344
6. Dallas Cowboys	+332
7. Green Bay Packers	+281
8. New Orleans Saints	+276
9. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	+259
10. Philadelphia Eagles	+139

YARDS ON YARDS

- The 49ers have averaged 373.1 yds. per game since 2019, ranking 6th in the NFL over that span.
- In 2022, the 49ers finished the regular season averaging 365.6 yds. per game, ranking 5th in the NFL.
- San Francisco has accumulated 24,622 total net yds. of offense and allowed 19,919 total net yds. on defense the last four seasons (2019-22). The team's +4,703 total net yds. differential ranks 1st in the NFL since 2019.

HIGHEST YDS. PER GAME AVG. IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Yds./Gm.
1. Kansas City Chiefs	401.5
2. Dallas Cowboys	391.0
3. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	383.4
4. Buffalo Bills	376.6
5. Los Angeles Chargers	374.8
6. San Francisco 49ers	373.1
7. Baltimore Ravens	371.7
8. Minnesota Vikings	367.6
9. Las Vegas Raiders	365.6
10. Philadelphia Eagles	361.5

HIGHEST TOTAL NET YARDAGE DIFFERENTIAL IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Total Yds.	Def. Total Yds.	Diff.
1. San Francisco 49ers	24,622	19,919	+4,703
2. Buffalo Bills	24,480	20,155	+4,325
3. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	25,306	21,885	+3,421
4. Kansas City Chiefs	26,498	23,178	+3,320
5. Dallas Cowboys	25,806	22,995	+2,811

KEEP IT MOVING

- Since 2019, the 49ers offense has averaged 5.9 yds. per play, which is the 2nd-highest mark in the NFL during that span (KC - 6.2).
- In the 2022 regular season, the 49ers averaged 5.9 yds. per play, which was tied for the 4th-highest mark in the NFL (KC - 6.4; Mia. - 6.1; Buf. - 6.1; Phi. - 5.9; Det. - 5.9).

HIGHEST YDS. PER PLAY AVG. IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Yds./Play
1. Kansas City Chiefs	6.2
2. San Francisco 49ers	5.9
3t. Buffalo Bills	5.8
Dallas Cowboys	5.8
Las Vegas Raiders	5.8
Minnesota Vikings	5.8
Seattle Seahawks	5.8
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	5.8

STRETCH THE FIELD

- San Francisco has registered 466 big plays since 2019 (rushes of 10-or-more yds. and receptions of 20-or-more yds.), which is the 3rd-most in the NFL over that span (Bal. - 502; Cle. - 477). Of those 466 big plays, 230 have been rushing while 236 have been receiving.
- In 2022, the 49ers tallied 117 big plays in the regular season, ranking 6th in the NFL (Phi. - 137; Cle. - 121; Bal. - 121; KC - 120; Chi. - 119).

MOST BIG PLAYS (RUSHES OF 10+ YDS. & PASSES OF 20+ YDS.) IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	Big Plays
1. Baltimore Ravens	502
2. Cleveland Browns	477
3. San Francisco 49ers	466
4. Philadelphia Eagles	459
5. Buffalo Bills	458
6. Minnesota Vikings	455
7. Dallas Cowboys	453
8. Kansas City Chiefs	449
9t. New England Patriots	439
Seattle Seahawks	439

- RB Christian McCaffrey registered 36 big plays (28 rushing, 8 receiving) in the 2022 regular season, which was tied for the 4th-most in the NFL (RB Nick Chubb, Cle. - 48; RB Derrick Henry, Ten. - 43; RB Josh Jacobs, LV - 43; RB Aaron Jones, GB - 36).



STAYING PUT

- In the 2022 regular season, out of 186 possible drives, the 49ers offense went three-and-out 26 times for a three-and-out percentage of 14.0%, which was the lowest rate in the NFL.

THREE-AND-OUT DRIVE %, 2022

Team	3-Out %
1. San Francisco 49ers	14.0
2. Green Bay Packers	14.1
3. Baltimore Ravens	14.4
4. Miami Dolphins	15.2
5. Atlanta Falcons	15.5

THIRD-AND-LONG

- In the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers offense has converted on 27.9% of their 3rd-and-10-or-more opportunities, which is the 3rd-best mark in the NFL over that span (KC - 32.6%; Buf. - 31.0%).

3RD-AND-10+ CONVERSION % IN THE NFL, 2021-22

Team	3rd-10+ %
1. Kansas City Chiefs	32.6
2. Buffalo Bills	31.0
3. San Francisco 49ers	27.9
4t. Cincinnati Bengals	24.8
Los Angeles Chargers	24.8

- In the 2022 season, the 49ers offense converted on 29.8% of their 3rd-and-10-or-more opportunities, ranking 3rd in the NFL (KC - 41.9%; Buf. - 31.9%).

YAC, YAC, YAC

- Since 2019, 53.3% of the 49ers receiving yds. have come after the catch. This YAC percentage ranks 1st in the NFL during that span.
- In 2022, 55.2% of the 49ers receiving yds. came after the catch, which was the highest-mark in the NFL.

HIGHEST YAC % IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	YAC %
1. San Francisco 49ers	53.3
2. Green Bay Packers	52.1
3. Kansas City Chiefs	51.6
4. Carolina Panthers	50.8
5. Los Angeles Chargers	49.6

- RB Christian McCaffrey registered 691 YAC in 2022, the 2nd-most in the NFL (RB Austin Ekeler, LAC - 843).



WHAT'S THE RUSH?

- Over the last 4 seasons (2019-22), the 49ers have scored 84 rushing TDs, which is the 3rd-most in the NFL over that span (Phi. - 89; Ten. - 86).

MOST RUSHING TDS IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	TDs
1. Philadelphia Eagles	89
2. Tennessee Titans	86
3. San Francisco 49ers	84
4. Arizona Cardinals	78
5. Baltimore Ravens	77

ELITE ON FIRST

- Since the beginning of 2017, the Niners have racked up 17,717 total yds. of offense on 2,848 plays on 1st down.
- The team's 6.2 average yds. gained on 1st down is the highest in the NFL over that span.

HIGHEST AVG. YDS. GAINED ON 1ST DOWN IN THE NFL, 2017-22

Team	Avg.
1. San Francisco 49ers	6.2
2. Kansas City Chiefs	6.1
3. New Orleans Saints	6.0
4. Atlanta Falcons	5.9
5t. Buffalo Bills	5.8
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	5.8

PASSING BY

- Over the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers have an average passer rating of 100.7, which ranks 4th in the NFL and 2nd in the NFC during that span.
- The 49ers finished the 2022 regular season with the 2nd-best passer rating in the NFL at 102.3 (KC - 104.7).

HIGHEST PASSER RATING IN THE NFL, 2021-22

Team	Rtg
1. Cincinnati Bengals	103.8
2. Seattle Seahawks	101.4
3. Kansas City Chiefs	101.3
4. San Francisco 49ers	100.7
5. Green Bay Packers	99.8
6. Minnesota Vikings	97.1
7. Dallas Cowboys	97.0
8. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	95.6
9. Los Angeles Chargers	95.3
10. Philadelphia Eagles	94.3



MR. IRRELEVANT

PURDY GOOD START

- In his first start vs. TB (12/11/22), Purdy completed 16 of his 21 passing atts. for 185 yds., 2 TDs, and a QBR of 134.0 to go along with a 2-yd. rushing TD.
- Purdy's 134.0 QBR is the fourth highest QBR in NFL history for a rookie in his first start (min. 15 atts.).

HIGHEST QBR IN FIRST START AS A ROOKIE (MIN. 15 ATTS.), NFL HISTORY

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>QBR</u>
1.	Marcus Mariota, Ten.	2015	1	158.3
2.	Robert Griffin III, Was.	2012	1	139.9
3.	Charlie Frye, Cle.	2005	13	136.7
4.	Brock Purdy, SF	2022	14	134.0

- Purdy became the first rookie in the Super Bowl era to register at least 2 TD passes, 1 rushing TD, and a QBR of 125-or-higher in his first career start.
- With 2 TD passes vs. TB (12/11/22), 2 TD passes at Sea. (12/15/22) and 2 TD passes vs. Was. (12/24/22), Purdy became the only rookie QB since 1950 to win each of his first 3 NFL starts and throw 2-or-more TD passes in each game.
- With wins vs. TB (12/11/22), at Sea. (12/15/22), vs. Was. (12/24/22), at LV (1/1/23) and vs. Arz. (1/8/23), Purdy became the first QB in franchise history to win his first 5 NFL starts and the 3rd rookie QB in NFL history to win at least his first 5 starts.

MOST CONSECUTIVE WINS BY A ROOKIE QB TO BEGIN A CAREER, NFL HISTORY

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Year</u>
1.	Ben Roethlisberger, Pit.	13	2004
2.	Mike Kruczek, Pit.	6	1976
3.	Brock Purdy, SF	5	2022



BROCK PURDY

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Purdy completed 114 of his 170 passing atts. (67.1%) for 1,374 yds., 13 TDs and a QBR of 107.3 in 2022.

Purdy completed 41 of his 63 passing atts. (65.1%) for 569 yds., 3 TDs and a QBR of 109.8 last postseason.

PLAYOFF PURDY

In his first playoff game vs. Sea. (1/14/23 - NFC-WC) Purdy completed 18 of his 30 passing atts. for 332 yds. and 3 TDs to go along with 4 carries for 16 yds. and 1 TD, becoming the first rookie QB in the Super Bowl era to register 3-or-more TD passes and 1-or-more rushing TDs in a postseason game.

Purdy's 332 passing yds. rank as the 3rd-most in a single post-season game in franchise history.

MOST PASSING YDS. IN A POSTSEASON GAME, FRANCHISE HISTORY

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Yds.</u>
1.	Joe Montana (1/22/89 vs. Cin. - SB XXIII)	357
2.	Joe Montana (1/8/84 at Was. - NFC-C)	347
3.	Brock Purdy (1/14/23 vs. Sea. - NFC-WC)	332
4t.	Jeff Garcia (1/5/03 vs. NYG - NFC-WC)	331
	Joe Montana (1/20/85 vs. Mia. - SB XIX)	331

After winning vs. Dal. (1/22/23 - NFC-D), Purdy became the 3rd rookie QB since 1970 to win 2 postseason games.

Purdy completed 19 of his 29 passing atts. for 214 yds. vs. Dal. (1/22/23 - NFC-D), becoming the first rookie QB since at least 1970 to register 200-or-more passing yds. in back-to-back postseason games.

ROOKIE QBs TO WIN TWO POSTSEASON GAMES, SINCE 1970

<u>Player</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Year</u>
Brock Purdy, SF	2	2022
Mark Sanchez, NYJ	2	2009
Joe Flacco, Bal.	2	2008

THE PEOPLE'S TIGHT END



GEORGE KITTLE

MR. 5,000

With 93 rec. yds. at Sea. (12/15/22), Kittle reached 5,000 career rec. yds. (5,082) in 79 career games, which is the 4th-fewest games to reach 5,000 career rec. yds. by a TE in NFL history.

FEWEST GAMES TO 5,000 REC. YDS. BY A TE, NFL HISTORY

Player	Gms.
1. Kellen Winslow Sr.	69
2. Rob Gronkowski	72
3. Travis Kelce	77
4. George Kittle	79
5. Jimmy Graham	84

FIRST 50

Kittle's 3,380 rec. yds. through his first 50 career NFL games are the 3rd-most by a TE in NFL history.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN FIRST 50 CAREER GAMES, NFL HISTORY

Player	Yds.
1. Mike Ditka	3,436
2. Kellen Winslow Sr.	3,420
3. George Kittle	3,380
4. Rob Gronkowski	3,255
5. Jimmy Graham	3,106

GOOD OVER TIME

A 2019 AP First-Team All-Pro and four-time Pro Bowl selection (2019-20 & 2022-23), TE George Kittle ranks 2nd in the NFL in rec. yds. (5,254) among all active TEs since entering the NFL in 2017.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN THE NFL, SINCE 2017

Player	Recepts.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1. Travis Kelce, KC	590	7,482	12.7	55
2. George Kittle, SF	395	5,254	13.3	31
3. Zach Ertz, Phi./Arz.	435	4,407	10.1	32
4. Mark Andrews, Bal.	336	4,313	12.8	34
5. Evan Engram, NYG/Jax.	335	3,594	10.7	20

BREAK-AWAY SPEED

Kittle owns the top 3 and 5 of the top 7 performances for most rec. yds. in a game by a TE in franchise history.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN A SINGLE GAME, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Date	Opp.	Recepts.	Yds.	TDs
1. George Kittle	12/9/18	vs. Den.	7	210	1
2. George Kittle	10/4/20	vs. Phi.	15	183	1
3. George Kittle	12/5/21	at Sea.	9	181	2
4. Vernon Davis	10/13/13	vs. Arz.	8	180	2
5. Eric Johnson	10/10/04	vs. Arz.	13	162	1
6. George Kittle	12/12/21	at Cin.	13	151	1
7. George Kittle	12/30/18	at LAR	9	149	1

GEORGE FEELS 100

Kittle has 14 career games with 100-or-more yds., with 10 of those coming within his first 50 career games, the 4th-most by a TE in NFL history through their first 50 career games.

MOST GAMES WITH 100-OR-MORE REC. YDS. BY A TE THROUGH 50 CAREER GAMES, NFL HISTORY

Player	Gms.
1t. Mike Ditka	14
Kellen Winslow Sr.	14
3. Rob Gronkowski	12
4. George Kittle	10

Kittle's 14 career games with 100-or-more yds. are the 5th-most in franchise history among all players.

MOST GAMES WITH 100-OR-MORE REC. YDS. AMONG ALL PLAYERS, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Gms.
1. Jerry Rice	66
2. Terrell Owens	25
3. Gene Washington	17
4. Dwight Clark	16
5. George Kittle	14

KONSISTENT KITTLE

Kittle's 2,945 rec. yds. in his first 3 NFL seasons are the most by a TE through their first 3 seasons in NFL history.

His 4,489 rec. yds. in his first 5 NFL seasons are the 3rd-most by a TE through their first 5 seasons in NFL history (Jimmy Graham - 4,752; Kellen Winslow Sr. - 4,513).

MOST REC. YDS. IN FIRST 3 SEASONS BY A TE, NFL HISTORY

Player	Yds.
1. George Kittle	2,945
2. Mike Ditka	2,774
3. Rob Gronkowski	2,663
4. Jimmy Graham	2,648

KITTLE GETS 1,000

Kittle finished the 2019 season with 1,053 rec. yds., becoming the 5th player and first TE in franchise history to record multiple 1,000-yd. seasons.

MOST 1,000-YD. SEASONS, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Seasons
1. Jerry Rice	12
2. Terrell Owens	5
3t. George Kittle	2
Anquan Boldin	2
John Taylor	2

STONE COLD KITTLE

CAREER NUGGETS

- Has 3 career games with 13-or-more receipts., tied for the 3rd-most in NFL history among TEs (Zach Ertz - 4; Jason Witten - 4; Kellen Winslow Sr. - 3).
- Had 4 games with 2-or-more rec. TDs in 2022, including 2 consecutive [at Arz. (11/21/22), vs. Sea. (12/15/22), vs. Was. (12/24/22) and vs. Arz. (1/8/23)]. Kittle became the first 49ers TE since at least 1970 to register 2-or-more rec. TDs in back-to-back games and the first member of the 49ers since 2002 [WR Terrell Owens (Weeks 11-12)] to do so. Also registered 4-consecutive games with 1-or-more TD receipts. for the first time in his career [1 at LV (1/1/23)].
- Kittle's 1,377 yds. in 2018 are the 2nd-most in a single season by a TE in NFL history. He was also the first member of the 49ers to reach 1,000 rec. yds. in a single season since WR Anquan Boldin (1,062 rec. yds.) in 2014 and the first 49ers TE to reach 1,000 rec. yds. in a single season. His 1,377 rec. yds. were the most by a member of the 49ers since WR Terrell Owens had 1,412 rec. yds. in 2001.
- Kittle's 515 rec. yds. in 2017 ranked 2nd in the NFL among rookie TEs (Evan Engram, NYG - 722 yds.) and also were the 8th-most in a single season by a 49ers rookie and the most by a 49ers rookie TE since the merger in 1970.
- Kittle has registered the two longest TD receipts. by a TE in franchise history [82t at LAC (9/30/18) & 85t vs. Den. (12/9/18)].

SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Kittle finished the 2018 season with 88 receipts. for 1,377 yds. (15.6 avg.), both team highs. His 1,377 yds. were the most in a single season by a TE in NFL history at the time and ranked 8th among all players that year, while his 88 receipts. ranked 3rd in the NFL among TEs (Zach Ertz, Phi. - 116; Travis Kelce, KC - 103). His receipt. total was also the most in a single season by a 49ers TE.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

	Player	Year	Receipts.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1.	Travis Kelce, KC	2020	105	1,416	13.5	11
2.	George Kittle, SF	2018	88	1,377	15.6	5
3.	Mark Andrews, Bal.	2021	107	1,361	12.7	9
4.	Travis Kelce, KC	2022	110	1,338	12.2	12
5.	Travis Kelce, KC	2018	103	1,336	13.0	10

A DAY TO REMEMBER

Kittle finished with 7 receipts. for a career-high 210 yds. and 1 TD vs. Den. (12/9/18). His 210 rec. yds. were the most in a single game by a TE in franchise history, the 8th-most among all players and the 3rd-most by a TE in a single-game in the NFL since 1960. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, his 210 rec. yds. in the 1st half were the most in the 1st half of an NFL game since Seattle Seahawks WR Steve Largent registered 224 rec. yds. in the 1st half at Det. (10/18/87).

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN A SINGLE GAME, SINCE 1960

	Player	Date	Opp.	Receipts.	Yds.	TDs
1.	Shannon Sharpe, Den.	10/20/02	at KC	12	214	2
2.	Jackie Smith, StL Cardinals	10/13/63	vs. Pit.	9	212	2
3.	George Kittle, SF	12/9/18	vs. Den.	7	210	1
4t.	Rich Caster, NYJ	9/24/72	at Bal. Colts	6	204	3
	Pete Retzlaff, Phi.	11/14/65	vs. Was.	7	204	0



GEORGE KITTLE

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Kittle registered 60 receipts. for 765 yds. (12.8 avg.) and a career-high 11 TDs in 2022.

Kittle registered 10 receipts. for 164 yds. (16.4 avg.) last postseason.

LEAGUE LEADER

Kittle's 11 TD receipts. were the 2nd-most among NFL TEs in 2022 and the 3rd-most by a TE in franchise history, while his 12.8 yds. per receipt. was the 3rd-highest and his 765 rec. yds. ranked 5th.

MOST TD RECEIPTS. BY A TE IN THE NFL, 2022

	Player	TDs
1.	Travis Kelce, KC	12
2.	George Kittle, SF	11
3t.	Juwan Johnson, NO	7
	Cole Kmet, Chi.	7
5t.	T.J. Hockenson, Det./Min.	6
	Dawson Knox, Buf.	6

PUT A DEEBO ON IT



SAMUEL'S SUNDAY NIGHT

Samuel registered 2 repts. for 24 yds. vs. LAC (11/13/22), giving him 201 career repts. for 3,009 rec. yds. in 46 career games. It marked the 3rd-fewest amount of games by a member of the 49ers since at least 1970 to reach 200 repts. and 3,000 rec. yds.

FASTEST MEMBER OF THE 49ERS TO 200 RECEPTS., SINCE 1970

Player	Games
1. TE George Kittle	43
2. WR Jerry Rice	44
3. WR Deebo Samuel	46
4t. RB Roger Craig	47
WR Michael Crabtree	47

FASTEST MEMBER OF THE 49ERS TO 3,000 REC. YDS., SINCE 1970

Player	Games
1. WR Jerry Rice	38
2. WR Vic Washington	44
3. WR Deebo Samuel	46
4. TE George Kittle	47
5t. WR Dwight Clark	55
WR Michael Crabtree	55

QUICK HITS

- Samuel tallied 6 repts. for 115 yds. and 1 TD vs. LAR (10/3/22). With 115 rec. yds., Samuel registered 100-or-more rec. yds. in a single game for the 10th time in his career.
- Samuel registered 8 carries for 52 yds. and 1 TD at Chi. (9/11/22). The rushing TD marked the 12th of his career, which is tied for the 2nd-most by a player whose primary position is WR since the merger (WR Bobby Mitchell - 18).
- Samuel tallied 10 carries for 72 yds. and 1 TD at Dal. (1/16/22 - NFC-WC). His 26-yd. TD run was the first postseason rushing TD of his career. His 72 rushing yds. are the most by a WR in a postseason game in NFL history.

MOST RUSHING TDs BY A WR, SINCE 1960

Player	TDs
1. WR Bobby Mitchell	18
2t. WR Deebo Samuel	12
WR Eric Metcalf	12

DEEBO SAMUEL

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Samuel registered 56 repts. for 632 yds. (11.3 avg.) and 2 TDs to go along with 42 carries for 232 yds. and 3 TDs in 2022.

Samuel added 22 repts. for 211 yds. and 1 TD to go along with 13 rushes for 34 yds last postseason. Samuel's 74-yd. TD reept. vs. Sea. (1/14/23 - NFC-WC) was the 2nd-longest reept. by a member of the 49ers in franchise postseason history.

MR. DO-IT-ALL

Samuel became 1 of 3 players, and the only WR, in NFL history to have at least 1,000 rec. yds., 5 rec. TDs and 5 rushing TDs in a single season in 2021 (Roger Craig, SF - 1985; Marshall Faulk, StL - 1999).

PLAYERS WITH AT LEAST 1,000 REC. YDS., 5 REC. TDs AND 5 RUSHING TDs IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Season
Deebo Samuel, SF	2021
Marshall Faulk, StL	1999
Roger Craig, SF	1985

MOST RUSHING YDS. BY A WR IN A POSTSEASON GAME, NFL HISTORY

Player	Date	Opp.	Atts.	Yds.	TDs
1. Deebo Samuel, SF	1/16/22	at Dal.	10	72	1
2. James Lofton, GB	1/16/83	at Dal.	1	71	1
3. Deebo Samuel, SF	2/2/20	at KC	3	53	0

- Samuel's 1,770 yds. from scrimmage (1,405 rec. yds. & 365 rushing yds.) in 2021 were the 7th-most in a single-season in franchise history and the most since RB Frank Gore notched a franchise-record 2,180 yds. from scrimmage (1,695 rushing yds. & 485 rec. yds.) in 2006.
- Samuel's 8 rushing TDs in 2021 were the most in a single season by a WR in NFL history.
- Samuel is 1 of 4 players in franchise history to surpass 1,000 rec. yds. through the team's first 11 games of a season (WR Jerry Rice - 6 times; WR Terrell Owens - 2 times; WR Dave Parks - 1 time).
- Samuel hauled in 1 reept. for 12 yds., while adding 6 carries for 66 yds. and 2 TDs on the ground vs. Min. (11/28/21). According to the Elias Sports Bureau, he became the first WR with at least 1 rushing TD in 3-consecutive games in a season since the merger in 1970 and is the first player in the Super Bowl era, whose primary position is listed as WR, to register 5 rushing TDs in a season.
- Samuel's 79 rushing yds. at Jax. (11/21/21) were the most by a 49ers WR in a single game since 1960.
- Samuel reached at least 150 rec. yds. in 4 games in 2021 [189 at Det. (9/12/21), 156 at Sea. (10/3/21), 171 at Chi. (10/31/21) & 159 at Ten. (12/23/21)], becoming the first member of the 49ers with 4-or-more games with 150-plus rec. yds. since WR Jerry Rice (1995).
- Samuel hauled in 8 repts. for a then career-high 134 yds. vs. Arz. (11/17/19). Along with his 8 repts. for 112 yds. in Week 10 vs. Sea. (11/11/19), Samuel became the first rookie in franchise history to register at least 8 repts. and 100 rec. yds. in consecutive games. The last rookie in the NFL to accomplish the feat was WR Odell Beckham Jr. in 4 consecutive weeks from 12/7/14 through 12/28/14.

WHAT CAN'T CHRISTIAN DO?

RUN CMC

- In 2022, McCaffrey ranked 3rd in the NFL in scrimmage yds. with 1,880. He also ranked first in rec. yds. (741) and 2nd in receipts (85) among NFL RBs.
- Through McCaffrey's first 6 seasons (2017-22), he registered the most receipts. by a RB through a player's first 6 seasons in NFL history (442 receipts.). McCaffrey also holds the NFL record for most career games (11) with 10-or-more receptions by a RB.
- Through McCaffrey's first 65 games, including playoffs, his 113.7 scrimmage yds. per game are the 4th-most in NFL history trailing only NFL HOF RBs Jim Brown - 124.2, Terrell Davis - 118.1 and Barry Sanders - 117.5.
- McCaffrey reeled in 1-or-more receipts. in each of his first 57 games in the NFL, tied for the longest stretch by a RB in NFL history.
- In just 57 games, McCaffrey became the fastest player in NFL history to total 3,000 career rushing yds. and 3,000 career rec. yds.
- McCaffrey registered 287 carries for 1,387 yds. and 15 TDs as well as 116 receipts. for 1,005 yds. and 4 TDs in 2019. His 116 receipts. are the most by a RB in a single season in NFL history.
- McCaffrey is 1 of 3 players in NFL history to register 1,000-or-more rushing yds. and 1,000-or-more rec. yds. in the same season and 1 of 3 RBs to register 1,000-or-more rec. yds. in a single season.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A RB IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	Rec Yds.
1. Christian McCaffrey, Car./SF	741
2. Austin Ekeler, LAC	722
3. Leonard Fournette, TB	523
4. Jerick McKinnon, KC	512
5. Alvin Kamara, NO	490

RBS WITH 1,000-OR-MORE RUSHING YDS. & 1,000-OR-MORE REC. YDS. IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Year	Rec. Yds.	Rush Yds.
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2019	1,005	1,387
Marshall Faulk, StL	1999	1,048	1,381
Roger Craig, SF	1985	1,016	1,050

- McCaffrey's 2,392 scrimmage yds. in 2019 are the 3rd-most in a single season in NFL history.
- McCaffrey is 1 of 3 players to register 1,000-or-more rushing yds. and 100-or-more receipts. in a single season. He has accomplished the feat twice [2018 (1,098 rushing yds. & 107 receipts.) & 2019 (1,387 rushing yds. and 116 receipts.)]. His 116 receipts. in 2019 are the most by an RB in NFL history. He is the only RB in NFL history to produce multiple seasons with 100-or-more receipts.

RBS WITH 100-OR-MORE RECEPTS. IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Year	Receipts.
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2019	116
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2018	107
Austin Ekeler, LAC	2022	107
Matt Forte, Chi.	2014	102
Larry Centers, Arz.	1995	101
LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	2003	100



CHRISTIAN McCAFFREY

WHAT'S MY LINE?

McCaffrey registered 244 rushes for 1,139 yds. (4.7 avg.) and 8 TDs to go along with 85 receipts. for 741 yds. and 5 TDs as well as a 34-yd. TD pass in 2022.

McCaffrey tallied 40 rushes for 238 yds. and 2 TDs as well as 12 receipts. for 61 yds. and 1 TD last postseason. McCaffrey's 68-yd. rush vs. Sea. (1/14/23 - NFC-WC) was the 3rd-longest rush by a member of 49ers in franchise postseason history.

STRIVE FOR 75

McCaffrey registered 85 receipts. in 2022, marking the 4th season of his career with 75-or-more receipts. He is the 4th RB in NFL history with 4-or-more seasons of 75-or-more receipts.

MOST SEASONS WITH 75-OR-MORE RECEPTS. BY A RB, NFL HISTORY

Player	Seasons
1t. Marshall Faulk	5
Larry Centers	5
3t. Christian McCaffrey	4
Alvin Kamara	4

A DAY TO REMEMBER

- With a 34-yd. TD pass, a 9-yd. TD receipt. and a 1-yd. TD run at LAR (10/9/22), McCaffrey became the 4th player to register at least 1 passing TD, 1 rushing TD and 1 rec. TD in the same game in the NFL since 1970 [HOF RB LaDainian Tomlinson, former NE WR David Patten & HOF RB Walter Payton]. He went on to win NFC Player of the Week (Week 8).

BOOK OF ELIJAH

MR. 1,000

With 41 rushing yds. at Chi. (9/11/22), Mitchell reached 1,000 career rushing yds. (1,004) in 12 career games, which is the fewest games to reach 1,000 career rushing yds. in franchise history.

FEWEST GAMES TO 1,000 RUSHING YDS., FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Gms.
1. Elijah Mitchell	12
2. Ricky Watters	14
3. Ken Willard	17
4. Frank Gore	19
5. Vic Washington	20

CAREER NUGGETS

- Mitchell registered 5 carries for 55 yds. and 2 TDs vs. Arz. (1/8/23), marking the first game of his career with 2-or-more rushing TDs.
- Selected by the 49ers in the 6th round (194th overall) of the 2021 NFL Draft, RB Elijah Mitchell's 963 rushing yds. in 2021 ranked 2nd among rookies (Najee Harris, Pit. - 1,200).
- Mitchell's 29 rushes of 10-or-more yds. were the most in the NFL among rookies in 2021.
- Mitchell's 963 rushing yds. were the most by a rookie in franchise history.
- Mitchell registered 5 games with 100-or-more rushing yds. in 2021 [104 at Det. (9/12); 107 vs. Ind. (10/24); 137 at Chi. (10/31); 133 vs. Min. (11/28); 119 vs. Hou. (1/2/22)], the most games with 100-or-more rushing yds. by a rookie in franchise history. It also ranked 2nd in the NFL among all players and led all rookies in 2021.
- Mitchell became 1 of 4 rookie RBs since 1990 to register 100-or-more rushing yds. in at least 5 of his first 10 career games, joining RB Edgerrin James (1999 - 7 games), RB Adrian Peterson (2007 - 6 games) and RB Ezekiel Elliott (2016 - 5 games).
- Mitchell's 32 total touches (27 carries & 5 receipts.) vs. Min. (11/28) were the most by a member of the 49ers in a single game since RB Frank Gore had 32 touches (28 carries, 4 receipts.) vs. Det. (12/27/09).
- Mitchell's 5 rushing TDs in 2021 were the most by a 49ers rookie since RB William Floyd had 6 rushing TDs in 1994.
- Mitchell's 27 carries at Dal. (1/16/22 - NFC-WC) were tied for the 2nd-most in a post-season game in franchise history [Raheem Mostert - 29 vs. GB (1/19/20 - NFC-C) & Ken Willard - 27 at Min. (12/27/70 - NFC-D)].
- Mitchell scored on a 4-yd. TD run at Dal. (1/16/22 - NFC-WC), becoming the first 49ers rookie to register a TD run in the postseason since RB LaMichael James registered a 15-yd. TD run at Atl. (1/20/13 - NFC-C). He also became the 4th rookie to register a rushing TD in the postseason (9/30/18) & 85t vs. Den. (12/9/18)].

MOST RUSHING YDS. IN THE NFL AMONG ROOKIES, 2021

Player	Yds.
1. Najee Harris, Pit.	1,200
2. Elijah Mitchell, SF	963
3. Javonte Williams, Den.	903
4. Michael Carter, NYJ	639
5. Chuba Hubbard, Car.	612

MOST RUSHING YDS. BY A ROOKIE, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Yds.
1. Elijah Mitchell (2021)	963
2. Vic Washington (1971)	811
3. Ken Willard (1965)	778
4. Roger Craig (1983)	725
5. Earl Cooper (1980)	720



ELIJAH MITCHELL

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Mitchell has registered 45 rushes. for 279 yds. (6.2 avg.) and 2 TDs in 2022.

Mitchell also tallied 23 rushes for 53 yds. as well as 2 receipts. for 25 yds. and 1 TD last postseason.

NO FLY ZONE

- Since the beginning of the 2019 season, 49ers opponents are averaging 202.0 net passing yds. per game, the 3rd-fewest allowed in the NFL over that span.
- The 49ers defense finished the 2022 regular season with 20 interceptions, which was tied for the most interceptions in the NFL (Pit. - 20).

FEWEST NET PASSING YDS. PER GAME ALLOWED IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	YPG
1. Buffalo Bills	200.8
2. New England Patriots	201.6
3. San Francisco 49ers	202.0
4. Pittsburgh Steelers	206.9
5. Los Angeles Chargers	211.3



SHORT OF THE STICKS

- San Francisco has forced 264 drives that resulted in a three-and-out over the last four seasons (2019-22), which is the 2nd-most in the NFL during that span (TB - 266).
- Since 2019, the 49ers defense has held opponents to a 37.1% 3rd down conversion percentage, ranking 4th in the NFL during that span (Bal. - 35.2%; NE - 35.7%; Buf. - 35.9%).

LOWEST 3RD DOWN % ALLOWED IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	3rd Conv.	3rd Att.	3rd %
1. Baltimore Ravens	280	795	35.2
2. New England Patriots	297	833	35.7
3. Buffalo Bills	296	825	35.9
4. San Francisco 49ers	308	830	37.1
5. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	331	885	37.4

USE THE FORCE

- Over the last four seasons (2019-22), the 49ers defense has forced 74 fumbles which is the most forced fumbles in the NFL during that span.
- In 2022, the 49ers defense forced 16 fumbles, ranking t-5th in the NFL (Dal. - 22; NYG - 20; Sea. - 18; Jax. - 17; Den. - 16).

MOST DEFENSIVE FFS IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	FFs
1. San Francisco 49ers	74
2. Arizona Cardinals	67
3. Dallas Cowboys	65
4. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	64
5t. Baltimore Ravens	62
Pittsburgh Steelers	62

SACK PARTY

- Over the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers defense has registered 92 total sacks, which is tied for the 5th-most in the NFL during that span (Phi. - 99; Dal. - 95; Pit. - 95; NO - 94; TB - 92).
- In the 2022 regular season, the Niners defense registered 44 sacks, ranking t-10th in the NFL and 6th in the NFC (Phi. - 70; Dal. - 54; NO - 48; Sea. - 45; TB - 45).
- DE Nick Bosa led the NFL in sacks in 2022 with 18.5.

MOST SACKS IN THE NFL, 2021-22

Team	Sacks
1. Philadelphia Eagles	99
2t. Dallas Cowboys	95
Pittsburgh Steelers	95
4. New Orleans Saints	94
5t. San Francisco 49ers	92
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	92



NOTHING EASY

- Over the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers defense is holding its opponents to 5.0 yds. per play, which is the 4th-fewest in the NFL over that span (Buf. - 4.8; Phi. - 5.0; NO - 5.0).
- In the 2022 regular season, the 49ers defense held its opponents to 5.0 yds. per play, ranking 4th in the NFL (Phi. - 4.8; NYJ - 4.8; NO - 5.0).

FEWEST YDS. ALLOWED PER PLAY, 2021-22

Team	Avg.
1. Buffalo Bills	4.8
2. Philadelphia Eagles	5.0
3. New Orleans Saints	5.0
4. San Francisco 49ers	5.0
5. New England Patriots	5.1

HOLD THE LINE

- Over the past two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers defense has allowed opponents to earn 609 first downs, which ranks 2nd in the NFL over that span (Buf. - 598).
- In the 2022 regular season, the 49ers defense held its opponents to earning 291 total first downs, the 2nd-fewest allowed in the NFL (Was. - 286).

FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED IN THE NFL, 2021-22

Team	1st Downs
1. Buffalo Bills	598
2. San Francisco 49ers	609
3. New England Patriots	622
4. New Orleans Saints	623
5. Washington Commanders	632

FEEL FOR FIRST

- In the 2022 regular season, the 49ers defense held its opponents to 4.7 yds. on first down, which ranked 2nd in the NFL for yds. allowed on first down (NO - 4.6).

FEWEST YDS. ALLOWED ON FIRST DOWN, 2022

Team	Avg.
1. New Orleans Saints	4.6
2. San Francisco 49ers	4.7
3. Philadelphia Eagles	4.8
4. Kansas City Chiefs	4.9
5. Jacksonville Jaguars	5.0

THREE-AND-OUT

- In the 2022 regular season, the 49ers defense forced 50 three-and-outs out of 183 possible drives for an opponent three-and-out percentage of 27.3%, which ranked 4th in the NFL (TB - 27.9%; Was. - 27.9%; Den. - 27.8%).

OPPONENT THREE-AND-OUT DRIVE PERCENTAGE, 2022

Team	3-Out %
1t. Tampa Bay Buccaneers	27.9
Washington Commanders	27.9
3. Denver Broncos	27.8
4. San Francisco 49ers	27.3
5. Tennessee Titans	25.4

RUN DOWN

- Over the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers defense has allowed 90.6 rushing yds. per game, which ranks 3rd in the NFL during that span (Ten. - 80.7; Bal. - 88.3).
- In 2022, the 49ers defense allowed 77.7 rushing yds. per game, ranking 2nd in the NFL (Ten. - 76.9).

FEWEST RUSHING YDS. ALLOWED PER GAME, 2021-22

Team	YPG
1. Tennessee Titans	80.7
2. Baltimore Ravens	88.3
3. San Francisco 49ers	90.6
4. Cincinnati Bengals	104.5
5. Miami Dolphins	106.4

DEFENSIVE QUICK HITS

- Over the last four seasons (2019-22), San Francisco's defense has allowed 301.8 yds. per game, ranking 1st in the NFL during that span.
- The 49ers have allowed opponents to reach the red zone 182 times since 2019, ranking 2nd in the NFL during that span (NE - 176).

FEWEST NET YDS. PER GAME ALLOWED IN THE NFL, 2019-22

Team	YPG
1. San Francisco 49ers	301.8
2. Buffalo Bills	310.1
3. New England Patriots	315.6
4. New Orleans Saints	319.2
5. Pittsburgh Steelers	326.0

- Over the last two seasons (2021-22), the 49ers defense has allowed 305.3 yds. per game, which ranks 2nd in the NFL during that span (Buf. - 295.2).
- The 49ers defense finished the 2022 regular season ranked 1st in the NFL in yards per game (300.6) and points allowed per game (16.3).

FEWEST YDS. PER GAME ALLOWED IN THE NFL, 2021-22

Team	YPG
1. Buffalo Bills	295.2
2. San Francisco 49ers	305.3
3. Philadelphia Eagles	315.1
4. New England Patriots	316.4
5. New Orleans Saints	316.5



- The 49ers defense allowed the fewest total points (277) in the NFL in the 2022 regular season.
- The 49ers defense allowed 31 points in the final two minutes of a half in the 2022 regular season, the fewest points allowed in the final two minutes of a half in the NFL.
- The 49ers defense finished the 2022 regular season allowing 2 runs of 20-or-more yds., the fewest allowed by any team in the NFL.
- The 49ers defense allowed 168 plays of 10-or-more yds. in the 2022 regular season, ranking 1st in the NFL.
- In the 2022 regular season, 49ers opponents reached the red zone just 37 times, the fewest red zone drives allowed in the NFL.
- The 49ers defense registered 7 interception returns of 20-or-more yds. in 2022, which ranked t-2nd in the NFL (GB - 8; Hou - 7).
- The 49ers defense registered 2 fumble returns of 20-or-more yds. in 2022, which ranked t-2nd in the NFL (Car. - 3; Dal. - 2; LV - 2; NE - 2).

SOMETHING SPECIAL

- The 49ers finished the 2022 regular season with two special teams players ranking in the top 5 in the NFL for special teams tackles.
- DB **George Odum** ranked 1st with 21 special teams tackles and LB **Demetrius Flannigan-Fowles** ranked 5th with 15 special teams tackles.

MOST SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	ST Tackles
1. George Odum, SF	21
2t. Caleb Johnson, Jax.	16
Joe Jones, Ten.	16
Jeremy Reaves, Was.	16
5. D. Flannigan-Fowles, SF	15

YOU'VE BEEN WARNER-ED

YOU'VE GOT A FRED IN ME

- In 2022, Warner tallied 130 tackles, career-highs in PDs (10) and sacks (2.0), 1 INT and 1 FF.
- Warner racked up a career-high 137 tackles (7 TFLs), 4 PDs, a career-high 3 FRs, 1 FF and 0.5 sack in 2021 after leading the team in the same category with 125 tackles in 2020. Warner has led the team in tackles in each of his first five seasons with the 49ers.
- Warner is 1 of 2 players in the NFL to register 115-or-more tackles in a single season from 2018-22 (Bobby Wagner, Sea./LAR).
- Warner was 1 of 2 players in the NFL with 120-or-more tackles (130), 10-or-more PDs (10), 1.0-or-more sacks (2.0), 1-or-more INTs (1) and 1-or-more FFs (1) in 2022 (LB Jordan Hicks, Min.).

49ERS TACKLE LEADERS, 2022

Player	Tackles
1. Fred Warner	130
2. Dre Greenlaw	127
3. Talanoa Hufanga	95
4. Charvarius Ward	87
5. Deommodore Lenoir	77



PLAYERS WITH 120-OR-MORE TACKLES, 10-OR-MORE PDs, 1.0-OR-MORE SACKS, 1-OR-MORE INTs & 1-OR-MORE FFs, 2022

Player	Tackles	PDs	Sacks	INTs	FFs
Fred Warner, SF	130	10	2.0	1	1
Jordan Hicks, Min.	129	10	3.0	1	1

- In San Francisco's Week 10 game of 2019 vs. Sea. (11/11/19), Warner registered 10 tackles, a career-high 2.0 sacks, 1 FF and 1 PD. His 2.0 sacks were the first of his career, as he became the first 49ers MLB to register 2.0-or-more sacks in a game since LB NaVorro Bowman had 2.0 sacks at StL (9/26/13).
- He became the first player in the NFL to register at least 10 tackles, 2.0 sacks and 1 FF in a game since Chicago Bears DL Akiem Hicks tallied 10 tackles, 2.0 sacks and 1 FF vs. SF (12/4/16).
- Warner intercepted Rams QB Jared Goff and returned the pass 46 yds. for a TD vs. LAR (12/21/19), marking the first INT and TD of his career.
- Warner finished the 2019 season as 1 of 3 LBs in the NFL with at least 90 tackles (118), 4 PDs (9), 3.0 sacks (3.0), 2 FFs (3) and 1 INT (1).
- In Weeks 10-13 of 2019, Warner registered 44 tackles, 4 TFLs, 3.0 sacks, 3 PDs and 2 FFs. His 44 tackles were tied for the most in the NFL over that span, as he was winner of NFC Defensive Player of the Week in Week 12. Warner was the only player in the NFL to register 40-or-more tackles and 3.0-plus sacks over that span. He was named NFC Defensive Player of the Month (November).

QUICK HITS

- Warner was selected by the 49ers in the 3rd round (70th overall) of the 2018 NFL Draft out of Brigham Young University. He has started all 81 games throughout his career.
- In 81 career games, Warner has recorded 633 total tackles, which is the fifth-most tackles by a 49ers player in franchise history.
- With 10-or-more tackles in each of the first 4 games of his career, Warner became the first rookie since 2000 to begin his career with 4 consecutive games of at least 10 tackles.

MOST TACKLES, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Tackles
1. Patrick Willis, LB	950
2. Derek Smith, LB	703
3. Ken Norton, LB	695
4. NaVorro Bowman, LB	675
5. Fred Warner, LB	633

FRED WARNER

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Warner registered 130 tackles, 10 PDs, 2.0 sacks, 1 INT and 1 FF in 2022.

Warner posted 23 tackles, 1 PD and 1 INT returned for 16 yds. last postseason.

NO FLY ZONE

Warner's 10 PDs in 2022 were tied for the 2nd most in the NFL by a LB.

MOST PDs BY A LB IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	PDs
1. Matt Milano, Buf.	11
2t. Fred Warner, SF	10
Jordan Hicks, Min.	10
Germaine Pratt, Cin.	10
5t. Devin Lloyd, Jax.	8
Willie Gay Jr., KC	8

BEWARE OF BOSA

THE TECHNICIAN

- In 2022, Bosa registered 51 tackles (19 TFLs), 18.5 sacks, 1 PD and 2 FRs, helping him earn NFL Defensive Player of the Year.
- Bosa registered 1.0-or-more sacks in 10 of his first 11 games in 2022. He became the 4th player since 1982 to record 1.0-or-more sacks in 13-or-more games of a season [(LB DeMarcus Ware, Dal. - 2008 (14 games), LB Justin Houston, KC - 2014 (13) & DL Chandler Jones, NE - 2017 (13)].
- In 2022, Bosa became the first member of the 49ers to register 1.0-or-more sacks in each of the first 4 weeks of a season [1.0 at Chi. (9/11/22), 2.0 vs. Sea. (9/18/22), 1.0 at Den. (9/25/22) & 2.0 vs. LAR (10/3/22)]
- In Weeks 7-13 (Week 9 Bye) of 2022, Bosa [1.0 vs KC (10/23/22), 1.5 at LAR (10/30/22), 1.0 vs. LAC (11/13/22), 1.0 vs. NO (11/27/22) & 3.0 vs. Mia. (12/4/22)] became 1 of 3 members of the 49ers to record 2 streaks of 4-or-more games with 1.0-or-more sacks in the same season since sacks became an official statistic in 1982. The performance helped him win NFC Defensive Player of the Month for November.

- Bosa's 48 QB hits in 2022 were the most registered in a single season in the NFL since 2015, while his 19 TFLs were tied for the 2nd-most this season (DL Maxx Crosby, LV - 22, Frankie Luvu, Car. - 19).

- Bosa's 18.5 sacks in 2022 were the most in a single season by a member of the 49ers since LB Aldon Smith had 19.5 sacks in 2012 and are tied for the 2nd-most by a member of the 49ers in a single season [LB Aldon Smith - 19.5 (2012); DL Fred Dean - 17.5 (1983)]. Bosa (15.5 sacks in 2021) is 1 of 3 players to register 15.0-or-more sacks in consecutive seasons before turning the age of 26, since 1982 [DL Richard Dent, Chi. & LB Andre Tippett, NE (1984-85)].

- Bosa has 8.0 sacks in the 9 postseason games of his career. His 8.0 sacks are the most in postseason franchise history and he is 1 of 5 players in franchise history with multiple postseason games with 2.0-or-more sacks (Dwaine Board, Ahmad Brooks, Fred Dean & Tim Harris).

- Bosa's 8.0 sacks in his first 6 postseason games are the 3rd-most in NFL postseason history (LaMarr Woodley - 10.0; Richard Dent - 9.5).

- Bosa registered 4 tackles, 3.0 sacks, 1 PD and 1 INT vs. Car. (10/27/19), joining DE Kevin Williams, Min. (12/28/2003) and DE Julius Peppers, Car. (10/13/2002) as the only rookies to have at least 3.0 sacks and an INT in a single game since 1982.

- Bosa became the 6th player since 1982 to record 7.0-or-more sacks through his first 7 career games [Mark Anderson (7.5 - 2006), Julius Peppers (7.0 - 2002), Santana Dotson (7.0 - 1992), James Francis (7.0 - 1990) & Vernon Maxwell (7.0 - 1983)].

QUICK HITS

- With 9.0 sacks on the 2019 season, Bosa finished with the 4th-most by a 49ers rookie since 1982.
- With 2.0 sacks, 1 FF and 1 FR vs. Cle. (10/7/19), Bosa registered his first career FF, FR and multi-sack game. According to ESPN Stats & Info, Bosa became the only 49ers player to register 2.0 sacks, 1 FF and 1 FR in a single-game in the previous 25 years. He also became the first 49ers rookie with at least 2.0 sacks in a game since DL DeForest Buckner at Buf. (10/16/16).

MOST QB HITS IN THE NFL AMONG ALL PLAYERS, 2022

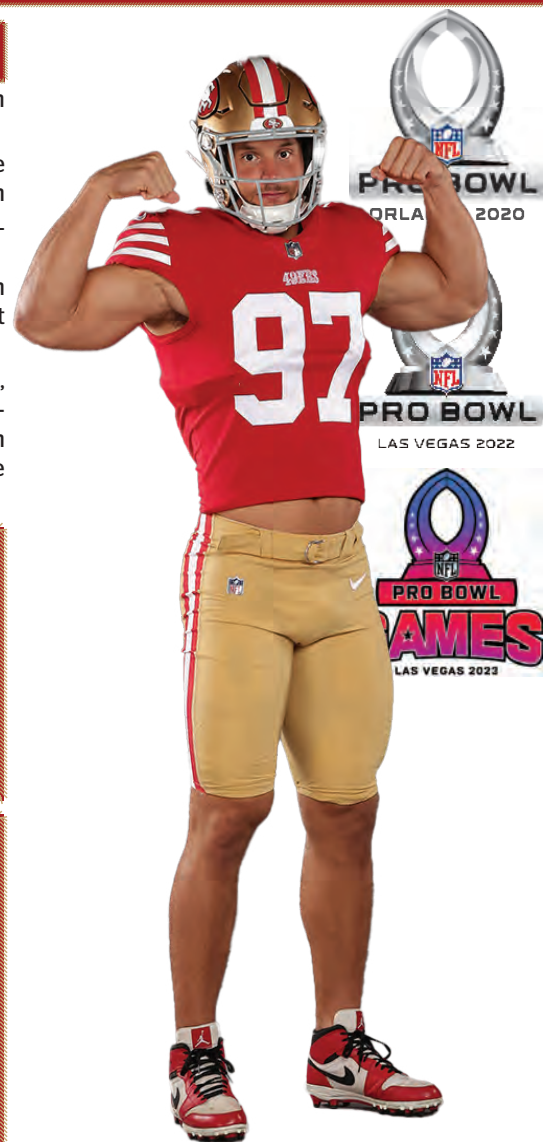
Player	QB Hits
1. Nick Bosa, SF	48
2. Maxx Crosby, LV	35
3. Chris Jones, KC	29
4t. Four Players	28

MOST CAREER SACKS BY A MEMBER OF THE 49ERS IN A SINGLE SEASON, SINCE 1982

Player	Season	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2012	19.5
2. Nick Bosa	2022	18.5
3. Fred Dean	1983	17.5
4. Tim Harris	1992	17.0
5. Charles Haley	1990	16.0
6. Nick Bosa	2021	15.5

MOST CAREER SACKS BY A MEMBER OF THE 49ERS IN THE POSTSEASON, SINCE 1982

Player	Games	Sacks
1. Nick Bosa	9	8.0
2. Charles Haley	12	7.5
3. Arik Armstead	9	7.0
4t. Dwaine Board	7	6.5
Ahmad Brooks	8	6.5
Tim Harris	6	6.5



NICK BOSA

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Bosa registered 51 tackles and NFL-highs with 48 QB hits and 18.5 sacks in 2022.

Bosa registered 11 tackles and 1 FR last postseason.

SACK MASTER

Bosa's 18.5 sacks in 2022 were the most in the NFL.

MOST SACKS IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	Sacks
1. Nick Bosa, SF	18.5
2t. Haason Reddick, Phi.	16.0
Myles Garrett, Cle.	16.0
4t. Matt Judon, NE	15.5
Chris Jones, KC	15.5

THE BOOMIN' ONION

CLIMBS THE RANKS

- Through his first four seasons, Wishnowsky has tallied 101 punts placed inside the 20-yd. line as a member of the 49ers. His 101 punts inside the 20-yd. line rank 3rd in franchise history (inside-the-20 became an official stat in 1976).
- Wishnowsky also ranks 2nd in franchise history in yds. per punt avg. (min. 100 punts) with a 45.2 avg.

MOST CAREER PUNTS PLACED INSIDE THE 20, FRANCHISE HISTORY

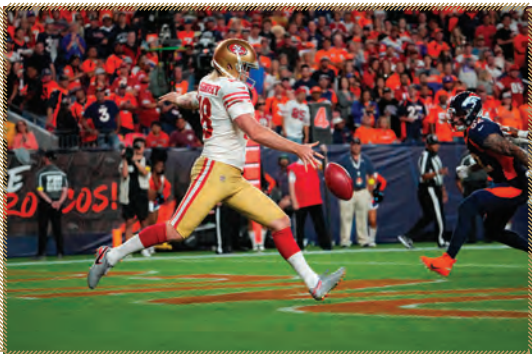
Player	In20
1. Andy Lee	300
2. Bradley Pinion	112
3. Mitch Wishnowsky	101
4. Max Runager	84
5. Mike Cofer	55

ALL-TIME LEADING PUNTERS BY AVG., FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Yds.	Avg.
1. Andy Lee	43,468	46.2
2. Mitch Wishnowsky	10,668	45.2
3. Tommy Davis	22,883	44.7
4. Bradley Pinion	14,599	43.7
5. Frankie Albert	5,830	41.9

SEPTEMBER'S VERY OWN

- Wishnowsky won the NFC Special Teams Player of the Month Award for September in consecutive seasons (2021-22). In September 2021, Wishnowsky pined 8 of his 11 punts within the 20-yd. line. In September 2022, Wishnowsky placed 8 of his 14 punts inside the 20, 6 inside the 10 and registered a career-long 74-yd. punt at Den. (9/25/22).



20/20 VISION

- Wishnowsky's 32 punts inside the 20-yd. line in 2022 were the 4th most by a member of the 49ers in a single season.

MOST PUNTS PLACED INSIDE THE 20 IN A SINGLE SEASON, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee (2007)	42
2. Andy Lee (2012)	36
3. Andy Lee (2010)	34
4. Mitch Wishnowsky (2022)	32
5. Bradley Pinion (2015 & 2017)	31



MITCH WISHNOWSKY

WHAT'S MY LINE?

Wishnowsky registered 61 punts, 32 of which he placed inside the 20-yd. line (52.5%), for 2,676 yds. (43.9 avg.) in 2022.

Wishnowsky registered 9 punts, 6 of which he placed inside the 20-yd. line (66.7%), for 389 yds. (43.2 avg.) last postseason.

PRECISE PLACEMENT

- Wishnowsky led the NFL in percentage of punts placed inside-the-20 (min. 30 punts) in 2022, as 32 of his 61 punts (52.5%) were pinned within the 20-yd. line.

PERCENTAGE OF PUNTS PLACED INSIDE THE 20 IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	Punts	Percentage
1. Mitch Wishnowsky, SF	32	52.5%
2. Johnny Hekker, Car.	39	48.1%
3. Thomas Morstead, Mia.	28	45.9%
3. Jordan Stout, Bal.	26	45.6%
5. Tress Way, Was.	37	44.6%

- Wishnowsky ranked 3rd in the NFL in punts placed inside-the-10 and 2nd in percentage of punts placed inside-the-10 (min. 30 punts) in 2022, as 14 of his 61 punts (23.0%) were pinned within the 10-yd. line.

PERCENTAGE OF PUNTS PLACED INSIDE THE 10 IN THE NFL, 2022

Player	Punts	Percentage
1. Corey Bojorquez, Cle.	15	46.6%
2. Mitch Wishnowsky, SF	14	23.0%
3. Tommy Townsend, KC	12	22.6%
4. Cameron Johnston, Hou.	18	20.5%
5. A.J. Cole, LV	12	20.3%

2023 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS COACHING STAFF



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Coordinator



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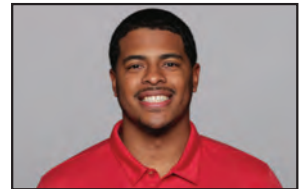
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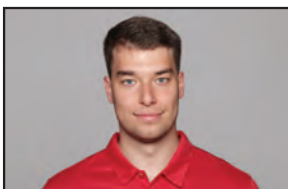
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Assistant

2023 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS UNOFFICIAL DEPTH CHART

Compiled by the 49ers Football Communications staff

AS OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

OFFENSE

WR	11	Brandon Aiyuk	3	Ray–Ray McCloud III	10	<u>Ronnie Bell</u>
LT	71	Trent Williams	76	Jaylon Moore		
LG	65	Aaron Banks	63	Nick Zakelj		
C	64	Jake Brendel				
RG	74	Spencer Burford	55	Jon Feliciano		
RT	68	Colton McKivitz	75	Matt Pryor		
TE	85	George Kittle	89	Charlie Woerner	82	Ross Dwelley
					9	<u>Brayden Willis</u>
WR	19	Deebo Samuel	15	Jauan Jennings		
RB	23	Christian McCaffrey	25	Elijah Mitchell	32	Tyrion Davis–Price
					24	Jordan Mason
FB	44	Kyle Juszczyk				
QB	13	Brock Purdy	14	Sam Darnold	17	Brandon Allen

DEFENSE

LDE	95	Drake Jackson	56	Austin Bryant		
LDT	91	Arik Armstead	90	Kevin Givens	93	Kalia Davis
RDT	98	Javon Hargrave	99	Javon Kinlaw		
RDE	94	Clelin Ferrell	92	Kerry Hyder Jr.		
SAM	48	Oren Burks				
MIKE	54	Fred Warner	45	Demetrius Flannigan–Fowles	50	<u>Jalen Graham</u>
WILL	57	Dre Greenlaw	53	<u>Dee Winters</u>		
LCB	7	Charvarius Ward	20	Ambry Thomas		
RCB	2	Deommodore Lenoir	0	Samuel Womack III		
NB	26	Isaiah Oliver				
FS	31	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	27	<u>Ji’Ayir Brown</u>		
SS	29	Talanoa Hufanga	30	George Odum		

SPECIAL TEAMS

P	18	Mitch Wishnowsky				
K	4	Jake Moody				
H	18	Mitch Wishnowsky				
PR	3	Ray–Ray McCloud III	10	<u>Ronnie Bell</u>		
KOR	3	Ray–Ray McCloud III	10	<u>Ronnie Bell</u>		
LS	46	Taybor Pepper				

Injured Reserve List – DL Robert Beal Jr., WR Danny Gray, S Taylor Hawkins, TE Cameron Latu

Reserve/PUP – CB Darrell Luter Jr.

Reserve/Did Not Report – DL Nick Bosa

Underline – rookies

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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Brandon Aiyuk.....	EYE–yook	Deommodore Lenoir.....	dee–AH–mo–door, luh–NOOR
Ji’Ayir Brown.....	jye–YEAR	Darrell Luter Jr.....	duh–RELL
Kalia Davis.....	kuh–LEE–uh	Ambry Thomas.....	AM–bree
Tyrion Davis–Price.....	TIE–ree–on	Charvarius Ward.....	charr–VEAR–ee–us
Clelin Ferrell.....	FURL	Mitch Wishnowsky.....	wish–NOW–ski
Javon Hargrave.....	JAY–vonn	Charlie Woerner.....	WER–ner
Talanoa Hufanga.....	tal–uh–NOE–uh, who–FAWN–guh	Nick Zakelj.....	zuh–CAL
Kyle Juszczyk.....	YOOZ–check	<i>The 49ers audio pronunciation guide can be found at: https://49ers.1rmg.com/pronunciation–guide/</i>	
Javon Kinlaw.....	juh–VONN		
Cameron Latu.....	LAH–two		

2023 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS NUMERICAL ROSTER

AS OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	Age	EXP	COLLEGE	ACQUIRED
0	Samuel Womack III	CB	5-10	189	24	2	Toledo	D-5 in '22
2	Deommodore Lenoir	DB	5-10	200	23	3	Oregon	D-5B in '21
3	Ray-Ray McCloud III	WR	5-9	190	26	6	Clemson	FA in '22
4	Jake Moody	K	6-1	210	23	R	Michigan	D-3B in '23
7	Charvarius Ward	CB	6-1	196	27	6	Middle Tennessee State	FA in '22
9	Brayden Willis	TE	6-4	240	23	R	Oklahoma	D-7A in '23
10	Ronnie Bell	WR	6-0	190	23	R	Michigan	D-7B in '23
11	Brandon Aiyuk	WR	6-0	200	25	4	Arizona State	D-2B in '20
13	Brock Purdy	QB	6-1	220	23	2	Iowa State	D-7 in '22
14	Sam Darnold	QB	6-3	225	26	6	Southern California	FA in '23
15	Jauan Jennings	WR	6-3	212	26	3	Tennessee	D-7 in '20
17	Brandon Allen	QB	6-2	209	30	7	Arkansas	FA in '23
18	Mitch Wishnowsky	P	6-2	220	31	5	Utah	D-4 in '19
19	Deebo Samuel	WR	6-0	215	27	5	South Carolina	D-2 in '19
20	Ambry Thomas	CB	6-0	190	23	3	Michigan	D-3B in '21
23	Christian McCaffrey	RB	5-11	210	27	7	Stanford	TR in '22 (Car.)
24	Jordan Mason	RB	5-11	223	24	2	Georgia Tech	FA in '22
25	Elijah Mitchell	RB	5-10	200	25	3	Louisiana	D-6 in '21
26	Isaiah Oliver	CB	6-0	202	26	6	Colorado	FA in '23
27	Ji'Ayir Brown	S	5-11	202	23	R	Penn State	D-3A in '23
29	Talanoa Hufanga	S	6-0	200	23	3	Southern California	D-5C in '21
30	George Odum	S	6-1	202	29	6	Central Arkansas	FA in '22
31	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	S	6-1	212	33	12	Wyoming	FA in '22
32	Tyrion Davis-Price	RB	6-1	219	22	2	Louisiana State	D-3A in '22
44	Kyle Juszczyk	FB	6-2	235	32	11	Harvard	FA in '17
45	Demetrius Flannigan-Fowles	LB	6-2	223	27	4	Arizona	FA in '19
46	Taylor Pepper	LS	6-4	245	29	6	Michigan State	FA in '20
48	Oren Burks	LB	6-3	233	28	6	Vanderbilt	FA in '22
50	Jalen Graham	LB	6-3	220	22	R	Purdue	D-7C in '23
53	Dee Winters	LB	5-11	227	22	R	Texas Christian	D-6 in '23
54	Fred Warner	LB	6-3	230	26	6	Brigham Young	D-3A in '18
55	Jon Feliciano	OL	6-4	325	31	9	Miami	FA in '23
56	Austin Bryant	DL	6-5	250	26	5	Clemson	FA in '23
57	Dre Greenlaw	LB	6-0	230	26	5	Arkansas	D-5 in '19
63	Nick Zakelj	OL	6-6	316	24	2	Fordham	D-6A in '22
64	Jake Brendel	OL	6-4	299	30	6	UCLA	FA in '20
65	Aaron Banks	OL	6-5	325	26	3	Notre Dame	D-2 in '21
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92	Kerry Hyder Jr.	DL	6-2	275	32	8	Texas Tech	FA in '22
93	Kalia Davis	DL	6-2	310	24	2	Central Florida	D-6B in '22
94	Clelin Ferrell	DL	6-4	265	26	5	Clemson	FA in '23
95	Drake Jackson	DL	6-4	273	22	2	Southern California	D-2 in '22
98	Javon Hargrave	DL	6-2	305	30	8	South Carolina State	FA in '23
99	Javon Kinlaw	DT	6-5	319	25	4	South Carolina	D-1A in '20
Injured Reserve List								
6	Danny Gray	WR	6-0	200	24	2	Southern Methodist	D-3B in '22
41	Taylor Hawkins	S	6-1	205	25	1	San Diego State	FA in '22
51	Robert Beal Jr.	DL	6-4	250	24	R	Georgia	D-5B in '23
81	Cameron Latu	TE	6-5	244	23	R	Alabama	D-3C in '23
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List								
28	Darrell Luter Jr.	CB	6-0	190	23	R	South Alabama	D-5A in '23
Reserve/Did Not Report List								
97	Nick Bosa	DL	6-4	266	25	5	Ohio State	D-1 in '19
Practice Squad								
2	Isaiah Winstead	WR	6-4	213	24	R	East Carolina	FA in '23
9	Owuantrezz Knight	CB	6-0	199	25	1	UCLA	FA in '22
33	Jack Colletto	FB	6-3	237	24	R	Oregon State	FA in '23
35	Tre Swilling	CB	6-1	196	24	1	Georgia Tech	FA in '22
38	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	25	3	Appalachian State	FA in '23
47	Matthew Wright	K	5-11	174	27	4	Central Florida	FA in '23
58	Alex Barrett	DL	6-2	250	29	2	San Diego State	FA in '19
59	Curtis Robinson	LB	6-3	235	25	3	Stanford	FA in '21
61	Corey Luciano	OL	6-4	307	25	R	Washington	FA in '23
62	Marlon Davidson	DL	6-3	303	25	4	Auburn	FA in '23
77	Alfredo Gutierrez*	OL	6-9	332	27	1	Tecnológico de Monterrey	FA in '21
78	Leroy Watson IV	OL	6-5	311	25	1	Texas-San Antonio	FA in '22
83	Willie Snead IV	WR	5-11	195	30	9	Ball State	FA in '22
84	Chris Conley	WR	6-3	205	30	9	Georgia	FA in '23
86	Tay Martin	WR	6-3	185	25	1	Oklahoma State	FA in '22
88	Troy Fumagalli	TE	6-6	248	28	5	Wisconsin	FA in '22
96	T.Y. McGill	DL	6-0	295	30	8	North Carolina State	FA in '22

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NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	Birthdate	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
11	Aiyuk, Brandon	WR	6-0	200	3-17-98	4	Arizona State	Reno, NV
17	Allen, Brandon	QB	6-2	209	9-5-92	7	Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR
91	Armstead, Arik	DL	6-7	290	11-15-93	9	Oregon	Elk Grove, CA
65	Banks, Aaron	OL	6-5	325	9-3-97	3	Notre Dame	El Cerrito, CA
10	Bell, Ronnie	WR	6-0	190	1-28-00	R	Michigan	Kansas City, MO
64	Brendel, Jake	OL	6-4	299	9-10-92	6	UCLA	Plano, TX
27	Brown, Ji'Ayir	S	5-11	202	1-25-00	R	Penn State	Trenton, NJ
56	Bryant, Austin	DL	6-5	250	11-12-96	5	Clemson	Thomasville, GA
74	Burford, Spencer	OL	6-4	300	7-19-00	2	Texas-San Antonio	San Antonio, TX
48	Burks, Oren	LB	6-3	233	3-21-95	6	Vanderbilt	Lorton, VA
14	Darnold, Sam	QB	6-3	225	6-5-97	6	Southern California	San Clemente, CA
93	Davis, Kalia	DL	6-2	310	10-2-98	2	Central Florida	Pensacola, FL
32	Davis-Price, Tyrion	RB	6-1	219	10-23-00	2	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, LA
82	Dwelle, Ross	TE	6-5	235	1-26-95	6	San Diego	El Dorado Hills, CA
55	Feliciano, Jon	OL	6-4	325	2-10-92	9	Miami	Davie, FL
94	Ferrell, Clelin	DL	6-4	265	5-17-97	5	Clemson	Richmond, VA
45	Flannigan-Fowles, Demetrius	LB	6-2	223	9-4-96	4	Arizona	Tucson, AZ
31	Gipson Sr., Tashaun	S	6-1	212	8-7-90	12	Wyoming	Dallas, TX
90	Givens, Kevin	DL	6-1	285	3-1-97	4	Penn State	Newark, NJ
50	Graham, Jalen	LB	6-3	220	1-11-01	R	Purdue	Detroit, MI
57	Greenlaw, Dre	LB	6-0	230	5-25-97	5	Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR
98	Hargrave, Javon	DL	6-2	305	2-7-93	8	South Carolina State	Spencer, NC
29	Hufanga, Talanoa	S	6-0	200	2-1-00	3	Southern California	Corvallis, OR
92	Hyder Jr., Kerry	DL	6-2	275	5-2-91	8	Texas Tech	Austin, TX
95	Jackson, Drake	DL	6-4	273	4-12-01	2	Southern California	Corona, CA
15	Jennings, Jauan	WR	6-3	212	7-10-97	3	Tennessee	Murfreesboro, TN
44	Juszczyk, Kyle	FB	6-2	235	4-23-91	11	Harvard	Lodi, OH
99	Kinlaw, Javon	DT	6-5	319	10-3-97	4	South Carolina	Charleston, SC
85	Kittle, George	TE	6-4	250	10-9-93	7	Iowa	Norman, OK
2	Lenoir, Deommodore	DB	5-10	200	10-6-99	3	Oregon	Los Angeles, CA
24	Mason, Jordan	RB	5-11	223	5-24-99	2	Georgia Tech	Gallatin, TN
23	McCaffrey, Christian	RB	5-11	210	6-7-96	7	Stanford	Highlands Ranch, CO
3	McCloud III, Ray-Ray	WR	5-9	190	10-15-96	6	Clemson	Tampa, FL
68	McKivitz, Colton	OL	6-6	301	8-9-96	4	West Virginia	Jacobsburg, OH
25	Mitchell, Elijah	RB	5-10	200	5-2-98	3	Louisiana	Erath, LA
4	Moody, Jake	K	6-1	210	11-23-99	R	Michigan	Northville, MI
76	Moore, Jaylon	OL	6-4	311	1-9-98	3	Western Michigan	Detroit, MI
30	Odum, George	S	6-1	202	11-3-93	6	Central Arkansas	Millington, TN
26	Oliver, Isaiah	CB	6-0	202	9-30-96	6	Colorado	Phoenix, AZ
46	Pepper, Taybor	LS	6-4	245	5-28-94	6	Michigan State	Saline, MI
75	Pryor, Matt	OL	6-7	332	12-16-94	6	Texas Christian	Lakewood, CA
13	Purdy, Brock	QB	6-1	220	12-27-99	2	Iowa State	Gilbert, AZ
19	Samuel, Deebo	WR	6-0	215	1-15-96	5	South Carolina	Inman, SC
20	Thomas, Ambry	CB	6-0	190	9-9-99	3	Michigan	Detroit, MI
7	Ward, Charvarius	CB	6-1	196	5-16-96	6	Middle Tennessee State	McComb, MS
54	Warner, Fred	LB	6-3	230	11-19-96	6	Brigham Young	San Marcos, CA
71	Williams, Trent	T	6-5	320	7-19-88	14	Oklahoma	Longview, TX
9	Willis, Brayden	TE	6-4	240	11-11-99	R	Oklahoma	Arlington, TX
53	Winters, Dee	LB	5-11	227	10-17-00	R	Texas Christian	Burton, TX
18	Wishnowsky, Mitch	P	6-2	220	3-3-92	5	Utah	Perth, Australia
89	Woerner, Charlie	TE	6-5	241	10-16-97	4	Georgia	Tiger, GA
0	Womack III, Samuel	CB	5-10	189	7-7-99	2	Toledo	Detroit, MI
63	Zakelj, Nick	OL	6-6	316	6-22-99	2	Fordham	Broadview Heights, OH
Injured Reserve List								
51	Beal Jr., Robert	DL	6-4	250	8-18-99	R	Georgia	Duluth, GA
6	Gray, Danny	WR	6-0	200	4-1-99	2	Southern Methodist	Dallas, TX
41	Hawkins, Tayler	S	6-1	205	12-27-97	1	San Diego State	Palm Springs, CA
81	Latu, Cameron	TE	6-5	244	2-24-00	R	Alabama	Holladay, UT
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List								
28	Luter Jr., Darrell	CB	6-0	190	4-24-00	R	South Alabama	Hattiesburg, MS
Reserve/Did Not Report List								
97	Bosa, Nick	DL	6-4	266	10-23-97	5	Ohio State	Fort Lauderdale, FL
Practice Squad								
58	Barrett, Alex	DL	6-2	250	3-6-94	2	San Diego State	Mesa, AZ
33	Colletto, Jack	FB	6-3	237	11-19-98	R	Oregon State	Camas, WA
84	Conley, Chris	WR	6-3	205	10-25-92	9	Georgia	Dallas, GA
62	Davidson, Marlon	DL	6-3	303	5-11-98	4	Auburn	Greenville, AL
88	Fumagalli, Troy	TE	6-6	248	2-17-95	5	Wisconsin	Aurora, IL
77	Gutierrez, Alfredo*	OL	6-9	332	12-29-95	1	Tecnológico de Monterrey	Tijuana, MX
38	Jean-Charles, Shemar	CB	5-10	184	6-20-98	3	Appalachian State	Miramar, FL
9	Knight, Qwuantrezz	CB	6-0	199	10-10-97	1	UCLA	Havana, FL
61	Luciano, Corey	OL	6-4	307	8-14-98	R	Washington	Danville, CA
86	Martin, Tay	WR	6-3	185	12-14-97	1	Oklahoma State	Houma, LA
96	McGill, T.Y.	DL	6-0	295	11-23-92	8	North Carolina State	Jesup, GA
59	Robinson, Curtis	LB	6-3	235	6-2-98	3	Stanford	Santa Ana, CA
83	Snead IV, Willie	WR	5-11	195	10-17-92	9	Ball State	Muskegon, MI
35	Swilling, Tre	CB	6-1	196	3-26-99	1	Georgia Tech	New Orleans, LA
78	Watson IV, Leroy	OL	6-5	311	6-10-98	1	Texas-San Antonio	Snellville, GA
2	Winstead, Isaiah	WR	6-4	213	8-9-99	R	East Carolina	Highland Springs, VA
47	Wright, Matthew	K	5-11	174	3-22-96	4	Central Florida	Lancaster, PA

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NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	DOB	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
Quarterbacks (3)									
13	Purdy, Brock	QB	6-1	220	12-27-99	2	Iowa State	Gilbert, AZ	D-7 in '22
14	Darnold, Sam	QB	6-3	225	6-5-97	6	Southern California	San Clemente, CA	FA in '23
17	Allen, Brandon	QB	6-2	209	9-5-92	7	Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR	FA in '23
Running Backs/Fullbacks (5)									
23	McCaffrey, Christian	RB	5-11	210	6-7-96	7	Stanford	Highlands Ranch, CO	TR in '22 (Car.)
24	Mason, Jordan	RB	5-11	223	5-24-99	2	Georgia Tech	Gallatin, TN	FA in '22
25	Mitchell, Elijah	RB	5-10	200	5-2-98	3	Louisiana	Erath, LA	D-6 in '21
32	Davis-Price, Tyrion	RB	6-1	219	10-23-00	2	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, LA	D-3A in '22
44	Jusczyk, Kyle	FB	6-2	235	4-23-91	11	Harvard	Lodi, OH	FA in '17
Wide Receivers (5)									
3	McCloud III, Ray-Ray	WR	5-9	190	10-15-96	6	Clemson	Tampa, FL	FA in '22
10	Bell, Ronnie	WR	6-0	190	1-28-00	R	Michigan	Kansas City, MO	D-7B in '23
11	Aiyuk, Brandon	WR	6-0	200	3-17-98	4	Arizona State	Reno, NV	D-1B in '20
15	Jennings, Jauan	WR	6-3	212	7-10-97	3	Tennessee	Murfreesboro, TN	D-7 in '20
19	Samuel, Deebo	WR	6-0	215	1-15-96	5	South Carolina	Inman, SC	D-2 in '19
Tight Ends (4)									
9	Willis, Brayden	TE	6-4	240	11-11-99	R	Oklahoma	Arlington, TX	D-7A in '23
82	Dwelle, Ross	TE	6-5	235	1-26-95	6	San Diego	El Dorado Hills, CA	FA in '18
85	Kittle, George	TE	6-4	250	10-9-93	7	Iowa	Norman, OK	D-5A in '17
89	Woerner, Charlie	TE	6-5	241	10-16-97	4	Georgia	Tiger, GA	D-6 in '20
Offensive Line (9)									
55	Feliciano, Jon	OL	6-4	325	2-10-92	9	Miami	Davie, FL	FA in '23
63	Zakelj, Nick	OL	6-6	316	6-22-99	2	Fordham	Broadview Heights, OH	D-6A in '22
64	Brendel, Jake	OL	6-4	299	9-10-92	6	UCLA	Plano, TX	FA in '20
65	Banks, Aaron	OL	6-5	325	9-3-97	3	Notre Dame	El Cerrito, CA	D-2 in '21
68	McKivitz, Colton	OL	6-6	301	8-9-96	4	West Virginia	Jacobsburg, OH	D-5 in '20
71	Williams, Trent	T	6-5	320	7-19-88	14	Oklahoma	Longview, TX	TR in '20 (Was.)
74	Burford, Spencer	OL	6-4	300	7-19-00	2	Texas-San Antonio	San Antonio, TX	D-4 in '22
75	Pryor, Matt	OL	6-7	332	12-16-94	6	Texas Christian	Lakewood, CA	FA in '23
76	Moore, Jaylon	OL	6-4	311	1-9-98	3	Western Michigan	Detroit, MI	D-5A in '21
Specialists (3)									
4	Moody, Jake	K	6-1	210	11-23-99	R	Michigan	Northville, MI	D-3B in '23
18	Wishnowsky, Mitch	P	6-2	220	3-3-92	5	Utah	Perth, Australia	D-4 in '19
46	Pepper, Taybor	LS	6-4	245	5-28-94	6	Michigan State	Saline, MI	FA in '20
Defensive Line (9)									
56	Bryant, Austin	DL	6-5	250	11-12-96	5	Clemson	Thomasville, GA	FA in '23
90	Givens, Kevin	DL	6-1	285	3-1-97	4	Penn State	Newark, NJ	FA in '19
91	Armstead, Arik	DL	6-7	290	11-15-93	9	Oregon	Elk Grove, CA	D-1 in '15
92	Hyder Jr., Kerry	DL	6-2	275	5-2-91	8	Texas Tech	Austin, TX	FA in '22
93	Davis, Kalifa	DL	6-2	310	10-2-98	2	Central Florida	Pensacola, FL	D-6B in '22
94	Ferrell, Clelin	DL	6-4	265	5-17-97	5	Clemson	Richmond, VA	FA in '23
95	Jackson, Drake	DL	6-4	273	4-12-01	2	Southern California	Corona, CA	D-2 in '22
98	Hargrave, Javon	DL	6-2	305	2-7-93	8	South Carolina State	Spencer, NC	FA in '23
99	Kinlaw, Javon	DT	6-5	319	10-3-97	4	South Carolina	Charleston, SC	D-1A in '20
Linebackers (6)									
45	Flannigan-Fowles, Demetrius	LB	6-2	223	9-4-96	4	Arizona	Tucson, AZ	FA in '19
48	Burks, Oren	LB	6-3	233	3-21-95	6	Vanderbilt	Lorton, VA	FA in '22
50	Graham, Jalen	LB	6-3	220	1-11-01	R	Purdue	Detroit, MI	D-7C in '23
53	Winters, Dee	LB	5-11	227	10-17-00	R	Texas Christian	Burton, TX	D-6 in '23
54	Warner, Fred	LB	6-3	230	11-19-96	6	Brigham Young	San Marcos, CA	D-3A in '18
57	Greenlaw, Dre	LB	6-0	230	5-25-97	5	Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR	D-5 in '19
Defensive Backs (9)									
0	Womack III, Samuel	CB	5-10	189	7-7-99	2	Toledo	Detroit, MI	D-5 in '22
2	Lenoir, Deommodore	DB	5-10	200	10-6-99	3	Oregon	Los Angeles, CA	D-5B in '21
7	Ward, Charvarius	CB	6-1	196	5-16-96	6	Middle Tennessee State	McComb, MS	FA in '22
20	Thomas, Ambry	CB	6-0	190	9-9-99	3	Michigan	Detroit, MI	D-3B in '21
26	Oliver, Isaiah	CB	6-0	202	9-30-96	6	Colorado	Phoenix, AZ	FA in '23
27	Brown, Ji'Ayir	S	5-11	202	1-25-00	R	Penn State	Trenton, NJ	D-3A in '23
29	Hufanga, Talanoa	S	6-0	200	2-1-00	3	Southern California	Corvallis, OR	D-5C in '21
30	Odum, George	S	6-1	202	11-3-93	6	Central Arkansas	Millington, TN	FA in '22
31	Gipson Sr., Tashaun	S	6-1	212	8-7-90	12	Wyoming	Dallas, TX	FA in '22
Injured Reserve List (4)									
6	Gray, Danny	WR	6-0	200	4-1-99	2	Southern Methodist	Dallas, TX	D-3B in '22
41	Hawkins, Tayler	S	6-1	205	12-27-97	1	San Diego State	Palm Springs, CA	FA in '22
51	Beal Jr., Robert	DL	6-4	250	8-18-99	R	Georgia	Duluth, GA	D-5B in '23
81	Latu, Cameron	TE	6-5	244	2-24-00	R	Alabama	Holladay, UT	D-3C in '23
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List (1)									
28	Luter Jr., Darrell	CB	6-0	190	4-24-00	R	South Alabama	Hattiesburg, MS	D-5A in '23
Reserve/Did Not Report List (1)									
97	Bosa, Nick	DL	6-4	266	10-23-97	5	Ohio State	Fort Lauderdale, FL	D-1 in '19

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ROSTER BY EXPERIENCE				HOW THEY WERE BUILT		
PLAYER	EXP	GP/GS	W/SF	YEAR	PLAYER	ACQ
Williams, Trent	14	163/162	43/43	2015	Arik Armstead	D1
Gipson Sr., Tashaun	12	157/149	17/17	2017	Kyle Juszczyk	FA
Juszczyk, Kyle	11	155/111	91/79		George Kittle	D5a
Armstead, Arik	9	104/85	104/85	2018	Fred Warner	D3a
Feliciano, Jon	9	97/54	0/0		Ross Dwelley	FA
Hargrave, Javon	8	111/96	0/0	2019	Nick Bosa#	D1
Hyder Jr., Kerry	8	87/24	32/15		Deebo Samuel	D2
Allen, Brandon	7	15/9	0/0		Mitch Wishnowsky	D4
Kittle, George	7	82/74	82/74		Dre Greenlaw	D5
McCaffrey, Christian	7	75/68	11/10		Demetrius Flannigan–Fowles	FA
Brendel, Jake	6	54/20	33/17		Kevin Givens	FA
Burks, Oren	6	76/10	17/3	2020	Jake Brendel	FA
Darnold, Sam	6	56/55	0/0		Javon Kinlaw	D1a
Dwelley, Ross	6	72/17	72/17		Brandon Aiyuk	D1b
McCloud III, Ray–Ray	6	65/10	17/2		Colton McKivitz	D5
Odum, George	6	82/10	17/0		Charlie Woerner	D6
Oliver, Isaiah	6	62/38	0/0		Jauan Jennings	D7
Pepper, Taybor	6	66/0	46/0		Trent Williams	TR
Pryor, Matt	6	60/24	0/0		Taybor Pepper	FA
Ward, Charvarius	6	73/60	17/17	2021	Aaron Banks	D2
Warner, Fred	6	81/81	81/81		Ambry Thomas	D3b
Bosa, Nick#	5	51/49	51/49		Jaylon Moore	D5a
Bryant, Austin	5	33/6	0/0		Deommodore Lenoir	D5b
Ferrell, Clelin	5	58/30	0/0		Talanoa Hufanga	D5c
Greenlaw, Dre	5	47/39	47/39		Elijah Mitchell	D6
Samuel, Deebo	5	51/43	51/43	2022	Oren Burks	FA
Wishnowsky, Mitch	5	66/0	66/0		Charvarius Ward	FA
Aiyuk, Brandon	4	46/44	46/44		Ray–Ray McCloud III	FA
Flannigan–Fowles, Demetrius	4	45/3	45/3		George Odum	FA
Givens, Kevin	4	40/12	40/12		Kerry Hyder Jr.	FA
Kinlaw, Javon	4	24/22	24/22		Drake Jackson	D2
McKivitz, Colton	4	28/5	28/5		Tyrion Davis–Price	D3a
Woerner, Charlie	4	48/5	48/5		Danny Gray*	D3b
Banks, Aaron	3	25/16	25/16		Spencer Burford	D4
Hufanga, Talanoa	3	32/20	32/20		Samuel Womack III	D5
Jennings, Jauan	3	32/5	32/5		Nick Zakelj	D6a
Lenoir, Deommodore	3	30/15	30/15		Kalia Davis	D6b
Mitchell, Elijah	3	16/11	16/11		Brock Purdy	D7
Moore, Jaylon	3	24/5	24/5		Jordan Mason	FA
Thomas, Ambry	3	27/5	27/5		Tashaun Gipson Sr.	FA
Burford, Spencer	2	16/16	16/16		Christian McCaffrey	TR
Davis–Price, Tyrion	2	6/0	6/0	2023	Tayler Hawkins*	FA
Davis, Kalia	2	0/0	0/0		Sam Darnold	FA
Gray, Danny*	2	13/0	13/0		Clelin Ferrell	FA
Jackson, Drake	2	15/0	15/0		Javon Hargrave	FA
Mason, Jordan	2	16/0	16/0		Isaiah Oliver	FA
Purdy, Brock	2	9/5	9/5		Jon Feliciano	FA
Womack III, Samuel	2	16/1	16/1		Austin Bryant	FA
Zakelj, Nick	2	5/0	5/0		Matt Pryor	FA
Hawkins, Tayler*	1	0/0	0/0		Ji’Ayir Brown	D3a
Beal Jr., Robert*	R	0/0	0/0		Jake Moody	D3b
Bell, Ronnie	R	0/0	0/0		Camron Latu*	D3c
Brown, Ji’Ayir	R	0/0	0/0		Darrell Luter Jr.	D5a
Graham, Jalen	R	0/0	0/0		Robert Beal Jr.*	D5b
Latu, Cameron*	R	0/0	0/0		Dee Winters	D6
Luter Jr., Darrell	R	0/0	0/0		Brayden Willis	D7a
Moody, Jake	R	0/0	0/0		Ronnie Bell	D7b
Willis, Brayden	R	0/0	0/0		Jalen Graham	D7c
Winters, Dee	R	0/0	0/0		Brandon Allen	FA

*Injured Reserve

&Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

^Reserve/Suspended

#Reserve/Did Not Report

@Reserve/Non–Football Injury

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PLAYER	at PIT 9-10	at LAR 9-17	NYG 9-21	ARZ 10-1	DAL 10-8	at CLE 10-15	at MIN 10-23	CIN 10-29	at JAX 11-12	TB 11-19	at SEA 11-23	at PHI 12-3	SEA 12-10	at ARZ 12-17	BAL 12-25	at WAS 12-31	LAR TBD	GP	GS	DNP	IA	
Aiyuk, Brandon																		0	0	0	0	
Allen, Brandon																			0	0	0	0
Armstead, Arik																			0	0	0	0
Banks, Aaron																			0	0	0	0
Barrett, Alex																			0	0	0	0
Beal Jr., Robert*																			0	0	0	0
Bell, Ronnie																			0	0	0	0
Bosa, Nick#																			0	0	0	0
Brendel, Jake																			0	0	0	0
Brown, Ji'Ayir																			0	0	0	0
Bryant, Austin																			0	0	0	0
Burford, Spencer																			0	0	0	0
Burks, Oren																			0	0	0	0
Colletto, Jack																			0	0	0	0
Conley, Chris																			0	0	0	0
Darnold, Sam																			0	0	0	0
Davidson, Marlon																			0	0	0	0
Davis-Price, Tyrion																			0	0	0	0
Davis, Kalia																			0	0	0	0
Dwelle, Ross																			0	0	0	0
Feliciano, Jon																			0	0	0	0
Ferrell, Clelin																			0	0	0	0
Flannigan-Fowles, Demetrius																			0	0	0	0
Fumagalli, Troy																			0	0	0	0
Gipson Sr., Tashaun																			0	0	0	0
Givens, Kevin																			0	0	0	0
Graham, Jalen																			0	0	0	0
Gray, Danny*																			0	0	0	0
Greenlaw, Dre																			0	0	0	0
Gutierrez, Alfredo																			0	0	0	0
Hargrave, Javon																			0	0	0	0
Hawkins, Tayler*																			0	0	0	0
Hufanga, Talanoa																			0	0	0	0
Hyder Jr., Kerry																			0	0	0	0
Jackson, Drake																			0	0	0	0
Jean-Charles, Shemar																			0	0	0	0
Jennings, Jauan																			0	0	0	0
Juszczyk, Kyle																			0	0	0	0
Kinlaw, Javon																			0	0	0	0
Kittle, George																			0	0	0	0
Knight, Qwuantrrezz																			0	0	0	0
Latu, Cameron*																			0	0	0	0
Lenoir, Deommodore																			0	0	0	0
Luciano, Corey																			0	0	0	0
Luter Jr., Darrell																			0	0	0	0
Martin, Tay																			0	0	0	0
Mason, Jordan																			0	0	0	0
McCaffrey, Christian																			0	0	0	0
McCloud III, Ray-Ray																			0	0	0	0
McGill, T.Y.																			0	0	0	0
McKivitz, Colton																			0	0	0	0
Mitchell, Elijah																			0	0	0	0
Moody, Jake																			0	0	0	0
Moore, Jaylon																			0	0	0	0
Odum, George																			0	0	0	0
Oliver, Isaiah																			0	0	0	0
Pepper, Taybor																			0	0	0	0
Pryor, Matt																			0	0	0	0
Purdy, Brock																			0	0	0	0
Robinson, Curtis																			0	0	0	0
Samuel, Deebo																			0	0	0	0
Snead IV, Willie																			0	0	0	0
Swilling, Tre																			0	0	0	0
Thomas, Ambry																			0	0	0	0
Ward, Charvarius																			0	0	0	0
Warner, Fred																			0	0	0	0
Watson IV, Leroy																			0	0	0	0
Williams, Trent																			0	0	0	0
Willis, Brayden																			0	0	0	0
Winstead, Isaiah																			0	0	0	0
Winters, Dee																			0	0	0	0
Wishnowsky, Mitch																			0	0	0	0
Woerner, Charlie																			0	0	0	0
Womack III, Samuel																			0	0	0	0
Wright, Matthew																			0	0	0	0
Zakej, Nick																			0	0	0	0

Position = Starter, P = Played, DNP = Did Not Play, IA = Inactive, IR = Injured Reserve, PUP = Physically Unable to Perform, PS = Practice Squad, PS-INJ = Practice Squad Injured, NFI = Non-Football Injury, SUS = Suspended, DNR = Reserve/Did Not Report, EXP = Roster Exemption, OO = Reserve/Opt-Out, RC = Reserve/COVID-19, BYE = Week 9, NR = Not on Roster.

2023 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSE

Opp	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	FB	RB	QB	Other
at PIT												
at LAR												
NYG												
ARZ												
DAL												
at CLE												
at MIN												
CIN												
at JAX												
TB												
at SEA												
at PHI												
SEA												
at ARZ												
BAL												
at WAS												
LAR												

DEFENSE

Opp	LDE	LDT	RDT	RDE	SAM	MIKE	WILL	LCB	RCB	SS	FS	Other
at PIT												
at LAR												
NYG												
ARZ												
DAL												
at CLE												
at MIN												
CIN												
at JAX												
TB												
at SEA												
at PHI												
SEA												
at ARZ												
BAL												
at WAS												
LAR												

INACTIVES

Opp
at PIT
at LAR
NYG
ARZ
DAL
at CLE
at MIN
CIN
at JAX
TB
at SEA
at PHI
SEA
at ARZ
BAL
at WAS
LAR

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- 1-2 WR Tay Martin and DL Kemoko Turay reverted back to the team's practice squad.
- 1-3 Waived DL Akeem Spence.
Released QB Jacob Eason from the team's practice squad.
- 1-4 Opened the Injured Reserve practice window for RB Elijah Mitchell.
- 1-6 Signed DL Akeem Spence to the team's practice squad.
- 1-7 Activated RB Elijah Mitchell to the active roster from the Injured Reserve List.
Activated DL Michael Dwumfour and CB Janoris Jenkins from the team's practice squad (standard elevations).
- 1-9 DL Michael Dwumfour and CB Janoris Jenkins reverted back to the team's practice squad.
- 1-13 Activated RB Tevin Coleman and CB Janoris Jenkins from the team's practice squad (standard elevations).
- 1-16 RB Tevin Coleman and CB Janoris Jenkins reverted back to the team's practice squad.
Signed DB A.J. Parker to a Reserve/Future contract.
- 1-21 Activated DL Alex Barrett and CB Janoris Jenkins from the team's practice squad (standard elevations).
- 1-23 DL Alex Barrett and CB Janoris Jenkins reverted back to the team's practice squad.
- 1-28 Activated RB Tevin Coleman and CB Janoris Jenkins from the team's practice squad (standard elevations).
- 1-30 RB Tevin Coleman and CB Janoris Jenkins reverted back to the team's practice squad.
- 1-31 Signed the following 10 free agents to Reserve/Future contracts: DL Alex Barrett, OL Alfredo Gutierrez, S Tayler Hawkins, OL Keith Ismael, DB Qwuantrez Knight, WR Tay Martin, WR Dazz Newsome, OL Jason Poe, LB Curtis Robinson and OL Leroy Watson.
- 2-6 Signed WR Tyron Johnson and CB Tre Swilling to Reserve/Future contracts.
- 2-13 Re-signed LB Marcelino McCrary-Ball to a one-year deal.
- 2-28 Signed LS Taybor Pepper to a three-year extension.
Tendered a one-year contract to exclusive rights free agents WR Jauan Jennings.
- 3-9 Signed OL Colton McKivitz to a two-year extension.
- 3-13 Signed DL Kevin Givens to a one-year extension.
- 3-15 Re-signed S Tashaun Gipson Sr. to a one-year deal.
Re-signed OL Jake Brendel to a four-year deal.
- 3-16 Signed DL Javon Hargrave to a four-year deal.
Signed QB Sam Darnold to a one-year deal.
Signed DL Clelin Ferrell to a one-year deal.
Signed CB Isaiah Oliver to a two-year deal.
Re-signed LB Demetrius Flannigan-Fowles to a one-year deal.
- 3-17 Re-signed DL T.Y. McGill to a one-year deal.
- 3-20 Re-signed TE Ross Dwelley to a one-year deal.
Signed DB Myles Hartsfield to a one-year deal.
- 3-21 Signed OL Jon Feliciano to a one-year deal.
- 3-22 Hired Steve Wilks as defensive coordinator, Klint Kubiak as offensive passing game specialist, Jacob Webster as defensive quality control coach and Max Molz as coaching operations assistant.
- 3-23 Signed DL Austin Bryant to a one-year deal.
- 3-24 Acquired K Zane Gonzalez from the Carolina Panthers in exchange for a conditional swap of late-round picks in the 2025 NFL Draft.
- 3-27 Signed OL Matt Pryor to a one-year deal.
- 4-17 WR Jauan Jennings signed his one-year tendered contract as an exclusive rights free agent.
Re-signed DL Kerry Hyder Jr. to a one-year deal.
Signed WR Chris Conley to a one-year deal.
- 4-28 Exercised the fifth-year contract option on WR Brandon Aiyuk for the 2024 season.
Selected S Ji'Ayir Brown in the third round (87th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected K Jake Moody in the third round (99th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected TE Cameron Latu in the third round (101st overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
- 4-29 Selected CB Darrell Luter Jr. in the fifth round (155th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected DL Robert Beal Jr. in the fifth round (173rd overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected LB Dee Winters in the sixth round (216th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected TE Brayden Willis in the seventh round (247th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected WR Ronnie Bell in the seventh round (253rd overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
Selected LB Jalen Graham in the seventh round (255th overall) of the 2023 NFL Draft.
- 5-1 Signed WR Willie Snead IV to a one-year deal.
Announced coaching staff hires/title changes: Daniel Bullocks (Defensive Backs), Cameron Brown (Defensive Quality Control), Andrew Hayes-Stoker (Assistant Defensive Backs) and Nick Sorensen (Defensive Passing Game Specialist/Nickels).
Agreed to terms with the following 11 undrafted rookie free agents: RB Ronald Awatt, FB Jack Colletto, OL Joey Fisher, CB D'Shawn Jamison, RB Khalan Laborn, OL Corey Luciano, OL IIm Manning, LB Mariano Sori-Marin, DL Spencer Waege, WR Shae Wyatt and S Avery Young.
- 5-3 Agreed to terms with undrafted WR Isaiah Winstead.
- 5-8 Signed QB Brandon Allen, DL Marlon Davidson and TE Troy Fumagalli to one-year deals.
- 5-11 Waived WR Tyron Johnson.
- 5-12 Signed each of the team's nine draft picks to four-year deals: S Ji'Ayir Brown, K Jake Moody, TE Cameron Latu, CB Darrell Luter Jr., DL Robert Beal Jr., LB Dee Winters, TE Brayden Willis, WR Ronnie Bell and LB Jalen Graham.
Signed the following 12 undrafted rookie free agents: RB Ronald Awatt, FB Jack Colletto, OL Joey Fisher, CB D'Shawn Jamison, RB Khalan Laborn, OL Corey Luciano, OL IIm Manning, LB Mariano Sori-Marin, DL Spencer Waege, WR Isaiah Winstead, WR Shae Wyatt and S Avery Young.
- 6-6 Signed DL Darryl Johnson to a one-year deal.
Waived WR Shae Wyatt.
- 6-20 Waived LB Mariano Sori-Marin.
- 7-18 Placed CB Darrell Luter Jr. on the Active/Physically Unable to Perform List.
- 7-25 Signed CB Terrance Mitchell to a one-year deal.
Placed P Mitch Wishnowsky on the Active/Non-Football Injury List.
Placed DL Nick Bosa on the Reserve/Did Not Report List.
- 7-27 Signed LB Kyahva Tezino to a one-year deal.
Activated P Mitch Wishnowsky from the Active/Non-Football Injury List.
- 8-1 Signed DL Taco Charlton to a one-year deal.
Waived S Avery Young.
- 8-3 Placed CB Terrance Mitchell on the Injured Reserve List.
Signed CB Anthony Averett to a one-year deal.
- 8-4 Placed DL Darryl Johnson on the Injured Reserve List.
Signed DL Daelin Hayes to a one-year deal.

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- 8-8 Signed RB Jeremy McNichols to a one-year deal.
Waived RB Ronald Awatt.
- 8-11 Signed DL Breeland Speaks to a one-year deal.
Placed CB Anthony Averett on the Injured Reserve List.
- 8-12 Signed CB Nate Brooks to a one-year deal.
Waived/Injured DL Daelin Hayes.
- 8-19 Signed DL La'Darius Hamilton and DL Tomasi Lauile to one-year deals.
Placed DL Taco Charlton on the Injured Reserve List.
Waived RB Khalan Laborn.
- 8-21 Signed RB Brian Hill to a one-year deal.
Waived DL Tomasi Lauile.
- 8-22 Signed WR Anthony Miller to a one-year deal.
Waived WR Dazz Newsome.
- 8-26 Traded QB Trey Lance to the Dallas Cowboys in exchange for Dallas' 2024 fourth-round draft choice.
- 8-27 Waived the following players: CB Nate Brooks, DL La'Darius Hamilton, DL Breeland Speaks, LB Kyahva Tezino and DL Spencer Waege.
- 8-29 Placed the following players on the Injured Reserve List: K Zane Gonzalez, S Tayler Hawkins, TE Cameron Latu and CB A.J. Parker.
Placed CB Darrell Luter Jr. on the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List.
Released the following players: DL Austin Bryant, WR Chris Conley, TE Troy Fumagalli, RB Brian Hill, DL Kerry Hyder Jr., DL T.Y. McGill, RB Jeremy McNichols, WR Anthony Miller and WR Willie Snead IV.
Waived the following players: DL Alex Barrett, FB Jack Colletto, DL Marlon Davidson, OL Joey Fisher, OL Alfredo Gutierrez, S Myles Hartsfield, OL Keith Ismael, CB D'Shawn Jamison, S Qwuantrezz Knight, OL Corey Luciano, OL IIm Manning, WR Tay Martin, LB Marcelino McCrary-Ball, OL Jason Poe, LB Curtis Robinson, CB Tre Swilling, OL Leroy Watson and WR Isaiah Winstead.
- 8-30 Signed DL Austin Bryant and DL Kerry Hyder Jr. to one-year deals.
Placed DL Robert Beal Jr. and WR Danny Gray on the Injured Reserve List.
Signed the following 16 players to the team's practice squad: DL Alex Barrett, FB Jack Colletto, WR Chris Conley, DL Marlon Davidson, TE Troy Fumagalli, OL Alfredo Gutierrez, RB Brian Hill, CB Qwuantrezz Knight, OL Corey Luciano, WR Tay Martin, DL T.Y. McGill, LB Curtis Robinson, WR Willie Snead IV, CB Tre Swilling, OL Leroy Watson IV and WR Isaiah Winstead.
- 8-31 Signed CB Shemar Jean-Charles to the team's practice squad.
- 9-4 Signed K Matthew Wright to the team's practice squad.
Released RB Brian Hill.

2023 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS PRESEASON STATISTICS

Date	W/L	Score	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
8/13	L	7-34	at Las Vegas	61,985	T.Davis-Price	23	112	4.9	15	0
8/19	W	21-20	Denver	50,012	J.Mason	22	100	4.5	22	0
8/25	L	12-23	Los Angeles Chargers	52,653	J.McNichols	10	36	3.6	8	0

Team Statistics		49ers	Opponents
Total First Downs		54	51
Rushing		15	24
Passing		36	24
Penalty		3	3
3rd Down: Made/Att		10/30	15/40
3rd Down Pct.		33.3%	37.5%
4th Down: Made/Att		0/2	2/5
4th Down Pct.		0.0%	40.0%
Possession Avg.		28:47	31:13
Total Net Yards		1,015	893
Avg. Per Game		338.3	297.7
Total Plays		173	179
Avg. Per Play		5.9	5.0
Net Yards Rushing		293	552
Avg. Per Game		97.7	184.0
Total Rushes		72	101
Net Yards Passing		722	341
Avg. Per Game		240.7	113.7
Sacked/Yards Lost		7/42	5/31
Gross Yards		764	372
Attempts/Completions		94/60	73/49
Completion Pct.		63.8%	67.1%
Had Intercepted		4	0
Punts/Average		13/41.8	13/52.9
Net Punting Avg.		40.3	48.1
Penalties/Yards		22/186	13/111
Fumbles/Ball Lost		6/3	4/0
Touchdowns		5	8
Rushing		1	4
Passing		4	4
Returns		0	0

Receiving		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
R.Bell		10	172	17.2	43	0
C.Conley		5	92	18.4	34	0
W.Snead		5	65	13.0	18	1
T.Martin		5	38	7.6	15	0
D.Samuel		4	57	14.3	25	0
C.Latu		4	55	13.8	22t	1
I.Winstead		4	54	13.5	18	0
T.Fumagalli		3	33	11.0	22	0
R.Dwelle		3	18	6.0	9t	1
B.Aiyuk		2	50	25.0	35	0
J.McNichols		2	19	9.5	11	0
J.Mason		2	18	9.0	13	0
T.Davis-Price		2	16	8.0	12	0
C.Woerner		2	16	8.0	11	0
B.Willis		2	14	7.0	9	0
J.Colletto		1	11	11.0	11t	1
J.Jennings		1	11	11.0	11	0
B.Hill		1	9	9.0	9	0
D.Newsome		1	9	9.0	9	0
K.Juszczyk		1	7	7.0	7	0
G.Kittle		0	0	0.0	0	0
K.Laborn		0	0	0.0	0	0
49ers		60	764	12.7	43	4
Opponents		49	372	7.6	50	4

Score By Periods	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	Pts
49ers	9	7	12	12	0	40
Opponents	17	13	27	20	0	77

Interceptions		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
None		0	0	-	-	0
49ers		0	0	-	-	0
Opponents		4	59	14.8	43	0

Punting		No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
M.Wishnowsky		13	543	41.8	40.3	0	2	55	0
49ers		13	543	41.8	40.3	0	2	55	0
Opponents		13	688	52.9	48.1	1	7	65	0

Punt Returns		Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
R.Bell		4	0	45	11.3	28	0
D.Jamison		3	0	0	0.0	0	0
J.McNichols		1	0	0	0.0	0	0
A.Miller		1	0	-2	-2.0	-2	0
49ers		9	0	43	4.8	28	0
Opponents		6	4	19	3.2	7	0

Kickoff Returns		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
R.Bell		4	82	20.5	25	0
D.Jamison		3	69	23.0	32	0
D.Gray		1	23	23.0	23	0
49ers		8	174	21.8	32	0
Opponents		7	141	20.1	44	0

Field Goals		1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
J.Moody		0/0	1/1	1/1	1/2	0/1
49ers		0/0	1/1	1/1	1/2	0/1
Opponents		0/0	2/2	2/2	2/2	1/1

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
T.Lance	33	22	285	66.7%	8.6	2	6.1%	1	3.0%	43	4/18	101.2
S.Darnold	33	22	282	66.7%	8.6	2	6.1%	1	3.0%	37	2/16	100.8
B.Purdy	14	9	138	64.3%	9.9	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	35	1/8	96.7
B.Allen	14	7	59	50.0%	4.2	0	0.0%	2	14.3%	15	0/0	21.7
49ers	94	60	764	63.8%	8.1	4	4.3%	4	4.3%	43	7/42	85.6
Opponents	73	49	372	67.1%	5.1	4	5.5%	0	0.0%	50	5/31	97.5

PRESEASON GAME 1

SAN FRANCISCO 7, LAS VEGAS 34

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
San Francisco	0	7	0	0	7
Las Vegas	7	7	10	10	34

LV – Z. White, 1 run (D. Carlson kick) (10–68, 5:31)
SF – R. Dwelley, 9 pass from T. Lance (J. Moody kick) (7–61, 3:53)
LV – K. Cole, 9 pass from A. O’Connell (D. Carlson kick) (8–60, 3:07)
LV – D. Carlson, 53 FG (7–37, 3:51)
LV – S. McCormick, 2 run (D. Carlson kick) (4–14, 1:54)
LV – D. Carlson, 46 FG (5–24, 2:03)
LV – S. McCormick, 2 pass from C. Garbers (D. Carlson kick) (1–2, 0:04)

TEAM STATISTICS	SF	LV
First Downs	16	19
Net Yards Gained	283	266
Rushes/Yards	23/69	35/120
Net Yards Passing	214	146
Att/Comp/INT	31/20/1	23/18/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	4/18	1/6
Punts/Average	5/49.0	5/48.8
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	0/0
Penalties/Yards	7/55	3/27
Time of Possession	28:23	31:37
3rd Down Efficiency	2/10 (20.0%)	5/13 (38.5%)

RUSHING: 49ERS – T. Davis–Price 9–29, J. Mason 5–17, R. Bell 1–15, J. McNichols 4–7, T. Lance 1–2, S. Darnold 1–0, K. Laborn 1–0, B. Allen 1–(–1) ... **RAIDERS** – Z. White 13–43–1 TD, S. McCormick 9–27–1 TD, A. Abdullah 5–22, D. Williams 4–15, A. O’Connell 2–7, T. Tucker 1–3, C. Garbers 1–3.

RECEIVING: 49ERS – R. Bell 3–58, C. Conley 3–47, R. Dwelley 3–18–1 TD, T. Fumagalli 2–30, I. Winstead 2–22, T. Martin 2–15, W. Snead 1–12, J. McNichols 1–11, C. Latu 1–9, C. Woerner 1–5, B. Willis 1–5 ... **RAIDERS** – K. Cole 6–29–1 TD, C. Fotheringham 5–71, P. Dorsett 2–19, K. Wilkerson 2–12, T. Tucker 1–15, A. Abdullah 1–4, S. McCormick 1–2–1 TD.

PASSING: 49ERS – T. Lance 15–10–112–0–1 TD, S. Darnold 8–5–84–0–0, B. Allen 8–5–1–0 ... **RAIDERS** – A. O’Connell 18–15–141–0–1 TD, C. Garbers 5–3–11–0–1 TD.

INTs: 49ERS – None ... **RAIDERS** – S. Webb 1–43.

SACKS: 49ERS – C. Ferrell 1–6 ... **RAIDERS** – A. Burney 1–5, A. Butler 1–4, J. Jenkins 1–3, I. Rochell 0.5–3, J. Willis 0.5–3.

49ERS TURNOVER RATIO: –2 (SF: 1 INT, 1 fumble/LV: None).

Weather: Indoor
Playing Surface: Grass
Time: 2:52
Attendance: 61,985

PRESEASON GAME 2

DENVER 20, SAN FRANCISCO 21

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
Denver	3	3	7	7	20
San Francisco	3	0	6	12	21

SF – J. Moody, 20 FG (10–69, 5:45)
DEN – B. Maher, 48 FG (13–49, 5:33)
DEN – B. Maher, 34 FG (12–46, 6:34)
SF – J. Colletto, 11 pass from S. Darnold (kick failed) (9–63, 4:41)
DEN – J. McLaughlin, 8 run (B. Maher kick) (1–8, 0:05)
SF – J. Moody, 43 FG (9–38, 4:28)
DEN – J. McLaughlin, 9 pass from B. DiNucci (B. Maher kick) (2–52, 1:02)
SF – C. Latu, 22 pass from T. Lance (pass failed) (7–75, 3:01)
SF – J. Moody, 32 FG (8–64, 2:01)

TEAM STATISTICS	DEN	SF
First Downs	13	24
Net Yards Gained	322	422
Rushes/Yards	25/165	25/99
Net Yards Passing	157	323
Att/Comp/INT	30/18/0	37/27/2
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/10	3/24
Punts/Average	4/60.3	3/31.7
Fumbles/Lost	3/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	9/74	9/76
Time of Possession	26:45	33:15
3rd Down Efficiency	5/13 (38.5%)	4/11 (36.4%)

RUSHING: BRONCOS – J. McLaughlin 7–45–1 TD, T. Jones 3–45, R. Wilson 3–25, S. Perine 3–22, J. Williams 3–12, J. Stidham 3–8, M. Burton 2–7, B. DiNucci 1–1 ... **49ERS** – J. McNichols 6–29, J. Mason 6–24, T. Davis–Price 4–22, S. Darnold 2–18, B. Purdy 1–8, T. Lance 4–(–2).

RECEIVING: BRONCOS – J. Williams 4–18, L. Humphrey 3–30, N. Adkins 3–17, T. Jones 2–13, J. McLaughlin 2–8–1 TD, J. Virgil 1–50, G. Dulcich 1–18, M. Mims Jr. 1–8, J. Jeudy 1–5 ... **49ERS** – R. Bell 7–114, C. Latu 3–46–1 TD, T. Martin 3–23, D. Samuel 2–39, W. Snead IV 2–32, B. Aiyuk 1–15, C. Conley 1–11, C. Woerner 1–11, J. Colletto 1–11–1 TD, J. Jennings 1–11, B. Willis 1–9, D. Newsome 1–9, J. McNichols 1–8, J. Mason 1–5, T. Fumagalli 1–3.

PASSING: BRONCOS – J. Stidham 17–12–130–0–0, B. DiNucci 7–3–13–0–1 TD, R. Wilson 6–3–24–0–0 ... **49ERS** – T. Lance 18–12–173–1–1 TD, S. Darnold 14–11–109–1–1 TD, B. Purdy 5–4–65–0–0.

INTs: BRONCOS – E. Bassey 1–0, E. Garcia 1–0 ... **49ERS** – None.

SACKS: BRONCOS – R. Gregory 1–9, J. Cooper 1–8, Z. Allen 1–7 ... **49ERS** – T. McGill 1–8, M. Davidson 1–2.

49ERS TURNOVER RATIO: –3 (DEN: None/SF: 2 INTs, 1 fumble).

Weather: Sunny
Temperature: 81 degrees
Wind: Northwest 12 mph
Playing Surface: Grass
Time: 2:56
Attendance: 50,012

PRESEASON GAME 3

LOS ANGELES CHARGERS 23, SAN FRANCISCO 12

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
Los Angeles	7	3	10	3	23
San Francisco	6	0	6	0	12

SF – B. Purdy, 5 run (kick failed) (9–53, 3:48)

LAC – J. Kelley, 75 run (D. Hopkins kick) (2–81, 0:44)

LAC – C. Dicker, 24 FG (15–62, 7:11)

SF – W. Snead IV, 6 pass from S. Darnold (pass failed) (7–67, 3:27)

LAC – H. Kampmoyer, 3 pass from M. Duggan (D. Hopkins kick) (11–77, 6:42)

LAC – C. Dicker, 35 FG (4–1, 1:30)

LAC – D. Hopkins, 27 FG (14–66, 7:57)

TEAM STATISTICS	LAC	SF
First Downs	19	14
Net Yards Gained	305	310
Rushes/Yards	41/267	24/125
Net Yards Passing	38	185
Att/Comp/INT	20/13/0	26/13/1
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/15	0/0
Punts/Average	4/50.8	5/40.6
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	1/10	6/55
Time of Possession	35:16	24:44
3rd Down Efficiency	5/14 (35.7%)	4/9 (44.4%)

RUSHING: CHARGERS – J. Kelley 2–78–1 TD, M. Duggan 6–51, T. Hoosman 12–43, E. Dotson 6–33, D. Davis 2–19, I. Spiller 5–14, A. Shampklin 3–10, D. Shepherd 2–10, E. Stick 2–7, Z. Horvath 1–2 ... **49ERS** – T. Davis–Price 10–61, J. Mason 9–59, B. Purdy 1–5, B. Hill 2–2, B. Allen 2–(–2).

RECEIVING: CHARGERS – K. Doss 3–14, Q. Johnston 2–15, T. Bynum 2–8, H. Kampmoyer 2–7–1 TD, E. Dotson 1–9, S. Smartt 1–6, D. Shepherd 1–(–1), T. McKitty 1–(–5) ... **49ERS** – I. Winstead 2–32, W. Snead IV 2–21–1 TD, D. Samuel 2–18, T. Davis–Price 2–16, B. Aiyuk 1–35, C. Conley 1–34, J. Mason 1–13, B. Hill 1–9, K. Juszczyk 1–7.

PASSING: CHARGERS – E. Stick 11–9–38–0–0, M. Duggan 9–4–15–0–1 TD ... **49ERS** – S. Darnold 11–6–89–0–1 TD, B. Purdy 9–5–73–0–0, B. Allen 6–2–23–1–0.

INTs: CHARGERS – D. Henley 1–16 ... **49ERS** – None.

SACKS: CHARGERS – None ... **49ERS** – F. Warner 1–10, A. Barrett 0.5–2.5, D. Flannigan–Fowles 0.5–2.5.

49ERS TURNOVER RATIO: –2 (DEN: None/SF: 1 INT, 1 fumble).

Weather: Sunny

Temperature: 72 degrees

Wind: Southeast 9 mph

Playing Surface: Grass

Time: 2:44

Attendance: 52,653

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS

Date	W/L	Score	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
9/11	L	10-19	at Chicago	62,159	C.McCaffrey	159	746	4.7	38t	6
9/18	W	27-7	Seattle	71,597	J.Wilson Jr.	92	468	5.1	41	2
9/25	L	10-11	at Denver	77,021	E.Mitchell	45	279	6.2	37	2
10/3	W	24-9	Los Angeles Rams	71,597	J.Mason	43	258	6.0	55	1
10/9	W	37-15	at Carolina	72,321	D.Samuel	42	232	5.5	51	3
10/16	L	14-28	at Atlanta	69,813	T.Davis-Price	34	99	2.9	20	0
10/23	L	23-44	Kansas City	71,746	R.McCloud III	4	78	19.5	71t	1
10/30	W	31-14	at Los Angeles Rams	73,505	T.Lance	16	67	4.2	13	0
11/13	W	22-16	Los Angeles Chargers	71,709	J.Garoppolo	23	33	1.4	6	2
11/21	W	38-10	at Arizona (Mexico City)	78,427	T.Coleman	12	26	2.2	14	1
11/27	W	13-0	New Orleans	71,275	K.Juszczyk	7	26	3.7	9	1
12/4	W	33-17	Miami	71,732	B.Aiyuk	2	23	11.5	16	0
12/11	W	35-7	Tampa Bay	71,725	B.Purdy	22	13	0.6	13	1
12/15	W	21-13	at Seattle	68,957	D.Gray	1	9	9.0	9	0
12/24	W	37-20	Washington	71,642	J.Johnson	2	3	1.5	4	0
1/1	W	37-34 (OT)	at Las Vegas	62,367	49ers	504	2,360	4.7	71t	20
1/8	W	38-13	Arizona	71,638	Opponents	389	1,321	3.4	25t	11

Team Statistics	49ers	Opponents	Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Total First Downs	347	291	B.Aiyuk	78	1,015	13.0	54	8
Rushing	132	77	G.Kittle	60	765	12.8	54t	11
Passing	188	188	D.Samuel	56	632	11.3	57t	2
Penalty	27	26	C.McCaffrey	52	464	8.9	38	4
3rd Down: Made/Att	95/211	85/218	J.Jennings	35	416	11.9	44	1
3rd Down Pct.	45.0%	39.0%	K.Juszczyk	19	200	10.5	35	1
4th Down: Made/Att	7/17	10/25	R.McCloud III	14	243	17.4	42	1
4th Down Pct.	41.2%	40.0%	J.Wilson Jr.	10	91	9.1	16	0
Possession Avg.	31:48	28:12	T.Kroft	4	57	14.3	28	0
Total Net Yards	6,216	5,110	R.Dwellely	3	105	35.0	56	1
Avg. Per Game	365.6	300.6	T.Coleman	3	44	14.7	30	1
Total Plays	1,047	1,026	E.Mitchell	3	7	2.3	5	0
Avg. Per Play	5.9	5.0	D.Gray	1	10	10.0	10	0
Net Yards Rushing	2,360	1,321	T.Davis-Price	0	0	0.0	0	0
Avg. Per Game	138.8	77.7	C.Woerner	0	0	0.0	0	0
Total Rushes	504	389	49ers	338	4,049	12.0	57t	30
Net Yards Passing	3,856	3,789	Opponents	389	4,096	10.5	77t	20
Avg. Per Game	226.8	222.9						
Sacked/Yards Lost	31/193	44/307	Interceptions	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Gross Yards	4,049	4,096	T.Gipson Sr.	5	141	28.2	56	0
Attempts/Completions	512/338	593/389	T.Hufanga	4	61	15.3	52t	1
Completion Pct.	66.0%	65.6%	J.Ward	3	0	0.0	0	0
Had Intercepted	9	20	E.Moseley	1	41	41.0	41t	1
Punts/Average	61/43.9	75/47.9	G.Odum	1	25	25.0	25	0
Net Punting Avg.	39.7	42.0	F.Warner	1	20	20.0	20	0
Penalties/Yards	94/730	96/832	C.Ward	1	9	9.0	9	0
Fumbles/Ball Lost	16/8	21/10	D.Lenoir	1	8	8.0	8	0
Touchdowns	53	33	D.Greenlaw	1	0	0.0	0	0
Rushing	20	11	D.Jackson	1	0	0.0	0	0
Passing	30	20	S.Womack III	1	0	0.0	0	0
Returns	3	2	49ers	20	305	15.3	56	2
			Opponents	9	75	8.3	27	0

Score By Periods	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	Pts
49ers	81	159	98	109	3	450
Opponents	64	73	73	67	0	277

Scoring	TD	Ru	Pa	Rt	PAT	FG	2Pt	Pts
R.Gould	0	0	0	0	50/51	27/32	0	131
G.Kittle	11	0	11	0	0/0	0/0	0	66
C.McCaffrey	10	6	4	0	0/0	0/0	0	60
B.Aiyuk	8	0	8	0	0/0	0/0	0	48
D.Samuel	5	3	2	0	0/0	0/0	0	30
K.Juszczyk	2	1	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
J.Garoppolo	2	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
T.Coleman	2	1	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
J.Wilson Jr.	2	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
R.McCloud III	2	1	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
E.Mitchell	2	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
J.Mason	1	1	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
R.Dwellely	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
E.Moseley	1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6
T.Hufanga	1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6
J.Jennings	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
B.Purdy	1	1	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
D.Greenlaw	1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6
M.Wishnowsky	0	0	0	0	1/2	0/0	0	1
49ers	53	20	30	3	51/53	27/32	0	450
Opponents	33	11	20	2	27/30	16/21	0	277

Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
M.Wishnowsky	61	2,676	43.9	39.7	5	32	74	0
49ers	61	2,676	43.9	39.7	5	32	74	0
Opponents	75	3,589	47.9	42.0	4	25	67	0

Punt Returns	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
R.McCloud III	33	21	356	10.8	35	0
49ers	33	21	356	10.8	35	0
Opponents	17	17	153	9.0	29	0

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
R.McCloud III	26	599	23.0	39	0
49ers	26	599	23.0	39	0
Opponents	51	1,097	21.5	54	0

Field Goals	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
R.Gould	0/0	13/14	5/5	7/11	2/2
49ers	0/0	13/14	5/5	7/11	2/2
Opponents	0/0	4/4	4/5	5/7	3/5

Fumbles Lost: J.Garoppolo 2, D.Samuel 2, J.Wilson Jr. 2, B.Aiyuk 1, G.Kittle 1 **Total: 8**
Opponent Fumble Recoveries: D.Greenlaw 2, A.Al-Shaair 1, R.Dwellely 1, M.Dwumfour 1, S.Ebukam 1, K.Hyder Jr. 1, C.Ward 1, J.Willis 1, S.Womack III 1 **Total: 10**

2-Pt. Conversions: 49ers 0/0, Opponents 0/3

Sacks:
49ers: N.Bosa 18.5, S.Ebukam 5.0, C.Omenihu 4.5, D.Jackson 3.0, K.Givens 2.0, T.Hufanga 2.0, F.Warner 2.0, J.Willis 2.0, D.Flannigan-Fowles 1.0, D.Lenoir 1.0, H.Ridgeway 1.0, K.Hyder Jr. 1.0, T.Gipson Sr. 0.5, O.Burks 0.5
Total: 44.0 Opponents: 31.0

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
J.Garoppolo	308	207	2,437	67.2%	7.9	16	5.2%	4	1.3%	57t	18/100	102.9
B.Purdy	170	114	1,374	67.1%	8.1	13	7.6%	4	2.4%	54t	11/84	107.3
T.Lance	31	15	194	48.4%	6.3	0	0.0%	1	3.2%	44	2/9	55.0
C.McCaffrey	1	1	34	100.0%	34.0	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	34t	0/0	158.3
J.Johnson	2	1	10	50.0%	5.0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0/0	64.6
49ers	512	338	4,049	66.0%	7.9	30	5.9%	9	1.8%	57t	31/193	102.3
Opponents	593	389	4,096	65.6%	6.9	20	3.4%	20	3.4%	77t	44/307	82.7

2022 DEFENSIVE & SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			For Loss	Quarterback				
	Total	Solo	Ast		Sacks	INT	PD	FF	FR
F. Warner	130	79	51	3	2.0	1	10	1	0
D. Greenlaw	127	82	45	3	0.0	1	6	2	2
T. Hufanga	95	65	30	5	2.0	4	9	2	0
C. Ward	87	59	28	3	0.0	1	11	1	1
D. Lenoir	77	54	23	6	1.0	1	5	0	0
T. Gipson Sr.	61	43	18	1	0.5	5	8	0	0
N. Bosa	51	41	10	19	18.5	0	1	2	0
J. Ward	50	38	12	1	0.0	3	5	1	0
A. Al-Shaair	44	20	24	1	0.0	0	0	0	1
S. Ebukam	36	21	15	6	5.0	0	1	1	1
H. Ridgeway	28	14	14	3	1.0	0	0	0	0
O. Burks	26	9	17	1	0.5	1	1	0	0
E. Moseley	22	18	4	1	0.0	1	5	0	0
K. Givens	20	11	9	7	2.0	0	1	0	0
C. Omenihu	20	7	13	3	4.5	0	1	1	0
K. Hyder Jr.	19	10	9	1	1.0	0	3	0	1
S. Womack III	15	11	4	1	0.0	1	2	1	0
D. Jackson	14	8	6	3	3.0	1	8	0	0
A. Armstead	11	8	3	2	0.0	0	0	0	0
J. Willis	11	6	5	3	2.0	0	0	1	1
A. Spence	10	4	6	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
T. McGill	8	5	3	2	0.0	0	0	0	0
D. Flannigan-Fowles	7	6	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0
A. Thomas	5	5	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
J. Kinlaw	4	2	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
T. Moore	4	3	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
M. Dwumfour	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	1
J. Jenkins	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
G. Odum	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	1	0	0
K. Turay	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	988	633	355	76	44.0	20	78	13	8

SACKS [44.0]

N. Bosa (18.5) – 1.0 at Chi., 2.0 vs. Sea., 1.0 at Den., 2.0 vs. LAR, 1.0 vs. KC, 1.5 at LAR, 1.0 vs. LAC, 1.0 at Arz., 1.0 vs. NO, 3.0 vs. Mia., 1.0 at Sea., 2.0 vs. Was., 1.0 vs. Arz.
S. Ebukam (5.0) – 1.0 at Chi., 2.0 vs. LAR, 0.5 at Car., 1.0 at Sea., 0.5 vs. Arz.
C. Omenihu (4.5) – 1.0 vs. LAR, 1.0 at Car., 1.0 at Atl., 1.0 vs. LAC, 0.5 vs. Arz.
D. Jackson (3.0) – 1.0 at Den., 1.0 at Car., 1.0 at Atl.
K. Givens (2.0) – 1.0 at Den., 1.0 at Arz.
T. Hufanga (2.0) – 1.0 at Car., 1.0 at Sea.
F. Warner (2.0) – 0.5 at Car., 0.5 at LAR, 1.0 at Arz.
J. Willis (2.0) – 1.0 vs. LAC, 1.0 vs. Arz.
D. Flannigan-Fowles (1.0) – 1.0 at Car.
K. Hyder Jr. (1.0) – 1.0 at Den.
D. Lenoir (1.0) – 1.0 vs. LAR
H. Ridgeway (1.0) – 1.0 vs. LAR
O. Burks (0.5) – 0.5 at Car.
T. Gipson Sr. (0.5) – 0.5 at Car.

INTERCEPTIONS [20]

T. Gipson Sr. (5) – 1–14 vs. Sea., 1–36 vs. TB, 1–56 at LV, 2–35 vs. Arz.
T. Hufanga (4) – 1–1 at Chi, 1–52t vs. LAR, 1–2 vs. KC, 1–6 vs. LAC
J. Ward (3) – 1–0 at Arz., 1–0 vs. Mia., 1–0 vs. Was.
D. Greenlaw (1) – 1–0 vs. TB
D. Jackson (1) – 1–0 at LV
D. Lenoir (1) – 1–8 vs. Mia.
E. Moseley (1) – 1–41t at Car.
G. Odum (1) – 1–25 vs. Arz.
C. Ward (1) – 1–9 vs. Sea.
F. Warner (1) – 1–20 vs. Mia.
S. Womack III (1) – 1–0 at Arz.

TOUCHDOWNS [3]

D. Greenlaw (1) – 23-yd. fumble return vs. Mia.
T. Hufanga (1) – 52-yd. INT return vs. LAR
E. Moseley (1) – 41-yd. INT return at Car.

SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 15, two times, last by Dre Greenlaw vs. TB
Tackles For Loss: 3, two times, last by Nick Bosa vs. LAC
Sacks: 3.0 by Nick Bosa vs. Mia.
Interceptions: 2, Tashaun Gipson Sr. vs. Arz.
Passes Defensed: 4 by Charvarius Ward at Car.
Forced Fumbles: 1, 13 times, last by Jordan Willis vs. Arz.
Fumble Recoveries: 1, eight times, last by Michael Dwumfour vs. Arz.
Special Teams Tackles: 4, three times, last by George Odum vs. Was.

SPECIAL TEAMS

PLAYER	Tot	Solo	Ast	FF	FR
G. Odum	21	15	6	0	0
D. Flannigan-Fowles	15	7	8	0	0
O. Burks	12	6	6	0	0
A. Thomas	8	4	4	0	0
C. Woerner	6	4	2	0	0
J. Mason	6	2	4	0	0
S. Womack III	4	2	2	0	1
T. Moore	4	4	0	0	0
R. Gould	2	2	0	0	0
D. Lenoir	2	0	2	0	0
M. Turner	2	0	2	0	0
T. Hufanga	2	1	1	0	0
S. Burford	1	1	0	1	0
R. Dwelley	1	0	1	0	1
D. Gray	1	0	1	0	0
J. Jenkins	1	1	0	0	0
J. Jennings	1	0	1	0	0
K. Juszczuk	1	1	0	1	0
T. Kroft	1	0	1	0	0
J. Willis	1	0	1	0	0
M. Wishnowsky	1	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	93	51	42	2	2

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS POSTSEASON STATISTICS

Date	W/L	Score	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
1/14	W	41-23	Seattle	71,299	C.McCaffrey	40	238	6.0	68	2
1/22	W	19-12	Dallas	71,888	E.Mitchell	23	53	2.3	13	0
1/29	L	7-31	at Philadelphia	69,879	D.Samuel	13	34	2.6	22	0

Team Statistics

49ers		Opponents						
Total First Downs	56	62						
Rushing	23	23						
Passing	30	29						
Penalty	3	10						
3rd Down: Made/Att	15/33	16/43						
3rd Down Pct.	45.5%	37.2%						
4th Down: Made/Att	0/2	6/6						
4th Down Pct.	0.0%	100.0%						
Possession Avg.	29:24	30:36						
Total Net Yards	981	883						
Avg. Per Game	327.0	294.3						
Total Plays	172	193						
Avg. Per Play	5.7	4.6						
Net Yards Rushing	375	328						
Avg. Per Game	125.0	109.3						
Total Rushes	89	91						
Net Yards Passing	606	555						
Avg. Per Game	202.0	185.0						
Sacked/Yards Lost	6/37	5/25						
Gross Yards	643	580						
Attempts/Completions	77/48	97/63						
Completion Pct.	62.3%	64.9%						
Had Intercepted	0	3						
Punts/Average	9/43.2	12/46.8						
Net Punting Avg.	41.0	40.9						
Penalties/Yards	17/139	16/114						
Fumbles/Ball Lost	4/4	1/1						
Touchdowns	6	8						
Rushing	3	5						
Passing	3	3						
Returns	0	0						
Score By Periods	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	Pts		
49ers	13	19	7	28	0	67		
Opponents	7	37	10	12	0	66		
Scoring	TD	Ru	Pa	Rt	PAT	FG	2Pt	Pts
R.Gould	0	0	0	0	5/5	8/8	0	29
C.McCaffrey	3	2	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	18
D.Samuel	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
E.Mitchell	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
B.Purdy	1	1	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
G.Kittle	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	1	2
49ers	6	3	3	0	5/5	8/8	1	67
Opponents	8	5	3	0	6/7	4/4	0	66
Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
49ers	89	375	4.2	68	3			
Opponents	91	328	3.6	17	5			
Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
49ers	13	211	16.2	74t	1			
Opponents	12	61	5.1	14	1			
Interceptions	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
49ers	2	12	6.0	6	0			
Opponents	1	16	16.0	16	0			
Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
49ers	9	389	43.2	41.0	1	6	57	0
Opponents	12	561	46.8	40.9	1	4	60	0
Punt Returns	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
49ers	5	5	50	10.0	16	0		
Opponents	1	4	0	0.0	0	0		
Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
49ers	2	95	47.5	53	0			
Opponents	4	160	40.0	53	0			
Field Goals	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+			
49ers	0/0	2/2	3/3	2/2	1/1			
Opponents	0/0	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1			

Fumbles Lost: J.Johnson 1, R.McCloud III 1, D.Samuel 1, B.Purdy 1 **Total: 4**
Opponent Fumble Recoveries: N.Bosa 1 **Total: 1**

2-Pt. Conversions: 49ers 1/1, Opponents 0/1

Sacks:

49ers: A.Armstead 2.0, C.Omenihu 2.0, S.Ebukam 1.0 **Total: 5.0** Opponents: 6.0

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
B.Purdy	63	41	569	65.1%	9.0	3	4.8%	0	0.0%	74t	4/23	109.8
J.Johnson	13	7	74	53.8%	5.7	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	22	2/14	70.7
C.McCaffrey	1	0	0	0.0%	0.0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0/0	39.6
49ers	77	48	643	62.3%	8.4	3	3.9%	0	0.0%	74t	6/37	101.8
Opponents	97	63	580	64.9%	6.0	3	3.1%	3	3.1%	50t	5/25	78.5

2022 POSTSEASON DEFENSIVE & SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			For Loss	Quarterback				
	Total	Solo	Ast		Sacks	INT	PD	FF	FR
D. Greenlaw	26	17	9	2	0.0	0	1	0	0
F. Warner	23	16	7	2	0.0	1	1	0	0
D. Lenoir	17	14	3	0	0.0	2	2	0	0
T. Hufanga	16	9	7	0	0.0	0	1	0	0
C. Ward	13	12	1	0	0.0	0	3	0	0
A. Al-Shaair	12	6	6	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
N. Bosa	11	8	3	4	0.0	0	0	0	1
J. Ward	11	10	1	1	0.0	0	3	0	0
A. Armstead	10	8	2	1	2.0	0	0	0	0
T. Gipson Sr.	7	4	3	1	0.0	0	0	0	0
S. Ebukam	5	3	2	0	1.0	0	0	0	0
J. Kinlaw	5	2	3	1	0.0	0	0	0	0
C. Omenihu	5	4	1	1	2.0	0	0	1	0
K. Givens	4	2	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
K. Hyder Jr.	4	0	4	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
S. Womack III	3	3	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
T. McGill	2	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0
O. Burks	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
D. Flannigan-Fowles	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
J. Jenkins	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
T. Moore	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
J. Willis	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	179	124	55	15	5.0	3	11	1	1

SACKS (5.0)

A. Armstead (2.0) – 1.0 vs. Sea., 1.0 at Phi. **S. Ebukam (1.0)** – 1.0 vs. Dal.
C. Omenihu (2.0) – 2.0 vs. Sea.

INTERCEPTIONS (3)

D. Lenoir (2) – 1–6 vs. Sea., 1–6 vs. Dal. **F. Warner (1)** – 1–16 vs. Dal.

SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 11, Dre Greenlaw vs. Sea.
Tackles For Loss: 2, three times, last by Nick Bosa, Dre Greenlaw & T.Y. McGill at Phi.
Sacks: 2.0 by Charles Omenihu vs. Sea.
Interceptions: 1, three times, last by Deommodore Lenoir & Fred Warner vs. Dal.
Passes Defensed: 2, two times, last by Charvarius Ward at Phi.
Forced Fumbles: 1, Charles Omenihu vs. Sea.
Fumble Recoveries: 1, Nick Bosa vs. Sea.
Special Teams Tackles: 2, three times, last by Demetrius Flannigan-Fowles, Samuel Womack III & Charlie Woerner vs. Sea.

SPECIAL TEAMS

PLAYER	Tot	Solo	Ast	FF	FR
D. Flannigan-Fowles	3	2	1	0	0
O. Burks	2	2	0	0	0
J. Ward	2	2	0	0	0
C. Woerner	2	1	1	0	0
S. Womack III	2	0	2	0	0
R. Gould	1	1	0	0	0
D. Gray	1	1	0	0	0
J. Jenkins	1	1	0	0	0
J. Mason	1	0	1	0	0
T. Moore	1	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	16	10	6	0	0

BLOCKED PATs (1)

S. Ebukam (1) – blocked B. Maher's PAT vs. Dal.

2022 49ERS OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
First Downs																		
Total	17	25	13	13	22	21	25	22	22	21	21	24	24	15	14	27	21	347
Rushing	11	11	3	4	9	4	6	8	12	7	6	6	12	7	6	10	10	132
Passing	5	8	9	9	12	15	18	12	10	13	12	15	9	8	8	15	10	188
Penalty	1	6	1	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	3	3	3	0	0	2	1	27

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Third Down																		
Conversions	8	6	1	5	7	3	8	5	9	6	5	8	4	6	4	4	6	95
Attempts	17	15	10	12	12	8	14	9	17	11	13	19	9	13	11	8	13	211
Percentage	47.1	40.0	10.0	41.7	58.3	37.5	57.1	55.6	52.9	54.5	38.5	42.1	44.4	46.2	36.4	50.0	46.2	45.0

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
4th Down																		
Conversions	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	7
Attempts	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	2	0	2	0	1	17

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Time of Possession																		
49ers	33:28	38:20	25:31	25:26	30:18	26:28	33:45	29:56	36:59	29:09	34:50	40:34	32:40	33:01	26:25	31:07	34:14	31:54

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Total Net Yards																		
Plays	67	70	52	49	61	57	72	52	70	57	67	79	59	61	51	62	61	1,047
Yards	331	373	267	327	397	346	444	368	387	387	317	351	404	381	371	454	311	6,216
Average	4.9	5.3	5.1	6.7	6.5	6.1	6.2	7.1	5.5	6.8	4.7	4.4	6.8	6.2	7.3	7.3	5.1	5.9

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Rushing																		
Attempts	37	45	19	22	29	16	21	23	41	28	29	34	36	34	26	27	37	504
Yards	176	189	88	88	153	50	101	111	157	159	96	121	209	170	153	170	169	2,360
Average	4.8	4.2	4.6	4.0	5.3	3.1	4.8	4.8	3.8	5.7	3.3	3.6	5.8	5.0	5.9	6.3	4.6	4.7

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Passing																		
Net	155	184	179	239	244	296	343	257	230	228	221	230	195	211	218	284	142	3,856
Sacks	2	1	4	0	2	0	5	3	1	0	1	4	0	1	3	0	4	31
Yards	9	0	32	0	9	0	26	12	10	0	1	36	0	6	16	0	36	193
Gross	164	184	211	239	253	296	369	269	240	228	222	266	195	217	234	284	178	4,049
Attempts	28	24	29	27	30	41	46	26	28	29	37	41	23	26	22	35	20	512
Completions	13	15	18	16	18	29	29	22	19	20	26	27	17	17	15	22	15	338
Percentage	46.4	62.5	62.1	59.3	60.0	70.7	63.0	84.6	67.9	69.0	70.3	65.9	73.9	65.4	68.2	62.9	75.0	66.0
Interceptions	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	9

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Punting																		
Number	4	3	7	4	2	3	1	3	4	4	4	4	3	6	2	2	5	61
Average	40.3	44.0	51.7	39.5	37.5	52.7	29.0	41.0	33.0	54.5	43.8	44.5	44.7	42.2	40.0	46.5	43.6	42.8
Net	40.3	44.0	44.7	34.5	37.5	36.7	29.0	41.0	33.0	45.8	39.3	39.3	37.7	38.8	38.0	46.5	40.2	39.2

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Penalties																		
Number	12	1	7	4	9	5	10	3	5	3	7	4	2	7	4	9	2	94
Yards	99	26	40	25	50	30	80	8	52	30	64	45	15	60	25	71	10	730

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Fumbles																		
Number	2	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	15
Lost	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Red Zone																		
Number	3	5	1	1	4	3	5	4	5	2	3	5	3	2	5	6	6	63
Touchdowns	1	2	1	0	4	2	2	3	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	4	4	34
Field Goals	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	1	3	0	0	3	2	1	17

	@Chi.	Sea.	@Den.	LAR	@Car.	@Atl.	KC	@LAR	LAC	@Arz.	NO	Mia.	TB	@Sea.	Was.	@LV	Arz.	Totals
Touchdowns																		
Rushing	1	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	3	1	2	2	2	20
Passing	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	0	4	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	30
Returns	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3

2022 49ERS POSTSEASON GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

OFFENSE

	Sea.	Dal.	@Phi.	Totals
First Downs				
Total	24	21	11	56
Rushing	9	7	7	23
Passing	15	11	4	30
Penalty	0	3	0	3
3rd Down				
Conversions	6	7	2	15
Attempts	11	14	8	33
Percentage	54.5	50.0	25.0	45.5
4th Down				
Conversions	0	0	0	0
Attempts	0	0	2	2
Time of Possession				
49ers	32:46	32:53	22:34	29:24
Total Net Yards				
Plays	64	63	45	172
Yards	505	312	164	981
Average	7.9	5.0	3.6	5.7
Rushing				
Attempts	33	32	24	89
Yards	181	113	81	375
Average	5.5	3.5	3.4	4.2
Passing				
Net	324	199	83	606
Sacks	1	2	3	6
Yards	8	15	14	37
Gross	332	214	97	643
Attempts	30	29	18	77
Completions	18	19	11	48
Percentage	60.0	65.5	61.1	62.3
Interceptions	0	0	0	0
Punting				
Number	1	4	4	9
Average	57.0	41.0	42.0	46.7
Net	57.0	36.0	42.0	45.0
Penalties				
Number	3	3	11	17
Yards	28	30	81	139
Fumbles				
Number	0	1	3	4
Lost	0	1	3	4
Red Zone				
Number	6	3	0	9
Touchdowns	3	1	0	4
Field Goals	3	2	0	5
Touchdowns				
Rushing	1	1	1	3
Passing	3	0	0	3
Returns	0	0	0	0

DEFENSE

	Sea.	Dal.	@Phi.	Totals
First Downs				
Total	22	15	25	62
Rushing	6	5	12	23
Passing	14	9	6	29
Penalty	2	1	7	10
3rd Down				
Conversions	6	5	5	16
Attempts	13	15	15	43
Percentage	46.2	33.3	33.3	37.2
4th Down				
Conversions	1	2	3	6
Attempts	1	2	3	6
Time of Possession				
Opponent	27:14	27:07	37:26	30:36
Total Net Yards				
Plays	63	60	70	193
Yards	332	282	269	883
Average	5.3	4.7	3.8	4.6
Rushing				
Attempts	25	22	44	91
Yards	104	76	148	328
Average	4.2	3.5	3.4	3.6
Passing				
Net	228	206	121	555
Sacks	3	1	1	5
Yards	25	0	0	25
Gross	253	206	121	580
Attempts	35	37	25	97
Completions	25	23	15	63
Percentage	71.4	62.2	60.0	64.9
Interceptions	1	2	0	3
Punting				
Number	4	4	4	12
Average	48.5	46.8	45.0	46.8
Net	44.5	42.5	35.8	40.9
Penalties				
Number	5	7	4	16
Yards	30	50	34	114
Fumbles				
Number	1	0	0	1
Lost	1	0	0	1
Red Zone				
Number	3	3	6	12
Touchdowns	2	1	4	7
Field Goals	0	1	1	2
Touchdowns				
Rushing	1	0	4	5
Passing	2	1	0	3
Returns	0	0	0	0

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

	Bests/Highs	Opponent	Date	Worsts/Lows	Opponent	Date
First Downs	27	at Las Vegas	1/1/23	13	2 times, last vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	24	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	11	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Third-Down %	7-12-58.3%	at Carolina	10/9/22	1-10-10.0%	at Denver	9/25/22
	6-11-54.5%	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	2-8-25.0%	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Total Net Yards	454	at Las Vegas	1/1/23	267	at Denver	9/25/22
	505	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	164	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Offensive Plays	79	vs. Miami	12/4/22	49	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	64	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	45	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Avg. Per Play	7.3	2 times, last at Las Vegas	1/1/23	4.4	vs. Miami	12/4/22
	7.9	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	3.6	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Rushing Yards	209	vs. Tampa Bay	12/11/22	50	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	181	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	81	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Rushes	45	vs. Seattle	9/18/22	16	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	33	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	24	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Rushing Avg.	6.3	at Las Vegas	1/1/23	3.1	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	5.5	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	3.4	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Net Passing Yards	343	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22	155	at Chicago	9/11/22
	324	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	83	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Completions	29	2 times, last vs. Kansas City	10/23/22	13	at Chicago	9/11/22
	19	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	11	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Attempts	46	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22	22	vs. Washington	12/24/22
	30	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	18	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Completions %	84.6	at LA Rams	10/30/22	46.4	at Chicago	9/11/22
	65.5	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	60.0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Avg. Gain Per Passing Play	8.9	2 times, last at LA Rams	10/30/22	5.1	vs. Miami	12/4/22
	10.5	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	4.0	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Interceptions Thrown	0	10 times, last vs. Arizona	1/8/23	2	2 times, last vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	0	2 times, last vs. Dallas	1/22/23	2	at Denver	9/25/22
Fumbles Lost	0	10 times, last vs. Arizona	1/8/23	3	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
	0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	3	2 times, last vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
Turnovers	0	6 times, last vs. Arizona	1/8/23	3	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
	0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	3	at Chicago	9/11/22
Penalties	1	vs. Seattle	9/18/22	12	at Chicago	9/11/22
	3	2 times, last vs. Dallas	1/22/23	11	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Penalty Yards	8	at LA Rams	10/30/22	99	at Chicago	9/11/22
	28	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	81	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Gross Punting Avg.	54.5	at Arizona	11/21/22	29.0	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	57.0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	41.0	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Net Punting Avg.	45.8	at Arizona	11/21/22	29.0	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	57.0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	36.0	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Time of Poss.	40:34	vs. Miami	12/4/22	25:26	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	32:53	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	22:34	at Philadelphia	1/29/23

OPPONENTS

	Worsts/Lows	Opponent	Date	Bests/Highs	Opponent	Date
First Downs	11	vs. Arizona	1/8/23	29	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	15	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	22	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Third-Down %	0-7-0.0%	vs. Miami	12/4/22	6-9-66.7%	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	5-15-33.3%	2 times, last at Philadelphia	1/29/23	6-13-46.2%	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Total Net Yards	204	at Chicago	9/11/22	529	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	269	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	332	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Offensive Plays	45	vs. Miami	12/4/22	74	vs. Tampa Bay	12/11/22
	60	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	70	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Avg. Per Play	3.6	at Chicago	9/11/22	9.1	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	3.8	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	5.3	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Rushing Yards	33	vs. Miami	12/4/22	168	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	76	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	148	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Rushes	8	vs. Miami	12/4/22	40	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	22	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	44	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Rushing Avg.	2.4	vs. Washington	12/24/22	5.3	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	3.4	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	4.2	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Net Passing Yards	105	at Chicago	9/11/22	417	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	121	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	228	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Completions	8	at Chicago	9/11/22	34	vs. Tampa Bay	12/11/22
	15	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	25	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Attempts	17	at Chicago	9/11/22	55	vs. Tampa Bay	12/11/22
	25	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	37	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Completions %	47.1	at Chicago	9/11/22	92.9	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	60.0	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	71.4	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Avg. Gain Per Passing Play	4.3	at Denver	9/25/22	11.3	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	5.4	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	6.0	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Interceptions Thrown	3	2 times, last vs. Arizona	1/8/23	0	4 times, last vs. New Orleans	11/27/22
	2	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	0	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Fumbles Lost	2	vs. New Orleans	11/27/22	0	6 times, last at LA Chargers	11/13/22
	1	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23	0	2 times, last at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Turnovers	4	2 times, last vs. Arizona	1/8/23	0	3 times, last at LA Rams	10/30/22
	2	2 times, last vs. Dallas	1/22/23	0	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Penalties	10	vs. Seattle	9/18/22	1	2 times, last vs. LA Chargers	11/13/22
	7	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	5	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Penalty Yards	106	vs. Seattle	9/18/22	5	2 times, last vs. LA Chargers	11/13/22
	50	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	30	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Gross Punting Avg.	33.0	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22	57.3	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	45.0	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	48.5	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Net Punting Avg.	33.0	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22	48.8	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	35.8	at Philadelphia	1/29/23	44.5	vs. <i>Seattle</i>	1/14/23
Time of Poss.	19:26	vs. Miami	12/4/22	34:34	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	27:07	vs. Dallas	1/22/23	37:26	at Philadelphia	1/29/23

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2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Long Plays		Player	Opponent	Date
Longest Run (yards)	71t	Ray–Ray McCloud III	vs. Washington	12/24/22
	68	<i>Christian McCaffrey</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Longest TD Run (yards)	71t	Ray–Ray McCloud III	vs. Washington	12/24/22
	23t	<i>Christian McCaffrey</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Longest Pass Completion (yards)	57t	Jimmy Garoppolo–Deebo Samuel	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	74t	<i>Brock Purdy–Deebo Samuel</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Longest TD Pass (yards)	57t	Jimmy Garoppolo–Deebo Samuel	vs. LA Rams	10/3/22
	74t	<i>Brock Purdy–Deebo Samuel</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Longest Interception Return (yards)	56	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	16	<i>Fred Warner</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Longest Kickoff Return (yards)	39	Two times, most recently Ray–Ray McCloud III	at Seattle	12/15/22
	53	<i>Ray–Ray McCloud III</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Longest Punt Return (yards)	35	Ray–Ray McCloud III	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	16	<i>Ray–Ray McCloud III</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Longest Punt (yards)	74	Mitch Wishnowsky	at Denver	9/25/22
	57	<i>Mitch Wishnowsky</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Longest Field Goal (yards)	51	Robbie Gould	at Denver	9/25/22
	50	<i>Robbie Gould</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Single–Game Highs		Player	Opponent	Date
Most Points Scored	13	Two times, most recently Robbie Gould	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	15	<i>Robbie Gould</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Touchdowns	2	Eight times, most recently George Kittle & Elijah Mitchell	vs. Arizona	1/8/23
	1	<i>Five times, most recently Christian McCaffrey</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Field Goals Attempted	4	Two times, most recently Robbie Gould	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	4	<i>Two times, most recently Robbie Gould</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Field Goals Made	4	Robbie Gould	vs. Miami	12/4/22
	4	<i>Two times, most recently Robbie Gould</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Rushing Yards	121	Christian McCaffrey	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	119	<i>Christian McCaffrey</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Rushing Attempts	26	Christian McCaffrey	at Seattle	12/15/22
	15	<i>Two times, most recently Christian McCaffrey</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Highest Rushing Avg. (Min. 10 att.)	7.1	Jeff Wilson Jr.	at Carolina	10/9/22
	7.9	<i>Christian McCaffrey</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Pass Completions	29	Jimmy Garoppolo	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	19	<i>Brock Purdy</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Pass Attempts	41	Jimmy Garoppolo	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	30	<i>Brock Purdy</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Gross Passing Yards	303	Jimmy Garoppolo	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	332	<i>Brock Purdy</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Highest Avg. Yards/Per Att. (Min. 10 att.)	9.4	Jimmy Garoppolo	at LA Rams	10/30/22
	11.1	<i>Brock Purdy</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Fewest Interceptions Thrown (Min. 10 att.)	0	10 times, most recently Brock Purdy	vs. Arizona	1/8/23
	0	<i>Three times, most recently Brock Purdy & Josh Johnson</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Fewest Times Sacked (Min. 10 att.)	0	Five times, most recently Brock Purdy	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	1	<i>Brock Purdy</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Receptions	9	Brandon Aiyuk	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	6	<i>Two times, most recently Christian McCaffrey</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Receiving Yards	120	George Kittle	vs. Washington	12/24/22
	133	<i>Deebo Samuel</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Kickoff Returns	4	Ray–Ray McCloud III	vs. Kansas City	10/23/22
	2	<i>Deebo Samuel</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Most Kickoff Return Yards	74	Ray–Ray McCloud III	at Atlanta	10/16/22
	65	<i>Deebo Samuel</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Most Punt Returns	5	Ray–Ray McCloud III	at Denver	9/25/22
	2	<i>Two times, most recently Ray–Ray McCloud III</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Most Punt Return Yards	40	Ray–Ray McCloud III	at Denver	9/25/22
	17	<i>Two times, most recently Ray–Ray McCloud III</i>	at Philadelphia	1/29/23
Most Interceptions	2	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	vs. Arizona	1/8/23
	1	<i>Three times, most recently Deommodore Lenoir & Fred Warner</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Interception Return Yardage	56	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	at Las Vegas	1/1/23
	16	<i>Fred Warner</i>	vs. Dallas	1/22/23
Most Tackles	15	Two times, most recently Dre Greenlaw	vs. Tampa Bay	12/11/22
	11	<i>Dre Greenlaw</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23
Most Sacks	3.0	Nick Bosa	vs. Miami	12/4/22
	2.0	<i>Charles Omenihu</i>	vs. Seattle	1/14/23

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2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TURNOVER BREAKDOWN

TAKEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S.	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
9/11	at Chi.	T. Hufanga INT (J. Fields)	CHI 35	CHI 48	CHI 48	1	Punt (0)
9/18	vs. Sea.	T. Gipson Sr. INT (G. Smith)	SEA 40	SF 36	50	2	Downs (0)
		C. Ward INT (D. Dallas)*	SF 8	SF -2	SF 7	2	Punt (0)
		R. Dwelley FR (X. Crawford) (ST)	SF 29	SEA 24	SEA 22	2	Touchdown (7)
9/25	at Den.	None					
10/3	vs. LAR	T. Hufanga INT (M. Stafford)	SF 44	SF 48	End zone	4	Touchdown (7)
		K. Hyder Jr. FR (S. Ebukam FF)	SF 24	SF 30	SF 16	4	Punt (0)
10/9	at Car.	E. Moseley INT (B. Mayfield)	CAR 30	CAR 41	End zone	2	Touchdown (7)
10/16	at Atl.	None					
10/23	vs. KC	T. Hufanga INT (P. Mahomes)	KC 28	KC 36	KC 34	1	Touchdown (7)
		S. Womack III FR (S. Moore) (ST)	KC 38	KC 9	KC 12	2	Interception (0)
10/30	at LAR	None					
11/13	vs. LAC	T. Hufanga INT (J. Herbert)	LAC 23	LAC 48	LAC 42	4	End of Game (0)
11/21	at Arz.	J. Ward INT (C. McCoy)	ARZ 44	ARZ 46	ARZ 46	2	Touchdown (7)
		S. Womack III INT (T. McSorley)*	SF 14	SF -1	SF 20	4	End of Game (0)
11/27	vs. NO	S. Ebukam FR (F. Warner FF)	NO 40	NO 41	NO 43	1	Field Goal (3)
		D. Greenlaw FR (T. Hufanga FF)*	SF 6	SF 1	SF 1	4	Punt (0)
12/4	vs. Mia.	J. Ward INT (T. Tagovailoa)	SF 43	SF 36	SF 36	3	Field Goal (3)
		D. Lenoir INT (T. Tagovailoa)	MIA 25	MIA 33	MIA 25	3	Field Goal (3)
		D. Greenlaw FR (N. Bosa FF)	MIA 25	MIA 23	End zone	4	Touchdown (7)
		F. Warner INT (S. Thompson)	MIA 25	MIA 47	MIA 27	4	End of Game (0)
12/11	vs. TB	T. Gipson Sr. INT (T. Brady)	SF 39	SF 26	TB 38	3	Touchdown (7)
		D. Greenlaw INT (T. Brady)	SF 33	SF 24	SF 24	3	Punt (0)
		A. Al-Shaair FR (J. Ward FF)	TB 43	TB 43	TB 32	4	End of Game (0)
12/15	at Sea.	C. Ward FR (D. Greenlaw FF)	SEA 35	SEA 46	SEA 6	2	Touchdown (7)
12/24	vs. Was.	J. Willis FR (N. Bosa FF)	WAS 21	WAS 11	WAS 11	4	Field Goal (3)
		J. Ward INT (T. Heinicke)	WAS 22	WAS 25	WAS 25	4	Field Goal (3)
1/1/23	at LV	D. Jackson INT (J. Stidham)	SF 46	LV 42	LV 42	4	Field Goal (3)
		T. Gipson Sr. INT (J. Stidham)	LV 40	SF 37	LV 3	OT	Field Goal (3)
1/8/23	vs. Arz.	T. Gipson Sr. INT (D. Blough)	ARZ 13	ARZ 30	ARZ 18	2	Touchdown (7)
		T. Gipson Sr. INT (D. Blough)	ARZ 15	SF 43	ARZ 34	3	Field Goal (3)
		M. Dwumfour FR (J. Willis FF)	ARZ 30	ARZ 25	ARZ 28	3	Touchdown (7)
		G. Odum INT (T. McSorley)	ARZ 14	ARZ 38	ARZ 13	4	Downs (0)

Regular Season Totals: 30 takeaways resulted in 94 points

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TURNOVER BREAKDOWN

GIVEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S.	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
9/11	at Chi.	D. Samuel FUMBLE (J. Johnson FF)*	CHI 16	CHI 12	CHI 12	1	Interception (0)
		T. Lance INT (E. Jackson)	SF 41	SF 47	SF 21	4	Touchdown (7)
9/18	vs. Sea.	None					
9/25	at Den.	J. Garoppolo FUMBLE (Aborted)	50	50	50	3	Punt (0)
		J. Garoppolo INT (J. Griffith)	SF 48	DEN 41	DEN 42	4	Punt (0)
		J. Wilson Jr. FUMBLE (P. Locke FF)	SF 3	SF 19	SF 24	4	End of Game (0)
10/3	vs. LAR	None					
10/9	at Car.	G. Kittle FUMBLE (D. Wilson FF)	SF 38	SF 45	CAR 44	1	Missed FG (0)
10/16	at Atl.	J. Wilson Jr. FUMBLE (R. Evans FF)	SF 20	SF 21	Endzone	1	Touchdown (7)
		J. Garoppolo INT (I. Oliver)	ATL 48	ATL 10	ATL 37	2	End of Quarter (0)
		J. Garoppolo INT (J. Hawkins)	SF 47	ATL 31	ATL 45	4	Punt (0)
10/23	vs. KC	J. Garoppolo INT (J. Williams)*	KC 5	KC -1	KC 6	2	Missed FG (0)
		J. Garoppolo FUMBLE (C. Jones FF)	KC 43	SF 49	KC 49	4	Punt (0)
		B. Purdy INT (J. Thornhill)*	KC 18	KC -2	KC 20	4	End of Game (0)
10/30	at LAR	None					
11/13	vs. LAC	B. Aiyuk FUMBLE (D. James FF)	SF 17	SF 36	SF 32	1	Field Goal (3)
11/21	at Arz.	None					
11/27	vs. NO	None					
12/4	vs. Mia.	B. Purdy INT (X. Howard)	MIA 39	MIA 19	MIA 19	2	Punt (0)
12/11	vs. TB	D. Samuel FUMBLE (A. Nelson FF)	TB 43	TB 40	TB 40	2	Downs (0)
12/15	at Sea.	None					
12/24	vs. Was.	B. Purdy INT (D. Forrest)	SF 14	SF 31	SF 31	2	Touchdown (7)
1/1/23	at LV	B. Purdy INT (A. Robertson)	50	LV 18	LV 18	3	Interception (0)
1/8/23	vs. Arz.	None					

Regular Season Totals: 17 giveaways resulted in 24 points

L.O.S. – Line of scrimmage

* – Red zone play

(ST) – Special teams play

(TB) – Touchback

GAME-BY-GAME TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL

Date	Opp	Takeaways	Giveaways	Game Total	Total
9/11	at Chi.	1	2	-1	-1
9/18	Sea.	3	0	+3	+2
9/25	at Den.	0	3	-3	-1
10/3	LAR	2	0	+2	+1
10/9	at Car.	1	1	0	+1
10/16	Atl.	0	3	-3	-2
10/23	KC	2	3	-1	-3
10/30	LAR	0	0	0	-3
11/13	LAC	1	1	0	-3
11/21	at Arz.	2	0	+2	-1
11/27	NO	2	0	+2	+1
12/4	Mia.	4	1	+3	+4
12/11	TB	3	1	+2	+6
12/15	at Sea.	1	0	+1	+7
12/24	Was.	2	1	+1	+8
1/1	at LV	2	1	+1	+9
1/8	Arz.	4	0	+4	+13

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS POSTSEASON TURNOVER BREAKDOWN

TAKEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S.	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
1/14/23	vs. Sea.	N. Bosa FR (C. Omenihu FF)	SF 19	SF 26	SF 30	3	Touchdown (8)
		D. Lenoir INT (G. Smith)	SEA 25	SEA 43	SEA 37	4	Field Goal (3)
1/22/23	vs. Dal.	D. Lenoir INT (D. Prescott)	DAL 21	DAL 27	DAL 21	1	Field Goal (3)
		F. Warner INT (D. Prescott)	SF 18	SF 12	SF 28	2	Field Goal (3)
1/29/23	at Phi.	None					

Postseason Totals: 4 takeaways resulted in 17 points

GIVEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S.	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
1/14/23	vs. Sea.	None					
1/22/23	vs. Dal.	R. McCloud III FUMBLE (K. Joseph FF) (ST)	DAL 48	SF 16	SF 21	3	Field Goal (3)
1/29/23	at Phi.	B. Purdy FUMBLE (H. Reddick FF)	50	SF 40	PHI 44	1	Punt (0)
		J. Johnson FUMBLE (Aborted)	SF 36	SF 31	SF 30	2	Touchdown (7)
		D. Samuel FUMBLE (R. Blankenship FF)	SF 38	SF 31	SF 31	4	End of Game (0)

Postseason Totals: 4 giveaway resulted in 10 points

L.O.S. – Line of scrimmage

* – Red zone play

(ST) – Special teams play

(TB) – Touchback

GAME-BY-GAME TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL

Date	Opp	Takeaways	Giveaways	Game Total	Total
1/14	Sea.	2	0	+2	+2
1/22	Dal.	2	1	+1	+3
1/29	at Phi.	0	3	-3	0

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY

49ERS THIRD-AND ...

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+	Totals
9/11	at Chi.	1/1	3/3	0/2	0/1	1/2	1/1	0/1	0/1	0/2	1/2	1/1	8/17
9/18	Sea.	0/1	2/4	1/1	1/1	0/0	1/3	0/2	0/0	1/3	0/0	0/0	6/15
9/25	at Den.	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/4	0/1	0/1	1/10
10/3	LAR	0/1	1/1	1/1	0/1	1/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/1	1/2	5/12
10/9	at Car.	0/0	0/1	0/1	2/2	0/1	1/1	1/1	2/2	0/0	1/2	0/1	7/12
10/16	at Atl.	2/4	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	1/1	3/8
10/23	KC	1/1	0/0	2/4	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/2	1/1	1/2	3/3	0/1	8/14
10/30	at LAR	1/1	1/1	2/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/2	0/0	0/1	5/9
11/13	LAC	3/5	0/1	0/1	0/0	1/2	1/1	0/0	1/2	1/1	1/1	1/3	9/17
11/21	at Arz.	1/2	1/2	1/1	0/0	2/2	1/2	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	6/11
11/27	NO	1/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	2/3	0/0	0/1	0/1	1/1	0/3	5/13
12/4	Mia.	3/3	0/1	2/3	0/1	1/3	0/2	1/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/3	8/19
12/11	TB	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	4/9
12/15	at Sea.	2/2	1/1	1/1	0/0	0/2	0/1	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	1/4	6/13
12/24	Was.	1/2	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/1	1/1	0/1	0/3	4/11
1/1	at LV	1/1	1/1	1/1	0/1	1/2	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	4/8
1/8	Arz.	1/1	2/2	0/0	1/3	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	1/4	6/13
Regular Season Totals:		20/28	12/19	12/21	5/14	9/20	8/18	6/14	4/10	5/20	8/17	6/30	95/211
		71.4	63.2	57.1	35.7	45.0	44.4	42.9	40.0	25.0	47.1	20.0	45.0

POSTSEASON

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+	Totals
1/14	Sea.	2/2	0/0	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/3	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/1	6/11
1/22	Dal.	2/2	2/3	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/1	0/3	0/1	1/2	7/14
1/29	at Phi.	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	1/5	2/8
Postseason Totals		5/5	2/3	1/3	0/0	0/1	0/0	4/4	0/1	0/4	1/4	2/8	15/33
		100.0	66.7	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	25.0	25.0	45.5

OPPONENTS THIRD-AND ...

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+	Totals
9/11	at Chi.	1/1	1/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	1/2	0/3	0/1	0/1	1/1	0/3	5/14
9/18	Sea.	1/1	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/3	2/7
9/25	at Den.	1/1	0/1	2/2	0/1	0/1	2/2	0/1	0/1	0/2	1/1	0/6	6/19
10/3	LAR	2/2	0/0	1/2	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/2	0/4	5/15
10/9	at Car.	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/1	1/1	1/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/5	0/3	3/15
10/16	at Atl.	4/5	3/3	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	9/14
10/23	KC	1/1	1/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	1/1	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/3	6/9
10/30	at LAR	3/3	0/0	1/2	1/1	2/2	0/1	0/1	0/0	1/1	0/1	0/1	8/13
11/13	LAC	2/2	1/1	0/1	3/3	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/2	0/1	0/2	0/2	6/16
11/21	at Arz.	1/1	0/0	0/2	3/3	1/1	1/3	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/3	8/16
11/27	NO	2/3	1/1	1/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/3	4/11
12/4	Mia.	0/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/7
12/11	TB	1/2	0/1	1/2	1/1	0/2	0/3	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/0	0/2	4/16
12/15	at Sea.	1/1	1/1	0/0	1/3	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/6	4/13
12/24	Was.	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/1	1/1	0/2	0/0	1/1	1/1	1/1	2/4	7/13
1/1	at LV	1/2	2/2	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/2	0/3	4/10
1/8	Arz.	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/0	0/0	0/3	2/2	4/10
Regular Season Totals:		22/31	11/14	8/15	12/19	7/14	6/18	3/17	1/9	3/10	4/21	8/50	85/218
		71.0	78.6	53.3	63.2	50.0	33.3	17.6	11.1	30.0	19.0	16.0	39.0

POSTSEASON

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11+	Totals
1/14	Sea.	1/1	0/2	1/1	1/1	2/3	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/3	6/13
1/22	Dal.	4/4	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/2	0/0	0/4	0/1	0/1	0/2	0/0	5/15
1/29	at Phi.	1/1	2/3	0/0	0/1	1/1	0/2	0/2	1/1	0/0	0/2	0/2	5/15
Postseason Totals		6/6	3/6	1/1	1/2	3/6	0/2	0/7	1/3	0/1	0/4	1/5	16/43
		100.0	50.0	100.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	20.0	37.2

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Date	Opp	Poss	TD	PAT	2-Pt.	FG	MFG/ BFG	INT	FUM	DWNS/ Punt	HF	GM	PTS	TD%	SCORE PCT.	PTS/ POSS
9/11	at Chi.	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	10	33.3%	66.7%	3.3
9/18	Sea.	5	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	20	40.0%	80.0%	4.0
9/25	at Den.	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
10/3	LAR	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	100.0%	3.0
10/9	at Car.	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
10/16	at Atl.	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	66.7%	66.7%	4.7
10/23	KC	5	2	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	17	40.0%	60.0%	3.4
10/30	at LAR	4	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	75.0%	100.0%	6.0
11/13	LAC	5	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	40.0%	100.0%	4.4
11/21	at Arz.	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
11/27	NO	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	10	33.3%	66.7%	3.3
12/4	Mia.	5	2	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	40.0%	100.0%	4.6
12/11	TB	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	66.7%	66.7%	4.7
12/15	at Sea.	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	50.0%	50.0%	3.5
12/24	Was.	5	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	16	20.0%	80.0%	3.2
1/1	at LV	6	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	66.7%	100.0%	5.7
1/8	Arz.	6	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	31	66.7%	83.3%	5.2
TOTALS		63	34	33	0	19	1	2	1	4	0	2	294	54.0%	84.1%	4.7

POSTSEASON

Date	Opp	Poss	TD	PAT	2-Pt.	FG	MFG/ BFG	INT	FUM	DWNS/ Punt	HF	GM	PTS	TD%	SCORE PCT.	PTS/ POSS
1/14	Sea.	6	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	50.0%	100.0%	5.2
1/22	Dal.	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	33.3%	100.0%	4.3
1/29	at Phi.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
TOTALS		9	4	3	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	44.4%	100.0%	4.9

OPPONENTS

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9/11	at Chi.	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	100.0%	100.0%	6.5
9/18	Sea.	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
9/25	at Den.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	100.0%	100.0%	6.0
10/3	LAR	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0.0%	100.0%	3.0
10/9	at Car.	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	33.3%	100.0%	4.0
10/16	at Atl.	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
10/23	KC	5	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	28	80.0%	80.0%	5.6
10/30	at LAR	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
11/13	LAC	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	100.0%	3.0
11/21	at Arz.	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	50.0%	50.0%	3.5
11/27	NO	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
12/4	Mia.	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	100.0%	3.0
12/11	TB	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	50.0%	50.0%	3.5
12/15	at Sea.	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
12/24	Was.	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	66.7%	66.7%	4.7
1/1	at LV	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	17	50.0%	75.0%	4.3
1/8	Arz.	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	100.0%	100.0%	7.0
TOTALS		37	21	18	0	8	1	2	1	4	0	0	168	56.8%	78.4%	4.5

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1/14	Sea.	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	14	66.7%	66.7%	4.7
1/22	Dal.	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	33.3%	66.7%	3.0
1/29	at Phi.	6	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	31	66.7%	83.3%	5.2
TOTALS		12	7	6	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	54	58.3%	75.0%	4.5

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

Rushes of 10+ yards or more; Pass completions of 20+ yards or more; Returns of 30+ yards or more

9/11/22 AT CHICAGO

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	31		Trey Lance to Brandon Aiyuk
16			Elijah Mitchell run
	20		Trey Lance to Ray-Ray McCloud III
11			Elijah Mitchell run
13			Trey Lance run
27			Deebo Samuel run
11			Deebo Samuel run
	44		Trey Lance to Jauan Jennings

BEARS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
12			Khalil Herbert run
12			Justin Fields run
	51t		Justin Fields to Dante Pettis
	22		Justin Fields to Byron Pringle
10			Khalil Herbert run

9/18/22 VS. SEATTLE

SEAHAWKS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	27		Geno Smith to Tyler Lockett
		86t	Michael Jackson blocked field goal return

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	25		Trey Lance to Brandon Aiyuk
20			Tyrion Davis-Price run
51			Deebo Samuel run
	38t		Jimmy Garoppolo to Ross Dwelley
13			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
16			Jeff Wilson Jr. run

9/25/22 AT DENVER

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
37			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	32		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
18			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	24		Jimmy Garoppolo to Kyle Juszczyk

BRONCOS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	34		Russell Wilson to Courtland Sutton
16			Javonte Williams run
	22		Russell Wilson to Melvin Gordon III
	27		Russell Wilson to Kendall Hinton
12			Russell Wilson run

10/3/22 VS. LOS ANGELES RAMS

RAMS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
11			Brandon Powell run

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
32t			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	57t		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
	35		Jimmy Garoppolo to Kyle Juszczyk
	29		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
	52t		Talanoa Hufanga INT return

10/9/22 AT CAROLINA

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
41			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	30		Jimmy Garoppolo to Tevin Coleman
	24		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
14			Tevin Coleman run
		41t	Emmanuel Moseley INT return
14			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	32		Jimmy Garoppolo to Jauan Jennings
16			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
23			Jeff Wilson Jr. run

PANTHERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	32		Baker Mayfield to Robbie Anderson
19t			Christian McCaffrey run
	31		Baker Mayfield to Shi Smith
	27		Baker Mayfield to D.J. Moore
	22		PJ Walker to Shi Smith

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

Rushes of 10–yards or more; Pass completions of 20–yards or more; Returns of 30–yards or more

10/16/22 AT ATLANTA

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		35	Ray–Ray McCloud III punt return
	27		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
	21		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel

FALCONS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		37	Marcus Mariota to Olamide Zaccheaus
	15		Marcus Mariota run
		20	Marcus Mariota to Drake London
	16		Caleb Huntley run
	20		Marcus Mariota run

10/23/22 VS. KANSAS CITY

CHIEFS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	27		Patrick Mahomes to Travis Kelce
25t			Mecole Hardman run
	22		Patrick Mahomes to Travis Kelce
	40		Patrick Mahomes to Marquez Valdes–Scantling
		48	Isiah Pacheco kickoff return
16t			Clyde Edwards–Helaire run
	34		Patrick Mahomes to Jerick McKinnon
	57		Patrick Mahomes to Marquez Valdes–Scantling
	20		Patrick Mahomes to JuJu Smith–Schuster
17			Isiah Pacheco run
	45t		Patrick Mahomes to JuJu Smith–Schuster

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
10			Christian McCaffrey run
12			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	22		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
	21		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
12			Christian McCaffrey run
	34		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
	15		Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	10		Jeff Wilson Jr. run
	20		Brock Purdy to Ray–Ray McCloud III
	22		Brock Purdy to Ray–Ray McCloud III

10/30/22 AT LOS ANGELES RAMS

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	23		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
	34t		Christian McCaffrey to Brandon Aiyuk
		39	Ray–Ray McCloud III kickoff return
13			Christian McCaffrey run
25			Christian McCaffrey run
12			Jeff Wilson Jr. run
24			Christian McCaffrey run
	56		Jimmy Garoppolo to Ross Dwelley

RAMS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Matthew Stafford to Cooper Kupp
	23		Matthew Stafford to Allen Robinson II
	23		Matthew Stafford to Cooper Kupp

11/13/22 VS. LOS ANGELES CHARGERS

CHARGERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	32t		Justin Herbert to DeAndre Carter
	25		Justin Herbert to Josh Palmer
	33		Justin Herbert to DeAndre Carter
11			Justin Herbert run
12			Austin Ekeler run

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
	21		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
	33		Jimmy Garoppolo to Ray–Ray McCloud III
	21		Jimmy Garoppolo to Christian McCaffrey
15			Deebo Samuel run
12			Christian McCaffrey run
10			Elijah Mitchell run
	24		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
12			Elijah Mitchell run

2022 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

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11/21/22 AT ARIZONA (MEXICO CITY)

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
20			Christian McCaffrey run
	39t		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle
39t			Deebo Samuel run
19			Elijah Mitchell run
	32t		Jimmy Garoppolo to George Kittle

CARDINALS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	47		Colt McCoy to Greg Dortch
14			James Conner run
13			Keaontay Ingram run

11/27/22 VS. NEW ORLEANS

SAINTS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
10			Andy Dalton run
	35		Andy Dalton to Rashid Shaheed
	20		Andy Dalton to Chris Olave

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel
	27		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
	20		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
12			Elijah Mitchell run

12/4/22 VS. MIAMI

DOLPHINS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	75t		Tua Tagovailoa to Trent Sherfield
	45t		Tua Tagovailoa to Tyreek Hill

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	23		Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk
	33		Jimmy Garoppolo to Christian McCaffrey
11			Jordan Mason run
19			Jordan Mason run
30			Christian McCaffrey run

12/11/22 VS. TAMPA BAY

BUCCANEERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	32		Tom Brady to Chris Godwin
		54	Deven Thompson kickoff return
	20		Tom Brady to Mike Evans

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
21			Christian McCaffrey run
13t			Deebo Samuel run
13			Christian McCaffrey run
13			Christian McCaffrey run
	27t		Brock Purdy to Christian McCaffrey
13			Christian McCaffrey run
	25		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
	32t		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
		36	Tashaun Gipson Sr. INT return
38t			Christian McCaffrey run
		30	Ray-Ray McCloud III kickoff return
10			Jordan Mason run
13			Jordan Mason run
18			Jordan Mason run

12/15/22 AT SEATTLE

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
23			Christian McCaffrey run
	28t		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
		40	Charvarius Ward fumble return
		39	Ray-Ray McCloud III kickoff return
	54t		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
11			Christian McCaffrey run
	28		Brock Purdy to Tyler Kroft
55			Jordan Mason run

SEAHAWKS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		31	Godwin Igwebuike kickoff return
		31	Godwin Igwebuike kickoff return
18			Geno Smith run
15			Kenneth Walker III run
	33		Geno Smith to Kenneth Walker III

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12/24/22 VS. WASHINGTON

COMMANDERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
10			Brian Robinson Jr. run
	25		Taylor Heinicke to Jahan Dotson
	51		Taylor Heinicke to Terry McLaurin
	21		Carson Wentz to Jonathan Williams
	20t		Carson Wentz to Curtis Samuel

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	25		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
71t			Ray–Ray McCloud III run
	34t		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
	33t		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
	54		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk

1/1/23 AT LAS VEGAS

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
11			Christian McCaffrey run
37			Christian McCaffrey run
16			Brandon Aiyuk run
14t			Christian McCaffrey run
	28		Brock Purdy to Jauan Jennings
	42		Brock Purdy to Ray–Ray McCloud III
	23		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
	38		Brock Purdy to Christian McCaffrey
14t			Jordan Mason run
		56	Tashaun Gipson Sr. INT return

RAIDERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Jarrett Stidham to Foster Moreau
	24t		Jarrett Stidham to Darren Waller
	27		Jarrett Stidham to Davante Adams
10			Brandon Bolden run
	24		Jarrett Stidham to Darren Waller
11			Jarrett Stidham run
	60t		Jarrett Stidham to Davante Adams
	24		Jarrett Stidham to Darren Waller
	21		Jarrett Stidham to Foster Moreau
	21		Jarrett Stidham to Mack Hollins
	45		Jarrett Stidham to Davante Adams

1/8/23 VS. ARIZONA

CARDINALS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	77t		David Blough to A.J. Green
	23		David Blough to Trey McBride

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	26		Brock Purdy to Kyle Juszczyk
13			Brock Purdy run
	21t		Brock Purdy to Christian McCaffrey
	22		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
10			Christian McCaffrey run
	20		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
	19		Christian McCaffrey run
	37		Elijah Mitchell run
	12		Tyrion Davis–Price run

1/14/23 VS. SEATTLE - NFC-WC

SEAHAWKS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		37	Godwin Igwebuike kickoff return
11			Geno Smith run
	50t		Geno Smith to DK Metcalf
	25		Geno Smith to DK Metcalf
	24		Geno Smith to Cade Johnson

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
22			Deebo Samuel run
68			Christian McCaffrey run
	23		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
13			Brock Purdy run
	31		Brock Purdy to Brandon Aiyuk
	23		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
	21		Brock Purdy to Deebo Samuel
12			Christian McCaffrey run
	33		Brock Purdy to Jauan Jennings
	74t		Brock Purdy to Deebo Samuel
10			Christian McCaffrey run

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1/22/23 VS. DALLAS - NFC-D

COWBOYS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
10			Tony Pollard run
11			Dak Prescott run
		36	KaVontae Turpin kickoff return
46			Dak Prescott to CeeDee Lamb
		44	KaVontae Turpin kickoff return

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	31		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
	21		Brock Purdy to Jauan Jennings
		53	Ray–Ray McCloud III kickoff return
	30		Brock Purdy to George Kittle
13			Elijah Mitchell run

1/29/23 AT PHILADELPHIA - NFC-C

49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
16			Christian McCaffrey run
23t			Christian McCaffrey run
		42	Ray–Ray McCloud III kickoff return
22			Josh Johnson to George Kittle
		37	Deebo Samuel kickoff return

EAGLES

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	29		Jalen Hurts to DeVonta Smith
17			Kenneth Gainwell run
13t			Miles Sanders run
10t			Boston Scott run
12			Jalen Hurts run
14			Jalen Hurts run
12			Kenneth Gainwell run

THE LAST TIME ...

TEAM TOTALS

Won in Overtime

By 49ers:	1/1/23	49ers win at Las Vegas, 37–34
By Opponent:	11/11/19	Seahawks win vs. Seattle, 27–24
	1/22/12	Giants win vs. New York, 20–17 – NFC–C

Won by Scoring in the Last Two Minutes of Regulation

By 49ers:	11/29/20	49ers win at Los Angeles Rams, 23–20 (last score at 0:00)
	1/22/22	49ers win at Green Bay, 13–10 (last score at 0:00) – NFC–D
By Opponent:	12/23/21	Titans win at Tennessee, 20–17 (last score at 0:04)
	1/30/22	Rams win at Los Angeles, 20–17 (last score at 1:46) – NFC–C

Tied Game by Scoring in the Last Two Minutes of Regulation

By 49ers:	1/9/22	49ers win at Los Angeles Rams, 27–24 (OT) (tied game at 0:26)
By Opponent:	1/1/23	Raiders loss at Las Vegas, 34–37 (OT) (tied game at 1:11)

Shutout

By 49ers:	11/27/22	49ers win vs. New Orleans, 13–0
	12/29/96	49ers win vs. Philadelphia, 14–0 – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	11/21/10	Buccaneers win vs. Tampa Bay, 21–0

Won by 20–or–More Points

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13
	1/29/95	49ers win at San Diego, 49–26 – SB XXIX
By Opponent:	10/23/22	Chiefs win vs. Kansas City, 44–23
	1/29/23	Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 – NFC–C

Won After Trailing by 20–or–More Points

By 49ers:	10/2/11	49ers win at Philadelphia, 24–23 (Eagles ahead 23–3 in 3rd Q)
	1/5/03	49ers win vs. New York, 39–38 (Giants ahead 38–14 in 3rd Q) – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	12/20/14	Chargers win vs. San Diego, 38–35 (OT) (49ers ahead 28–7 in 2nd Q)

Held a 28–or–More Point Lead

By 49ers:	12/11/22	49ers win vs. Tampa Bay, 35–7 (49ers ahead 28–0 in 2nd Q)
	1/29/95	49ers win vs. San Diego, 49–26 (49ers ahead 49–18 in 4th Q) – SB XXIX
By Opponent:	11/5/20	Packers win vs. Green Bay, 34–17 (Packers ahead 34–3 in 4th Q)
	1/4/87	Giants win at New York, 49–3 (Giants ahead 49–3 in 4th Q) – NFC–D

Held a 21–or–More Point Lead

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (49ers ahead 38–13 in 4th Q)
	1/14/23	49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 (49ers ahead 41–17 in 4th Q) – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	10/23/22	Chiefs win vs. Kansas City, 44–23 (Chiefs ahead 44–23 in 4th Q)
	2/3/13	Ravens win vs. Baltimore, 34–31 (Ravens ahead 28–6 in 3rd Q) – SB XLVII

Scored 20–or–More Points in a Quarter

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (49ers ahead 38–13 in 4th Q)
	1/19/20	49ers win vs. Green Bay, 37–20 (20 points, 2nd Q) – NFC–C
By Opponent:	1/3/21	Seahawks win vs. Seattle, 26–23 (20 points, 4th Q)
	2/2/20	Chiefs win at Kansas City, 31–20 (21 points, 4th Q) – SB LIV

Scored 20–or–More Points in a Half

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (21 points, 1st half)
	1/14/23	49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 (25 points, 2nd half) – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	10/23/22	Chiefs win vs. Kansas City, 44–23 (30 points, 2nd half)
	2/29/23	Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (21 points, 1st half) – NFC–C

Held Opponent without a Touchdown

By 49ers:	11/27/22	49ers win vs. New Orleans, 13–0
	12/29/96	49ers win vs. Philadelphia, 14–0 – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	10/20/19	Redskins loss at Washington, 0–9 (3 FGs)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31–6 (2 FGs) – NFC–D

Touchdowns Scored by Offense and Defense

By 49ers:	12/4/22	49ers win vs. Miami, 33–17 (2 offense, 1 defense)
	1/3/98	49ers win vs. Minnesota, 38–22 (4 offense, 1 defense) – NFC–D
By Opponent:	10/16/22	Falcons win at Atlanta, 28–14 (3 offense, 1 defense)
	1/13/12	Packers loss vs. Green Bay, 31–45 (3 offense, 1 defense) – NFC–D

THE LAST TIME ...

TEAM TOTALS

Touchdowns Scored by Offense, Defense and Special Teams

By 49ers:	10/4/09	49ers win vs. St. Louis, 35–0 (2 offense, 2 defense, 1 special teams)
By Opponent:	9/23/07	Steelers win at Pittsburgh, 37–16 (2 offense, 1 defense, 1 special teams)

Safety Scored

By 49ers:	10/28/18	Penalty on Josh Rosen enforced in the end zone at Arizona
	2/3/13	<i>Sam Koch ran out of bounds in end zone, forced by Chris Culliver vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII</i>
By Opponent:	10/23/22	Frank Clark sacked Jimmy Garoppolo in the end zone vs. Kansas City

Successful Two Point Conversion

By 49ers:	10/31/21	Jimmy Garoppolo pass to Brandon Aiyuk at Chicago
	1/14/23	<i>Brock Purdy pass to George Kittle vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	9/19/21	Kenneth Gainwell run at Philadelphia
	1/14/12	<i>Drew Brees pass to Darren Sproles vs. New Orleans – NFC–D</i>

Failed Two Point Conversion Attempt

By 49ers:	10/24/21	Pass failed from Jimmy Garoppolo to Brandon Aiyuk vs. Indianapolis
	2/3/13	<i>Pass failed from Colin Kaepernick to Randy Moss vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII</i>
By Opponent:	12/24/22	Carson Wentz sacked vs. Washington
	1/14/23	<i>Pass failed from Geno Smith to DK Metcalf vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>

OFFENSIVE TOTALS

500–or–More Total Net Yards of Offense

By 49ers:	12/8/19	49ers win at New Orleans, 48–46 (516; 162 rushing, 354 passing)
	1/14/23	<i>49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 (505; 181 rushing, 324 passing) – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23	Raiders loss at Las Vegas, 34–37 (OT) (500; 135 rushing, 365 passing)

400–or–More Total Net Yards of Offense

By 49ers:	1/1/23	49ers win at Las Vegas, 37–34 (OT) (454; 170 rushing, 284 passing)
	1/14/23	<i>49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 (505; 181 rushing, 324 passing) – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23	Raiders loss at Las Vegas, 34–37 (OT) (500; 135 rushing, 365 passing)
	1/20/13	<i>Falcons loss at Atlanta, 24–28 (477; 81 rushing, 396 passing) – NFC–C</i>

300–or–More Net Yards Rushing by Team

By 49ers:	12/20/14	49ers loss vs. Chargers, 35–38 (OT) (355)
	1/12/13	<i>49ers win vs. Green Bay, 45–31 (323) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/16/16	Bills win at Buffalo, 45–16 (312)

200–or–More Net Yards Rushing by Team

By 49ers:	12/11/22	49ers win vs. Tampa Bay, 35–7 (209)
	1/19/20	<i>49ers win vs. Green Bay, 37–20 (285) – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	10/22/17	Cowboys win vs. Dallas, 40–10 (265)
	1/4/87	<i>Giants win at New York, 49–3 (216) – NFC–D</i>

Individual 200–Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers:	9/20/09	Frank Gore (16–207–2 TDs) vs. Seattle
	1/19/20	<i>Raheem Mostert (29–220–4 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	11/22/15	Thomas Rawls (30–209–1 TD) at Seattle

Individual 150–Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers:	12/26/20	Jeff Wilson Jr. (22–183) at Arizona
	1/19/20	<i>Raheem Mostert (29–220–4 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	11/5/17	Adrian Peterson (37–159) vs. Arizona
	1/4/87	<i>Joe Morris (24–159–2 TDs) at New York Giants – NFC–D</i>

Individual 100–Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers:	1/1/23	Christian McCaffrey (19–121–1 TD) at Las Vegas
	1/14/23	<i>Christian McCaffrey (15–119) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	10/31/21	Justin Fields (10–103–1 TD) at Chicago
	2/2/20	<i>Damien Williams (17–104–1 TD) at Kansas City – SB LIV</i>

Two 100–Yard Rushers in the Same Game

By 49ers:	12/20/14	Frank Gore (26–158–1 TD) & Colin Kaepernick (7–151–1 TD) vs. San Diego
	1/12/13	<i>Colin Kaepernick (16–181–2 TDs) and Frank Gore (23–119–1 TD) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	11/8/53	Skeets Quinlan (11–119) & Tank Younger (12–101–1 TD) at Los Angeles Rams

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Consecutive 100–Yard Rushing Games

By 49ers:	12/11/22–12/15/22 1/19/14–1/19/20	Christian McCaffrey (14–119–1 TD) vs. Tampa Bay; Christian McCaffrey (26–108–1 TD) at Seattle <i>Colin Kaepernick (11–130) at Seattle – NFC–C; Tevin Coleman (22–105–2 TDs) vs. Minnesota – NFC–D; Raheem Mostert (29–220–4 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	10/24/21–10/31/21 12/31/83–1/8/84	Jonathan Taylor (18–107–1 TD) vs. Indianapolis; Justin Fields (10–103–1 TD) at Chicago <i>Billy Sims (20–114–2 TDs) vs. Detroit – NFC–D; John Riggins (36–123–2 TDs) at Washington – NFC–C</i>

Combined 200–Yard Rushing by Two Players

By 49ers:	12/26/20 1/19/20	201 by Jeff Wilson Jr. (22–183) and C.J. Beathard (3–18) at Arizona <i>263 by Raheem Mostert (29–220–4 TDs) and Deebo Samuel (2–43) vs. Green Bay – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	10/22/17	208 by Ezekiel Elliott (26–147–2 TDs) and Rod Smith (8–61) vs. Dallas

Individual with 30–or–More Carries

By 49ers:	10/30/11	Frank Gore (31–134) vs. Cleveland
By Opponent:	11/5/17 1/8/84	Adrian Peterson (37–159) vs. Arizona <i>John Riggins (36–123) at Washington – NFC–C</i>

Individual with 25–or–More Carries

By 49ers:	12/15/22 1/16/22	Christian McCaffrey (26–108–1 TD) at Seattle <i>Elijah Mitchell (27–96–1 TD) at Dallas – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	11/11/19 1/5/03	Chris Carson (25–89–1 TD) vs. Seattle <i>Tiki Barber (26–115) vs. New York Giants – NFC–WC</i>

Rushing Play of 80–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	9/20/20 1/1/89	80t, Raheem Mostert at New York Jets <i>80t, Roger Craig vs. Minnesota – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/9/07	84t, Chester Taylor vs. Minnesota

Rushing Play of 60–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	12/24/22 1/14/23	71t, Ray–Ray McCloud III vs. Washington <i>68, Christian McCaffrey vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	12/5/21	73t, Travis Homer at Seattle

Rushing Play of 40–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	12/24/22 1/14/23	71t, Ray–Ray McCloud III vs. Washington <i>68, Christian McCaffrey vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	12/5/21 1/19/14	73t, Travis Homer at Seattle <i>40t, Marshawn Lynch at Seattle – NFC–C</i>

Individual with Two–or–More Rushing Touchdowns

By 49ers:	1/8/23 1/19/20	Elijah Mitchell (5–55–2 TDs) vs. Arizona <i>Raheem Mostert (29–220–4 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	11/7/21 1/29/23	James Conner (21–96–2 TDs) vs. Arizona <i>Miles Sanders (11–42–2 TDs) at Philadelphia – NFC–C</i>

400 Net Yards Passing by Team

By 49ers:	11/17/19	49ers win vs. Arizona, 36–26 (408)
By Opponent:	10/23/22 1/14/12	Chiefs win vs. Kansas City, 44–23 (417) <i>Saints loss vs. New Orleans, 32–36 (435) – NFC–D</i>

300 Net Yards Passing by Team

By 49ers:	10/23/22 1/14/23	49ers loss vs. Kansas City, 23–44 (343) <i>49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 (324) – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/30/22	Raiders loss at Las Vegas, 34–37 (OT) (365) <i>Rams win at Los Angeles, 20–17 (326) – NFC–C</i>

Individual with 50–or–More Pass Attempts

By 49ers:	10/7/18 1/6/96	C.J. Beathard (54–34–349–2 INTs–2 TDs) vs. Arizona <i>Steve Young (65–32–328–2 INTs–0 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/11/22 1/22/12	Tom Brady (55–34–253–2 INTs–1 TD) vs. Tampa Bay <i>Eli Manning (58–32–316–0 INTs–2 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–C</i>

Individual with 40–or–More Pass Attempts

By 49ers:	10/16/22 1/14/12	Jimmy Garoppolo (41–29–296–2 INTs–2 TDs) at Atlanta <i>Alex Smith (42–24–299–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. New Orleans – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/15/22 1/30/22	Geno Smith (44–31–238–0 INTs–1 TD) at Seattle <i>Matthew Stafford (45–31–337–1 INT–2 TDs) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C</i>

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Individual with 30–or–More Pass Completions

By 49ers:	11/17/19 1/6/96	Jimmy Garoppolo (45–34–424–2 INTs–4 TDs) vs. Arizona <i>Steve Young (65–32–328–2 INTs–0 TD) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/15/22 1/30/22	Geno Smith (44–31–238–0 INTs–1 TD) at Seattle <i>Matthew Stafford (45–31–337–1 INT–2 TDs) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C</i>

Individual with 25–or–More Pass Completions

By 49ers:	12/4/22 1/5/03	Brock Purdy (37–25–210–1 INT–2 TDs) vs. Miami <i>Jeff Garcia (44–27–331–1 INT–3 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	12/15/22 1/14/23	Geno Smith (44–31–238–0 INTs–1 TD) at Seattle <i>Geno Smith (35–25–253–1 INT–2 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>

No Sacks Allowed

By 49ers:	1/1/23 1/30/22	49ers win at Las Vegas, 37–34 (OT) (35 attempts – Brock Purdy) <i>49ers loss at Los Angeles Rams, 17–20 (30 attempts – Jimmy Garoppolo) – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/7/95	Raiders loss at Las Vegas, 34–37 (OT) (34 attempts – Jarrett Stidham) <i>Bears loss vs. Chicago, 15–44 (19 attempts – Steve Walsh) – NFC–D</i>

Individual 300–Yard Passing Game

By 49ers:	10/23/22 1/14/23	Jimmy Garoppolo (37–25–303–1 INT–2 TDs) vs. Kansas City <i>Brock Purdy (30–18–332–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/30/22	Jarrett Stidham (34–23–365–2 INTs–3 TDs) at Las Vegas <i>Matthew Stafford (45–31–337–1 INT–2 TDs) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C</i>

Consecutive 300–Yard Passing Games

By 49ers:	10/31/21–11/7/21	Jimmy Garoppolo (28–17–322–0 INTs–0 TDs) at Chicago; Jimmy Garoppolo (40–28–326–1 INT–2 TDs) vs. Arizona
By Opponent:	9/16/18–9/23/18 1/14/12–1/22/12	Matthew Stafford (53–34–347–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Detroit; Patrick Mahomes (38–24–314–0 INTs–3 TDs) at Kansas City <i>Drew Brees (63–40–462–2 INTs–4 TDs) vs. New Orleans – NFC–D; Eli Manning (58–32–316–0 INTs–2 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–C</i>

Individual with Four–or–More Touchdown Passes

By 49ers:	11/21/22 1/29/95	Jimmy Garoppolo (29–20–228–0 INTs–4 TDs) at Arizona <i>Steve Young (36–24–325–0 INTs–6 TDs) at San Diego – SB XXIX</i>
By Opponent:	12/7/20 1/14/12	Josh Allen (40–32–375–0 INTs–4 TDs) vs. Buffalo <i>Drew Brees (63–40–462–2 INTs–4 TDs) vs. New Orleans – NFC–D</i>

Individual with Three–or–More Touchdown Passes

By 49ers:	1/8/23 1/14/23	Brock Purdy (20–15–178–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Arizona <i>Brock Purdy (30–18–332–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 2/3/13	Jarrett Stidham (34–23–365–2 INTs–3 TDs) at Las Vegas <i>Joe Flacco (33–22–287–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII</i>

Individual with 10–or–More Receptions

By 49ers:	12/12/21 1/6/96	George Kittle (13–151–1 TD) at Cincinnati <i>Jerry Rice (11–117) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/3/22 1/22/23	Tyler Higbee (10–73) & Cooper Kupp (14–122) vs. Los Angeles Rams <i>CeeDee Lamb (10–117) vs. Dallas – NFC–D</i>

Individual with 150–Yard Receiving Game

By 49ers:	12/23/21 1/14/12	Deebo Samuel (9–159) at Tennessee <i>Vernon Davis (7–180–2 TDs) vs. New Orleans – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/20/13	Davante Adams (7–153–2 TDs) at Las Vegas <i>Julio Jones (11–182–2 TDs) at Atlanta – NFC–C</i>

Individual with 100–Yard Receiving Game

By 49ers:	1/1/23 1/14/23	Brandon Aiyuk (9–101–1 TD) at Las Vegas <i>Deebo Samuel (6–133–1 TD) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/22/23	Davante Adams (7–153–2 TDs) at Las Vegas <i>CeeDee Lamb (10–117) vs. Dallas – NFC–D</i>

Two 100–Yard Receivers in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/7/12 2/3/13	Michael Crabtree (6–113–1 TD) & Vernon Davis (5–106) vs. Buffalo <i>Michael Crabtree (5–109–1 TD) & Vernon Davis (6–104) vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII</i>
By Opponent:	10/23/22 1/30/22	JuJu Smith–Schuster (7–124–1 TD) & Marquez Valdes–Scantling (3–111) vs. Kansas City <i>Cooper Kupp (11–142–2 TDs) & Odell Beckham Jr. (9–113) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C</i>

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Consecutive 100–Yard Receiving Games

By 49ers:	12/24/22–1/1/23 1/14/12–1/12/14	George Kittle (6–120–2 TDs) vs. Washington; Brandon Aiyuk (9–101–1 TD) at Las Vegas Vernon Davis (7–180–2 TDs) vs. New Orleans – NFC–D; Vernon Davis (3–112–2 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–C; Michael Crabtree (9–119–2 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D; Vernon Davis (5–106– 1 TD) at Atlanta – NFC–C; Michael Crabtree (5–109–1 TD) & Vernon Davis (6–104) vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII; Michael Crabtree (8–125) at Green Bay – NFC–WC; Anquan Boldin (8–136) at Carolina – NFC–D
By Opponent:	9/19/21–9/26/21 1/22/22–1/22/23	Quez Watkins (2–117) at Philadelphia; Davante Adams (12–132–1 TD) vs. Green Bay Aaron Jones (9–129) at Green Bay – NFC–D; Cooper Kupp (11–142–2 TDs) & Odell Beckham Jr. (9–113) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C; DK Metcalf (10–136–2 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC; CeeDee Lamb (10–117) vs. Dallas – NFC–D

Pass Play of 80–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	10/31/21	83, Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel at Chicago
By Opponent:	9/19/21	91, Jalen Hurts to Quez Watkins at Philadelphia

Pass Play of 60–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	10/31/21 1/14/23	83, Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel at Chicago 74t, Brock Purdy to Deebo Samuel vs. Seattle – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	1/8/23 1/22/22	77t, David Blough to A.J. Green vs. Arizona 75, Aaron Rodgers to Aaron Jones at Green Bay – NFC–D

Pass Play of 40–or–More Yards

By 49ers:	1/1/23 1/14/23	42, Brock Purdy to Ray–Ray McCloud III at Las Vegas 74t, Brock Purdy to Deebo Samuel vs. Seattle – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	1/8/23 1/22/23	77t, David Blough to A.J. Green vs. Arizona 46, Dak Prescott to CeeDee Lamb vs. Dallas – NFC–D

Individual with Three–or–More Touchdown Receptions

By 49ers:	10/25/09 1/29/95	Vernon Davis (7–93–3 TDs) at Houston Jerry Rice (10–149–3 TDs) at San Diego – SB XXIX
By Opponent:	9/14/14 1/5/03	Brandon Marshall (5–48–3 TDs) vs. Chicago Amani Toomer (8–136–3 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–WC

Individual with Two–or–More Touchdown Receptions

By 49ers:	1/8/23 1/12/13	George Kittle (4–29–2 TDs) vs. Arizona Michael Crabtree (9–119–2 TDs) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D
By Opponent:	1/1/23 1/14/23	Davante Adams (7–153–2 TDs) at Las Vegas DK Metcalf (10–136–2 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC

Led Team in Both Rushing and Receiving Yards in the Same Game

By 49ers:	12/4/22 1/30/22	Christian McCaffrey (17–66 rushing, 8–80–1 TD receiving) vs. Miami Deebo Samuel (7–26 rushing, 4–72–1 TD receiving) at Los Angeles Rams – NFC–C
By Opponent:	10/22/17 1/22/22	Ezekiel Elliott (26–147–2 TDs rushing, 1–72–1 TD receiving) vs. Dallas Aaron Jones (12–41 rushing, 9–129 receiving) at Green Bay – NFC–D

100–Yard Rusher & Receiver in the Same Game

By 49ers:	1/1/23 1/14/23	Christian McCaffrey (19–121–1 TD) & Brandon Aiyuk (9–101–1 TD) at Las Vegas Christian McCaffrey (15–119) & Deebo Samuel (6–133–1 TD) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	10/24/21 2/2/20	Jonathan Taylor (18–107–1 TD) & Michael Pittman Jr. (4–105–1 TD) vs. Indianapolis Damien Williams (17–104–1 TD) & Tyreek Hill (9–105) at Kansas City – SB LIV

100–Yard Rusher, 100–Yard Receiver & 300–Yard Passer in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/31/21 1/14/23	Elijah Mitchell (18–137–1 TD), Deebo Samuel (6–171) & Jimmy Garoppolo (28–17–322–0 INTs–0 TDs) at Chicago Christian McCaffrey (15–119), Deebo Samuel (6–133–1 TD) & Brock Purdy (30–18–332–0 INTs–3 TDs) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC
By Opponent:	9/18/16 1/5/03	Fozzy Whittaker (16–100), Kelvin Benjamin (7–108–2 TDs), Greg Olsen (5–122–1 TD) & Cam Newton (40–24–353–1 INT– 4 TDs) at Carolina Tiki Barber (26–115–1 TD), Amani Toomer (8–136–3 TDs) & Kerry Collins (43–29–342–1 INT–4 TDs) vs. New York Giants – NFC–WC

Individual with at Least One Rushing and One Receiving Touchdown in the Same Game

By 49ers:	12/11/22 1/29/95	Christian McCaffrey (14–119–1 TD rushing, 2–34–1 TD receiving) vs. Tampa Bay Ricky Watters (15–47–1 TD rushing, 3–61–2 TDs receiving) at San Diego – SB XXIX
By Opponent:	10/23/22 2/2/20	Mecole Hardman (2–28–2 TDs rushing, 4–32–1 TD receiving) vs. Kansas City Damien Williams (17–104–1 TD rushing, 4–29–1 TD receiving) at Kansas City – SB LIV

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OFFENSIVE TOTALS

Individual with at Least One Rushing Touchdown and One Touchdown Pass in the Same Game

By 49ers:	12/11/22	Brock Purdy (21–16–185–0 INTs–2 TD passing, 2–3–1 TD rushing) vs. Tampa Bay
	1/14/23	<i>Brock Purdy (30–18–332–0 INTs–3 TD passing, 4–16–1 TD rushing) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	10/30/22	Matthew Stafford (33–22–187–0 INTs–1 TD passing, 2––1–1 TD rushing) at Los Angeles Rams
	2/2/20	<i>Patrick Mahomes (42–26–286–2 INTs–2 TDs passing, 9–29–1 TD rushing) at Kansas City – SB LIV</i>

No Turnovers

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13
	1/14/23	<i>49ers win vs. Seattle, 41–23 – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	10/30/22	Rams loss at Los Angeles Rams, 31–14
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 – NFC–C</i>

Touchdown Scored on First Drive

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13
	1/16/22	<i>49ers win at Dallas, 23–17 – NFC–WC</i>
By Opponent:	1/8/23	Cardinals loss vs. Arizona, 38–13
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 – NFC–C</i>

DEFENSIVE TOTALS

Held Opponent Under 200 Net Yards of Total Offense

By 49ers:	12/13/20	49ers loss vs. Washington, 15–23 (193; 98 rushing, 95 passing)
	1/11/20	<i>49ers win vs. Minnesota, 27–10 (147; 21 rushing, 126 passing) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/4/16	Bears win at Chicago, 26–6 (147; 141 rushing, 6 passing)
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (164; 81 rushing, 83 passing) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 300 Net Yards of Total Offense

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (255; 61 rushing, 194 passing)
	1/29/23	<i>49ers loss at Philadelphia, 7–31 (269; 148 rushing, 121 passing) – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	9/25/22	Broncos win at Denver, 11–10 (261; 101 rushing, 160 passing)
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (164; 81 rushing, 83 passing) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 50 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	12/4/22	49ers win vs. Miami, 33–17 (33)
	1/11/20	<i>49ers win vs. Minnesota, 27–10 (21) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	11/7/21	Cardinals win vs. Arizona, 31–17 (39)
	1/11/98	<i>Packers win vs. Green Bay, 23–10 (33) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 75 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (61)
	1/22/22	<i>49ers win at Green Bay, 13–10 (67) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/16/22	Falcons win at Atlanta, 28–14 (50)
	1/30/22	<i>Rams win at Los Angeles, 20–17 (50) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 100 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	1/8/23	49ers win vs. Arizona, 38–13 (61)
	1/22/23	<i>49ers win vs. Dallas, 19–12 (76) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	11/27/22	Saints loss vs. New Orleans, 0–13 (96)
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (81) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 100 Net Yards Passing

By 49ers:	12/13/20	49ers loss vs. Washington, 15–23 (95)
	1/4/97	<i>49ers loss at Green Bay, 14–35 (71) – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	9/17/17	Seahawks win at Seattle, 12–9 (89)
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (83) – NFC–C</i>

Held Opponent Under 150 Net Yards Passing

By 49ers:	10/16/22	49ers loss at Atlanta, 14–28 (121)
	1/29/23	<i>49ers loss at Philadelphia, 7–31 (121) – NFC–C</i>
By Opponent:	1/8/23	Cardinals loss vs. Arizona, 13–38 (142)
	1/29/23	<i>Eagles win at Philadelphia, 31–7 (83) – NFC–C</i>

Interception Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers:	10/9/22	Emmanuel Moseley, 41 (QB Baker Mayfield) at Carolina
	1/3/98	<i>Ken Norton, 23 (QB Randall Cunningham) vs. Minnesota – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/13/20	Kamren Curl, 76 (QB Nick Mullens) vs. Washington
	1/12/13	<i>Sam Shields, 52 (QB Colin Kaepernick) vs. Green Bay – NFC–D</i>

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DEFENSIVE TOTALS

Individual with Three-or-More Interceptions

By 49ers: 10/8/06 Walt Harris (1–Andrew Walter, 2–Marcus Tuiasosopo) vs. Oakland
By Opponent: 11/20/77 Bill Simpson (1–Scott Bull, 2–Jim Plunkett) vs. Los Angeles Rams

Individual with Two-or-More Interceptions

By 49ers: 1/8/23 Tashuan Gipson Sr. (2 – QB David Blough) vs. Arizona
1/15/95 *Eric Davis* (2 – QB Troy Aikman) vs. Dallas – NFC–C
By Opponent: 12/30/18 Cory Littleton (2 – QB Nick Mullens) at Los Angeles Rams
1/9/99 *William White* (2 – QB Steve Young) at Atlanta – NFC–D

Seven-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers: 10/3/22 49ers win vs. Los Angeles Rams, 24–9 (7)
1/6/85 *49ers win vs. Chicago, 23–0 (9) – NFC–C*
By Opponent: 10/21/18 Rams win vs. Los Angeles Rams, 39–10 (7)

Six-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers: 10/9/22 49ers win at Carolina, 37–15 (6)
1/11/20 *49ers win vs. Minnesota, 27–10 (6) – NFC–D*
By Opponent: 12/21/19 Rams loss vs. Los Angeles, 31–34 (6)

Five-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers: 10/9/22 49ers win at Carolina, 37–15 (6)
1/22/22 *49ers win at Green Bay, 13–10 (5) – NFC–D*
By Opponent: 10/23/22 Chiefs win vs. Kansas City, 44–23 (5)

Individual with Three-or-More Sacks

By 49ers: 12/4/22 Nick Bosa (3.0 of QB Tua Tagovailoa) vs. Miami
1/9/93 *Pierce Holt* (3.0 of QB Mark Rypien) vs. Washington – NFC–D
By Opponent: 11/7/21 Markus Golden (3.0 of QB Jimmy Garoppolo) vs. Arizona
1/17/93 *Tony Casillas* (3.0 of QB Steve Young) vs. Dallas – NFC–C

Individual with Two-or-More Sacks

By 49ers: 12/24/22 Nick Bosa (2.0 of QB Taylor Heinicke) vs. Washington
1/22/22 *Charles Omenihu* (2.0 of QB Geno Smith) vs. Seattle – NFC–WC
By Opponent: 1/8/23 J.J. Watt (2.0 of QB Brock Purdy) vs. Arizona
1/29/23 *Haason Reddick* (1.0 of QB Brock Purdy & 1.0 of QB Josh Johnson) at Philadelphia – NFC–C

Fumble Recovered for Touchdown

By 49ers: 12/4/22 Dre Greenlaw recovered a Tua Tagovailoa fumble and returned it 23 yards vs. Miami
12/26/71 *Bob Hoskins* recovered a Bruce Gossett fumble in end zone vs. Washington – NFC–D
By Opponent: 10/16/22 Jaylinn Hawkins recovered an A.J. Terrell fumble in end zone at Atlanta
1/4/97 *Antonio Freeman* recovered an Edgar Bennet fumble in end zone at Green Bay – NFC–D

SPECIAL TEAMS TOTALS

Kickoff Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers: 12/16/18 Richie James, 97 yards vs. Seattle
1/11/98 *Chuck Levy*, 95 yards vs. Green Bay – NFC–C
By Opponent: 11/28/21 Kene Nwangwu, 99 yards vs. Minnesota
2/3/13 *Jacoby Jones*, 108 yards vs. Baltimore – SB XLVII

Kickoff Return for a Touchdown on the Opening Kickoff

By 49ers: 11/10/08 Allen Rossum, 104 yards at Arizona
12/23/72 *Vic Washington*, 97 yards vs. Dallas – NFC–D
By Opponent: (could not find an instance when it occurred)

Punt Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers: 9/11/11 Ted Ginn Jr., 55 yards vs. Seattle
By Opponent: 12/3/17 Tarik Cohen, 61 yards at Chicago
1/4/97 *Desmond Howard*, 71 yards at Green Bay – NFC–D

THE LAST TIME ...

SPECIAL TEAMS TOTALS

Blocked Punt Recovered for Touchdown

By 49ers:	10/3/10	Taylor Mays recovered Michael Koenen's punt (blocked by Dominique Zeigler) in the end zone at Atlanta
	1/22/22	<i>Talanoa Hufanga recovered Corey Bojorquez's punt (blocked by Jordan Willis) and returned it 6 yds. at Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	9/28/14	Brad Smith recovered Andy Lee's punt (blocked by Trey Burton) in the end zone vs. Philadelphia

Blocked Punt

By 49ers:	9/14/14	Aaron Lynch blocked Patrick O'Donnell's punt vs. Chicago
	1/22/22	<i>Jordan Willis blocked Corey Bojorquez's punt at Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	9/13/20	Ezekiel Turner blocked Mitch Wishnowsky's punt vs. Arizona
	12/16/71	<i>Jon Jaqua blocked Steve Spurrier's punt vs. Washington – NFC–D</i>

Blocked PAT

By 49ers:	10/18/20	Dion Jordan blocked a PAT attempt by Samuel Sloman vs. Los Angeles Rams
	1/22/23	<i>Samson Ebukam blocked a PAT attempt by Brett Maher vs. Dallas – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	12/24/17	Jalen Myrick blocked a PAT attempt by Robbie Gould vs. Jacksonville

Missed (not blocked) PAT

By 49ers:	11/13/22	Robbie Gould vs. Los Angeles Chargers
By Opponent:	1/8/23	Matt Prater vs. Arizona

Blocked Field Goal

By 49ers:	9/19/21	Javon Kinlaw blocked a 47-yard attempt by Jake Elliott at Philadelphia
	1/22/22	<i>Jimmie Ward blocked a 39-yard attempt by Mason Crosby at Green Bay – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/9/22	Yetur Gross-Matos blocked a 43-yard attempt by Robbie Gould at Carolina

Blocked Field Goal returned for a TD

By 49ers:	9/27/09	Nate Clements, 59-yard return after Ray McDonald blocked a 44-yard attempt by Ryan Longwell at Minnesota
By Opponent:	9/18/22	Michael Jackson, 86-yard return after Tariq Woolen blocked a 20-yard attempt by Robbie Gould vs. Seattle

Individual with Five-or-More Field Goals

By 49ers:	12/17/17	Robbie Gould (6–6) vs. Tennessee
By Opponent:	10/11/20	Jason Sanders (5–5) vs. Miami
	1/20/91	<i>Matt Bahr (5–6) vs. New York Giants – NFC–C</i>

Individual with Four-or-More Field Goals

By 49ers:	12/4/22	Robbie Gould (4–4) vs. Miami
	1/22/23	<i>Robbie Gould (4–4) vs. Dallas – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/11/20	Jason Sanders (5–5) vs. Miami
	1/20/91	<i>Matt Bahr (5–6) vs. New York Giants – NFC–C</i>

Individual with Three-or-More Field Goals

By 49ers:	1/1/23	Robbie Gould (3–4) at Las Vegas
	1/22/23	<i>Robbie Gould (4–4) vs. Dallas – NFC–D</i>
By Opponent:	10/9/22	Eddy Piñeiro (3–4) at Carolina
	1/19/14	<i>Steven Hauschka (3–3) at Seattle – NFC–C</i>

Successful Onsides Kick

By 49ers:	9/21/17	Robbie Gould kick recovered by Raheem Mostert vs. Los Angeles Rams (4th Q)
By Opponent:	9/12/21	Austin Seibert kick recovered by Godwin Igwebuike at Detroit (4th Q)

Failed Onsides Kick Attempt

By 49ers:	10/3/21	Mitch Wishnowsky kick recovered by Freddie Swain vs. Seattle (4th Q)
By Opponent:	12/24/22	Joey Slye kick downed by Khaleke Hudson vs. Washington (4th Q)
	1/14/23	<i>Jason Myers kick recovered by Christian McCaffrey vs. Seattle (4th Q) – NFC–WC</i>



BRANDON AIYUK

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WR * 6-0 * 200 * ARIZONA STATE

3.17.98 * RENO, NV * 4TH YEAR * ACQUIRED D-1B IN '20

AWARDS & HONORS

2020: Pepsi Zero Sugar Rookie of the Week (Week 3)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- With 26 rec. yds. vs. LAR (11/15/21), became the 5th-fastest player in franchise history (21 games) to reach 1,000 career rec. yds.

FASTEST TO 1,000 REC. YDS., FRANCHISE HISTORY		
Player	Year	Games
1. Gene Washington	1969	12
2. Jerry Rice	1986	18
3. Michael Crabtree	2010	19
4. Deebo Samuel	2020	20
5. Brandon Aiyuk	2021	21

- With 10 receipts. vs. Was. (12/13/20), tied the franchise's rookie single-game record for most receipts. [WR Jerry Rice - 10 receipts. vs. LAR (12/9/85); RB Earl Cooper - 10 receipts. at NO (9/7/80)].

GOLDMINE

• Though he grew up in Nevada, Aiyuk has roots in Northern California. He attended Sierra (Rocklin, CA) College from 2016-17, where the 49ers spent training camp from 1981-1997. Additionally, Aiyuk began supporting the 49ers at a young age, thanks to his mom. "My mom's been a huge 49ers fan her whole life, so that kind of bled on me a little bit when I was younger," said Aiyuk. When he got the call informing him that he would be a member of the team, Aiyuk realized a childhood dream that he wasn't sure would come true. "There were a lot of people telling me before today and all week that it was going to happen. So, it's crazy that it actually did happen."



AIYUK'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His last name is pronounced EYE-yook.
- Though he stands at 6-foot-0, Aiyuk recorded an 81-inch wingspan, equivalent to 6-foot-9.
- Aiyuk is only the second alum from a Northern Nevada high school to become a first-round NFL draft pick. Former DT Shawn Knight (Reed HS, NV) was drafted by the New Orleans Saints 11th overall in the 1987 NFL Draft.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- During his time at Sierra College and later Arizona State, Aiyuk was known for his work ethic on and off the field. Ben Noonan, who coached Aiyuk at Sierra College, found Aiyuk in the weight room constantly, improving his squat from 275 pounds coming out of high school to 500 pounds by May 2017. That drive carried over to the practice field, where Aiyuk routinely stayed for 30 minutes after every practice working on routes in the Rocklin heat. "It gets up to a good 110 degrees, and then he's out there until the daylight is gone with the quarterbacks after a four-hour day," Noonan said. "And demanding that the quarterbacks stay, you know, whether their arm was falling off or not."

AIYUK'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Sep 10	at Pit							
Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
Oct 1	Arz							
Oct 8	Dal							
Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

AIYUK'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2020	SF	12	11	60	748	12.5	49	5	6	77	12.8	38t	2
2021	SF	17	16	56	826	14.8	43	5	5	17	3.4	8	0
2022	SF	17	17	78	1,015	13.0	54	8	2	23	11.5	16	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		46	44	194	2,589	13.3	54	18	13	117	9.0	38t	2

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2021	SF	3	3	9	135	15.0	37	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	3	3	6	109	18.2	31	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		6	6	15	244	16.3	37	0	0	0	–	–	0

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 6: 2020 (3); 2022 (3)

Fumbles – Lost – 3–2: 2021 (2–1); 2022 (1–1)

Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2020 (1)

Punt Returns – 31: 2020 (2); 2021 (29)

Punt Return Yards – 234: 2020 (26); 2021 (208)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at NYJ (9/20/20); **First Start:** at NYJ (9/20/20); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at NYJ (9/20/20 – 8–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – vs. LAR (10/18/20 – 2–yd. TD pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – at NYG (9/27/20 – 19–yds.); **100–yd. Games:** Regular Season – 4, Last at LV (1/1/23 – 101–yds.); **First Punt Return:** Regular Season – vs. Buf. (12/7/20 – 16–yd. PR); **First Multi–TD Game:** at Atl. (10/16/22)

AIYUK'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (4)

Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
10/25/20	at NE	6	115	19.2	0	1/9/22	at LAR	6	107	17.8	0
12/13/20	vs. Was.	10	119	11.9	0	1/1/23	at LV	9	101	11.2	1

AIYUK'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 10 vs. Was. (12/13/20); Postseason – 5 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 119 vs. Was. (12/13/20); Postseason – 73 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 54 vs. Was. (12/24/22); Postseason – 37 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Receiving TDs: Regular Season – 2 (2 times) Last at Arz. (11/21/22)

Rushes: Regular Season – 3 at NYG (9/27/20)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 38 vs. Phi. (10/4/20)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 38t vs. Phi. (10/4/20)

Rushing TDs: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. Phi. (10/4/20)

Punt Returns: Regular Season – 4 vs. Sea. (10/3/21)

Punt Return Yards: Regular Season – 32 vs. Sea. (10/3/21)

Long Punt Return: Regular Season – 27 vs. Arz. (11/7/21)

AIYUK'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of two 1st–round (25th overall) draft choices by SF in 2020...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 11/4/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 11/6/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 11/20/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/2/20.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- During the 2021 NFL season, NFL players were able to support causes of their choice through the NFL's My Cause, My Cleats initiative. Allen chose to support the Alzheimer's Association as his grandmother suffers from the disease. "I'd love to find a cure so that no one has to watch the ones they love suffer with this disease," Allen said.



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ALLEN'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	PASSING										RUSHING				
				ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	LG	SK	LST	RTG	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2019	DEN	3	3	84	39	46.4	515	3	2	75t	9	59	68.3	10	39	3.9	11	0
2020	CIN	5	5	142	90	63.4	925	5	4	72t	7	51	82.0	13	27	2.1	4	0
2021	CIN	6	1	34	17	50.0	149	2	0	26	4	33	81.6	7	-1	-0.1	3	0
2022	CIN	1	0	3	3	100.0	22	0	0	13	1	0	97.2	3	-1	-0.3	2	0
2023	SF																	
TOTALS		15	9	263	149	56.7	1,611	10	6	75t	21	143	78.0	33	64	1.9	11	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Cle. (11/3/19); **First Start:** vs. Cle. (11/3/19); **First TD Pass:** Regular Season – vs. Cle. (11/3/19 – 21 yd. pass to WR Courtland Sutton); **First 300–Yd. Game:** Regular Season – at Hou. (12/27/20)

Additional Statistics:

Fumbles Recoveries – 1: 2021 (1)

Fumbles–Lost – 2–1: 2020 (1–1); 2022 (1–0)

ALLEN'S CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES (1)

Date	Opp	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD
12/27/20	at Hou.	37	29	371	2

ALLEN'S CAREER HIGHS

Passes Attempted: Regular Season – 39 at Min. (11/17/19)

Completions: Regular Season – 29 at Hou. (12/27/20)

Completion Percentage: Regular Season – 78.4 at Hou. (12/27/20)

Passing Yards: Regular Season – 371 at Hou. (12/27/20)

Long Pass: Regular Season – 75t vs. Cle. (11/3/19)

QB Rating: Regular Season – 126.5 at Hou. (12/27/20)

Passing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 2 (2 times) Last at Hou. (12/27/20)

Rushes: Regular Season – 5 vs. Cle. (11/3/19)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 18 at Min. (11/17/19)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 11 (2 times) Last at Min. (11/17/19)

ALLEN'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 6th–round (201st overall) draft choice by Jax. in 2016...Waived by Jax. on 9/3/17...Claimed off of Waivers by LAR on 9/4/17...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/20/17...Waived by LAR on 9/18/18...Signed to LAR practice squad on 9/20/18...Re–signed with LAR on a one–year deal on 2/7/19...Waived by LAR on 8/30/19...Claimed off of Waivers by Den. on 9/1/19...Signed a one–year deal with Cin. on 8/1/20...Waived by Cin. on 9/5/20...Signed to Cin. practice squad on 9/6/20...Promoted to Cin. active roster on 11/23/20...Re–signed with Cin. on a one–year deal on 3/10/21...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/27/21...Re–signed with Cin. on a one–year deal on 3/17/22...Waived by Cin. on 8/31/22...Re–signed with Cin. on a one–year deal on 9/2/22...Signed with SF on a one–year deal on 5/8/23.



ARIK ARMSTEAD

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DL * 6-7 * 290 * OREGON

11.15.93 * ELK GROVE, CA * 9TH YEAR * ACQUIRED D-1 IN '15

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2020:** NFLPA Community MVP (Week 10), 49ers Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Nominee, Perry/Yonamine Unity Award
- 2021:** 49ers Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Nominee, NFLPA Community MVP (Week 4)
- 2022:** 49ers Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Nominee



GOLDMINE

- In June of 2023, Armstead hosted the Kickoff for Kids 2023 gala. After founding the Armstead Academic Project in 2019, it marked the foundation's first gala and a very eventful one as Armstead received a key to his hometown. "Some might ask, 'Does it open the city treasury,'" Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg joked. "The answer is 'No,' but it opens the key to the city's heart, and you have it, and we are grateful for you, man." Armstead was supported by his family as well as several 49ers teammates who attended the event, including Trey Lance, Jauan Jennings, Alex Barrett, former 49er Patrick Willis and team owner Dr. John York. "I'm blown away really. I'm just a young kid from Sacramento," Armstead said. "I love being from here. I've been so blessed in my life. I have a lot of appreciation for my family and everything I've been able to experience growing up here. It's really shaped the person who I am."



ARMSTEAD'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Named the 49ers representative for the Walter Payton Man of the Year Award in 2020-22, which recognizes an NFL player for his excellence on and off the field.
- Lists his parents, Guss and Christa, as the most influential people in his life. He also gives credit to his grandfather, Willie B. Armstead, an Air Force veteran, for instilling the value of integrity that his parents have passed along to him. "A lot of things he instilled in my dad have carried down to me. Having a family member who is more courageous than you can imagine and who served his country is a huge honor."
- Played both basketball and football at Oregon before focusing only on football in 2014.
- During Super Bowl 50's Media Day, Armstead joined Sacramento's ABC10 sports team as a reporter to learn what it is like to cover NFL players during one of the most hectic events of the year. Held at SAP Center in San Jose, Armstead interviewed former teammates, fans, media members and Miss Universe. "It's like a feeding frenzy - everyone running around, and being part of that frenzy was a unique experience," said Armstead during the event.

ARMSTEAD'S GAME-BY-GAME

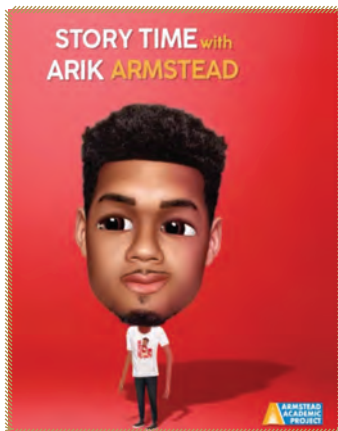
2023

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Sep 10	at Pit													
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Oct 15	at Cle													
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Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

- In May of 2020, Armstead donated \$50,000 to Sacramento's Mercy Housing for students to be able to participate in distance learning. The donation will provide 350 Chromebooks to students, as well as one-year of pre-paid internet service for those families, many of whom have multiple students in their households. Also included in the donation were education kits consisting of learning activities, books, supplies and even healthy snacks benefiting children of all ages who remain physically at home, unable to visit their schools because of the coronavirus pandemic. "These are things that people should have access to, these are things that students in other communities do have access to, so this is just a baseline of essential needs for them to be successful in the classroom," said Armstead. Armstead took the time to personally deliver the Chromebooks to the recipients of the donation. "A lot of students had been disengaged before the pandemic, but even more so with school getting canceled and having to learn virtually and not having the technology and access," said Armstead. "I'm happy that I launched the foundation last year so that I could try to address some of these issues in my community."



- Armstead returned to his hometown of Sacramento during the 2019 offseason to host the second charity weekend for his foundation, Armstead Academic Project, which promotes equal opportunities through education. The festivities kicked off as teammates Ronald Blair III, Richard Sherman, Jaquiski Tartt and Ahkello Witherspoon joined Armstead for a charity gala and silent auction which raised more than \$100,000. Armstead then led a youth camp the following morning, where the children were able to get hands-on lessons from the NFL players. Throughout the day, Armstead stressed the importance of hard work, sportsmanship and teamwork.



- During the 2020 offseason, Armstead began implementing several installments of Story time with Arik Armstead using virtual platforms. For Earth Day, Armstead surprised a virtual classroom of 20 second-grade students with a story time, Q&A and conversations about the environment. For Mother's Day, he and his mom, Christa, read "Guess How Much I Love You" on the 49ers Instagram account. Education is at the forefront of Armstead's commitment to the Bay Area, as the defensive lineman founded the Armstead Academic Project to ensure every student, no matter their socio-economic status, has direct access to a quality education through a positive learning environment and resources needed in order to thrive and be successful.

- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during Week 14 of the 2019 season. Armstead and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. In choosing the foundation Arik Armstead Academic Project which focuses on education equity, "I play for all children to have the right to quality education," said Armstead.



- Members of the 49ers defensive line spent time with 25 local youth from the Fam 1st Foundation at Shoe Palace for a special holiday shopping experience on December 16, 2019. The Fam 1st Foundation is based in Oakland and focuses on underserved youth, aiming to build new generations of innovative thinkers to create solutions for the future of Oakland and beyond.



- If Armstead wasn't in the NFL, he would be playing basketball. He was a three-year starter in basketball at Pleasant Grove High School in Sacramento and played two years at the University of Oregon before focusing solely on football for the 2014 season. He entered his high school senior season listed as the number three prospect in NorCalPrep.com's Top 40 rankings for the class of 2012. "A big part of the recruiting pitch from Oregon was they were going to let me play two sports. We only lost 5 games during my time there. I wanted to go somewhere with the chance to win and be a part of something special."

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

• In 2017, Armstead returned to his hometown of Sacramento to hold his Annual free youth football camp. The camp was held in Elk Grove, CA and sponsors made it possible for 200 scholarships to be offered to interested kids. The kids participated in both football and conditioning drills with the players and then were allowed to ask questions to discuss not only football, but school, healthy choices, and other topics.



Armstead's goal was to provide campers with a unique experience on the football field, as well as insight into the hard work and dedication that are needed to make it to the NFL. "I want the kids to enjoy themselves while also coming away learning that they can do whatever they put their mind to," said Armstead. "I want to teach them the things that helped me get where I am now like the importance of education, work ethic, and faith."

- Armstead's brother, Armond, was forced to retire before ever playing a down in the NFL. After playing collegiately at USC, Armond became an All-Star for the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League, helping the team win the league's 100th Grey Cup. He went on to sign with the New England Patriots in 2013, but medical issues forced him to hang up his cleats. "The biggest thing he has told me through this process is, 'at the end of the day, it's just football.' Having a brother who played at this level makes everything less overwhelming."
- In April of 2018, Armstead worked with Leataata Floyd Elementary and 916 Ink to host a trip to the Imaginarium, where the young students developed their artistic abilities, while learning how to be better at communicating. The event was in conjunction with Armstead's foundation, which focuses on assisting at-risk youth, particularly through the means of education.
- Armstead and his teammates joined Levi's in support of breast, colon and pediatric cancer warriors at the Crucial Catch Fashion Show presented by Dignity Health in October of 2018. 49ers players and cancer warriors took to the runway to show off their attire and share their stories of strength and courage with the audience.



ARMSTEAD'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2015	SF	16	1	19	13	6	2.0	12.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	SF	8	4	21	11	10	2.5	4.5	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	0
2017	SF	6	6	16	8	8	1.5	8.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0	0
2018	SF	16	16	48	33	15	3.0	19.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	SF	16	16	54	32	22	10.0	73.0	0	0	–	0	2	2	1	0	0
2020	SF	16	16	49	29	20	3.5	25.5	0	0	–	0	3	0	0	0	0
2021	SF	17	17	63	29	34	6.0	43.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	9	9	11	8	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2023	SF																
TOTALS		104	85	281	163	118	28.5	185.5	0	0	–	0	6	3	1	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	SF	3	3	8	7	1	2.0	15.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	0
2021	SF	3	3	9	4	5	3.0	24.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	10	8	2	2.0	10.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		9	9	27	19	8	7.0	49.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 1: 2020 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Min. (9/14/15); **First Start:** vs. StL (1/3/16); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Arz. (9/27/15 – QB Carson Palmer); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – QB Kirk Cousins); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Buf. (10/16/16 – QB Tyrod Taylor); Postseason – vs. GB (1/19/20 – QB Aaron Rodgers); **First FR:** Regular Season – at LAR (10/13/19 – QB Jared Goff); **First Multi-Sack Game:** Regular Season – vs. Car. (10/27/19 – 2.0; QB Kyle Allen); Postseason – at GB (1/22/22 – 2.0; QB Aaron Rodgers) **Multi-Sack Games:** Regular Season – 5, Last at LAR (1/9/22 – 2.5; QB Matthew Stafford); Postseason – at GB (1/22/22 – 2.0; QB Aaron Rodgers)

ARMSTEAD'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (6)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB	Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
10/27/19	vs. Car.	2.0	11.0	Kyle Allen (2.0)	12/20/20	at Dal.	2.0	17.0	Andy Dalton (2.0)
11/11/19	vs. Sea.	1.5	12.0	Russell Wilson (1.5)	1/9/22	at LAR	2.5	17.0	Matthew Stafford (2.5)
11/24/19	vs. GB	2.0	13.0	Aaron Rodgers (2.0)	1/22/22*	at GB	2.0	18.0	Aaron Rodgers (2.0)

*Postseason

ARMSTEAD'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 10 vs. Arz. (11/7/21); Postseason – 5 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 8 (2 times) vs. Arz. (11/7/21); Postseason – 5 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 5 vs. Hou. (1/2/22); Postseason – 3 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Sacks: Regular Season – 2.5 at LAR (1/9/22); Postseason – 2.0 at GB (1/22/22)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last vs. Sea. (11/11/19); Postseason – 1 vs. GB (1/19/20)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (10/13/19)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (5 times) Last vs. LAR (10/18/20)

ARMSTEAD'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 1st-round (17th overall) draft choice by SF in 2015...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 11/8/16...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/17/17...Signed a five-year extension through 2024 with SF on 3/16/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/16/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/25/20.



AARON BANKS

65

OL × 6-5 × 325 × NOTRE DAME

9.3.97 × EL CERRITO, CA × 3RD YEAR × ACQUIRED D-2 IN '21

AWARDS & HONORS

2021: 49ers Community Relations Rookie Player Award

GOLDMINE

- Originally from Hayward, Banks grew up less than an hour from Levi's Stadium. For Draft Day, Banks and his large family rented a house in Napa to wait for his name to be called. Learning his football path brought him right back to where it all started, the moment was not lost on him. "[It's] crazy how this journey brought me right back home," Banks said. The chorus of screams from his family upon hearing his name associated with the hometown team resonates with Banks and his excitement to return.
- At El Cerrito High School, Banks was a dual-sport athlete as a center on the basketball team and an offensive and defensive lineman on the football team. The basketball team won the North Coast Section champion with Banks in the paint and he also helped El Cerrito to its first-ever NCS football championship in 2013.
- Banks has three dogs, two huskies and a pitbull mix. The dogs are named Waffles, Pancakes and Beans.

BANKS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Was given the nickname 'The Dancing Bear' by former Notre Dame offensive coordinator Chip Long due to his energy and playing style.
- As a sophomore at Notre Dame, hosted pizza night every Thursday night in his apartment to help the offensive line bond off the field. "We have those guys every week, it's our pizza night. But it's not always at our house. We move it around a little bit," Banks said. "Pizza night has been a thing among the o-line for a long time, and it's a tradition."
- While attending El Cerrito (CA) HS, Banks, realizing that the school's weight room was limited, took it upon himself to find additional ways to train in a local gym. "Yeah, we didn't have a lot of weights," Banks said. "So myself and my little brother would go before school, at like 4:30 in the morning and go lift."

BANKS' CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS: 25/16: 2021 (9/0); 2022 (16/16)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS: 4/3: 2021 (1/0); 2022 (3/3)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. LAR (11/15/21); **First Start:** at Chi. (9/11/22)

BANKS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 2nd-round (48th overall) draft choice by SF in 2021.



ROBERT BEAL JR.

55

DL * 6-4 * 250 * GEORGIA

8.18.99 * DULUTH, GA * ROOKIE * ACQUIRED D-5B IN '23

GOLDMINE

- Despite leading the Bulldogs in sacks in 2021, Beal decide to return to Georgia for his final year of eligibility in pursuit of a second-consecutive National Championship. The move paid off as Georgia finished the 2022 season a perfect 15-0 culminated by a 65-7 victory over Texas Christian in the National Championship, which was the largest margin of victory and the most points scored in a College Football Playoff or Bowl Championship Series title game. Beal registered 3 tackles and 1.0 sack of former Horned Frogs and current Los Angeles Chargers QB Max Duggan and became forever engrained in college football history as part of the only team in CFP history to win back-to-back National Championships.



- Although he was born and raised in Georgia, Beal is a lifelong 49ers fan. When asked who his favorite 49er was he cited former First-Team All-Pro and 49ers DL Aldon Smith. "I used to watch him day in, day out," said Beal. Like Smith who boasts a 83 7/8-inch wingspan, Beal uses his length to his advantage on the field. However, Beal's 83 1/2-inch wingspan does not come with the same advantages when shopping. "I was born with long arms. I can't really fit any shirt comfortably," said Beal. "It's either too long and my arms stick out the bottom of the shirt or the shirt will be too big. It's kind of crazy."

BEAL'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Goes by "RJ." When he was young, also earned the nickname "Tank" because he had a big head compared to his small frame.
- Joins NFL DL Cameron Heyward, TE Connor Heyward, OL Orlando Brown Jr., DE Kingsley Enagbare and CB Bradley Roby as one of six active NFL players that attended Peachtree Ridge (Duluth, GA) HS.
- Initially wanted to be a WR as he grew up idolizing NFL WR Julio Jones.

BEAL'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
PLACED ON INJURED RESERVE (Hamstring) ON 8/30														
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													

TOTALS

BEAL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2023	SF																
TOTALS		51	49	156	116	40	43.0	336.5	1	46	46	0	4	8	2	6	

BEAL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of two 5th-round (173rd overall) draft choices by SF in 2023...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/30/23.

BELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	NO	RECEIVING				RUSHING					
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
2023	SF													
TOTALS														

BELL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of three 7th-round (253rd overall) draft choices by SF in 2023.



NICK BOSA

97

DL * 6-4 * 266 * OHIO STATE

10.23.97 * FORT LAUDERDALE, FL * 5TH YEAR * ACQUIRED D-1 IN '19

AWARDS & HONORS

2019: AP NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year, Pepsi Rookie of the Year, *Sporting News* Rookie of the Year, PFWA Rookie of the Year, PFWA Defensive Rookie of the Year, PFWA All-Rookie Team, NFC Pro Bowl, NFC Defensive Player of the Month (October), Defensive Rookie of the Month (October), NFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 5 and Week 8)

2021: NFC Pro Bowl, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, Bill Walsh Award, *Sporting News* All-Pro

2022: NFC Pro Bowl Games, NFC Defensive Player of the Month (November), NFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 13), NFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 16), NFLPA First-Team All-Pro, AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, PFWA Defensive Player of the Year, Len Eshmont Award, Hazeltine Iron Man Award, *Sporting News* Defensive Player of the Year, 101 Awards NFC Defensive Player of the Year, AP Defensive Player of the Year, Deacon Jones Award



BOSA'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His father, John, was selected 16th overall by the Miami Dolphins in the 1987 NFL Draft. The following season, Miami chose his future uncle, Eric Kumerow, also 16th overall.
- The San Diego Chargers selected his brother, Joey, 3rd overall in the 2016 NFL Draft.
- The Bosa brothers had nicknames growing up, with Joey's being Big Bear and Nick's as Smaller Bear.
- In 2017, was the winner of the Big Ten's Smith-Brown Defensive Lineman of the Year Award, becoming the fourth-consecutive member of Ohio State to win the award, following his brother, Joey (2014-15) and Indianapolis Colts DE Tyquan Lewis (2016).



CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Registered 9.0 sacks in his rookie season, the 4th-most by a 49ers rookie since 1982.

MOST SACKS IN A SINGLE SEASON BY A 49ERS ROOKIE, SINCE 1982

	Player	Year	Sacks
1.	LB Aldon Smith	2011	14.0
2.	LB Charles Haley	1986	12.0
3.	DT Dana Stubblefield	1993	10.5
4.	DL Nick Bosa	2019	9.0

- Registered an NFL-high 18.5 sacks in 2022, which is the 2nd-most in a single season in franchise history [Aldon Smith - 2012 (19.5)].

MOST SACKS IN THE NFL, 2022

	Player	Sacks
1.	Nick Bosa, SF	18.5
2t.	Haason Reddick, Phi.	16.0
	Myles Garrett, Cle.	16.0
4t.	Matt Judon, NE	15.5
	Chris Jones, KC	15.5

MOST CAREER SACKS BY A MEMBER OF THE 49ERS IN A SINGLE SEASON, SINCE 1982

	Player	Year	Sacks
1.	LB Aldon Smith	2012	19.5
2.	DL Nick Bosa	2022	18.5
3.	DE Fred Dean	1983	17.5
4.	LB Tim Harris	1992	17.0
5.	LB Charles Haley	1990	16.0
6.	DL Nick Bosa	2021	15.5

GOLDMINE

- Participated in the 49ers Annual Community Day, helping pack more than 31,000 nutritious meals in collaboration with Feeding Children Anywhere. The meals, along with groceries and backpacks, were distributed to those most in need in East San Jose.



BOSA'S GAME-BY-GAME

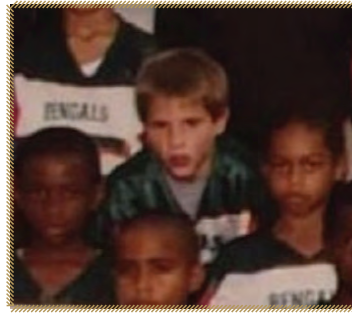
2023

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TBD	LAR													

TOTALS

GOLDMINE

- Bosa's father, John, a former Miami Dolphin, encouraged sons Nick and Joey to try other sports like tennis, golf and baseball. However, Nick only had one sport in mind, and he let his parents know it. "Nick threw temper tantrums," John said. After successfully convincing his parents to let him play football, Nick gave everything he had to the sport. Even as a kid on the field, he wasn't afraid to speak his mind. Early in his football career, Cheryl watched from the sideline at practice as Nick approached a coach. "I find out later they'd put Nick with the offense," she recalled. "And he walked up to this guy, totally by himself, tugged on his shirt and said, 'I don't want to play offense. I want to play defense.'"



BOSA'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	16	14	47	32	15	9.0	77.0	1	46	46	0	2	1	2	6
2020	SF	2	2	6	3	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0
2021	SF	17	17	52	40	12	15.5	122.0	0	0	–	0	1	4	0	0
2022	SF	16	16	51	41	10	18.5	137.5	0	0	–	0	1	2	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		51	49	156	116	40	43.0	336.5	1	46	46	0	4	8	2	6

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	3	3	15	11	4	4.0	35.0	0	0	–	0	2	1	0	0
2021	SF	3	3	12	8	4	4.0	17.5	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	11	8	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	1	0
TOTALS		9	9	38	27	11	8.0	52.5	0	0	–	0	2	2	1	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at TB (9/8/19); **First Start:** vs. Pit. (9/22/19); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at TB (9/8/19 – QB Jameis Winston); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – QB Kirk Cousins); **First FF:** Regular Season – vs. Cle. (10/7/19 – QB Baker Mayfield); Postseason – at KC (2/2/20 – QB Patrick Mahomes); **First FR:** Regular Season – vs. Cle. (10/7/19 – QB Baker Mayfield); **First Multi-Sack Game:** Regular Season – vs. Cle. (10/7/19 – 2.0; QB Baker Mayfield); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – 2.0; QB Kirk Cousins); **Multi-Sack Games:** Regular Season – 10, Last vs. Mia. (12/4/22 – 3.0; QB Tua Tagovailoa); Postseason – 2, Last at GB (1/22/22 – 2.0; QB Aaron Rodgers); **First INT:** Regular Season – vs. Car. (10/27/19 – QB Kyle Allen)

BOSA'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (14)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB	Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
10/7/19	vs. Cle.	2.0	21.0	Baker Mayfield (2.0)	1/22/22*	at GB	2.0	5.0	Aaron Rodgers (2.0)
10/27/19	vs. Car.	3.0	25.0	Kyle Allen (3.0)	1/30/22*	at LAR	1.5	7.5	Matthew Stafford (1.5)
1/11/20*	vs. Min.	2.0	15.0	Kirk Cousins (2.0)	9/18/22	vs. Sea	2.0	17.0	Geno Smith (2.0)
9/19/21	at Phi.	2.0	13.0	Jalen Hurts (2.0)	10/3/22	vs. LAR	2.0	10.0	Matthew Stafford (2.0)
10/31/21	at Chi.	2.0	12.0	Justin Fields (2.0)	10/30/22	at LAR	1.5	15.5	Matthew Stafford (1.5)
11/21/21	at Jax.	2.0	6.0	Trevor Lawrence (2.0)	12/4/22	vs. Mia.	3.0	20.0	Tua Tagovailoa (3.0)
12/12/21	at Cin.	2.0	12.0	Joe Burrow (2.0)	12/24/22	vs. Was.	2.0	19.0	Taylor Heinicke (2.0)

*Postseason

BOSA'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 8 vs. Sea. (11/11/19); Postseason – 6 (2 times) Last at LAR (1/30/22)

Solo: Regular Season – 5 (3 times) Last vs. Was. (12/24/22); Postseason – 6 vs. Min. (1/11/20)

Assists: Regular Season – 5 vs. Sea. (11/11/19); Postseason – 2 (3 times) Last vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Sacks: Regular Season – 3.0 (2 times) Last vs. Mia. (12/4/22); Postseason – 2.0 (2 times) Last at GB (1/22/22)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. GB (11/24/19); Postseason – 1 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (8 times) Last vs. Was. (12/24/22); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last at GB (1/22/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last at KC (2/2/20)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 vs. Car. (10/27/19)

Interception Yards: Regular Season – 46 vs. Car. (10/27/19)

Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 46 vs. Car. (10/27/19)

BOSA'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 1st-round (2nd overall) draft choice by SF in 2019...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/23/20...Placed on the Reserve/Did Not Report List on 7/25/23.

BRENDEL'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 54/20: 2016 (1/0); 2017 (16/0); 2018 (4/3); 2019 (0/0); 2021 (16/0); 2022 (17/17)
POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 7/3: 2016 (1/0); 2021 (3/0); 2022 (3/3)

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 1: 2018 (1); **Fumbles – Lost – 1–0:** 2022 (1–0)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. SF (11/27/16); **First Start:** at GB (11/11/18)

BRENDEL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by Dal. on 5/6/16...Waived by Dal. on 9/3/16...Signed to Dal. practice squad on 9/4/16...Placed on practice squad Injured Reserve List on 9/22/16...Released by Dal. on 9/29/16...Signed to Mia. practice squad on 10/11/16...Promoted to Mia. active roster on 11/19/16...Signed a one-year deal with Mia. on 3/14/18...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/2/18...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/2/18...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/12/18...Signed a one-year deal with Den. on 4/18/19...Waived by Den. on 8/31/19...Signed a one-year deal with Bal. on 11/27/19...Waived by Bal. on 11/30/19...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 2/7/20...Placed on the Reserve/Opt-Out List on 8/6/20...Released by SF on 8/31/21...Re-signed with SF on a one-year deal on 9/1/21...Re-signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/9/22...Re-signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/15/23.



J'AYIR BROWN

27

S * 5-11 * 202 * PENN STATE

1.25.00 * TRENTON, NJ * ROOKIE * ACQUIRED D-3A IN '23

GOLDMINE

Brown has a unique nickname, 'Tig'. "It started from Winnie the Pooh," Brown said. "When I was a baby, I used to bounce around a lot, not even a year old on my mom's lap, and she started calling me Tigger the Tiger. As I got older, it started to stick with me, and I just like, 'You know what? Let's chop a couple of letters off, call me Tig. Everybody start calling me Tig and it's just been like my real name. It's been a substitute for my real name since I was a baby."



Brown teamed up with Chicago Bears S Jaquan Brisker in the secondary at both Lackawanna Community College (Scranton, PA) and Penn State. "They brought about as much attention to Lackawanna College in a week that's probably ever happened in this school's history," Lackawanna head coach Mark Duda said after each came up with an interception in a 2021 win over Wisconsin. "Having them together, it was like poetry in motion watching them play off of each other," said Penn State defensive coordinator Anthony Poindexter. "You could tell they had played somewhere together. They just had this chemistry, man. They knew what the other was doing."



BROWN'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- First name is pronounced jye-YEAR. Nickname is 'Tig', short for Tigger the Tiger from Winnie the Pooh.
- Majored in telecommunications at Penn State and aspires to be a sports analyst following his NFL career.
- Has one brother, J'Ron, and two sisters, Ji'Asia and J'Selle.
- Played basketball in addition to football at Trenton Central (NJ) HS. As a senior, led the state of New Jersey in steals per game (6.8).

BROWN'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

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Dec 17	at Arz													
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TOTALS

BROWN'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES			INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES						
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2023	SF																
TOTALS																	

BROWN'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of three 3rd-round (87th overall) draft choices by SF in 2023.

BRYANT'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	DET	4	0	8	2	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2020	DET	6	1	17	12	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	
2021	DET	14	5	31	21	10	4.5	30.5	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	
2022	DET	9	0	9	7	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	
2023	SF															
TOTALS		33	6	65	42	23	4.5	30.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Was. (11/24/19); **First Start:** vs. Was. (11/15/20); **First Sack:** Regular Season – vs. Bal. (9/26/21 – QB Lamar Jackson)

BRYANT'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 7 (2 times) Last vs. Phi. (10/31/21)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (4 times) Last at Sea. (1/2/22)

Solo: Regular Season – 4 (5 times) Last at NE (10/9/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 vs. Phi. (9/11/22)

Assists: Regular Season – 3 (4 times) Last at Cle. (11/21/21)

BRYANT'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 4th-round (117th overall) draft choice by Det. in 2019...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/2/19...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/20/19...Placed on the Physically Unable to Perform List on 9/5/20...Activated from the Physically Unable to Perform List on 11/7/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/3/22...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/10/22...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/23/23...Released by SF on 8/29/23...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 8/30/23.

BRYANT'S GAME-BY-GAME

2019 (Detroit)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
PLACED ON INJURED RESERVE (Pectoral) ON 9/2														
Sep 8	at Arz	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 15	LAC	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 22	at Phi	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 29	KC	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 14	at GB	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 20	Min	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 27	NYG	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 3	at Oak	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 10	at Chi	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 17	Dal	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ACTIVATED FROM INJURED RESERVE ON 11/20														
Nov 24	at Was	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 28	Chi	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 8	at Min	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 15	TB	L	1/0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 22	at Den	L	1/0	3	0	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 29	GB	L	1/0	4	1	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			4/0	8	2	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2020 (Detroit)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
PLACED ON RESERVE/PUP (Pectoral) ON 9/5														
Sep 13	Chi	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 20	at GB	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 27	at Arz	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 4	NO	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 18	at Jax	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 25	at Atl	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 1	Ind	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ACTIVATED FROM RESERVE/PUP ON 11/7														
Nov 8	at Min	L	1/0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 15	Was	W	1/1	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 22	at Car	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 26	Hou	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 6	at Chi	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 13	GB	L	1/0	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 20	at Ten	L	1/0	7	4	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 26	TB	L	1/0	3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan 3	Min	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			6/1	17	12	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2021 (Detroit)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 12	SF	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 20	at GB	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 26	Bal	L	1/0	1	1	0	1.0	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 3	at Chi	L	1/0	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 10	at Min	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 17	Cin	L	1/0	2	2	0	1.0	12.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 24	at LAR	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 31	Phi	L	1/0	7	4	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 14	at Pit	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 21	at Cle	L	1/1	4	2	2	0.5	5.5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 25	Chi	L	1/1	5	3	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 5	Min	W	1/1	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 12	at Den	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 19	Arz	W	1/0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 26	at Atl	L	1/1	2	2	0	1.0	5.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan 2	at Sea	L	1/1	4	2	2	1.0	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLACED ON THE RESERVE/COVID-19 LIST ON 1/3/22														
Jan 9	GB	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS			14/5	31	21	10	4.5	30.5	0	0	0	0	0	0

2022 (Detroit)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 11	Phi	L	1/0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sep 18	Was	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep 25	at Min	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 2	Sea	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 9	at NE	L	1/0	5	4	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 23	at Dal	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 30	Mia	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 6	GB	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 13	at Chi	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 20	at NYG	W	1/0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 24	Buf	L	1/0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 4	Jax	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 11	Min	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 18	at NYJ	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec 24	at Car	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 1	Chi	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 8	at GB	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS			9/0	9	7	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0



SPENCER BURFORD

74

OL × 6-4 × 300 × TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO

7.19.00 × SAN ANTONIO, TX × 2ND YEAR × ACQUIRED D-4 IN '22

AWARDS & HONORS

2022: 49ers Community Relations Rookie Award

GOLDMINE

- Burford became the 3rd Roadrunner in the program's 11-year history to be drafted into the NFL when the 49ers selected him 134th overall in 2022, joining New Orleans Saints DL Marcus Davenport and former Minnesota Vikings TE David Morgan. Morgan was the first Texas-San Antonio alum to become an NFL draft pick in 2016, while Davenport followed in 2018 when he went off the board as the 14th pick in the first round.
- During the 2022 season, Burford became a staple of the 49ers community relations department's Community Tuesdays. Nearly every Community Tuesday, Burford lent his time alongside some of his teammates to a deserving group. His efforts did not go unnoticed as at the end of the season, Burford was awarded the 49ers Community Relations Rookie Player Award.



BURFORD'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Has two cousins who played in the NFL, former Bears and Cowboys WR Sam Hurd and former Bills, Patriots and Lions OL LaAdrian Waddle.
- Is an avid fan of both making and listening to music. He plays the drums and describes music as his "gateway to get away," and that "it takes him into a whole different realm."
- Started playing football at the age of four years old with older children. "I got to know the game at a young age. That is where my love of football came from," he said.

BURFORD'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 16/16: 2022 (16/16)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 3/3: 2022 (3/3)

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Forced Fumbles – 1: 2022 (1)

Special Teams Tackles – 1: 2022 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Chi. (9/11/22); **First Start:** at Chi. (9/11/22)

BURFORD'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 4th-round (134th overall) draft choice by SF in 2022.



OREN BURKS

48

LB × 6-3 × 233 × VANDERBILT

3.21.95 × LORTON, VA × 6TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '22

AWARDS & HONORS

2020: NFLPA Community MVP (Week 4)

GOLDMINE

- Since entering the NFL in 2018, Burks has supported a variety of charitable causes, including House for Hope. "My rookie year with the Packers, I was eager to learn about ways that current players were giving back to the community. [Former Packers DT] Mike Daniels, invited me to House of Hopes Annual Fundraising Gala, and from that point on I knew that this was an organization that I wanted to get behind," Burks said. House of Hope works to help women and children transition out of homelessness in the greater Green Bay Area. Their staff works tirelessly to equip their residents with the skills and resources they need to get back on their feet. "Everyone, I don't care who you are, has needed a helping hand at some point in their life, so why not pay it forward." Personal donations to House of Hope and fundraising efforts helped Burks win the NFLPA Community MVP during Week 4 of the 2020 season as the foundation exceeded the \$1 million mark in total fundraising.



BURKS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Was college teammates with former 49ers OL Justin Skule at Vanderbilt. The two trained together in Nashville during the 2020 offseason when gyms were closed due to the pandemic.
- His cousin, Andrew White, is a professional basketball player who played for the Atlanta Hawks during the 2017-18 season, while his sister, Whitney, played softball at Stanford.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Another cause that touched Burks was Sherman Phoenix. "I was introduced to Sherman Phoenix by my teammate [Former Packers TE] Lance Kendricks, who was originally from the Milwaukee area," said Burks. The organization's mission is to support entrepreneurship and build community wealth in Sherman Park, Milwaukee, an area that has experienced decades of systemic oppression and racial unrest. To rise from the ashes, community leaders converted a vacant bank into an entrepreneurship hub and community center that is now home to over 27 businesses.



BURKS' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Burks chose to support SCFAA through the NFL's My Cause My Cleats initiative during Week 14 of the 2019 season.



- On March 3, 2020, a tornado tore through Central Tennessee, including Burks' neighborhood in Nashville. The tornado, fortunately, missed Burks' home, but many others were not as lucky. Burks was inspired to help and offered families in need with housing support so they wouldn't be forced to sell their land.
- Burks' desire to be involved with his community didn't begin when he started his NFL career. While at Vanderbilt, he was the president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), the co-founder of REVAMP (Revitalizing and Empowering Vanderbilt's African-American Population) and a member of the 2016 Allstate-AFCA Good Works Team.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Perhaps the cause closest to Burks is the South County Football Alumni Association, an organization he helped found. "My time as a student-athlete at South County HS allowed me to build the foundation I use today to be successful. My teammates and classmates became lifelong friends who push each other to be the best versions of ourselves. Together, we decided that we wanted to build a platform where we could give back to a program that gave so much to us," said Burks. After officially establishing 501(c)(3) status in 2019, the group has raised money for the team's State Championship hotel, awarded post secondary scholarships, provided snacks to fuel student-athletes before and after workouts and hosted a TeamBurks Football camp.



BURKS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES				
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2018	GB	14	4	16	12	4	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	GB	12	0	6	3	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2020	GB	16	0	11	8	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	0
2021	GB	17	3	26	16	10	0.5	2.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	17	3	26	9	17	0.5	2.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0	0
2023																	
TOTALS		76	10	85	48	37	1.0	4.5	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES				
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	GB	2	0	3	0	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2020	GB	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2021	GB	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		8	0	4	1	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 45: 2018 (8); 2019 (5); 2020 (10); 2021 (10); 2022 (12) **Postseason – 5:** 2019 (3); 2022 (2)

Special Teams Forced Fumbles – 1: 2020 (1)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2021 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Was. (9/23/18); **First Start:** at Det. (10/7/18); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Hou. (10/25/20 – RB Duke Johnson); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at SF (9/26/21 – QB Jimmy Garoppolo)

BURKS' CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 7 at LAR (10/30/22); Postseason – 3 at Sea. (1/12/20)

Solo: Regular Season – 6 at Atl. (10/16/22); Postseason – 1 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 3 (2 times) Last at LAR (10/30/22); Postseason – 3 at Sea. (1/12/20)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 at Hou. (10/25/20)

Sacks: Regular Season – 0.5 (2 times) Last at Car. (10/9/22)

BURKS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 3rd-round (88th overall) draft choice by GB in 2018...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/28/21...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 1/1/22...Signed a two-year deal with SF on 3/17/22.



SAM DARNOLD

14

QB * 6-3 * 225 * SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

6.5.97 * SAN CLEMENTE, CA * 6TH YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '23

GOLDMINE

- Throughout his time in the NFL, Darnold has been an advocate for the Never Ever Give Up (NEGU), Jessie Rees Foundation. NEGU's goal is to encourage kids fighting cancer and was inspired by Jessie Rees, a native of Southern California who courageously fought cancer from March 3, 2011 to January 5, 2012. In Jessie's honor, NEGU raises funds and awareness for those battling childhood cancer. Since it's inception in 2011, NEGU has raised over \$32.5 million. Darnold chose to support the organization through the NFL's My Cause, My Cleats initiative during the 2018, 2020-22 NFL seasons. In 2019, Darnold chose to support the Goryeb Children's Hospital, which also fights to end childhood cancer. In addition to showing his support on the field, Darnold has lent his time off of it to spend time with those effected by childhood cancer and encourage them to keep fighting.



DARNOLD'S GOLDEN NUGGET

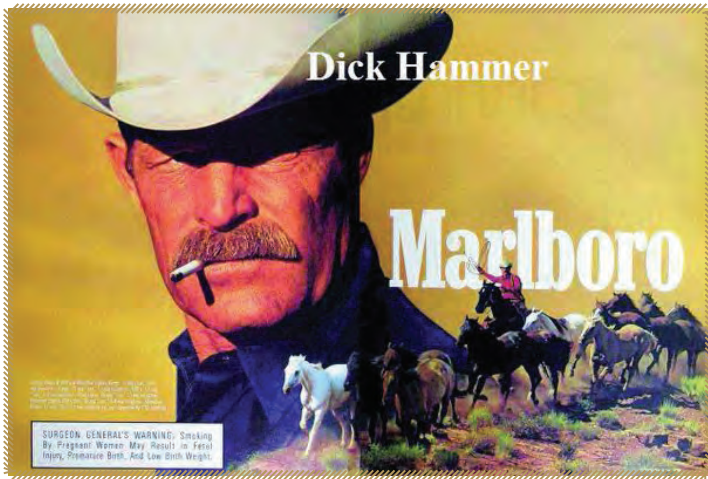
From a family of athletes. Father, Mike, played football at the University of Redlands and his mother, Chris, played volleyball at Long Beach City College. Older sister, Franki, played volleyball at the University of Rhode Island. The long line of athletes started with his grandfather, Dick Hammer, who played in the 1954 NCAA Final Four for the USC's men's basketball team as well as the 1964 Summer Olympics for U.S. men's volleyball.

DARNOLD'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023	Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	Int	Lg	Sk/Yds	Rtg	Rsh	Yds	TD	Total Net Yds.	Pct. Offense
Sep 10	at Pit																	
Sep 17	at LAR																	
Sep 21	NYG																	
Oct 1	Arz																	
Oct 8	Dal																	
Oct 15	at Cle																	
Oct 23	at Min																	
Oct 29	Cin																	
Nov 12	at Jax																	
Nov 19	TB																	
Nov 23	at Sea																	
Dec 3	at Phi																	
Dec 10	Sea																	
Dec 17	at Arz																	
Dec 25	Bal																	
Dec 31	at Was																	
TBD	LAR																	
TOTALS																		

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Following his athletic career, Darnold's grandfather, Dick Hammer became a firefighter and eventually became the captain of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. In his free time, Hammer acted. He appeared in the Jack Webb-produced TV show "Emergency!" and was also featured as a "Marlboro Man" in advertisements during the 1970s.



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DARNOLD'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	PASSING										RUSHING				
				ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	LG	SK	LST	RTG	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2018	NYJ	13	13	414	239	57.7	2,865	17	15	76t	30	204	77.6	44	138	3.1	28	1
2019	NYJ	13	13	441	273	61.9	3,024	19	13	92t	33	212	84.3	33	62	1.9	24	2
2020	NYJ	12	12	364	217	59.6	2,208	9	11	69t	35	234	72.7	37	217	5.9	46t	2
2021	CAR	12	11	406	243	59.9	2,527	9	13	63	35	204	71.9	48	222	4.6	30	5
2022	CAR	6	6	140	82	58.6	1,143	7	3	52	10	78	92.6	26	106	4.1	26	2
2023	SF																	
TOTALS		56	55	1,765	1,054	59.7	11,767	61	55	92t	143	932	78.2	188	745	4.0	46t	12

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/10/18); **First Start:** at Det. (9/10/18); **First TD Pass:** Regular Season – at Det. (9/10/18 – 41 yd. pass to WR Robbie Anderson); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – vs. Min. (10/21/18 – 1–yd. run); **First 300–Yd. Game:** Regular Season – vs. Mia. (9/16/18); **300–Yd. Games:** Regular Season – 7, Last at TB (1/1/23); **10,000 Career Passing Yds:** at NO (1/2/22)

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 1: 2018 (1)

Fumbles Recoveries – 11: 2018 (2); 2019 (3); 2021 (3); 2022 (3)

DARNOLD'S CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES (8)

Date	Opp	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Date	Opp	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD
9/16/18	Mia.	41	25	334	1	9/19/21	NO	38	26	305	2
12/23/18	GB	35	24	341	3	9/23/21	at Hou.	34	23	304	0
10/13/19	Dal.	32	23	338	2	10/3/21	at Dal.	39	26	301	2
11/24/19	Oak.	29	20	315	2	1/1/23	at TB	37	23	341	3

DARNOLD'S CAREER HIGHS

Passes Attempted: Regular Season – 48 at Cin. (12/1/19)

Completions: Regular Season – 29 at TB (1/9/22)

Completion Percentage: Regular Season – 80.0 vs. Ind. (10/14/18)

Passing Yards: Regular Season – 341 (2 times) Last at TB (1/1/23)

Long Pass: Regular Season – 92t vs. Dal. (10/13/19)

QB Rating: Regular Season – 128.4 vs. GB (12/23/18)

Passing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 4 at Was. (11/17/19)

Rushes: Regular Season – 8 (2 times) Last at TB (1/9/22)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 84 at Atl. (10/31/21)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 46t at Den. (10/1/20)

Rushing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 2 (2 times) Last at Dal. (10/3/21)

DARNOLD'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 1st–round (3rd overall) draft choice by NYJ in 2018...Traded to Car. on 4/5/21...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 11/12/21...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 12/25/21...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/31/22...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/7/22...Signed a one–year deal with SF on 3/16/23.



KALIA DAVIS

93

DL × 6-2 × 310 × CENTRAL FLORIDA

10.2.98 × PENSACOLA, FL × 2ND YEAR × ACQUIRED D-6B IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Davis credits his coaches at West Florida (Pensacola, FL) Tech, Rhett Summerford and Harry Lees, for his development on defense. "I came in with wide receiver dreams and they shut that down quick," Davis recalled. "They said, 'you'll be a good high school receiver, but you're going to be a Division I linebacker.' I had dreams of playing D1, so when he told me that, he really shut down my receiver dreams. But looking back, it was the best decision that I ever made. Those guys are two of the biggest reasons I'm here today."



DAVIS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- First name is pronounced kuh-LEE-uh.
- Named to AAC All-Academic Team twice (2017 & 2020) at UCF.
- Played ILB at West Florida Tech (Pensacola, FL) HS. Was ranked the 41st ILB in the nation as a senior, and received three stars from ESPN.
- Is the third Knight to be a member of the 49ers, joining former FB Bruce Miller and former DT Leger Douzable, and the second Knight to be drafted by the team (Miller - 7th round in 2011).

DAVIS' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

DAVIS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES			AST	SACKS	YDS	INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL					INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	-	-	-	-		-RESERVE/NFI (Knee)-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023	SF																
TOTALS		0	0	0	0		0	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES			AST	SACKS	YDS	INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL					INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	-	-	-	-		-RESERVE/NFI (Knee)-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS		0	0	0	0		0	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0

DAVIS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of three 7th-round (220th overall) draft choices by SF in 2022...Placed on the Active/Non-Football Injury List on 7/27/22...Placed on the Reserve/Non-Football Injury List on 8/23/22.



TYRION DAVIS-PRICE

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RB * 6-1 * 219 * LOUISIANA STATE

10.23.00 * BATON ROUGE, LA * 2ND YEAR * ACQUIRED D-3A IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Davis-Price set a school-record with 287 rushing yds. in a win over Florida in Week 7 of the Tigers 2021 campaign. It also marked the most rushing yds. ever allowed by the Gators, surpassing College HOF RB Herschel Walker's mark of 238 yds. set in 1980. Despite putting on an impressive individual performance, he was entirely team-oriented following the game. "I didn't know how many yards I had until after the game," Davis-Price said. "I was just amazed at how well the o-line did and you could see it. Those were big holes that I ran through... it was a great win for the team." It was that mindset that quickly made Davis-Price a favorite among his teammates and fans alike in Baton Rouge.

DAVIS-PRICE'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- First name is pronounced TIE-ree-on.
- Played youth football against the 3rd overall pick in the 2022 NFL Draft and Houston Texans CB Derek Stingley.
- Was a member of the 2019 LSU Tiger team that went 14-0 and won the National Championship.
- Was a finalist for the 2018 Warrick Dunn Award, which is named after the former NFL RB and is awarded to the top high school football player in Baton Rouge annually.

DAVIS-PRICE'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rsh	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Sep 10	at Pit										
Sep 17	at LAR										
Sep 21	NYG										
Oct 1	Arz										
Oct 8	Dal										
Oct 15	at Cle										
Oct 23	at Min										
Oct 29	Cin										
Nov 12	at Jax										
Nov 19	TB										
Nov 23	at Sea										
Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
Dec 17	at Arz										
Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

DAVIS-PRICE'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				TD	NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	YDS			AVG	LG	TD	
2022	SF	6	0	34	99	2.9	20	0	0	0	-	0	0	
2023	SF													
TOTALS		6	0	34	99	2.9	20	0	0	0	-	0	0	

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				TD	NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	YDS			AVG	LG	TD	
2022	SF	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	0	
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	0	

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs Sea. (9/18/22)

DAVIS-PRICE'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushes: Regular Season – 14 vs. Sea. (9/18/22)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 20 vs. Sea. (9/18/22)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 33 vs. Sea. (9/18/22)

DAVIS-PRICE'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of two 3rd-round (93rd overall) draft choices by SF in 2022.



ROSS DWELLEY

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GOLDMINE

- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during Week 14 of the 2019 season. Dwelley and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Dwelley chose the Autism Tree Project Foundation and said, "I play for Autism awareness."
- The 49ers and their families hosted 450 underserved boys and girls from the Bay Area for the first-ever 49ers Hope for the Holidays event. Each child had a once-in-a-lifetime experience traveling through Levi's Stadium and left with a brand new bike, helmet, lock, haircut, shoes, toys, glasses, backpack, dinner and more.



DWELLEY'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Dwelley became the seventh player (WR Jamal Agnew, DE Eric Bakhtiari, WR Michael Gasperson, QB Josh Johnson, WR Matt Maslowski, WR John Matthews) from the University of San Diego to make an NFL roster, and the fourth to suit up for the 49ers.
- Dwelley graduated from San Diego with a degree in industrial systems engineering. "I've always had a fascination with space," Dwelley said. "My education is definitely important to me. I'm really proud of graduating."

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- On November 26th, 2019, the 49ers teamed up with Martha's Kitchen of San Jose to serve Thanksgiving dinner to over 300 people in need. Members of the team served food, bussed tables and refilled beverages. The team also provided toiletries and giveaways to all those in attendance.



DWELLEY'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023	Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
	Sep 10	at Pit							
	Sep 17	at LAR							
	Sep 21	NYG							
	Oct 1	Arz							
	Oct 8	Dal							
	Oct 15	at Cle							
	Oct 23	at Min							
	Oct 29	Cin							
	Nov 12	at Jax							
	Nov 19	TB							
	Nov 23	at Sea							
	Dec 3	at Phi							
	Dec 10	Sea							
	Dec 17	at Arz							
	Dec 25	Bal							
	Dec 31	at Was							
	TBD	LAR							
TOTALS									

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Fellow TE George Kittle partnered with the Jessie Rees Foundation to pass out JoyJars filled with toys and games at a local children's hospital. Dwelley attended the event and was joined by several of his teammates including, TE Garrett Celek, TE Daniel Helm, QB Nick Mullens and LB Fred Warner who helped him spread holiday cheer and lift the spirits of everyone they met.



GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- The 49ers hosted a flag football clinic for local first responders and their children at the team facility in October of 2018. Dwelley and his teammates taught the children the fundamentals of the game before hitting the field for drills and games. The 100-plus guests also had the opportunity to try on equipment and participate in a photoshoot.
- The 49ers worked alongside the humanitarian-relief organization Convoy of Hope in December of 2018, and hosted 1,500 guests in need from Bay Area nonprofits and schools at Levi's® Stadium for a free holiday resource fair. Dwelley and his 49ers teammates distributed groceries, toys, books, shoes and other holiday offerings to the guests. The attendees also received haircuts, utilized health resources and took family portraits or professional headshots.



DWELLEY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2018	SF	11	0	2	14	7.0	8	0	0	0	–	–	0
2019	SF	16	6	15	91	6.1	25	2	0	0	–	–	0
2020	SF	16	9	19	245	12.9	36	1	0	0	–	–	0
2021	SF	17	2	4	51	12.8	21t	1	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	12	0	3	105	35.0	56	1	0	0	–	–	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		72	17	43	506	11.8	56	5	0	0	–	–	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2019	SF	3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2021	SF	3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	1	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		7	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 11: 2018 (2); 2019 (3); 2020 (3); 2021 (3) **Postseason:** 2021 (1)

Tackles – 2: 2019 (1); 2021(1)

Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2022 (1)

Special Teams Forced Fumbles – 1: 2019 (1)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2022 (1)

Kick Returns – 1: 2020 (1)

Kick Return Yards – 20: 2020 (20)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at GB (10/15/18); **First Start:** at LAR (10/13/19); **First Reception:** Regular Season – vs. Oak. (11/1/18 – 8–yd. pass from QB Nick Mullens); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – vs. Arz. (11/17/19 – 4–yd. TD pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Multi–TD Game:** Regular Season – vs. Arz. (11/17/19 – 2 TDs); **First FF:** Regular Season – vs. Atl. (12/15/19 – RB Kenjon Barner)

DWELLEY'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 4 (3 times) Last at NYG (9/27/20)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 56 at LAR (10/30/22)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 56 at LAR (10/30/22)

TD Receptions: Regular Season – 2 vs. Arz. (11/17/19)

Kickoff Returns: Regular Season – 1 vs. GB (11/5/20)

Kickoff Return Yards: Regular Season – 20 vs. GB (11/5/20)

Long Kickoff Return: Regular Season – 20 vs. GB (11/5/20)

DWELLEY'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by SF on 4/30/18...Waived by SF on 9/1/18...Signed to SF practice squad on 9/2/18...Promoted to SF active roster on 10/15/18...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 3/24/20...Signed a one–year contract extension through 2021 with SF on 3/5/21...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 3/28/22...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 3/20/23.



JON FELICIANO

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OL × 6-4 × 325 × MIAMI (FL)

2.10.92 × DAVIE, FL × 9TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '23

GOLDMINE

- In 2018, NFL Players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during a designated home game between Weeks 13-15. Feliciano and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Feliciano chose to raise awareness for gun violence and supported March For Our Lives, an organization striving for a future free of gun violence.



- When Feliciano's daughter was born in 2017, he named her Shawn Cole after his late best friend Sean Cole who drowned his rookie year. Feliciano childhood had some obstacles. Feliciano moved to King's Manor Trailer Park in Davie, FL following his parent's divorce, where it wasn't a guarantee that any the heat, water or electricity would be on. His mother, Alicia, survived two bouts with cancer, and his younger brother, Chris was born deaf. Feliciano used these obstacles as inspiration, his brother and mother dorve him to succeed. And he leaned on his friendship with Sean for support. The two had an inseparable bond, Feliciano's wife, Shannon, even jokes that she needed Sean's approval to date Jon. "Without those guys, I wouldn't have made it," Feliciano said, of Cole and thier friend Josh Palmer's positive influences in difficult surroundings. "I did a good job of staying away from the bad stuff in my life, realizing that it wasn't the norm. My friends helped me to get to that point."



FELICIANO'S GOLDEN NUGGET



Was the Buffalo Bills' recipient of the Ed Block Courage Award in 2020. The award is presented annually to players that exemplify a commitment to sportsmanship and courage.

FELICIANO'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 97/54: 2015 (6/3); 2016 (16/0); 2017 (13/1); 2018 (13/4); 2019 (16/16); 2020 (9/9); 2021 (9/6); 2022 (15/15)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 9/6: 2016 (1/0); 2019 (1/1); 2020 (3/3); 2021 (2/0); 2022 (2/2)

Additional Statistics:

Fumble Recoveries – 2: 2016 (1); 2019 (1)

Tackles – 5: 2017 (1); 2018 (1); 2019 (2); 2020 (1)

Kick Returns – 1: 2017 (1)

Kick Return Yards – 15: 2017 (15)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (11/22/15); **First Start:** vs. GB (12/20/15)

FELICIANO'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 4th-round (128th overall) draft choice by Oak. in 2015...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/22/17...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/11/18...Signed a two-year deal with Buf. on 3/13/19...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/6/20...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 10/27/20...Re-signed with Buf. on a three-year deal on 3/18/21...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 11/6/21...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 12/11/21...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/19/21...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/29/21...Released by Buf. on 3/10/22...Signed a one-year deal with NYG on 3/15/22...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/22/23.

FERRELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	OAK	15	15	38	24	14	4.5	35.0	0	0	–	0	5	0	1	0
2020	LV	11	11	27	18	9	2.0	7.0	0	0	–	0	3	2	0	0
2021	LV	16	0	12	6	6	1.5	8.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2022	LV	16	4	25	8	17	2.0	15.5	0	0	–	0	2	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		58	30	102	56	46	10.0	65.5	0	0	–	0	11	2	1	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	LV	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 2: 2021 (2)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Den. (9/9/19); **First Start:** vs. Den. (9/9/19); **First Sack:** Regular Season – vs. Den. (9/9/19 – QB Joe Flacco); **First FF:** Regular Season – at NYJ (12/6/20 – QB Sam Darnold); **First FR:** Regular Season – at Den. (12/9/19 – QB Drew Lock)

FERRELL'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (2)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB	Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
11/7/19	vs. LAC	2.5	14.0	Philip Rivers (2.5)	12/6/20	at NYJ	2.0	7.0	Sam Darnold (7.0)

FERRELL'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 8 vs. LAC (11/7/19)

Solo: Regular Season – 5 vs. LAC (11/7/19)

Assists: Regular Season – 3 (3 times) Last at NYJ (12/6/20)

Sacks: Regular Season – 2.5 vs. LAC (11/7/19)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 2 at NYJ (12/6/20)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 at Den. (12/29/19)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (11 times) Last at Pit. (12/24/22)

FERRELL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 1st-round (4th overall) draft choice by Oak. in 2019...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 11/17/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 11/27/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/30/20...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/16/23.



DEMETRIUS FLANNIGAN-FOWLES

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LB × 6-2 × 223 × ARIZONA

9.4.96 × TUCSON, AZ × 4TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '19

AWARDS & HONORS

2020: Thomas Herrion Memorial Award

GOLDMINE

- Took part in the 49ers Annual Community Day, helping pack more than 31,000 nutritious meals in collaboration with Feeding Children Anywhere. The meals, along with groceries and backpacks, were distributed to those most in need in East San Jose.
- In November of 2019, the 49ers teamed up with Martha's Kitchen of San Jose to serve Thanksgiving dinner to over 300 people in need. Members of the team served food, bussed tables and refilled beverages. The team also provided toiletries and giveaways to all those in attendance.



FLANNIGAN-FOWLES' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- In 2020, named the recipient of the 49ers Thomas Herrion Memorial Award, which was established in 2005 by 49ers owners Denise and John York and is presented to a rookie or first-year player who best represents the dream of Thomas Herrion. The recipient has taken advantage of every opportunity, turned it into a positive situation and made their dream turn into a reality. The award is voted on by the coaches.
- Describes himself as a "momma's boy." While growing up, he and his mom, Kurtisha, would regularly have "date nights" and spend time together.
- Began playing football at the age of 6, when his uncle, Harold, signed him up for flag football.

FLANNIGAN-FOWLES' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	SoI	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													

TOTALS

FLANNIGAN-FOWLES' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	SF	–	–	–	PRACTICE SQUAD					–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2020	SF	11	1	4	3	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2021	SF	17	2	20	7	13	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	17	0	7	6	1	1.0	10.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2023	SF																
TOTALS		45	3	31	16	15	1.0	10.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	SF	–	–	–	PRACTICE SQUAD					–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2021	SF	3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		6	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 33: 2020 (5); 2021 (12); 2022 (15); **Postseason – 5:** 2021 (3); 2022 (3)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at NYG (9/27/20); **First Start:** vs. Sea (1/3/21); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Car. (10/10/22 – QB P.J. Walker)

FLANNIGAN-FOWLES' CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 5 vs. Hou. (1/2/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 2 (4 times) Last at Den. (9/25/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 3 (3 times) Last vs. Hou. (1/2/22)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 at Car. (10/9/22)

FLANNIGAN-FOWLES' TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by SF on 5/3/19...Waived by SF on 8/31/19...Signed to SF practice squad on 9/1/19...Placed on the practice squad Injured Reserve List on 12/10/19...Signed a two-year deal with SF on 2/5/20...Re-Signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/11/22...Re-Signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/16/23.



TASHAUN GIPSON SR.

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8.7.90 * DALLAS, TX * 12TH YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '22

AWARDS & HONORS

2015: AFC Pro Bowl



GOLDMINE

- During Week 13 of the 2020 season, 49ers players wore custom cleats as a part of the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign. Gipson and his teammates highlighted their respective causes, with Gipson representing the Alzheimer's Association. The cause is extremely close to him as his grandmother, Phyllis, suffers from the disease.



GIPSON'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Has five siblings; Taneah, Mike, Terriyon, Marcell and Anitra. Two of his brothers also played football at Mountain West schools. Marcell played with Tashaun at Wyoming, while Terriyon played running back at New Mexico.
- Has three children, Tashaun Jr., Nala and Jett.

GIPSON'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

GIPSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2012	CLE	10	3	29	23	6	0.0	0.0	1	23	23	0	1	0	0	0
2013	CLE	16	15	95	63	32	0.0	0.0	5	143	44t	1	12	0	0	0
2014	CLE	11	11	52	28	24	0.0	0.0	6	158	62t	1	8	1	0	0
2015	CLE	13	13	60	42	18	0.0	0.0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
2016	JAX	16	16	41	34	7	0.0	0.0	1	30	30	0	2	0	0	0
2017	JAX	16	16	64	53	11	0.0	0.0	4	83	67	0	7	0	1	0
2018	JAX	16	16	54	44	10	0.0	0.0	1	8	8	0	7	0	0	0
2019	HOU	14	14	51	37	14	0.0	0.0	3	105	79t	1	8	0	0	0
2020	CHI	16	16	66	48	18	0.0	0.0	2	10	9	0	7	0	1	0
2021	CHI	12	12	47	33	14	1.0	2.0	2	31	31	0	3	0	1	13
2022	SF	17	17	61	43	18	0.5	2.5	5	141	56	0	8	0	0	0
2023	SF	17	17	61	43	18	0.5	2.5	5	141	56	0	8	0	0	0
TOTALS		157	149	620	448	172	1.5	4.5	32	732	79t	3	65	1	3	13

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2017	JAX	3	3	7	6	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	HOU	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2020	CHI	1	1	7	6	1	1.0	3.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0	
2022	SF	3	3	7	4	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS		7	7	21	16	5	1.0	3.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0	

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – Regular Season – 4: 2012 (4); **Postseason – 1:** 2020 (1)

Fumbles – Fumbles Lost – 1–1: 2015 (1–1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Phi. (9/9/12); **First Start:** vs. Pit. (11/25/12); **First INT:** Regular Season – at KC (12/9/12 – QB Brady Quinn); **First INT Returned for a TD:** Regular Season – vs. Chi. (12/15/13 – QB Jason Campbell); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at LV (10/10/21 – QB Derek Carr); Postseason – at NO (1/10/21 – QB Taysom Hill); **First FR:** Regular Season – vs. LAC (10/12/17 – RB Austin Ekeler); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Cin. (11/6/14 – RB Jeremy Hill); Postseason – at NO (1/10/21 – QB Taysom Hill)

GIPSON'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 9 (7 times) Last at Atl. (10/16/22); Postseason – 10 at KC (2/2/20)
Solo: Regular Season – 9 at KC (10/27/13); Postseason – 8 at KC (2/2/20)
Assists: Regular Season – 5 (5 times) Last vs. Hou. (11/16/14); Postseason – 4 at LAR (1/30/22)
Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 at LV (10/10/21); Postseason – 1.0 at NO (1/10/21)
Interceptions: Regular Season – 2 (4 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 1 at LAR (1/30/22)
Interception Yards: Regular Season – 79 (2 times) Last vs. Atl. (10/6/19); Postseason – 23 at LAR (1/30/22)

Interception Returns For TD: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last vs. Atl. (10/6/19)
Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 79t vs. Atl. (10/6/19); Postseason – 23 at LAR (1/30/22)
Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 at Cin. (11/6/14); Postseason – 1 at KC (2/2/20)
Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last vs. Cin. (9/19/21)
Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 3 vs. Cin. (9/29/13)

GIPSON'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by Cle. on 5/9/12...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/20/14...Re–signed with Cle. on a one–year deal on 6/12/15...Signed a five–year deal through 2020 with Jax. on 3/10/16...Released by Jax. on 3/8/19...Signed a three–year deal through 2021 with Hou. on 3/12/19.. Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/31/19...Released by Hou. on 4/27/20...Signed a one–year deal with Chi. on 5/1/20... Re–signed with Chi. on a one–year deal on 4/20/21...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/19/22...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/29/22...Signed a one–year deal with SF on 8/22/22...Released by SF on 8/30/22...Signed to SF practice squad on 8/31/22...Activated from SF practice squad on 9/10/22...Reverted back to SF practice squad on 9/12/22...Promoted to SF active roster on 9/13/22...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 3/16/23.

GIVENS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	SF	1	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2020	SF	13	1	19	14	5	1.0	7.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	1	0	
2021	SF	13	0	17	7	10	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	
2022	SF	13	11	20	11	9	2.0	15.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0	
2023	SF																
TOTALS		40	12	57	33	24	3.0	22.0	0	0	–	0	2	1	1	0	

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2021	SF	3	0	6	1	5	0.5	0.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	0	4	2	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		6	0	10	3	7	0.5	0.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Sea. (12/29/19); **First Start:** at LAR (11/29/20); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at NE (10/25/20 – QB Jarrett Stidham); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – QB Dak Prescott) **First FR:** Regular Season – at LAR (11/29/20 – RB Malcolm Brown); **First FF:** Regular Season – vs. Min. (11/28/21 – RB Dalvin Cook)

GIVENS' CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 4 vs. Sea. (9/18/22); Postseason – 4 at Dal. (1/16/22)
Solo: Regular Season – 3 (3 times) Last vs. Sea. (9/18/22); Postseason – 1 (4 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)
Assists: Regular Season – 3 at Ten. (12/23/21); Postseason – 3 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (3 times) Last at Arz. (11/21/22); Postseason – 0.5 at Dal. (1/16/22)
Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (11/29/20)
Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 vs. Min. (11/28/21)
Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. LAR (10/3/22); Postseason – 1 at Dal. (1/16/22)

GIVENS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by SF on 5/3/19...Waived by SF on 8/31/19...Signed to SF practice squad on 9/1/19...Promoted to SF active roster on 12/28/19...Granted a roster exemption on 12/12/20...Roster exemption lifted on 12/17/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/25/21...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 10/30/21...Re-Signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/10/22...Signed a one-year extension with SF through 2023 on 3/13/23.



JALEN GRAHAM

50

LB × 6-3 × 220 × PURDUE

1.11.01 × DETROIT, MI × ROOKIE × ACQUIRED D-7C IN '23

GOLDMINE

- Graham is just the third 49ers draft pick out of Purdue in the last 50 years. He is also the second Purdue LB in franchise history, the first being Keena Turner who won four Super Bowls with San Francisco after being selected in the second round of the 1980 NFL Draft.

GRAHAM'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Despite playing QB in high school, his only scholarship offers were to play S due to his 6'2", 207-pound frame as a senior.
- Went viral while at Cass Tech (Detroit, MI) HS after completing a game-winning Hail Mary on 4th-and-27 in the second game of his senior season (2018).

GRAHAM'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

GRAHAM'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES				
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS		
2023																		
TOTALS																		

GRAHAM'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the third of three 7th-round (255th overall) draft choices by SF in 2023.



DANNY GRAY

6

WR * 6-0 * 200 * SOUTHERN METHODIST

4.1.99 * DALLAS, TX * 2ND YEAR * ACQUIRED D-3B IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Gray and CB Qwuantrezz Knight threw out ceremonial first pitches at an Oakland Athletics game over the final weekend of the 2022 offseason. The game served as a welcoming for the rookie duo to the Bay Area prior to the start of training camp. The A's went on to beat the Texas Rangers, 3-1, that evening.



- Gray has always possessed great speed. He earned his nickname "missile" at the age of 5 and was a track & field standout in addition to excelling on the basketball court and football field at James Madison (Dallas, TX) HS. That speed impressed scouts at the 2022 NFL Combine as Gray registered the fourth-fastest time (4.33) produced by a WR at the event.
- Draft day was a very emotional experience for Gray, who grew up in a single-parent home. "I grew up in a seven-person household. Mom worked as a nurse. She was a single parent doing the best that she could to take care of me and all my other siblings," Gray said. "She worked 16-hour shifts, 22-hour shifts, I feel like I owe her my life... I know I'm gonna cry no matter how tough I try to be," Gray said prior to the event. "I'm gonna be a crybaby on that day. Every tear, it exemplifies, man, I've been through this, I've been through that, but I kept going." Gray faced his fair share of adversity on his road to the NFL. He missed the majority of his freshman year of high school due to having to care for his younger siblings. An obstacle that made him initially ineligible to play DI football, forgo a scholarship at the University of Missouri and enroll in junior college. Gray pushed through and piggybacked on success at Blinn College and Southern Methodist all the way to the NFL. "It felt impossible and I just turned the impossible into possible," Gray said looking back on the journey that brought him to where he is today.

GRAY'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Also played basketball and competed in track & field at James Madison (Dallas, TX) HS, where he won state championships in the 100-meter dash and 4x100-meter relay.
- Was invited to and played in the 2022 Reese's Senior Bowl in Mobile, AL.
- Attended Blinn College for his freshman and sophomore years of college, prior to transferring to Southern Methodist. Chose the Mustangs in order to play his final two collegiate seasons in his hometown.

GRAY'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
PLACED ON INJURED RESERVE (Shoulder) ON 8/30								
Sep 10	at Pit							
Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
Oct 1	Arz							
Oct 8	Dal							
Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

GRAY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	NO	RECEIVING				RUSHING				
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	13	0	1	10	10.0	10	0	1	9	9.0	9	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		13	0	1	10	10.0	10	0	1	9	9.0	9	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	NO	RECEIVING				RUSHING				
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 1: 2022 (1); **Postseason – 1:** 2022 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Sea. (9/18/22); **First Reception:** vs. TB (12/11/22 – 10–yd. pass from QB Josh Johnson)

GRAY'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 1 vs. TB (12/11/22)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 10 vs. TB (12/11/22)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 10 vs. TB (12/11/22)

Rushes: Regular Season – 1 at LV (1/1/23)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 9 at LV (1/1/23)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 9 at LV (1/1/23)

GRAY'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of two 3rd–round (105th overall) draft choices by SF in 2022...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/30/23.



DRE GREENLAW

57

LB × 6-0 × 230 × ARKANSAS

5.25.97 × FAYETTEVILLE, AR × 5TH YEAR × ACQUIRED D-5 IN '19

AWARDS & HONORS

2019: PFWA All-Rookie Team, Thomas Herrion Memorial Award

GOLDMINE

- Since he was eight years old, Greenlaw had been living in group homes and shelters across Arkansas. Six years later, he met Brian Early, who was the defensive coach at Fayetteville High, while Greenlaw was getting treatment for an injury he suffered in football practice. After learning about Dre's situation, Brian and his wife, Nanci, began spending more time with him, and soon he became like a son. When they were informed that his group home was going to be shut down, they invited Dre to live with them and their two daughters, AJ and Camryn. The family later made his adoption official shortly after Greenlaw turned 21. "Even though it wasn't legal until July, he's always been my son," said Brian. "He's felt the same way. We're Mom and Dad to him. It's a pretty special relationship."
- During the 2022 offseason, Greenlaw and his fellow linebackers, Azeez Al-Shaair and Fred Warner, were invited to throw out the first pitch at a San Francisco Giants game. The trio took a few swings at batting practice and mingled with Giants players prior to throwing out ceremonial first pitches and cheering on the hometown team.



GREENLAW'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- In 2019, named the recipient of the 49ers Thomas Herrion Memorial Award, which was established in 2005 by 49ers owners Denise and John York and is presented to a rookie or first-year player who best represents the dream of Thomas Herrion. The recipient has taken advantage of every opportunity, turned it into a positive situation and made their dream turn into a reality. The award is voted on by the coaches.
- During the 2019 offseason, Greenlaw spoke to a crowd of nearly 30 Santa Clara foster youth who were honored at Levi's Stadium for graduating from High School, obtaining a GED, earning a Vocational Program Certificate, Associate Degree, Bachelor and/or a Master Degree in the 2018-2019 academic year. A former foster child, Greenlaw addressed the crowd saying, "I can survive anything. Once you get that mindset, which I know you guys have. it's just the beginning."
- Was named team captain in 2018 at Arkansas after week four of the season.
- Participated in track & field at Fayetteville (AR) HS, in addition to football.

GREENLAW'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

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Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during Week 14 of the 2019 season. Greenlaw and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Greenlaw represented the Bill Wilson Center and said, "I play for foster youth like me."



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- The 49ers LBs welcomed eight foster youth from Unity Care to Levi's Stadium in December of 2019. This group received gifts and much needed resources, like bedding and new shoes, this holiday season. The linebackers chose to support foster youth to honor Greenlaw, who is a former foster youth.
- Took part in the 49ers Annual Community Day, helping pack more than 31,000 nutritious meals in collaboration with Feeding Children Anywhere. The meals, along with groceries and backpacks, were distributed to those most in need in East San Jose.



- During the 2019 offseason, members of the 49ers took part in the Second Annual Picnic on the Field, located on the Levi's Stadium field. Greenlaw and his teammates spent the day taking pictures with fans, who enjoyed music, food and games in support of the 49ers Foundation. The foundation, in conjunction with NFL Huddle for 100, partnered with Amazon to fill 1,000 backpacks full of school supplies. Fans and players joined together to assemble the packs, which were distributed throughout the community to children in need.
- Prior to Week 2's matchup in Cincinnati during the 2019 season, the 49ers spent time in Youngstown, OH, where they participated in the Community Blitz. Greenlaw and some of his teammates joined the students at Williamson Elementary School to talk about inclusion and anti-bullying. The players spoke at an assembly before helping the kids write compliment cards and discuss how to be kind to one another.



GREENLAW'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	16	11	87	62	25	1.0	19.0	1	47	47	0	2	0	0	0
2020	SF	13	11	83	59	24	1.0	8.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2021	SF	3	2	21	10	11	0.0	0.0	1	39	39t	1	1	0	0	0
2022	SF	15	15	127	82	45	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	6	2	2	23
2023	SF															
TOTALS		47	39	318	213	105	2.0	27.0	3	86	47	1	10	2	2	23

PLAYOFFS

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				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	3	3	14	10	4	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0
2021	SF	3	3	14	8	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	1	0
2022	SF	3	3	26	17	9	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS		9	9	54	35	19	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	1	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 9: 2019 (5); 2020 (4)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at TB (9/8/19); **First Start:** at TB (9/8/19); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Arz. (10/31/19 – QB Kyler Murray); **First INT:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (11/11/19 – QB Russell Wilson); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Arz. (11/21/22 – RB James Conner); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – RB Dalvin Cook); **First INT Returned for a TD:** Regular Season – at Det. (9/12/21 – QB Jared Goff); **First FR:** Regular Season – vs. NO (11/27/22 – RB Alvin Kamara); Postseason – at GB (1/22/22 – TE Mercedes Lewis); **First FR Returned For a TD:** Regular Season – vs. Mia. (12/4/22 – QB Tua Tagovailoa)

GREENLAW'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 15 (2 times) Last vs. TB (12/11/22); Postseason – 11 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Solo: Regular Season – 12 vs. LAR (10/3/22); Postseason – 8 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Assists: Regular Season – 7 at LAR (1/9/22); Postseason – 4 at Phi (1/29/23)
Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (2 times) Last at NE (10/25/20)
Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last vs. TB (12/11/22)
Interception Returned For TD: Regular Season – 1 at Det. (9/12/21)
Interception Yards: Regular Season – 47 vs. Sea. (11/11/19)

Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 47 vs. Sea. (11/11/19)
Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)
Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Min. (1/11/20)
Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. Mia. (12/4/22); Postseason – 1 at GB (1/22/22)
Fumble Recoveries Returned For a TD: Regular Season – 1 vs. Mia. (12/4/22)

GREENLAW'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 5th-round (148th overall) draft choice by SF in 2019...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/18/21...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/27/21...Signed a two-year extension with SF through 2024 on 9/19/22.



JAVON HARGRAVE

98

DL × 6-2 × 305 × SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

2.793 × SPENCER, NC × 8TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '23

AWARDS & HONORS

2021: NFC Pro Bowl



GOLDMINE

The trajectory of Hargrave's football career changed during a game against Bethune-Cookman his junior year when he sacked the quarterback six times, which broke the school's single-game record and tied the MEAC and FCS records. "That one game changed my life – it really did," Hargrave said. "That game was the spark for a lot of good things that have happened to me." Hargrave finished his junior season ranked 4th in the FCS for sacks (16.0) and was named MEAC Defensive Player of the Year while also being named an FCS All-American by the Associated Press. Although it took that game for Hargrave to put his name on the map, those around him knew that he was capable of being a successful football player. David Blanchard, South Carolina State's defensive line coach, saw it in him his freshman year when he was struggling to make it through workouts. "A lot of people couldn't see it because he wasn't in shape," Blanchard said. "But his first step was amazing, just getting off the ball. I know I couldn't believe it. I told the guys, I said, 'man this guy is special.'"



HARGRAVE'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Nickname is "Gravedigger", which was given to him in college because of his violent sacks.
- First love was basketball. As a junior at North Rowan (Spencer, SC) HS, he was named conference player of the year and followed up by leading his team to the state championship as a senior.

HARGRAVE'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	SoI	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
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TOTALS														

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Coming out of North Rowan (Spencer, SC) HS, Hargrave had undeniable talent on the football field, but his grades did not allow him to attract many opportunities to play at the next level. Late in the recruiting process, he was offered a scholarship from South Carolina State University, a small Historically Black College and University in Orangeburg, South Carolina. Due to his grades, Hargrave could not enroll right away, so he remained at home in Salisbury and worked at a fiberglass factory while taking virtual classes to help him qualify for the spring semester. "I was really



down," Hargrave said. "It was one of my low points. I didn't know if I was going to be able to play football. That's when I gained all my weight. I was 260 in high school, (then grew to) 290-300. I sat in the house and ate. I didn't come outside, wasn't working out anymore." When Hargrave arrived on South Carolina State's campus in January of 2012, he was out of shape and struggled to make it through team workouts, but his work ethic and determination to finish each drill impressed the coaching staff. His hard work earned him playing time once the season started and he took full advantage, earning a spot on the FCS All-Freshman Team.

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HARGRAVE'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2016	PIT	15	13	27	18	9	2.0	17.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	1	0
2017	PIT	16	12	32	21	11	2.0	16.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0	
2018	PIT	16	14	49	32	17	6.5	32.5	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0	
2019	PIT	16	13	60	35	25	4.0	20.0	0	0	–	0	0	1	0	0	
2020	PHI	15	11	38	16	22	4.5	31.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	1	0	
2021	PHI	16	16	63	27	36	7.5	54.5	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0	
2022	PHI	17	17	60	37	23	11.0	75.0	0	0	–	0	2	1	2	0	
2023	SF																
TOTALS		111	96	329	186	143	37.5	246.0	0	0	–	0	6	4	4	0	

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2016	PIT	3	3	8	4	4	1.0	10.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2017	PIT	1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2021	PHI	1	1	4	0	4	1.0	8.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2022	PHI	3	3	9	6	3	1.0	5.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS		8	8	22	11	11	3.0	23.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Was. (9/12/16); **First Start:** vs. Cin. (9/18/16); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Cle. (11/20/16 – QB Cody Kessler); Postseason – at NE (1/22/17 – QB Tom Brady); **First FR:** at Cle. (11/20/16 – QB Cody Kessler); **First FR Returned for a TD:** at Cle. (11/20/16 – QB Cody Kessler) **First FF:** Regular Season – vs. Bal. (12/10/17 – RB Alex Collins)

HARGRAVE'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (7)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB					
11/18/18	at Jax.	2.0	13.0	Blake Bortles (2.0)	10/30/22	vs Pit.	2.0	11.0	Kenny Pickett (2.0)
12/13/20	vs. NO	2.0	13.0	Taysom Hill (2.0)	11/3/22	at Hou.	3.0	19.0	Davis Mills (3.0)
9/12/21	at Atl.	2.0	20.0	Matt Ryan (2.0)	12/18/22	at Chi.	2.0	17.0	Justin Fields (2.0)
9/27/21	at Dal.	2.0	8.0	Dak Prescott (2.0)					

HARGRAVE'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 13 vs. Was. (11/14/22); Postseason – 5 (2 times) Last vs. KC (2/12/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 6 (5 times) Last at Hou. (11/3/22); Postseason – 4 vs. KC (2/12/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 9 vs. Was. (11/14/22); Postseason – 4 at TB (1/16/22)

Sacks: Regular Season – 3.0 at Hou. (11/3/22); Postseason – 1.0 (3 times) Last vs. SF (1/29/23)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last vs. Pit. (10/30/22)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last vs. Jax. (10/2/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (6 times) Last vs. NYG (1/8/23); Postseason – 1 vs. SF (1/29/23)

HARGRAVE'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 3rd-round (89th overall) draft choice by Pit. in 2016....Signed a three-year deal with Phi. on 3/18/20...Signed a four-year deal with SF on 3/16/23.



TAYLER HAWKINS

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S * 6-1 * 205 * SAN DIEGO STATE

12.27.97 * PALM SPRINGS, CA * 1ST YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Hawkins was one of three former Aztecs on the 49ers roster during the 2022 season. Following the team's Week 6 matchup with the Atlanta Falcons, Hawkins, OL Daniel Brunskill and OL Keith Ismael took some time to catch up with fellow SDSU alum and current Falcons CB Darren Hall.



HAWKINS' GOLDEN NUGGET



Played alongside current New York Giants DB Trenton Thompson in the secondary at San Diego State University and Palm Springs (CA) HS.

HAWKINS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2022	SF	-	-	-	-	-PRACTICE SQUAD			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023	SF	-	-	-	-	-INJURED RESERVE			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2022	SF	-	-	-	-	-PRACTICE SQUAD			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0

HAWKINS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent with SF on 5/13/22...Waived by SF on 8/30/22...Signed to SF practice squad on 8/31/22...Signed to Reserve/Future contract with SF on 1/31/23...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/29/23.



TALANOA HUFANGA

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S * 6-0 * 200 * SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

21.00 * CORVALLIS, OR * 3RD YEAR * ACQUIRED D-5C IN '21

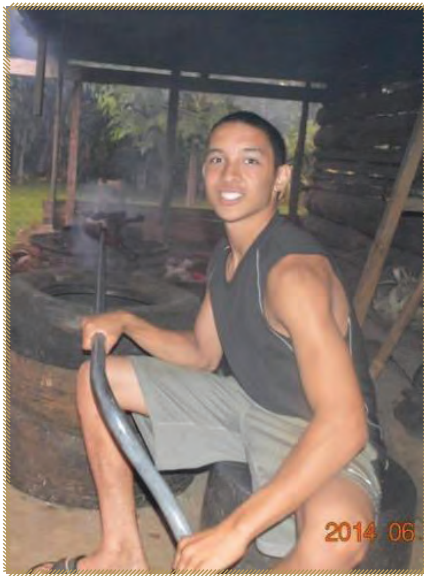
AWARDS & HONORS

2022: NFC Pro Bowl Games, NFL Way to Play (Week 3), Polynesian Pro Football Defensive Player of the Year, AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team



GOLDMINE

- Hufanga grew up on a small farm in Oregon where he and his family raised goats, cows, chickens, pigs, dogs and cats. The family would drive dirt bikes and tractors, but taking care of his goat was always his favorite activity. "Growing up on a farm, it's a different kind of childhood I didn't have neighborhood friends to hang out with," he said. "On the weekends it was mandatory that my brother and I were working. We weeded, cleaned the barn, fed the animals, took eggs out of the chicken coop and maintained the pig pens."
- Hufanga's father, Tevita, grew up in Tonga until the age of 18. In 2014, Tevita took Hufanga to the village of Pea on Tonga's largest island, Tongatapu, to see where their family comes from. "It just kind of humbled me in the sense that I'm grateful for everything I have," Hufanga reflected. "You go to a place like that and see how my pops was raised is very different from how I was raised. He came from living on dirt floors to where he is now, it's a different lifestyle. It made me work that much harder just to try to do what I can do and be the better version of myself because that was the best version of himself moving and creating a better life for his family." Hufanga brings that culture, enthusiasm, energy and unwavering work ethic to everything he does on and off the field.



HUFANGA'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His name is pronounced tal-uh-NOE-uh who-FAWN-guh.
- Comes from a family of football players, as his cousins, Marlon and Tuli Tuipulotu, are DL for the Philadelphia Eagles and USC Trojans, respectively.
- Trains with fellow Trojan alum and Hall of Fame S Troy Polamalu in the offseason.
- Plays the ukulele.

HUFANGA'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023														
Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

HUFANGA'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	15	3	30	23	7	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	2	0	0	0
2022	SF	17	17	95	65	30	2.0	12.0	4	61	52t	1	9	2	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		32	20	125	88	37	2.0	12.0	4	61	52t	1	11	2	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	2	0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	16	9	7	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS		5	3	17	9	8	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 5: 2021 (3); 2022 (2)

Blocked Punts Returned For Touchdowns – Postseason – 1: 2021 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** at Chi. (10/31/21); **First INT:** Regular Season – at Chi. (9/11/21 – QB Justin Fields); **First INT Returned For a TD:** Regular Season – vs. LAR (10/3/22 – QB Matthew Stafford – 52 yds.); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Car. (10/9/22 – QB Baker Mayfield); **First FF:** Regular Season – vs. NO (11/27/22 – RB Alvin Kamara)

HUFANGA'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 11 at Chi. (9/11/22); Postseason – 6 at Phi (1/29/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 9 at Chi. (9/11/22); Postseason – 4 at Phi (1/29/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 5 at LV (1/1/23); Postseason – 3 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last vs. LAC (11/13/22)

Interceptions Returned For a TD: Regular Season – 1 vs. LAR (10/3/22)

Interception Yards: Regular Season – 52 vs. LAR (10/3/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 vs. Sea. (9/18/22); Postseason – 1 at Phi (1/29/23)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (2 times) Last at Sea. (12/15/22)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1.0 (2 times) Last at Sea. (12/15/22)

HUFANGA'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the third of three 5th-round (180th overall) draft choices by SF in 2021.



KERRY HYDER JR.

92

DL × 6-2 × 275 × TEXAS TECH

5.2.91 × AUSTIN, TX × 8TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Like many other athletes, Hyder is a creature of habit. Whether that be the time he wakes up in the morning or how he washes his face, Hyder tends to not deviate from his daily routine. When he was on the cusp of making the Detroit Lions roster in 2016, he and his wife, Jasmine, went to dinner at Outback Steakhouse. Two days later, he recorded 3.0 sacks in the final preseason game. Following the performance, he made the team's 53-man roster for the first time. His sack streak continued, as he recorded at least 1.0 sack in each of the team's first four games. During that time, he made sure to spend each Friday at Outback Steakhouse with his wife. "It's just a joke between me and my wife," Hyder said at the time. "Like 'Gotta go to Outback. I don't care what we got planned tonight, gotta go to Outback.'" Outback Steakhouse was also where Hyder and his now-wife spent their first date, when Hyder was a college student at Texas Tech. After their date, Hyder recorded 3 tackles and a blocked punt against Oklahoma State. "And he had a great game," said Jasmine. "And now it's just part of tradition."



- When Hyder joined the Dallas Cowboys in 2019, he immediately embraced the city. In October of 2019, Hyder set up a makeshift clothing shop at one of Dallas' newest drop-in centers for teens and young adults. The drop-in center was the latest addition to City Square's TRAC program, established for people 14-24 who are homeless or transitioning. The center is a place to study, lounge, write a resume or get a meal. "They have so many dreams. Just talking to them, they want to do so much. Talking to kids that want to go to med school, they want to play professional sports, they want to be doctors," said Hyder.



- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during the 2019 season. Hyder and players from around the NFL represented their causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Hyder represented the Boys and Girls Club, Austin chapter.

HYDER'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Cousin of Chris Houston, who was a cornerback for the Atlanta Falcons (2007-09) and Detroit Lions (2010-13).
- Wife, Jasmine, was a prominent track & field star at Arizona State, where she made the 2011 world championship team. She currently competes in hurdles in various competitions. Additionally, Jasmine competed in the 2016 Olympic Trials in the 400 metres hurdles.
- Participated in football and basketball at Lyndon B. Johnson (Austin, TX) HS.



HYDER'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
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Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

HYDER'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2014	NYJ	–	–	–	PRACTICE SQUAD					–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2015	DET	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	DET	16	2	36	23	13	8.0	44.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	1	0
2017	DET	–	–	–	INJURED RESERVE (Achilles)					–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2018	DET	7	0	6	5	1	1.0	13.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	DAL	16	0	17	10	7	1.0	11.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	1	0
2020	SF	16	14	49	30	19	8.5	46.5	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	1	14
2021	SEA	15	7	33	20	13	1.5	14.5	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	2	0
2022	SF	16	1	19	10	9	1.0	3.0	0	0	–	0	3	0	0	1	0
2023	SF																
TOTALS		87	24	160	98	62	21.0	132.0	0	0	–	0	4	0	6	14	

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2016	DET	1	0	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	0	4	0	4	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		4	0	6	0	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Chi. (1/3/16); **First Start:** at GB (9/25/16); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Ind. (9/11/16 – QB Andrew Luck); **First FR:** Regular Season – vs. Was. (10/23/16 – QB Kirk Cousins); **First Multi-Sack Game:** Regular Season – at Ind. (9/11/16 – 2.0; QB Andrew Luck); **Multi-Sack Games:** Regular Season – 3, Last at LAR (11/29/20 – 2.0; QB Jared Goff)

HYDER'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (3)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB	Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
9/11/16	at Ind.	2.0	17.0	Andrew Luck (2.0)	11/29/20	at LAR	2.0	16.0	Jared Goff (2.0)
11/6/16	at Min.	2.0	14.0	Sam Bradford (2.0)					

HYDER'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 9 at NYJ (9/20/20); Postseason – 3 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 4 at Was. (12/20/20)

Assists: Regular Season – 6 at NYJ (9/20/20); Postseason – 3 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Sacks: Regular Season – 2.0 (3 times) Last at LAR (11/29/20)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last at LV (1/1/23)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (6 times) Last vs. LAR (10/3/22)

HYDER'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by NYJ on 5/11/14...Waived by NYJ on 8/30/14...Signed to NYJ practice squad on 9/1/14...Signed a Reserve/Future contract with Det. on 1/6/15...Waived by Det. on 9/5/15...Signed to Det. practice squad on 9/6/15...Promoted to Det. active roster on 1/2/16...Re-signed with Det. on a one-year contract on 4/17/17...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/15/17...Signed a one-year contract extension with Det. on 3/10/18...Signed a one-year contract with Dal. on 3/18/19...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/24/20...Signed a three-year deal with Sea. through 2023 on 3/25/21...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/19/21...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/25/21...Released by Sea. on 3/18/22...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/24/22...Re-signed with SF on a one-year deal on 4/17/23...Released by SF on 8/29/23...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 8/30/23.



DRAKE JACKSON

95

DL * 6-4 * 273 * SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

4.12.01 * CORONA, CA * 2ND YEAR * ACQUIRED D-2 IN '22

GOLDMINE

- When Jackson was born, his father, Dennis, wrote, "Drake Jackson, University of Southern California, outside linebacker, 265 pounds," on his birth certificate. Against all odds, Dennis spoke his infant son's future into existence. "When I was born, my dad said, manifested [and] praised to God that I go to USC," the younger Jackson said. "Now for me to be in my last year where I really feel like the guy and weigh how much he said, it's just crazy to me how everything really works out."
- Jackson has a unique skill that earned him a unique nickname. At 6-4, 270 lbs Jackson can perform backflips with ease, earning him the moniker "the freak" by his college teammates. That was always one of the coolest things to me when I was a kid, flipping," Jackson said. "I was always interested in gymnastics-type of things and that was probably as close as I got to it. I've always been able to do it."



JACKSON'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Was teammates with current 49ers S and 2021 5th-round draft pick Talanoa Hufanga for two seasons (2019-20) with the Trojans.
- His biggest inspiration is his late grandmother, Cynthia Cavitt, who loved to follow her grandson's football career long before others did. "Drake was her little celebrity," Jackson's father, Dennis, said. In Jackson's first game following his grandmother's passing, he hauled in his second career INT and was "happy that he did it for her" in the win over San Jose State.

JACKSON'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
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Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

JACKSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	15	0	14	8	6	3.0	14.0	1	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		15	0	14	8	6	3.0	14.0	1	0	0	0	8	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Chi. (9/11/22); **First Sack:** at Den. (9/25/22 – QB Russell Wilson); **First INT:** at LV (1/1/23 – QB Jarrett Stidham)

JACKSON'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 3 at Atl. (10/16/22)

Solos: Regular Season – 3 at Atl. (10/16/22)

Assists: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. LAR (10/3/22)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (3 times) Last at Atl. (10/16/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 vs. TB (12/11/22)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 at LV (1/1/23)

JACKSON'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 2nd-round (61st overall) draft choice by SF in 2022.



JAUAN JENNINGS

15

WR × 6-3 × 212 × TENNESSEE

7.10.97 × MURFREESBORO, TN × 3RD YEAR × ACQUIRED D-7 IN '20

AWARDS & HONORS

2021: Thomas Herrion Memorial Award

GOLDMINE

- When a deadly tornado hit Tennessee in March of 2020, Jennings turned his scheduled autograph session into a donation drop off benefiting those affected by the tornado. "Just to be able to go down there and help," said Jennings, "It means a lot because this is a place that helped build who I am today. I had just gotten to Knoxville from the Combine and to wake up and see that call about the tornado and see the devastation that's happened, it broke my heart." In addition to signing autographs and talking to young fans, Jennings organized donations to go toward the community. "A lot of people are contacting me and they're like, 'What can we do?'" Jennings said. "And I'm like, 'Just bring donations. I'll take care of the rest.' It just means a lot to be able to just come out here and help the community."



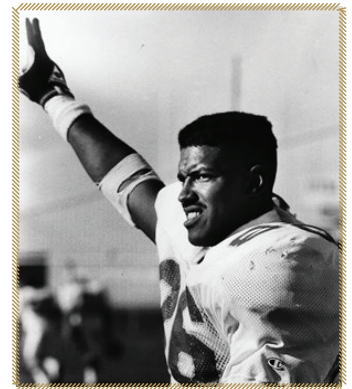
- Since childhood, Jennings has immersed himself in athletics. Coming from a family of athletes, Jennings grew up with a competitive spirit. Older sister, Alexis, played collegiate basketball at Kentucky and South Carolina, collecting Second-Team All-SEC honors as a senior with the Gamecocks in 2018-19. "We were always outside going to the playgrounds or to the local YMCA to play against people," said Alexis. "We pretty much played anything and everything. We just loved to be outside doing anything that had to do with sports."

JENNINGS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His first name is pronounced juh-WAHN.
- In addition to football, Jennings played basketball at Blackman (Murfreesboro, TN) HS.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Jennings followed in the footsteps of his father, Bennie, who was a four-year letterman on the University of North Alabama's football team from 1987-90. The First-Team All-American registered 29 catches for 456 yards and four touchdowns as a senior. His athletic prowess earned him a spot in UNA's Hall of Fame for football.



JENNINGS' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Sep 10	at Pit							
Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
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Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

JENNINGS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING					
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
2020	SF	–	–	–	–PRACTICE SQUAD					–	–	–	–	–
2021	SF	16	1	24	282	11.8	34	5	0	0	–	–	0	
2022	SF	16	4	35	416	11.9	44	1	0	0	–	–	0	
2023	SF													
TOTALS		32	5	59	698	11.8	44	6	0	0	–	–	0	

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2021	SF	3	0	6	43	7.2	13	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	3	0	4	67	16.8	33	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		6	0	10	110	11.0	33	0	0	0	–	–	0

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 2: 2021 (1); 2022 (1)

Special Teams Tackles – 1: 2022 (1)

Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2021 (1)

Fumbles – Lost: 2–0: 2021 (1–0); 2022 (1–0)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** vs. LAR (11/15/21); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at Phi. (9/19/21 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – at Phi. (9/19/21 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Multi–TD Game:** Regular Season – at LAR (1/9/22)

JENNINGS' CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 6 (2 times) Last vs. NO (11/28/22); Postseason – 3 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 94 at LAR (1/9/22); Postseason – 41 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 44 at Chi (9/11/22); Postseason – 33 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

TD Receptions: Regular Season – 2 at LAR (1/9/22)

JENNINGS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 7th–round (217th overall) draft choice by SF in 2020...Waived by SF on 9/5/20...Signed to SF practice squad on 9/6/20...Placed on the practice squad Injured Reserve List on 10/24/20...Signed to Reserve/Future contract with SF on 1/4/21...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 7/28/21... Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 8/6/21...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 4/19/22...Re–signed with SF on a one–year deal on 4/17/23.



KYLE JUSZCZYK

44 FB × 6-2 × 235 × HARVARD

4.23.91 × LODI, OH × 11TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '17

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2016:** AFC Pro Bowl
- 2017:** Bill Walsh Award, NFC Pro Bowl, 49ers Community Relations Youth Football Award
- 2018:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2019:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2020:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2021:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2022:** NFC Pro Bowl Games, NFLPA First-Team All-Pro, Gary Niver Award

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Led all NFL FBs in 2015 after registering career highs in recepts. (41), rec. yds. (321) and rec. TDs (4) for a Ravens offense that set a single-season team-record in net passing yds. (4,271).
- In 2016, finished with 37 recepts. for 266 yds. and was selected to his 1st career Pro Bowl.

GOLDMINE

- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during Week 14 of the 2019 season. Juszczyk and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Juszczyk represented the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, saying, "I play to honor my wife's mother, Virginia."
- Juszczyk chose to support The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation in 2018, which is a volunteer-fueled organization dedicated to finding cures for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, and improving the quality of life of children and adults affected by these diseases. Juszczyk also hosted Juice's Future All-Stars Camp in Burbank, OH, with all proceeds donated to benefit Crohn's disease research.



KYLE JUSZCZYK

CROHN'S AND COLITIS FOUNDATION

- Juszczyk often promotes PLAY 60, the NFL's movement to get children active for at least 60 minutes a day. In 2013, he participated in a PLAY 60 Challenge kickoff assembly at Essex (MD) Elementary School.



JUSZCZYK'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His last name is pronounced YOOZ-check.
- Named the recipient of the 2017 Bill Walsh Award, which was established in 2004 in honor of San Francisco's Hall of Fame Head Coach. The award, which is voted on by the coaching staff, is given to the 49er who has best represented the standard of professional excellence established by Walsh. Walsh served as the team's head coach for 10 seasons from 1979-88. In that time, he compiled a record of 102-63-1 and led the team to three Super Bowls. He was twice named Coach of the Year (1981, 1984) and was later named Coach of the Decade for the 1980s.
- Each offseason, Juszczyk likes to build at least one piece of furniture with his own hands. His most recent piece of furniture assembled was a farmhouse-style kitchen table.
- In search of his favorite pregame meal, Juszczyk settled on filet mignon with sweet potatoes and spaghetti with scrambled eggs, a meal he describes as, "The perfect combination of protein and the right carbs before a game."
- His great uncle, Rich "Dickie" Moore, played DT at Villanova University before being selected by the Green Bay Packers in the first round (12th overall) of the 1969 NFL Draft.

JUSZCZYK'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rsh	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Sep 10	at Pit										
Sep 17	at LAR										
Sep 21	NYG										
Oct 1	Arz										
Oct 8	Dal										
Oct 15	at Cle										
Oct 23	at Min										
Oct 29	Cin										
Nov 12	at Jax										
Nov 19	TB										
Nov 23	at Sea										
Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
Dec 17	at Arz										
Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

JUSZCZYK'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RUSHING					RECEIVING				
				ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2013	BAL	16	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2014	BAL	16	14	0	0	–	–	0	19	182	9.6	33	1
2015	BAL	16	11	2	3	1.5	2	0	41	321	7.8	39	4
2016	BAL	16	7	5	22	4.4	10t	1	37	266	7.2	40	0
2017	SF	14	10	7	31	4.4	12	0	33	315	9.5	44	1
2018	SF	16	14	8	30	3.8	12	0	30	324	10.8	56	1
2019	SF	12	12	3	7	2.3	6	0	20	239	12.0	49	1
2020	SF	16	15	17	64	3.8	10	2	19	202	10.6	41	4
2021	SF	17	16	8	22	2.8	6t	1	30	296	9.9	26	1
2022	SF	16	12	7	26	3.7	9	1	19	200	10.5	35	1
2023	SF												
TOTALS		155	111	57	205	3.6	12	5	248	2,345	9.5	56	14

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RUSHING					RECEIVING				
				ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2014	BAL	2	1	0	0	–	–	0	6	45	7.5	11	0
2019	SF	3	3	0	0	–	–	0	3	39	13.0	15t	1
2021	SF	3	3	3	14	4.7	13	0	2	15	7.5	10	0
2022	SF	3	3	1	8	8.0	8	0	1	6	6.0	6	0
TOTALS		11	10	4	22	5.5	13	0	12	105	8.8	15t	1

Additional Statistics:

Fumbles–Lost – 6–6: 2014 (2–2); 2017 (2–2); 2018 (2–2)

Special Teams Tackles: Regular Season – 20: 2013 (5); 2014 (3); 2015 (1); 2016 (3); 2017 (3); 2018 (1); 2021 (3); 2022 (1) **Postseason – 4:** 2014 (4)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – 2: 2013 (1); 2019 (1)

Special Teams Forced Fumbles – 1: 2022 (1)

Kick Returns – 5: 2013 (2); 2014 (2); 2015 (1)

Kick Return Yards – 52: 2013 (17); 2014 (28); 2015 (7)

Tackles – 3: 2018 (2); 2021 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Den. (9/5/13); **First Start:** vs. Cin. (9/7/14); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at Cle. (9/21/14 – 9–yd. TD pass from QB Joe Flacco); Postseason – at Pit. (1/3/15 – 7–yd. pass from QB Joe Flacco); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – at Cle. (9/21/14 – 9–yd. TD pass from QB Joe Flacco); Postseason – at KC (2/2/20 – 15–yd. TD pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – at Pit. (12/25/16); **First Multi–TD Game:** Regular Season – at Arz. (12/26/20 – 2 TDs)

JUSZCZYK'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushes: Regular Season – 5 vs. GB (9/26/21); Postseason – 2 at GB (1/22/22)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 18 at NE (10/25/20); Postseason – 14 at GB (1/22/22)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 12 (2 times) Last vs. Arz. (10/7/18); Postseason – 13 at GB (1/22/22)

Rushing TDs: Regular Season – 1 (5 times) Last vs. Sea. (9/18/22)

Receptions: Regular Season – 7 vs. Arz. (11/17/19); Postseason – 4 at NE (1/10/15)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 76 vs. Jax. (12/24/17); Postseason – 39 at KC (2/2/20)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 56 at Min. (9/9/18); Postseason – 15t at KC (2/2/20)

TD Receptions: Regular Season – 2 at Arz. (12/26/20); Postseason – 1 at KC (2/2/20)

JUSZCZYK'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 4th–round (130th overall) draft choice by Bal. in 2013...Signed a four–year deal with SF on 3/10/17...Signed a five–year extension through 2025 with SF on 3/15/21.



JAVON KINLAW

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DT * 6-5 * 319 * SOUTH CAROLINA

10.3.97 * CHARLESTON, SC * 4TH YEAR * ACQUIRED D-1A IN '20

GOLDMINE

- Kinlaw, known for his work ethic on and off the field, found an extra source of motivation in his daughter, Eden Amara, born in April of 2019. Heading into his final season with South Carolina, Kinlaw reached new heights on the defensive line and earned national accolades. "When she was born, not that he didn't work hard before, but I saw a guy that was on a mission," South Carolina head coach Will Muschamp said. "[He] understood that there was a lot more out there for him right now in taking care of his daughter and taking care of his family." In addition to his growth on the field, Kinlaw saw the change in his mentality, too. "It's been a long journey, and I still have a long way to go. I feel like I needed it at that point and time in my life," he said. "It's helped me mature a little bit more, on and off the field. My biggest responsibility is being a good father."
- Kinlaw and his family faced financial uncertainty throughout his childhood, as they often moved from place to place in order to make ends meet. "You definitely can't give up on yourself," Kinlaw said. "I didn't really expect myself to be here. I didn't expect myself to be a collegiate athlete, but I stuck with it." Despite living in difficult circumstances at times, Kinlaw credits his childhood for his maturity. "It made me a man at a young age, [I] grew up early definitely," said Kinlaw. "It's been a long journey, just coming from the bottom and slowly working my way up. I'm really proud of myself and all that I've accomplished."



KINLAW'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His first name is pronounced juh-VONN.
- Leesa James-Exum, Kinlaw's mother, immigrated to Washington D.C. from Trinidad and Tobago in 1995.
- Played with older brother, Caleb, at South Carolina from 2017-2019.
- After not participating in Pop Warner as a kid, Kinlaw's football career began as a sophomore at Goose Creek (Charleston, SC) HS.

KINLAW'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
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Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													

TOTALS

KINLAW'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2020	SF	14	12	33	15	18	1.5	7.5	1	27	27t	1	4	0	0	0
2021	SF	4	4	8	1	7	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	6	6	4	2	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		24	22	45	18	27	1.5	7.5	1	27	27t	1	4	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2022	SF	3	3	5	2	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		3	3	5	2	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Blocked Field Goals – 1: 2021 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Arz. (9/13/20); **First Start:** at NYG (9/27/20); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at NO (11/15/20 – QB Taysom Hill); **First Multi-Sack Game:** Regular Season – at NO (11/15/20 – 1.5; QB Taysom Hill, Jameis Winston); **First INT:** Regular Season – at LAR (11/29/20 – QB Jared Goff); **First INT Returned for a TD:** Regular Season – at LAR (11/29/20 – QB Jared Goff)

KINLAW'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (1)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
11/15/20	at NO	1.5	7.5	Taysom Hill (1.0) Jameis Winston (0.5)

KINLAW'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 6 vs. GB (9/26/21); Postseason – 4 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 3 vs. Was. (12/13/20); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 5 vs. GB (9/26/21); Postseason – 3 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last at LAR (11/29/20)

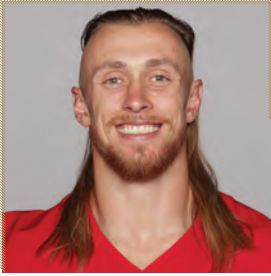
Sacks: Regular Season – 1.5 at NO (11/15/20)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (11/29/20)

Interception Returns For TD: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (11/29/20)

KINLAW'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of two 1st-round (14th overall) draft choices by SF in 2020...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/18/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/27/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/30/21...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/15/22...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 12/23/22.



GEORGE KITTLE

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TE × 6-4 × 250 × IOWA

10.9.93 × NORMAN, OK × 7TH YEAR × ACQUIRED D-5A IN '17

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2018:** AP Second-Team All-Pro, PFWA NFL Most Improved Player, PFWA All-NFC Team, Bill Walsh Award, NFC Pro Bowl, 49ers Community Relations Veteran Player Award
- 2019:** AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, Len Eshmont Award, NFC Pro Bowl
- 2021:** NFC Offensive Player of the Week (Week 14), NFC Pro Bowl, PFWA All-NFC Team, 49ers NFL Salute to Service Award Nominee
- 2022:** NFC Pro Bowl Games, AP Second-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFC Team, NFL Salute to Service Award Finalist



CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Since entering the NFL in 2017, Kittle ranks 2nd in rec. yds. among all TEs.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN THE NFL, SINCE 2017

Player	Recepts.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1. Travis Kelce, KC	590	7,482	12.7	55
2. George Kittle, SF	395	5,254	13.3	31
3. Zach Ertz, Phi./Arz.	435	4,407	10.1	32
4. Mark Andrews, Bal.	336	4,313	12.8	34
5. Evan Engram, NYG/Jax.	335	3,594	10.7	20

- Surpassed 5,000 career rec. yds. in 79 career games, the 4th-fewest games to reach 5,000 career rec. yds. by a TE in NFL history.
- Surpassed 4,000 career rec. yds. in 61 career games, the 2nd-fewest games to reach 4,000 career rec. yds. by a TE in NFL history.

FEWEST GAMES TO 5,000 CAREER REC. YDS. BY A TE, NFL HISTORY

Player	Games
1. Kellen Winslow Sr.	69
2. Rob Gronkowski	72
3. Travis Kelce	77
4. George Kittle	79
5. Jimmy Graham	84

- Surpassed 3,000 career rec. yds. in 47 career games, which is tied for the 3rd-fewest games to reach 3,000 career rec. yds. by a TE in NFL history.
- His 14 career 100-yd. games are the most by a TE in franchise history and rank 5th among all players.

KITTLE'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- In 2019, was the recipient of the 49ers Len Eshmont Award, which is voted on by the players and is given to the 49er who best exemplifies the inspirational and courageous play of Len Eshmont, an original member of the 1946 49ers team.
- Named the recipient of the 2018 Bill Walsh Award, which was established in 2004 in honor of San Francisco's Hall of Fame Head Coach. The award is voted on by the coaching staff and given to the 49er who has best represented the standard of professional excellence established by Walsh. Walsh served as the team's head coach for 10 seasons from 1979-88. In that time, he compiled a record of 102-63-1 and led the team to three Super Bowls. He was twice named Coach of the Year (1981, 1984) and was later named Coach of the Decade (1980s).
- His father, Bruce, was an offensive lineman at Iowa where he played in the 1982 Rose Bowl before suffering a career-ending injury in training camp with Washington in 1982. Following his football career, Bruce went on to become an assistant coach at Oklahoma University (2010-12).
- Bruce spent time as an offensive line coach at Lipscomb Academy (Nashville, TN) HS under head coach and former 49ers QB Trent Dilfer.

KITTLE'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
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Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
Oct 1	Arz							
Oct 8	Dal							
Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

- His 3,380 rec. yds. through his first 50 career NFL games are the 3rd-most by a TE in NFL history.
- Set an NFL record at the time for most rec. yds. (1,377) in a season by a TE in 2018.
- Is the 5th player and 1st TE in franchise history to record multiple 1,000-yd. seasons (2018-19).

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN FIRST 50 CAREER GAMES, NFL HISTORY

Player	Rec. Yds.
1. Mike Ditka	3,436
2. Kellen Winslow Sr.	3,420
3. George Kittle	3,380
4. Rob Gronkowski	3,255
5. Jimmy Graham	3,106

MOST 1,000-YD. SEASONS, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Seasons
1. Jerry Rice	12
2. Terrell Owens	5
3t. George Kittle	2
Anquan Boldin	2
John Taylor	2

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MOST REC. YDS. IN A SINGLE GAME IN THE NFL BY A TE, SINCE 1960

Player	Date	Opp.	Recepts.	Yds.	TDs
1. Shannon Sharpe, Den.	10/20/02	at KC	12	214	2
2. Jackie Smith, StL Cardinals	10/13/63	vs. Pit.	9	212	2
3. George Kittle, SF	12/9/18	vs. Den.	7	210	1

- Registered 7 receipts. for a career-high 210 yds. and 1 TD vs. Den. (12/9/18). His 210 rec. yds. are the most in a single game by a TE in franchise history and the 8th-most all-time.
- With 210 rec. yds. vs. Den. (12/9/18), became the first 49ers TE to eclipse the 1,000-yd. receiving mark and set the franchise record for most yds. in a single season by a 49ers TE. He is the first member of the 49ers to register at least 1,000 rec. yds. in a single season since WR Anquan Boldin registered 1,062 rec. yds. in 2014.
- His 210 rec. yds. vs. Den. (12/9/18) are the 3rd-most by a TE in a single game in the NFL since 1960.
- From 2017-19, he registered 216 receipts. for 2,945 yds. and 12 TDs. His 2,945 rec. yds. became the most by a TE through his first 3 seasons in NFL history.
- In 2017, his rookie season, registered 43 receipts. for 515 yds. and 2 TDs. His 515 rec. yds. are the most by a 49ers rookie TE since the merger in 1970 and ranked 2nd among rookie TEs.

MOST REC. YDS. BY A TE IN FIRST 3 SEASONS, NFL HISTORY

Player	Yds.
1. George Kittle	2,945
2. Mike Ditka	2,774

GOLDMINE

- Kittle, along with Kansas City Chiefs TE Travis Kelce, created a TE summit near Nashville, TN. More than 45 TEs gathered to share tips, workouts and advice in 2021. The annual event nearly doubled in size it's second year with roughly 90 participants.
- During the 2020 NFL Combine, Kittle teamed up with Rich Eisen in support of the Run Rich Run event. Each combine, Eisen runs the 40-yard dash to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Kittle joined Eisen, with the assistance of Von, a St. Jude's patient, and Jerry Rice, in timing his 40-yard dash. George then presented a \$10,000 donation to St. Jude's on behalf of him and his wife, Claire. "I'm just such a fan of Rich and that he does that every year through St. Jude's," Kittle said. "I'm a big fan of the Iowa Children's Hospital. I'm just a fan of that, any time I can give back to help kids, they deserve it."
- Kittle partnered with the Jessie Rees Foundation to pass out Joy-Jars filled with toys and games at a local children's hospital. Kittle spearheaded the event and was joined by several of his teammates including, TE Ross Dwelley and LB Fred Warner who helped him spread holiday cheer and lift the spirits of everyone they met.



- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during Week 14 of the 2019 season. Kittle and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Kittle represented TAPS, saying, "I play for the fallen heroes and their families."



- The 49ers hosted the third annual Crucial Catch Fashion Show presented by Dignity Health in October of 2019, featuring cancer warriors representing all cancers as they modeled apparel donated by Levi's. Kittle and his teammates were paired with each of the warriors to share their stories of strength and courage with the audience and walk the runway.



- Kittle is an avid fan of the WWE. In May of 2017, he took time to visit the Black and Brave Wrestling Academy in Iowa, which is co-owned by one of Kittle's favorite wrestlers, WWE superstar Seth Rollins. At a pro wrestling event on the same weekend, Kittle got to live out one of his dreams and get into the ring, where he delivered a Stone Cold Stunner, a move made famous by his favorite wrestler of all-time, Steve Austin. "I felt like a kid," Kittle said.



- The 49ers worked alongside the humanitarian-relief organization Convoy of Hope in December of 2018, and hosted 1,500 guests in-need from Bay Area nonprofits and schools at Levi's® Stadium for a free holiday resource fair. Kittle and his 49ers teammates distributed groceries, toys, books, shoes and other holiday offerings to the guests. The attendees also received haircuts, utilized health resources and took family portraits or professional headshots. Convoy of Hope is a nonprofit organization that directs children's feeding initiatives, hosts community outreach programs and provides disaster response resources to those in need in the Bay Area and throughout the world.



- The 49ers joined forces with Martha's Kitchen of San Jose as part of their Community Tuesday kick-off event in September of 2018. Kittle and teammates took part in the event by serving dinner to nearly 200 residents in need, refilling beverages and bussing tables. Both the 49ers and Levi's Stadium partner with Martha's Kitchen throughout the year by donating excess food after stadium events. Martha's Kitchen's mission is to "feed the hungry with dignity, no questions asked, no judgements made."



GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- In April of 2018, along with several teammates, Kittle attended the eighth annual UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Prom in San Francisco.
- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during a designated home game between Weeks 13-15 of 2018. Kittle and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. The Pat Tillman Foundation unites and empowers military veterans and spouses as the next generation of public and private sector leaders committed to service beyond self.



KITTLE'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	RECEIVING							RUSHING				
		GP	GS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2017	SF	15	7	43	515	12.0	44	2	0	0	–	–	0
2018	SF	16	16	88	1,377	15.6	85t	5	1	10	10.0	10	0
2019	SF	14	14	85	1,053	12.4	61t	5	5	22	4.4	18	0
2020	SF	8	8	48	634	13.2	44t	2	2	17	8.5	9	0
2021	SF	14	14	71	910	12.8	48t	6	3	20	6.7	9	0
2022	SF	15	15	60	765	12.8	54t	11	0	0	–	–	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		82	74	395	5,254	13.3	85t	31	11	69	6.3	18	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	RECEIVING							RUSHING				
		GP	GS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2019	SF	3	3	8	71	8.9	19	0	0	0	–	–	0
2021	SF	3	3	7	108	15.4	24	1	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	3	3	10	164	16.4	31	0	1	4	4.0	4	0
TOTALS		9	9	25	343	13.7	31	1	1	4	4.0	4	0

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 14: 2017 (1); 2018 (2); 2019 (6); 2021 (2); 2022 (3) **Postseason – 1:** 2021 (1)

Forced Fumbles – 1: 2022 (1)

Fumbles – Lost – 5–3: 2019 (1–0); 2021 (3–2); 2022 (1–1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Car. (9/10/17); **First Start:** vs. Car. (9/10/17); **First Reception:** Regular Season – vs. Car. (9/10/17 – 13–yd. pass from QB Brian Hoyer); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – at Ind. (10/8/17 – 5–yd. TD pass from QB Brian Hoyer); Postseason – at LAR (1/30/22 – 16–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **100–yd. Games:** Regular Season – 14, Last vs. Was. (12/24/22 – 120 yds.); **First Multi–TD Game:** Regular Season – at Sea. (12/5/21)

KITTLE'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (14)

Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
12/31/17	at LAR	4	100	25.0	0	12/15/19	vs. Atl.	13	134	10.3	0
9/30/18	at LAC	6	125	20.8	1	10/4/20	vs. Phi.	15	183	12.2	1
11/1/18	vs. Oak.	4	108	27.0	1	10/18/20	vs. LAR	7	109	15.6	1
12/9/18	vs. Den.	7	210	30.0	1	11/7/21	vs. Arz.	6	101	16.8	1
12/30/18	at LAR	9	149	16.6	1	12/5/21	at Sea.	9	181	20.1	2
10/13/19	at LAR	8	103	12.9	0	12/12/21	at Cin.	13	151	11.6	1
11/24/19	vs. GB	6	129	21.5	1	12/24/22	vs. Was.	6	120	20.0	2

KITTLE'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 15 vs. Phi. (10/4/20); Postseason – 5 vs. Dal. (1/24/23)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 210 vs. Den. (12/9/18); Postseason – 95 vs. Dal. (1/24/23)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 85t vs. Den. (12/9/18); Postseason – 31 vs. Dal. (1/24/23)

TD Receptions: Regular Season – 2 (5 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 1 at LAR (1/30/22)

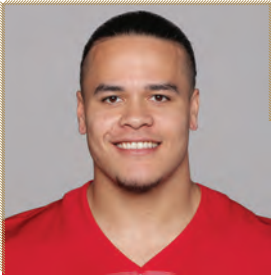
Rushes: Regular Season – 2 at Was. (10/20/19); Postseason – 1 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 18 vs. Cle. (10/7/19); Postseason – 4 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 18 vs. Cle. (10/7/19)

KITTLE'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of two 5th–round (146th overall) draft choices by SF in 2017...Signed a five–year extension through 2025 with SF on 8/14/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 11/5/20...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 12/25/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/9/21... Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/6/21.



CAMERON LATU

81

TE × 6-5 × 244 × ALABAMA

2.24.00 × HOLLADAY, UT × ROOKIE × ACQUIRED D-3C IN '23

GOLDMINE

- After playing DE in high school and OLB as a freshman at Alabama, Latu was asked to switch to TE. At first, he was hesitant to move over to offense. "I was shocked," Latu said. "What? You're talking about me playing tight end? I don't know about that, especially at the college level, blocking and stuff. That's all I could think about. I did not wanna block. But I love blocking now. I love that."
- Latu grew up in Chisholm, MN, a town that's home to less than 5,000 people. His mother, Jill Argust-Fine, thought it was a safe environment for her three sons to grow up in, so she moved her family there when Latu was two years old despite being a Los Angeles native herself.



LATU'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Has a twin brother, Nathan, who plays DE at Oklahoma State and an older brother, Sioka, who played DL at St. Cloud State (MN). The twins played alongside each other on the defensive line at Olympus (Holladay, UT) HS.
- Grew up in Chisholm, MN, where his primary sport was rugby. Moved to Utah in 2013 where he began playing football.
- The first two catches of his collegiate career were a 9-yd. TD recept. and a 25-yd. TD recept. in Alabama's 2021 season opener vs. Miami (FL). Went on to haul in 8 rec. TDs that season, which stands as the most rec. TDs by an Alabama TE in a single season in program history.



LATU'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2023	SF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS													

LATU'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the third of three 3rd-round (101st overall) draft choices by SF in 2023... Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 8/29/23.

LENOIR'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	13	2	13	10	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	2	0	0	0
2022	SF	17	13	77	54	23	1.0	9.0	1	8	8	0	5	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		30	15	90	64	26	1.0	9.0	1	8	8	0	7	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	17	14	3	0.0	0.0	2	12	6	0	2	0	0	0
TOTALS		3	3	17	14	3	0.0	0.0	2	12	6	0	2	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 6: 2021 (4); 2022 (2)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** at Det. (9/12/21); **First Sack:** Regular Season – vs. LAR (10/3/22 – QB Matthew Stafford – 9 yds.); **First INT:** Regular Season – vs. Mia. (12/4/22 – QB Tua Tagovailoa – 8 yds.); Postseason – vs. Sea. (1/14/23 – QB Geno Smith – 6 yds.)

LENOIR'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 10 at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 7 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 9 at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 6 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 4 at Car. (10/9/22); Postseason – 1 (3 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 vs. LAR (10/3/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 at Phi. (9/19/21); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 vs. Mia. (12/4/22); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Interception Yards: Regular Season – 8 vs. Mia. (12/4/22); Postseason – 6 (2 times) Last vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 8 vs. Mia. (12/4/22); Postseason – 6 (2 times) Last vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

LENOIR'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of three 5th-round (172nd overall) draft choices by SF in 2021...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/5/22...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/10/22.



JORDAN MASON

24

RB * 5-11 * 223 * GEORGIA TECH

5.24.99 * GALLATIN, TN * 2ND YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '22

GOLDMINE

- In addition to his contributions on the football field, Mason was an active member the Georgia Tech community during his five years at the school. Mason made it a point to support those who supported him when he attended the Yellow Jacket Marching Band's concert during the 2019 offseason.



MASON'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Began playing football at age five.
- Was the runner-up for Tennessee's Class 5A Mr. Football award as a senior.
- Also lettered in baseball and basketball at Gallatin (TN) HS in addition to his time on the gridiron.
- First cousin, Zaccheus Mason, played college basketball at the University of Mississippi and the University of Chattanooga, and played professionally in France and the Philippines.

MASON'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rsh	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Sep 10	at Pit										
Sep 17	at LAR										
Sep 21	NYG										
Oct 1	Arz										
Oct 8	Dal										
Oct 15	at Cle										
Oct 23	at Min										
Oct 29	Cin										
Nov 12	at Jax										
Nov 19	TB										
Nov 23	at Sea										
Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
Dec 17	at Arz										
Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

MASON'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD		YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	16	0	43	258	6.0	55	1	0	0	-	0	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		16	0	43	258	6.0	55	1	0	0	-	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD		YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	3	0	2	12	6.0	8	0	0	0	-	-	0
TOTALS		3	0	2	12	6.0	8	0	0	0	-	-	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 6: 2022 (6); Postseason – 1: 2022 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Chi. (9/11/22); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – at LV (1/1/23 – 14 yds.)

MASON'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushes: Regular Season – 11 vs. TB (12/11/22); Postseason – 2 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 64 at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 12 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 55 at Sea. (12/15/22); Postseason – 8 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Rushing TDs: Regular Season – 1 at LV (1/1/23)

MASON'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by SF on 5/13/22.



CHRISTIAN McCaffrey

23

RB × 5-11 × 205 × STANFORD

6.7.96 × HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO × 7TH YEAR × ACQUIRED TR IN '22-CAR.

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2018:** AP Second-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFC Team
- 2019:** NFC Offensive Player of the Month (September), AP First-Team All-Pro RB & Flex, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, NFC Pro Bowl
- 2022:** NFC Offensive Player of the Week (Week 8), FedEx Ground Player of the Week (Week 14), NFC Offensive Player of the Month (December/January), PFWA All-NFC Team, NFC Pro Bowl Games



CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Registered 287 carries for 1,387 yds. and 15 TDs as well as 116 recpts. for 1,005 yds. and 4 TDs in 2019. His 116 recpts. are the most by a RB in a single season in NFL history.
- Is 1 of 3 players in NFL history to register 1,000-or-more rushing yds. and 1,000-or-more rec. yds. in the same season.

RBS WITH 1,000-OR-MORE RUSHING YDS. & 1,000-OR-MORE REC. YDS. IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Year	Rec. Yds.	Rush Yds.
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2019	1,005	1,387
Marshall Faulk, StL	1999	1,048	1,381
Roger Craig, SF	1985	1,016	1,050

- Is 1 of 3 players to register 1,000-or-more rushing yds. and 100-or-more recpts. in a single season. Has accomplished the feat twice in his career [2018 (1,098 rushing yds. & 107 recpts.) & 2019 (1,387 rushing yds. and 116 recpts.)]. His 116 recpts. in 2019 are the most by an RB in NFL History.

RBS WITH 100-OR-MORE RECEPTS. IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Year	Recepts.
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2019	116
Christian McCaffrey, Car.	2018	107
Matt Forte, Chi.	2014	102
Larry Centers, Arz.	1995	101
LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	2003	100

- Became the first player in NFL history with 50-or-more rushing yds. and 50-or-more rec. yds. in 5-consecutive games in 2018 (Weeks 9-13).

McCAFFREY'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Comes from a football family. His father, Ed, played WR in the NFL for 13 seasons with the New York Giants (1991-93), 49ers (1994) and Denver Broncos (1995-2003), while his brother Max played WR in the NFL for 2 seasons with the Jacksonville Jaguars (2017) and 49ers (2018).
- He and Ed are 1 of 4 father-son duos to play for a father-son duo (Kyle and Mike Shanahan) in NFL History.
- Followed his parents' footsteps by attending Stanford. His mother, Lisa, played soccer and graduated in 1990. Ed played football and graduated in 1991.
- Plays the piano.

McCAFFREY'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

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Sep 10	at Pit										
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Nov 19	TB										
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Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
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Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

GOLDMINE

- McCaffrey founded the Christian McCaffrey Foundation shortly after entering the NFL. The foundation's mission is to serve as a catalyst for the community and country by supporting those who sacrifice daily for the benefit of many. We show up for our servicemen and women for standing at the front of the most critical challenges of our time. Since its inception, McCaffrey's foundation has expanded beyond the military. In addition to working to prevent veteran suicide, the foundation supports front line workers, serves underserved youth and provides support to children undergoing medical treatment.



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- His foundation's Logan Project strives to connect children going



through medical treatment through gaming in honor of Logan Hale, a fan of McCaffrey who passed away after a battle with cancer in 2021. "I found out he had been buried in my jersey, and I just kind of broke down. That hit me like a ton of bricks. "I found out he wanted to do this while he was going through what he was going through. I was extremely determined to make that happen." After reading Hale's obituary, which mentioned his video game dream,



MCCAFFREY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RUSHING					RECEIVING				
				ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2017	CAR	16	10	117	435	3.7	40	2	80	651	8.1	37	5
2018	CAR	16	16	219	1,098	5.0	59	7	107	867	8.1	38	6
2019	CAR	16	16	287	1,387	4.8	84t	15	116	1,005	8.7	28	4
2020	CAR	3	3	59	225	3.8	15	5	17	149	8.8	24	1
2021	CAR	7	7	99	442	4.5	18	1	37	343	9.3	32	1
2022	CAR/SF	17	16	244	1,139	4.7	49	8	85	741	8.7	49	5
2023	SF												
TOTALS		75	68	1,025	4,726	4.6	84t	38	442	3,756	8.5	49	22

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RUSHING					RECEIVING				
				ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2017	CAR	1	1	6	16	2.7	7	0	6	101	16.8	56t	1
2022	SF	3	3	40	238	6.0	68	2	12	61	5.1	14	1
TOTALS		4	4	46	254	5.5	68	2	18	162	9.0	56t	2

Additional Statistics:

Passing Attempts/Completions – 4/2: 2018 (1/1); 2019 (2/0); 2022 (1/1) **Postseason – 1/0:** 2022 (1/0)

Passing TDs – 2: 2018 (1); 2022 (1)

Passing Yards – 84: 2018 (50); 2022 (34)

Tackles – 11: 2017 (4); 2018 (2); 2019 (2); 2020 (2); 2021 (1)

Fumbles–Lost – 9–2: 2017 (2–1); 2018 (4–1); 2019 (1–0); 2021 (1–0); 2022 (1–0)

Fumble Recoveries – 3: 2018 (1); 2021 (2)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2017 (1)

Kick Returns – 3: 2017 (3)

Kick Return Yards – 58: 2017 (58)

Punt Returns – 22: 2017 (22)

Punt Return Yards – 162: 2017 (162)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at SF (9/10/17); **First Start:** at SF (9/10/17); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at SF (9/10/17 – 7–yd. pass from QB Cam Newton); Postseason – at NO (1/7/18 – 8–yd. pass from QB Cam Newton); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – vs. Atl. (11/5/17 – 4–yds.); Postseason – vs. Dal. (1/22/23 – 2–yds.); **First Receiving TD:** Regular Season – at Det. (10/8/17 – 6–yd. pass from QB Cam Newton); Postseason – at NO (1/7/18 – 56–yd. pass from QB Cam Newton); **100–yd. Games Rushing:** Regular Season – 12, Last vs. NO (9/25/22 – 108 yds.); **100–yd. Games Receiving:** Regular Season – 5, Last at Ind. (12/22/19 – 119 yds.); Postseason – at NO (1/7/18 – 101 yds.); **First Multi–TD Game:** Regular Season – vs. Mia. (11/13/17 – 2 TDs); **First Kickoff Return:** Regular Season – at NE (10/1/17); **First Punt Return:** Regular Season – at SF (9/10/17)



RAY-RAY McCLOUD III

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WR × 5-9 × 190 × CLEMSON

10.15.96 × TAMPA, FL × 6TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '22

GOLDMINE

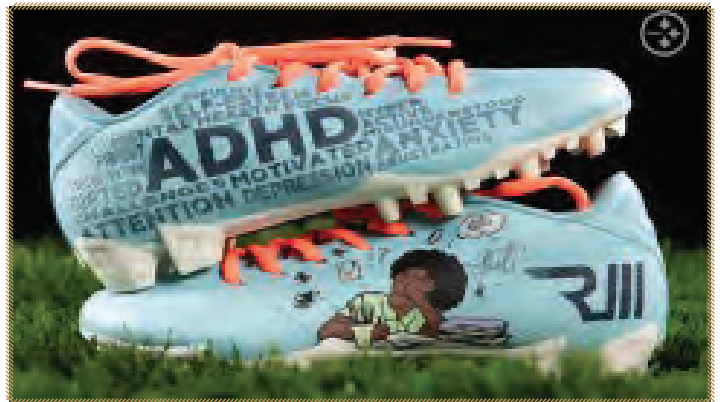
- McCloud credits his work ethic, not only to his family who taught him responsibility and discipline, but also to New England Patriots WR Nelson Agholor. Although almost four years apart, Agholor and McCloud grew up together in Tampa where they took their friendship from youth football to the NFL. The veteran receiver served as a mentor to McCloud. "We stay in contact all the time about life decisions. I've always stayed close with him in that way. When he got drafted I was so excited," Agholor said.
- McCloud recently launched his own charitable organization, the RMIII foundation, which is focused on raising awareness for ADHD and helping families with how to handle the very common learning challenge. The cause is a personal one based on his own journey with ADHD. He was diagnosed in the third grade and struggled to overcome many obstacles, yet still graduated with honors. "Before I was diagnosed, I felt pretty bad getting blamed for not being a good student or being labeled a bad kid when nobody understood that sometimes I had to work twice as hard on a simple task while other times the schoolwork came easy but sitting still did not. I turned my focus to sports to balance my hyper-activity," said McCloud. "Luckily, I had great support from my family. After getting help, I didn't feel alone."

McCLOUD'S GOLDEN NUGGET

- Lists his father, Raymond McCloud Jr., as his biggest inspiration. The elder McCloud played football at the University of Arkansas.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- McCloud chose to bring light to the topic through the NFL's My Cause My Cleats initiative during Week 14 of the 2021 season.
- The foundation was established in 2021 and is partnering with other ADHD non-profits to bring families together to provide knowledge of ADHD and available resources, to improve self-esteem for kids and to work on improving the future for kids who suffer from ADHD and their families. McCloud plans to hold athletic camps for ADHD youth as a way to channel their energy, something that helped him get to where he is today.



McCLOUD'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023									2023 Returns													
Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Date	Opp	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	
Sep 10	at Pit								Sep 10	at Pit												
Sep 17	at LAR								Sep 17	at LAR												
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Dec 25	Bal								Dec 25	Bal												
Dec 31	at Was								Dec 31	at Was												
TBD	LAR								TBD	LAR												
TOTALS									TOTALS													

McCLOUD'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2018	BUF	10	1	5	36	7.2	16	0	2	4	2.0	7	0
2019	CAR/BUF	6	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	–	0
2020	PIT	16	2	20	77	3.9	13	0	4	65	16.3	58	0
2021	PIT	16	5	39	277	7.1	24	0	2	15	7.5	10	0
2022	SF	17	2	14	243	17.4	42	1	4	78	19.5	71t	1
2023	SF												
TOTALS		65	10	78	633	8.1	42	1	12	162	13.5	71t	1

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2020	PIT	1	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2021	PIT	1	0	2	20	10.0	12	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		5	0	2	20	10.0	12	0	0	0	–	–	0

YEAR	TEAM	KICKOFF RETURNS					PUNT RETURNS					
		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	FC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2018	BUF	1	18	18.0	18	0	4	2	20	5.0	13	0
2019	CAR	8	174	21.8	31	0	10	7	82	8.2	39	0
2020	PIT	28	646	23.1	49	0	29	19	298	10.3	57	0
2021	PIT	35	776	22.2	40	0	38	12	367	9.7	23	0
2022	SF	26	599	23.0	39	0	33	21	356	10.8	35	0
2023	SF											
TOTALS		98	2,213	22.6	49	0	114	61	1,123	9.9	57	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	KICKOFF RETURNS					PUNT RETURNS					
		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO	FC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2020	PIT	6	146	24.3	28	0	2	2	16	8.0	11	0
2021	PIT	3	66	22.0	29	0	2	2	13	6.5	8	0
2022	SF	2	95	47.5	53	0	5	5	50	10.0	16	0
TOTALS		11	307	27.9	53	0	9	9	79	8.8	16	0

Additional Statistics:

Fumbles–Lost – 13–4: 2018 (2–1); 2019 (3–1); 2020 (2–1); 2021 (4–1); 2022 (2–0); **Postseason – 1–1:** 2022 (1–1)

Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2022 (1)

Tackles – 1: 2020 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Min. (9/23/18); **First Start:** at Min. (9/23/18); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at Min. (9/23/18 – 6–yd. pass from QB Josh Allen); Postseason – at KC (1/16/22 – 8–yd. pass from QB Ben Roethlisberger); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – vs. KC (10/23/22 – 8–yd. TD pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Kick Return:** Regular Season – at Hou. (10/14/18 – 18 yds.); Postseason – vs. Cle. (1/10/21 – 22 yds.); **First Punt Return:** Regular Season – at Min. (9/23/18 – 13 yds.); Postseason – vs. Cle. (1/10/21 – 11 yds.); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – vs. Was. (12/24/22 – 71–yds.)



COLTON MCKIVITZ

68

OL × 6-6 × 301 × WEST VIRGINIA

8.9.96 × JACOBSBURG, OH × 4TH YEAR × ACQUIRED D-5 IN '20

GOLDMINE

- McKivitz is a lover of outdoor activities, as he frequently spends his time with his dad, Matt, fishing and hunting, for deer, ducks and squirrels. "It was really my dad that got me into it," said McKivitz. "He's got me into everything in the outdoors, really. That's me and dad's time, the outdoor time. I'm just lucky to have that type of figure to learn from and that's kind of what I love most about the outdoors." Matt is known for creating unique hats from the animals the two of them have hunted. The elder McKivitz is famous for being seen sporting one at each of West Virginia's home games.



MCKIVITZ'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- In addition to playing football, McKivitz was a four-year basketball player at Union Local (Jacobsburg, OH) HS, earning all-state honors as a senior in 2014.
- Didn't participate in organized football until he enrolled at Union Local before his sophomore year of high school in 2012.
- He caught his first fish, a bluegill, at age 3. McKivitz notes that the largest fish he's ever caught was an 8-pounder which he caught in the Summer of 2019.
- Is a fan of country music, citing Kenny Chesney and the Zac Brown Band among his favorites.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- While the Mountaineers were on a bye in September of 2019, McKivitz returned to his former high school, Union Local, in Ohio to be honored at the homecoming game. The Jets retired McKivitz's number 53 in a pregame ceremony, an honor that McKivitz doesn't take lightly. "It was huge. At the time I didn't really understand the meaning of it. But now, once you look back on it, that number will never see the field again. It's a pretty big honor for me." Former Union Local offensive line coach Brion Schiappa echoed the sentiment, saying, "We're all just so proud of what Colton has accomplished, and it meant a great deal to honor him in that way."



MCKIVITZ'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 27/5: 2020 (13/3); 2021 (1/1); 2022 (13/1)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 5/0: 2021 (2/0); 2022 (3/0)

Additional Statistics:

Tackles – 1: 2020 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at NYJ (9/20/20); **First Start:** at LAR (11/29/20)

MCKIVITZ'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 5th-round (153rd overall) draft choice by SF in 2020...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/16/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/25/20...Waived by SF on 8/31/21...Signed to SF practice squad on 9/1/21...Promoted to SF active roster on 11/10/21... Re-signed with SF on a one-year deal on 3/10/22...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/8/22...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/12/22...Signed a two-year extension with SF through 2024 on 3/9/22.



ELIJAH MITCHELL

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RB * 5-10 * 200 * LOUISIANA

5.2.98 * ERATH, LA * 3RD YEAR * ACQUIRED D-6 IN '21

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021: FedEx Ground Player of the Week (Week 8)

GOLDMINE

- Mitchell has always paired his love for football with his love for those around him on and off the field. In 2020, Mitchell led his team to a win in Louisiana's final game, and dedicated the feat to the late Coach Looney, the team's offensive line coach who died of a heart attack during an August team workout shortly before the start of preseason camp. On what would have been coach Looney's 32nd birthday, Mitchell and the offense ran the ball for 265 rushing yards to cement the victory. "It was very important (to end the season with a win), man," said Mitchell. "We've been through so much with coach Looney, with just everything going on," Mitchell said, "and we just put it in our minds that we just wanted this year to be great, no matter what the circumstances."
- In November of 2016, when Mitchell and Erath HS chased its first playoff win in 12 years. Former Bobcat Ross Granger neared the end of a lengthy battle with brain cancer. Realizing that his childhood friend might not have much more time, Mitchell – then a senior – played inspired. Early in the second half, Ross' Father, Nathan informed the team that Ross had died. Mitchell continued to run with a passion and ended the evening with 331 rushing yards in a blowout victory. After the final whistle sounded, Mitchell embraced his QB, Ross' little brother, Mason. Mitchell continues to honor Ross' legacy. In the 49ers win in the 2021 NFC Divisional Round at GB, Mitchell sported wristbands that proud displayed "Team Ross".



MITCHELL'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His love for the game of football has always been palpable to those around him. "I really believe he's in love with football," UL running backs coach Jabbar Juluke said.
- Prides himself on being known as a tough, hardworking running back and earned that reputation amongst his teammates and coaches at Louisiana. "Those moments make you feel pretty good," Mitchell said. "It means that the coaches trust you with the ball when it is crunch time. It makes you feel like you are a playmaker and someone the team can count on when things get tough."

MITCHELL'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rsh	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Sep 10	at Pit										
Sep 17	at LAR										
Sep 21	NYG										
Oct 1	Arz										
Oct 8	Dal										
Oct 15	at Cle										
Oct 23	at Min										
Oct 29	Cin										
Nov 12	at Jax										
Nov 19	TB										
Nov 23	at Sea										
Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
Dec 17	at Arz										
Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- As a senior at Erath (LA) HS, Mitchell went out of his way to create some special memories for his classmate, Eddie Armond. Armond, who was born with down syndrome, attended every Erath football game. Mitchell showed his appreciation by ensuring Armond got his own opportunity to play. In the 2nd qtr. of a game against rival Patterson (LA) HS, Armond joined the offense at the Patterson 20-yd. line, where Erath was in position to score. Mitchell showed him where to stand and got down in a three point stance in front of Armond as his lead blocker. Erath quarterback, Mason Granger, handed Armond the ball and he took off running up the middle. Armond scored and everyone, including the opposing players, congratulated him for the TD. The play even earned Armond the Gulf Coast Bank/Abbeville Meridional Co-Offensive Player of the Week. "Eddie was beyond ecstatic," said his mother, Dawn Armond. "He called himself the Erath king. Elijah was his best friend. When we were on the sidelines and Elijah made a play, he'd look for Eddie and say, 'Eddie, did you see that?,' And he would explain the play to Eddie. He would include him in the game to make sure he knew what was going on. I enjoyed that. When Elijah sat down, Eddie would sit with him. They just kind of blended."



MITCHELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD		YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2021	SF	11	10	207	963	4.7	39	5	19	137	7.2	14	1
2022	SF	5	1	45	279	6.2	37	2	3	7	2.3	5	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		16	11	252	1,242	4.9	39	7	22	144	6.5	14	1

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	ATT	RUSHING				NO	RECEIVING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD		YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2021	SF	3	2	55	169	3.1	16	1	7	57	8.1	21	0
2022	SF	2	0	23	53	2.3	13	0	2	25	12.5	18	1
TOTALS		5	2	78	222	2.8	16	1	9	82	9.1	21	1

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** at Phi. (9/19/21); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at Phi (9/19/21 – 11–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – (–11)–yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – at Det. (9/12/21 – 38 yds.); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – 4 yds.) **100–yd. Games:** Regular Season – 5 – Last vs. Hou. (1/2/22 – 119 yds.); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – vs. Hou. (1/2/22 – 8–yd. pass from QB Trey Lance)

MITCHELL'S CAREER 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES (5)

Date	Opp	Rsh	Yds	Avg	TD	Date	Opp	Rsh	Yds	Avg	TD
9/12/21	at Det.	19	104	5.5	1	11/28/21	vs. Min.	27	133	4.9	1
10/24/21	vs. Ind.	18	107	5.9	1	1/2/22	vs. Hou.	21	119	5.7	0
10/31/21	at Chi.	18	137	7.6	1						

MITCHELL'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushes: Regular Season – 27 (2 times) Last vs. Min. (11/28/21); Postseason – 27 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 137 at Chi. (10/31/21); Postseason – 96 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Rushing TDs: Regular Season – 2 vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 1 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 39 at Chi. (10/31/21); Postseason – 16 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Receptions: Regular Season – 5 (2 times) Last vs. Min. (11/28/21); Postseason – 3 (2 times) Last at LAR (1/30/22)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 43 vs. Arz. (11/7/21); Postseason – 50 at LAR (1/30/22)

Receiving TDs: Regular Season – 1 vs. Hou. (1/2/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 14 at Arz. (10/10/21); Postseason – 21 at LAR (1/30/22)

MITCHELL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 6th–round (194th overall) draft choice by SF in 2021...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/13/22.....Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 11/12/22...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/3/22...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 1/7/23.



JAKE MOODY

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K * 6-1 * 210 * MICHIGAN

11.23.99 * NORTHVILLE, MI * ROOKIE * ACQUIRED D-3B IN '23

GOLDMINE

- In March of 2023 while preparing for the NFL draft, Moody took time to visit his former elementary school to read to 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students.



- During the 2022 college football season, Moody set out to raise \$25,000 for the University of Michigan Health C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in support of innovative and groundbreaking pediatric cancer research through 'Money Moody's Good for 3' Campaign. Good for 3 had a weekly sponsor that donated \$300 for every field goal Moody made during that particular game of the season. He also challenged fans to donate on game days to double or even triple the impact of the gifts made by sponsors. By the end of the season, Moody had exceeded his goal.



MOODY'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Was a two-year starter on Northville (MI) HS's baseball team playing third base and pitcher. He clocked in the low 80s from the mound and was a career .300 hitter.
- Played soccer until he was 11 years old and began kicking footballs in the sixth grade.
- Once met his idol, NFL K Matt Prater at a Detroit pizza parlor and was so excited to meet Prater that he blew off HOF WR Calvin Johnson, who eventually introduced himself during the conversation.

MOODY'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	Pts	XP-XPA	FG-FGA	Kick-By-Kick
Sep 10	at Pit					
Sep 17	at LAR					
Sep 21	NYG					
Oct 1	Arz					
Oct 8	Dal					
Oct 15	at Cle					
Oct 23	at Min					
Oct 29	Cin					
Nov 12	at Jax					
Nov 19	TB					
Nov 23	at Sea					
Dec 3	at Phi					
Dec 10	Sea					
Dec 17	at Arz					
Dec 25	Bal					
Dec 31	at Was					
TBD	LAR					

TOTALS

MOODY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	G	XP	XPA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	BLK	LG	PTS
2023											
TOTALS											

MOODY'S CAREER FIELD GOAL STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	1-19	PCT	20-29	PCT	30-39	PCT	40-49	PCT	50+	PCT	TOT
2023												
TOTALS												

MOODY'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of three 3rd-round (99th overall) draft choices by SF in 2023.



JAYLON MOORE

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OL × 6-4 × 311 × WESTERN MICHIGAN

1.9.98 × DETROIT, MI × 3RD YEAR × ACQUIRED D-5A IN '21

GOLDMINE

- While at Western Michigan, Moore played behind Chukwuma Okorafor, who was drafted himself by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 3rd round (92nd overall) of the 2018 NFL Draft. Okorafor helped Moore's transition from defensive to offensive line. Said Moore about his time with Okorafor, "He taught me a lot. Just watching him, I feel like I'm more comfortable to have seen what he's done and where he's at now, and everything that he's taught me as far as understanding coverages, understanding spacing and just getting to the right spots at the right time."
- Moore was invited and attended the 2021 Reese's Senior Bowl in Mobile, AL. He, along with former WMU teammate D'Wayne Eskridge (pictured below), were part of the National Team. Moore and Eskridge will see each other twice a year as Eskridge was drafted in the 2nd round (56th overall) of the 2021 NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks.



MOORE'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Gained 25 pounds his senior season at Consortium College Prep (Detroit, MI) to transition from tight end to the offensive line. Western Michigan's head coach at the time, P.J. Fleck, saw him make the transition to offensive line his senior year, leaving his impression on Fleck as a "hidden gem."
- State of Michigan football is in his family as his cousin, Timothy Ford, played at Siena Heights University.

MOORE'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 24/5: 2021 (7/3); 2022 (17/2)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 3/0: 2021 (0/0); 2022 (3/0)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** vs. Ind. (10/24/21)

MOORE'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of three 5th-round (155th overall) draft choices by SF in 2021.

ODUM'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	IND	16	2	28	19	9	0.0	0.0	1	14	14	0	2	0	0	0
2019	IND	16	1	31	26	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	2	0	0
2020	IND	16	0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2021	IND	17	7	45	36	9	0.0	0.0	1	21	21	0	2	0	1	0
2022	SF	17	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	1	25	25	0	1	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		82	10	106	82	24	0.0	0.0	3	60	25	0	5	2	1	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	IND	2	0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2020	IND	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		6	0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 66: 2018 (9); 2019 (6); 2020 (20); 2021 (10); 2022 (21); **Postseason – 3:** 2018 (3)

Special Teams Forced Fumbles – 2: 2020 (1); 2021 (1)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2019 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Cin. (9/9/18); **First Start:** vs. Ten. (11/18/18); **First INT:** Regular Season – vs. Dal. (12/26/18 – QB Dak Prescott); **First FR:** Regular Season – vs. NYJ (11/4/21); **First FF:** Regular Season – at KC (10/6/19)

ODUM'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 9 vs. NYG (12/23/18); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last at KC (1/12/19)
Solo: Regular Season – 7 at Arz. (12/25/21); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last at KC (1/12/19)
Assists: Regular Season – 5 vs. NYG (12/23/18)
Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) at Arz. (12/25/21)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/8/23)
Interception Yards: Regular Season – 25 vs. Arz. (1/8/23)
Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 25 vs. Arz. (1/8/23)
Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 vs. NYJ (11/4/21)
Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last at TB (12/8/19)

ODUM'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by Ind. on 5/1/18...Re-Signed with Ind. on a one-year deal on 4/19/21...Signed a three-year deal with SF on 3/22/22.



ISAIAH OLIVER

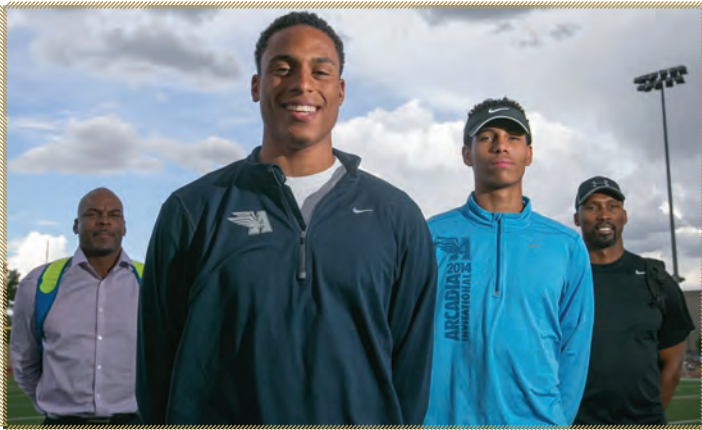
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CB * 6-0 * 210 * COLORADO

9.30.96 * PHOENIX, AZ * 6TH YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '23

GOLDMINE

- Coming out of high school, Oliver was a highly successful two-sport athlete. In addition to being all-state and all-section in football during his career, Oliver also lettered four times in track & field, earning all-state honors his junior and senior year. He participated in the decathlon and was a state champion in the 110-hurdles, 300-hurdles and was on Brophy College Prep (Phoenix, AZ)'s state championship 4x400 relay team as the anchor.
- Oliver's track & field coach in high school was his father, Muhammad, who was a NCAA All-American. Muhammad finished 4th at the NCAA decathlon championship in 1992 with a score of 8,087 and also played CB at the University of Oregon.



- Following in his father's footsteps, Oliver continued to be a dual-sport athlete in college. He competed in the decathlon for two years at Colorado and earned All-Pac-12 honors in both seasons he competed. Oliver finished 4th in the event at the Pac-12 Championships as a sophomore and posted the highest score (7,331) by a Colorado decathlete in 43 years at the California Invitational.



OLIVER'S GOLDEN NUGGET

- His father, Muhammad, and uncle, Damon Mays, both played in the NFL. Muhammed played DB for the Denver Broncos (1992), Green Bay Packers (1993), Kansas City Chiefs (1993), Miami Dolphins (1994) and Washington Commanders (1995), while Damon was a WR for the Houston Oilers (1992-93).

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Track & field not only helped Oliver get to the NFL, it introduced him to his wife, Drianna, as she competed at Colorado in the pentathlon and outdoors in the heptathlon. Drianna registered top-ten finishes in every pentathlon she competed in and placed 13th at the Pac-12 Championships two-consecutive years in the heptathlon.



OLIVER'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

OLIVER'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	ATL	14	2	19	16	3	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
2019	ATL	16	16	61	49	12	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	11	1	0	0
2020	ATL	16	12	70	51	19	1.0	12.0	0	0	–	0	6	1	0	0
2021	ATL	4	3	9	6	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	3	1	1	2
2022	ATL	12	5	36	24	12	1.0	7.0	1	27	27	0	7	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		62	38	195	146	49	2.0	19.0	2	27	27	0	34	3	1	2

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 8: 2018 (4); 2019 (1); 2021 (2); 2022 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. NO (9/23/18); **First Start:** vs. Cin. (9/30/18); **First INT:** Regular Season – at Car. (12/23/18 – QB Taylor Heinicke); **First Sack:** Regular Season – at Car. (10/29/20 – QB Teddy Bridgewater); **First FR:** Regular Season – at NYG (9/26/21 – TE Evan Engram); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Hou. (10/6/19 – WR Will Fuller V)

OLIVER'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 9 (2 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/1/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 7 at SF (12/15/19)

Assists: Regular Season – 5 vs. Sea. (9/13/20)

Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 (2 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/1/23)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 (11 times) Last vs. TB (1/8/23)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last vs. SF (10/16/22)

Interception Yards: Regular Season – 27 vs. SF (10/16/22)

Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 27 vs. SF (10/16/22)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 at NYG (9/26/21)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (3 times) Last at NYG (9/26/21)

OLIVER'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 2nd-round (58th overall) draft choice by Atl. in 2018...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 10/5/21...Re-Signed with Atl. on a one-year deal on 3/18/22...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/1/22...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 10/15/22...Signed a two-year deal with SF on 3/16/23.



TAYBOR PEPPER

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LS × 6-4 × 245 × MICHIGAN STATE

5.28.94 × SALINE, MI × 6TH YEAR × ACQUIRED FA IN '20

GOLDMINE

- When he's not on the football field, one of Pepper's favorite hobbies is video game streaming. After signing a contract with the New York Giants in 2018, his first purchase was video game equipment. "I got a computer and two monitors," said Pepper. "I've been watching streams on Twitch since early 2012, 2011. It's my main form of entertainment, even today." At one point, Pepper was streaming on a full-time basis, garnering a few hundred views each day playing games like World of Warcraft, Skyrim and more. "More and more people are going to be exposed to technology, which means video games will be more accessible, which will increase the competition level in e-sports," said Pepper. Following his NFL career, Pepper has considered pursuing a career in e-sports. "I also would love to find a way to join an e-sports organization," said Pepper. "The one I have my eye on is 100 Thieves. They have some really good teams, but alongside that, they have a really awesome streetwear presence and are expanding to be more than just an e-sports organization. I think it'd be a cool look to have a pro athlete be a part of it."

PEPPER'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Participated in track & field at Saline (MI) HS.
- Father, Cam, was an offensive lineman at Illinois.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- An undrafted free agent, Pepper knows that the NFL can be unpredictable. While preparing for an opportunity to sign with a team, Pepper began offering lessons to local long snappers in the East Lansing and Grand Rapids areas. The lessons were a way to help make some extra income as well as extra practice before joining a team. "You just never know when you are going to get a call," said Pepper.

PEPPER'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 66/0: 2017 (4/0); 2019 (16/0); 2020 (12/0); 2021 (17/0); 2022 (17/0)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 6/0: 2021 (3/0); 2022 (3/0)

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 2: 2020 (2)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Chi. (9/28/17)

PEPPER'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed a Reserve/Future contract with GB on 1/27/17...Waived by GB on 5/8/17...Signed a one-year deal with Bal. on 8/28/17...Waived by Bal. on 9/1/17...Signed a one-year deal with GB on 9/25/17...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 11/3/17...Signed a two-year deal with NYG on 12/31/18...Waived by NYG on 8/31/19...Signed a two-year deal with Mia. on 9/2/19...Waived by Mia. on 4/26/20...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 9/30/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 12/28/20...Signed a two-year extension through 2022 with SF on 2/4/21...Signed a three-year extension through 2025 with SF on 2/28/23.



MATT PRYOR

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OL * 6-7 * 332 * TEXAS CHRISTIAN

12.16.94 * LAKEWOOD, CA * 6TH YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '23

GOLDMINE

- In 2022, NFL Players have the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during a designated home game between Weeks 13-15. Pryor and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Pryor chose to raise awareness for mental health and supported Kicking the Stigma, an organization striving to "Kick the Stigma" around mental health and encourage anyone battling these illnesses to seek the help they need.

PRYOR'S GOLDEN NUGGET

Did not play organized football until his freshman year of high school and only received one DI scholarship offer, despite this he capitalized on his opportunity at TCU.



PRYOR'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 60/24: 2019 (12/0); 2020 (15/10); 2021 (17/5); 2022 (16/9)
POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 1/1: 2019 (1/1)

Additional Statistics:
Fumble Recoveries – 1: 2022 (1)

Milestones:
NFL Debut: vs. Det. (9/22/19); **First Start:** vs. Cin. (9/27/20)

PRYOR'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 6th-round (206th overall) draft choice by Phi. in 2018...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 10/16/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 10/22/20...Traded to Ind. on 8/31/21...Re-signed with Ind. on a one-year-deal on 3/16/22...Signed a one-year deal with SF on 3/27/23.

PURDY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	PASSING											RUSHING					
		GP	GS	ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	LG	SK	LST	RTG	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	9	5	170	114	67.1	1,374	13	4	54t	11	84	107.3	22	13	0.6	13	1
2023	SF																	
TOTALS		9	5	170	114	67.1	1,374	13	4	54t	11	84	107.3	22	13	0.6	13	1

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	PASSING											RUSHING					
		GP	GS	ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	LG	SK	LST	RTG	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2022	SF	3	3	63	41	65.1	569	3	0	74t	4	23	109.8	7	24	3.4	13	1
TOTALS		3	3	63	41	65.1	569	3	0	74t	4	23	109.8	7	24	3.4	13	1

Additional Statistics:

Fumble–Lost – Postseason – 1–1: 2022 (1–1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Car. (10/9/22); **First Passing TD:** Regular Season – vs. Mia (12/4/22 – 3–yd. TD pass to FB Kyle Juszczyk); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – vs. TB (12/11/22 – 2–yd. run); Postseason – vs. Sea. (1/14/23 – 1–yd. run)

PURDY'S CAREER HIGHS

Passes Attempted: Regular Season – 37 vs. Mia (12/4/22); Postseason – 30 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Completions: Regular Season – 25 vs. Mia (12/4/22); Postseason – 19 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)
Completion Percentage: Regular Season – 76.2 vs. TB (12/11/22); Postseason – 65.5 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)
Passing Yards: Regular Season – 284 at LV (1/1/23); Postseason – 332 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Long Pass: Regular Season – 54 (2 times) Last vs. Was. (12/24/22); Postseason – 74t vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Passing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 3 vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 3 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

QB Rating: Regular Season – 141.2 vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 131.5 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Rushes: Regular Season – 4 (3 times) Last vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 4 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 7 vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 16 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Rushing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 1 vs. TB (12/11/22); Postseason – 1 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)
Long Rush: Regular Season – 13 vs. Arz. (1/8/23); Postseason – 13 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

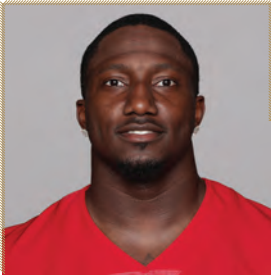
PURDY'S CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES (1)

Date	Opp	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD
1/14/23*	Sea.	30	18	332	3

*Postseason

PURDY'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 7th–round (262nd overall) draft choice by SF in 2022.



DEEBO SAMUEL

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WR × 6-0 × 215 × SOUTH CAROLINA

1.15.96 × INMAN, SC × 5TH YEAR × ACQUIRED D-2 IN '19

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021: NFC Offensive Player of the Week (Week 8 & Week 10), NFC Pro Bowl, AP First-Team All-Pro, Len Eshmont Award



CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Became the 3rd player in NFL history to have 1,000 rec. yds., 5 rec. TDs and 5 rushing TDs in a season [SF RB Roger Craig (1985) and StL RB Marshall Faulk (1999)].

PLAYERS TO REGISTER 1,000 REC. YDS., 5 REC. TDs AND 5 RUSHING TDs IN A SINGLE SEASON, NFL HISTORY

Player	Year	Games
Deebo Samuel, SF	2021	11
Marshall Faulk, StL	1999	16
Roger Craig, SF	1985	16

- Became the 3rd-fastest player in franchise history (29 games) to reach 2,000 career rec. yds. at Chi. (10/31/21).
- Finished the 2019 season with 802 rec. yds., which is 2nd all-time for most receiving yards by a rookie in franchise history.

FASTEST TO 2,000 REC. YDS., FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice	27
2. Gene Washington	28
3. Deebo Samuel	29
4. George Kittle	33
5. Michael Crabtree	39

MOST REC. YDS. IN A SINGLE SEASON BY A ROOKIE, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Year	Yds.
1. Jerry Rice	1985	927
2. Deebo Samuel	2019	802
3. Brandon Aiyuk	2020	748
4. Gene Washington	1969	711
5. Dave Parks	1964	703

- His 57 receipts. in 2019 are 3rd all-time for most receipts. by a rookie in franchise history.

MOST RECEPTS. IN A SINGLE SEASON BY A ROOKIE, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Year	Receipts.
1. Earl Cooper (RB)	1980	83
2. Brandon Aiyuk	2020	60
3. Deebo Samuel	2019	57
4. Gene Washington	1969	51
5. Jerry Rice	1985	49

SAMUEL'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His father, Galen, gave him the nickname "Deebo" after the notorious bully in the 1995 movie *Friday* because he was always taking things away from people as a toddler. In high school, his stepmother, Precious Martin, gave him another nickname, "Sweet Feet," due to his speed.
- Lists his favorite player growing up as Reggie Bush.

SAMUEL'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Sep 10	at Pit							
Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
Oct 1	Arz							
Oct 8	Dal							
Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

- Registered 3 games with 100-or-more rec. yds. during the 2019 season, which are the most in a single season by a rookie in franchise history.

MOST 100-YD. REC. GAMES IN A SINGLE SEASON BY A ROOKIE, FRANCHISE HISTORY		
Player	Year	Games
1. Deebo Samuel	2019	3
2t. Brandon Aiyuk	2020	2
Jerry Rice	1985	2
Dave Parks	1964	2

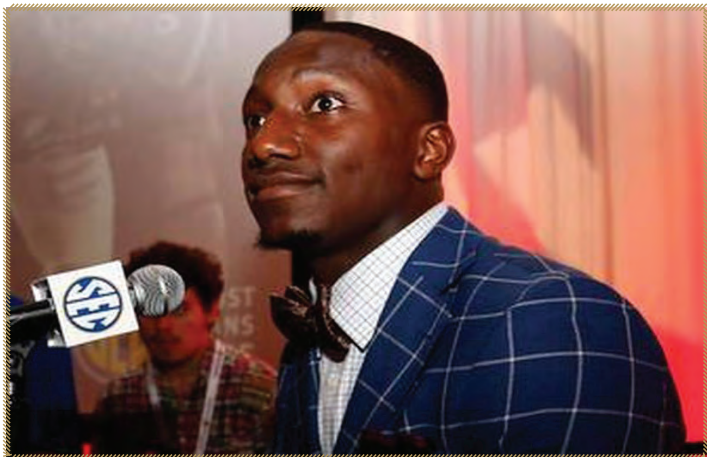
- Registered 3 games with 100-or-more rec. yds. during the 2019 season. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, his 3 games with 100-or-more rec. yds. are the most in a single season by a rookie in franchise history.
- According to the Elias Sports Bureau, he became the first WR in franchise history to have 3-or-more rushing TDs in a single season. He is the first WR to have 3-or-more rushing TDs in a single season in the NFL since 2016 (WR Tyreek Hill, KC - 3 rushing TDs & WR Ty Montgomery, GB - 3 rushing TDs).

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Samuel, a South Carolina native, knew he wanted to stay close to home when he went to college. Growing up with eight siblings, family has been a staple in his life. Step-mom, Precious Martin, noted that Deebo and his siblings were always hanging out at the house and encouraging each other to accomplish their goals. One of her goals was to finally get her college degree after struggling in college during her youth. Deebo, like with the other members of his family, was there to support her, often helping her with her homework. "Deebo used to help me a lot with my math courses, he's real good in math," said Martin. "They've seen me working hard as far as working and working hard at school, a lot of sacrifices I had to make and a lot of things I had to miss out with them. I think that plays a major part in my children wanting to further their education." Her goal was accomplished when both she and Deebo graduated from college.
- A retail management major at South Carolina, Samuel is passionate about fashion and his appearances in front of the camera. His fashion flair became something he was known for during his time in Columbia, usually with help from his stepmom, Precious. Martin and Samuel would often video chat while he was away from home so she could help pick out his outfits. "I love it. It makes me feel like he needs me," she said. "I can't get enough of it. I don't know if he does it more for me or more for him." Samuel was even referred to as the best dressed player at SEC Media Day. When asked about Samuel's style, a former coach remarked that his style doesn't always coincide with his personality. "Coming through here he'd always be dressed to the max. It's surprising knowing how humble he is and soft-spoken he is, but it's almost like his clothing is his alter-ego," said Steven Fusaro, who coached Deebo during his time at Chapman High. Following his football career, Samuel hopes to start his own clothing line.

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SAMUEL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2019	SF	15	11	57	802	14.1	42t	3	14	159	11.4	31	3
2020	SF	7	5	33	391	11.8	35	1	8	26	3.3	10	0
2021	SF	16	15	77	1,405	18.2	83	6	59	365	6.2	49	8
2022	SF	13	12	56	632	11.3	57t	2	42	232	5.5	51	3
2023	SF												
TOTALS		51	43	223	3,230	14.5	83	12	123	782	6.4	51	14

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2019	SF	3	3	10	127	12.7	30	0	6	102	17.0	32	0
2021	SF	3	3	10	154	15.4	44t	1	27	137	5.1	26t	1
2022	SF	3	3	13	211	16.2	74t	1	13	34	2.6	22	0
TOTALS		9	9	33	492	14.9	74t	2	46	273	5.9	32	1

Additional Statistics:

Fumbles-Lost – 9-5: 2019 (2-1), 2021 (4-2); 2022 (3-2) **Postseason – 1-1:** 2022 (1-1)

Tackles – Regular Season – 2: 2019 (1); 2022 (2) **Postseason – 1:** 2019 (1)

Fumble Recoveries – 2: 2019 (1); 2021 (1)

Passing Attempts/Completions – 2/1: 2021 (2/1)

Passing TDs – 1: 2021 (1)

Passing Yards – 24: 2021 (24)

Tackles – 2: 2020 (1); 2021 (1)

Kick Returns – 3: 2021 (3) **Postseason – 1:** 2021 (3)

Kick Return Yards – 75: 2021 (75) **Postseason – 71:** 2021 (71)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at TB (9/8/19); **First Start:** at TB (9/8/19); **First Reception:** Regular Season – at TB (9/8/19 – 14-yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20 – 10-yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First TD Reception:** Regular Season – at Cin. (9/15/19 – 3-yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); Postseason – at LAR (1/30/22 – 44-yd. pass from QB Jimmy Garoppolo); **First Rushing TD:** Regular Season – vs. Car. (10/27/19 – 20-yds.); Postseason – at Dal. (1/16/22 – 26-yds.); **100-yd. Games:** Regular Season – 10, Last vs. LAR (10/3/22 – 115 yds.); Postseason – vs. Sea. (1/14/23 – 133 yds.); **First Multi-TD Game:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (10/3/21); **First Kick Return:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (10/3/21 – 15 yds.)

SAMUEL'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (11)

Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
11/11/19	vs. Sea.	8	112	14.0	0	10/24/21	vs. Ind.	7	100	14.3	1
11/17/19	vs. Arz.	8	134	16.8	0	10/31/21	at Chi.	6	171	28.5	0
12/29/19	at Sea.	5	102	20.4	0	12/23/21	at Ten.	9	159	17.7	0
11/29/20	at LAR	11	133	12.1	0	10/3/22	vs. LAR	6	115	19.2	1
9/12/21	at Det.	9	189	21.0	1	1/14/23*	vs. Sea.	6	133	22.2	1
10/3/21	vs. Sea.	8	156	19.5	2						

*Postseason

SAMUEL'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: Regular Season – 11 at LAR (11/29/20); Postseason – 6 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Receiving Yards: Regular Season – 189 at Det. (9/12/21); Postseason – 133 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Reception: Regular Season – 83 at Chi. (10/31/21); Postseason – 74t vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

TD Receptions: Regular Season – 2 vs. Sea. (10/3/21); Postseason – 1 (2 times) Last vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Rushes: Regular Season – 8 (2 times) Last at Cin. (12/12/21); Postseason – 10 (2 times) Last at GB. (1/22/22)

Rushing Yards: Regular Season – 79 at Jax. (11/21/21); Postseason – 72 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Rushing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 2 vs. Min. (11/28/21); Postseason – 1 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Long Rush: Regular Season – 51 vs. Sea. (9/18/22); Postseason – 32 (2 times) Last at KC (2/2/20)

Passes Attempted: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last at LAR (1/9/22)

Completions: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (1/9/22)

Passing Yards: Regular Season – 24 at LAR (1/9/22)

Long Pass: Regular Season – 24t at LAR (1/9/22)

Passing Touchdowns: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (1/9/22)

Kick Returns: Regular Season – 2 vs. Ind. (10/24/21); Postseason – 2 (2 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)

Kick Return Yards: Regular Season – 60 vs. Ind. (10/24/21); Postseason – 65 at Phi. (1/29/23)

Kick Return Long: Regular Season – 33 vs. Ind. (10/24/21); Postseason – 45 at GB (1/22/22)

SAMUEL'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 2nd-round (36th overall) draft choice by SF in 2019...Placed on the Active/Non-Football Injury List on 7/28/20...Activated from the Active/Non-Football Injury List on 9/5/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 9/12/20...Activated from the Injured Reserve List on 10/3/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/4/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/6/20...Signed a three-year extension through 2025 with SF on 8/1/22.



AMBRY THOMAS

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CB × 6-0 × 190 × MICHIGAN

9.9.99 × DETROIT, MI × 3RD YEAR × ACQUIRED D-3B IN '21

GOLDMINE

- In April of 2022, Thomas joined Muslims of the World and Mercy-USA in flying thousands of miles to a small village in Somalilands, Somalia, where villagers had no access to water. Food and water in the area are very scarce as Somalilands had not seen rain in nine months, leaving the land arid and it's people thirsty. Thomas met with children of the village, distributed clean water to the villagers and even offered to match any donation of the suggested \$50 a month through a social media post. "The situation is heartbreaking, but just \$50 could spark a change," said Thomas, who saw the visit as the perfect way to kick off Ramadan. Thomas' efforts online paid off, as he was able to reach over 10,000 supporters to the Somaliland Water Relief campaign who raised over \$500,000 within a week of the first post.
- In June of 2019, Thomas was diagnosed with colitis. He quickly lost 35 pounds and was told he would not be able to play. Thomas dedicated himself to his return throughout a 34-day hospital stay. Thomas became a leader on his team and took charge in every way he could. "I don't know how he did it," former Michigan defensive coordinator Don Brown said. "I really don't. He's a special guy, now. Some guys would have missed a lot of time. Not this guy. He didn't miss a thing. That was the thing – I would walk off shaking my head: 'I can't believe this guy is functioning as well as he is. But that's who he is.'"
- His defensive coordinator wasn't the only coach who was impressed with Ambry's determination. "One thing that really stands out, looking back on it, was Ambry's attitude, his positive attitude, his attention to detail in terms of doing everything the doctors told him," Michigan coach Jim Harbaugh said. "Right down to the rest, the diet, the fluids he was taking in. He was so mature with the attitude that he had."



THOMAS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- After dreaming of playing together in high school, cousin Jaylen Kelly Powell joined Thomas at Michigan to be teammates on the Wolverines squad. "We've been playing with each other all our life," Thomas said of Powell. "In Little League, we played Detroit Dolphins together. We were supposed to play at the same high school together, which was (Martin Luther) King, but he went to Cass (Technical). Every time I play him I act like I don't know him."
- Won two state championships at Martin Luther King (Detroit, MI) HS, which he and his teammates cite as honoring his late high school coach, Dale Harvel.

THOMAS' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
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Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

THOMAS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	12	5	19	14	5	0.0	0.0	1	0	–	0	5	0	0	0
2022	SF	15	0	5	5	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		27	5	24	19	5	0.0	0.0	1	0	–	0	5	0	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2021	SF	2	2	16	13	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2022	SF	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		2	2	16	13	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 14: 2021 (6); 2022 (8)

Kickoff Returns – 4: 2021 (4)

Kickoff Return Yards – 70: 2021 (70)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Det. (9/12/21); **First Start:** at Cin. (12/12/21); **First INT:** Regular Season – at LAR (1/9/22 – QB Matthew Stafford)

THOMAS' CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 6 at Cin. (12/12/21); Postseason – 13 at LAR (1/30/22)

Solos: Regular Season – 4 at Jax. (11/21/21); Postseason – 10 LAR (1/30/22)

Assists: Regular Season – 4 at Cin. (12/12/21); Postseason – 3 at LAR (1/30/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 at Ten. (12/23/21); Postseason – 1 at Dal. (1/16/22)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 at LAR (1/9/22)

Kickoff Returns: Regular Season – 4 at Det. (9/12/21)

Kickoff Return Yards: Regular Season – 70 at Det. (9/12/21)

THOMAS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally the second of two 3rd-round (102nd overall) draft choices by SF in 2021...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/5/22...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 1/7/22.



CHARVARIUS WARD

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CB * 6-1 * 196 * MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE

5.16.96 * MCCOMB, MS * 6TH YEAR * ACQUIRED FA IN '22

GOLDMINE

- During Week 12 of the 2021 season, Ward traveled to his hometown of McComb, MS during the Chiefs' Bye Week to donate \$10,000 worth of holiday food with help from the Boys and Girls Club and the Mississippi Food Network. "This is the place that made me who I am. Like, this is the reason why I'm in the NFL now," Ward said. "I love my hometown. This is the place that made me. I got a lot, so I just chose to give back this year and I'm making it a tradition from now on to give back every year. I just love my people and I want to give back to them." Ward, along with volunteers from The Boys & Girls Club and McComb High School, distributed turkeys and fresh produce to 290 families. Although Ward says this is just the beginning for his newly founded charity, Charvarius for Change.



- When Ward was a child, a large cyst in his hip left him wheelchair-bound for an extended period of time. During this period of his life, Ward built a strong bond with his family, his mother in particular, as they assisted him in all aspects of his daily life. Due to the injury, Ward did not play organized football until his senior year of high school, but against all odds, eventually made it to the NFL.

WARD'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- First name is pronounced char-VEAR-ee-us.
- Founded the 'Charvarius for Change' foundation in 2021. The foundation's inaugural event occurred in November and Ward says there'll be many more coming soon to his hometown of McComb, MS.
- Began his collegiate career at Hinds CC (MS) where he spent two seasons before transferring to Middle Tennessee State University.

WARD'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	SoI	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
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TOTALS

WARD'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	KC	13	2	18	17	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	3	0	0	0
2019	KC	16	16	74	56	18	0.0	0.0	2	10	10	0	10	1	0	0
2020	KC	14	13	51	38	13	1.0	9.0	0	0	–	0	6	0	0	0
2021	KC	13	12	67	48	19	0.0	0.0	2	0	–	0	10	0	0	0
2022	SF	17	17	87	59	28	0.0	0.0	1	9	9	0	11	1	1	40
2023	SF															
TOTALS		73	60	297	218	79	1.0	9.0	5	19	10	0	40	2	1	40

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	KC	2	1	11	6	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	4	0	0	0
2019	KC	3	3	9	7	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2020	KC	3	3	18	15	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	0	0	0
2021	KC	3	3	11	12	4	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	3	0	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	13	12	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	3	0	0	0
TOTALS		14	13	67	52	15	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	12	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 12: 2018 (12)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Den. (10/1/18); **First Start:** at Sea. (12/23/18); **First INT:** Regular Season – at Oak. (9/15/19 – QB Derek Carr); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Oak. (9/15/19 – QB Derek Carr); **First Sack:** at Den. (10/25/20 – QB Drew Lock); **First FR:** Regular Season – at Sea. (12/15/22 – RB Travis Homer)

WARD'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 10 (3 times) Last at Arz. (11/21/22); Postseason – 7 (2 times) Last vs. Buf. (1/24/21)
Solo: Regular Season – 9 at Oak. (12/30/18); Postseason – 6 (2 times) Last vs. Buf. (1/24/21)
Assists: Regular Season – 5 at Den. (9/25/22); Postseason – 3 vs. NE (1/20/19)
Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 4 at Car. (10/9/22); Postseason – 4 vs. Ind. (1/12/19)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (5 times) Last vs. Sea. (9/18/22)
Interception Yards: Regular Season – 10 at Oak. (9/15/19)
Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 10 at Oak. (9/15/19)
Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (2 times) Last at Den. (9/25/22)
Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 at Sea. (12/15/22)
Sacks: Regular Season – 1.0 at Den. (10/25/20)

WARD'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally signed as an undrafted free agent by Dal. on 4/30/18...Traded to KC on 8/31/18...Re-Signed with KC on a one-year deal through 2021 on 6/10/21... Placed on the Reserve/Covid-19 List on 12/20/21...Activated from the Reserve/Covid-19 List on 12/23/21...Signed a three-year deal with SF on 3/16/22.



FRED WARNER

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LB × 6-3 × 230 × BRIGHAM YOUNG

11.19.96 × SAN MARCOS, CA × 6TH YEAR × ACQUIRED D-3A IN '18

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2019:** NFC Defensive Player of the Month (November), NFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 12).
- 2020:** AP First-Team All-Pro, Len Eshmont Award, Bill Walsh Award, NFC Pro Bowl, NFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 16).
- 2022:** NFC Pro Bowl Games, NFLPA First-Team All-Pro, AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, Bill Walsh Award



CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2018, became the first NFL rookie since 2000 to begin his career with 4 consecutive games of at least 10 tackles, according to Gamebook Statistics.

GOLDMINE

- Warner credits his mother, Laura, as the number one influence in his life. He notes that his mother raised him and his siblings all by herself while making sacrifices along the way. "She taught all of us about hard work," Warner said. On draft day, Laura was by Fred's side as he was selected by the 49ers in the third round. "She was right next to me," he said. "She got the first hug."



- During the 2022 offseason, Warner and his fellow linebackers, Azeez Al-Shaair and Dre Greenlaw, were invited to throw out the first pitch at a San Francisco Giants game. The trio took a few swings at batting practice and mingled with Giants players prior to throwing out ceremonial first pitches and cheering on the hometown team.



WARNER'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- In 2020, was the recipient of the 49ers Len Eshmont Award, which is voted on by the players and is given to the 49er who best exemplifies the inspirational and courageous play of Len Eshmont, an original member of the 1946 49ers team.
- Named the recipient of the 2020 Bill Walsh Award, which was established in 2004 in honor of San Francisco's Hall of Fame Head Coach. The award, which is voted on by the coaching staff, is given to the 49er who has best represented the standard of professional excellence established by Walsh. Walsh served as the team's head coach for 10 seasons from 1979-88. In that time, he compiled a record of 102-63-1 and led the team to three Super Bowls. He was twice named Coach of the Year (1981, 1984) and was later named Coach of the Decade for the 1980s.
- Caught the attention of BYU coaches after a die-hard BYU fan and family friend sent Warner's highlight tape to the coaches and was later offered a scholarship.
- At BYU, was roommates with his younger brother Troy, who played cornerback for the Cougars and signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers as a free agent in 2021.

WARNER'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
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Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													

TOTALS

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- NFL players had the opportunity to participate in the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign during the 2019 season. Warner and his teammates represented their respective causes with custom-designed cleats in an effort to raise awareness and funding. Warner represented Cancer CAREPOINT and said, "I play to honor my grandmother who passed from breast cancer."
- The 49ers hosted the third annual Crucial Catch Fashion Show presented by Dignity Health in October of 2019, featuring cancer warriors representing all cancers as they modeled apparel donated by Levi's. Warner and his teammates were paired with each of the warriors to share their stories of strength and courage with the audience and walk the runway.
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- In October of 2019, Warner teamed up with the St. Baldrick's Foundation, a volunteer-powered charity that funds childhood cancer research grants. During the fundraiser, they assisted in shaving the heads of volunteers as a symbol of support of the cancer warriors.



WARNER'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2018	SF	16	16	123	84	39	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	6	1	1	0
2019	SF	16	16	118	89	29	3.0	31.0	1	46	46t	1	9	3	0	0
2020	SF	16	16	125	79	46	1.0	11.0	2	3	3	0	6	1	2	0
2021	SF	16	16	137	79	58	0.5	5.0	0	0	–	0	4	1	3	0
2022	SF	17	17	130	79	51	2.0	14.5	1	20	20	0	10	1	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		81	81	633	410	223	6.5	61.5	4	69	46t	1	35	7	6	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2019	SF	3	3	20	11	9	0.0	0.0	1	3	3	0	2	0	0	0
2021	SF	3	3	21	13	8	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0
2022	SF	3	3	23	16	7	0.0	0.0	1	16	16	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS		9	9	64	40	24	0.0	0.0	2	19	16	0	4	1	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 1: 2018 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Min. (9/9/18); **First Start:** at Min. (9/9/18); **First FF:** Regular Season – at Min. (9/9/18 – RB Dalvin Cook); Postseason – at GB (1/22/22 – TE Marcedes Lewis); **First FR:** Regular Season – at Arz. (10/28/18 – TE Jermaine Gresham); **First Sack:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (11/11/19 – QB Russell Wilson); **First Multi-Sack Game:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (11/11/19 – 2.0; QB Russell Wilson); **First INT:** Regular Season – vs. LAR (12/21/19 – QB Jared Goff); Postseason – at KC (2/2/20 – QB Patrick Mahomes); **First TD:** Regular Season – vs. LAR (12/21/19)

WARNER'S CAREER MULTI-SACK GAMES (1)

Date	Opp	Sacks	Yds	QB
11/11/19	vs. Sea.	2.0	18.0	Russell Wilson (2.0)

WARNER'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 15 vs. Hou. (1/2/22); Postseason – 10 at LAR (1/30/22)

Solo: Regular Season – 11 at Min. (9/9/18); Postseason – 7 (2 times) vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 9 at LV (1/1/23); Postseason – 4 (2 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 3 (2 times) Last vs. LAC (11/13/22); Postseason – 1 (3 times) Last at LAR (1/30/22)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 (7 times) Last vs. NO (11/27/22); Postseason – 1 at GB (1/22/22)

Fumble Recoveries: Regular Season – 1 (6 times) Last vs. Atl. (12/19/21)

Sacks: Regular Season – 2.0 vs. Sea. (11/11/19)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 (4 times) Last vs. Mia. (12/4/22);

Postseason – 1 (2 times) last vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Interception Yards: Regular Season – 46t vs. LAR (12/21/19); Postseason – 16 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Long Interception Return: Regular Season – 46t vs. LAR (12/21/19); Postseason – 16 vs. Dal. (1/22/23)

Interception Returns for TD: Regular Season – 1 vs. LAR (12/21/19)

WARNER'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 3rd-round (70th overall) draft choice by SF in 2018...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 8/31/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 9/9/20... Signed a five-year extension through 2026 with SF on 7/21/21.



TRENT WILLIAMS

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AWARDS & HONORS

- 2012:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2013:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2014:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2015:** AP Second-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFC Team, NFC Pro Bowl
- 2016:** PFWA All-NFC Team, *Sporting News* First-Team All-Pro, NFC Pro Bowl
- 2017:** *Sporting News* First-Team All-Pro, NFC Pro Bowl
- 2018:** NFC Pro Bowl
- 2020:** NFC Pro Bowl, Garry Niver Award
- 2021:** NFL Way to Play (Week 3 & Week 5), NFC Pro Bowl, AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team, Garry Niver Award, *Sporting News* All-Pro
- 2022:** NFC Pro Bowl Games, NFLPA First-Team All-Pro, AP First-Team All-Pro, PFWA All-NFL Team, PFWA All-NFC Team



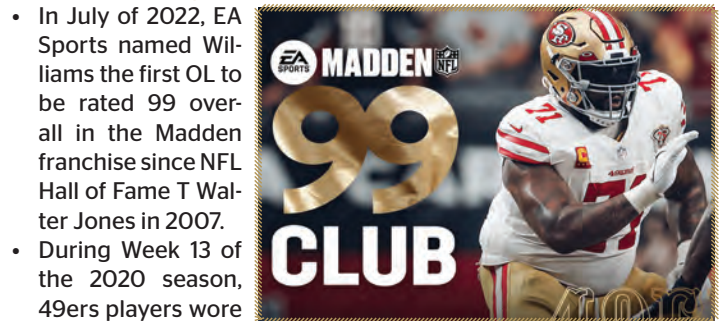
WILLIAMS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Was the 49ers 2020 and 2021 Garry Niver Award winner, presented annually by the San Francisco Chapter of the Pro Football Writers of America to a 49ers player for his cooperation and professionalism in helping the writers do their jobs.
- Honored in his hometown of Longview, Texas, with "Trent Williams Day" on May 12, 2010 to celebrate his selection in the NFL Draft.
- In 2016, Williams partnered with Nike in order donate over 1,000 shoes to give to each elementary school campus in his hometown of Longview, Texas, for kids who are in need.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

GOLDMINE

- When Williams was young, he and his family lost his paternal grandfather, John L. Hawkins, due to Type 2 diabetes. It affected Williams deeply, saying, "Not being able to build that relationship with my grandfather, sometimes I still think about it." To honor his memory and expand the awareness and prevention of diabetes, Williams began to serve as an ambassador for the American Diabetes Association in 2014, and has done so ever since in order to help others focus on the importance of wellness in life. "As we all know, it affects a lot of Americans, not just around the world, but in America we have almost 30 million people living with the disease," Williams said. "It's almost catastrophic, and it can be without the right awareness. Obviously, I lost my grandfather at a young age to this disease, so I have a special interest in working with the ADA every year. To me, I feel like it's something that I have to do," Williams said. "I owe it to my family and to myself to do."



- In July of 2022, EA Sports named Williams the first OL to be rated 99 overall in the Madden franchise since NFL Hall of Fame T Walter Jones in 2007.
- During Week 13 of the 2020 season, 49ers players wore custom cleats as a part of the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign. Williams and his teammates highlighted their respective causes, with Williams representing the DFSP Foundation.



GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- In May of 2017, Williams returned to his roots as he walked through the Lobo Stadium tunnel at his alma mater of Longview High School. Williams returned to Texas to partake in a ceremony held by the school for the 2006 Longview graduate in conjunction with the football team's Green-White Game in order to retire his No. 71 jersey. He became the second former player to have his jersey number retired in the school's history. "It's a surreal feeling," Williams said. "Never in my wildest dreams did I ever imagine getting my jersey retired, especially at a high school like this that's rich in tradition in football. To know that I've done enough in my career, and I feel like I've got a lot left to do, to have my jersey retired, it's a blessing."



GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Throughout his career, Williams has made it a priority to assist and help those who shaped him in his younger years. In 2015, Williams donated \$25,000 to his high school alma mater to help fund EKG screening for every member of the football program. He has also donated a new locker room, new shoes for elementary students and Christmas gifts for those in need in his hometown of Longview, Texas. "This is home," his mother, Veronica, said. "Trent loves giving back to the community here. When it's involving children, that's his first love." Williams' former high school coach, John King, added, "The money he's given our football program, our athletic program, our high school, the at-risk kids throughout the district and in this community, he's never forgotten home. He's done a lot of things that haven't gotten recognition. Just a tremendous person."
- In June of 2018, Williams hosted the 5th Life and Skills Camp, also known as Silverback football camp, at Lobo Stadium in his hometown of Longview, Texas. Williams hosted more than 100 athletes during the afternoon with assistance from Los Angeles Rams LB Travin Howard, who also attended Longview High School, as well as other volunteer coaches. Williams enjoys being able to give back to his community, and said, "This is where I grew up, the place that birthed me. Anytime I get a chance to come back and connect with the community, I love it."



WILLIAMS' CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 162/161: 2010 (14/13); 2011 (10/10); 2012 (16/16); 2013 (16/16); 2014 (15/15); 2015 (14/14); 2016 (12/12); 2017 (10/10); 2018 (13/13); 2019 (IR); 2020 (14/14); 2021 (15/15); 2022 (14/14)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 8/8: 2012 (1/1); 2015 (1/1); 2021 (3/3); 2022 (3/3)

Additional Statistics:

Fumble Recoveries – 2: 2017 (1); 2018 (1)

Tackles – 12: 2010 (1); 2011 (2); 2013 (4); 2014 (1); 2017 (2); 2020 (1); 2021 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Dal. (9/12/10); **First Start:** vs. Dal. (9/12/10); **100th Career Start:** at KC (10/2/17)

WILLIAMS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 1st-round (4th overall) draft choice by Was. in 2010...Placed on the Reserve/Suspended List on 12/6/11...Signed a five-year extension through 2020 with Was. on 8/30/15...Placed on the Reserve/Suspended List on 11/1/16... Activated from the Reserve/Suspended List on 12/6/16...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 12/23/17...Placed on the Reserve/Did Not Report List on 7/27/19...Placed on the Exempt List on 10/30/19...Placed on the Reserve/NFI List on 11/7/19...Traded to SF on 4/25/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/4/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/6/20...Placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/20/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID-19 List on 11/28/20...Placed on the Injured Reserve List on 1/1/21...Re-signed with SF on a six-year deal on 3/23/21.



BRAYDEN WILLIS

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GOLDMINE

- Willis' position coach at Oklahoma was Joe John Finley, a former 49ers TE who played for the team from 2008-10. "The first thing that comes to my mind when I think about Brayden is just that dog mentality. You come across a bunch of great football players in your life and one thing they all have in common is they all have that killer mentality. He took that into every part of his life, he was the hardest worker on the team, and he was a leader through his actions," Finley remarked when asked about Willis and his work ethic. "He wore out our jugs machine, I think he caught 10,000 balls the last two summers that he was here. And thats a lot of balls to catch over the summer in addition to all of those things we ask those guys to do, go to class, their workouts, and seven on seven, routes on air, all that good stuff. He actually caught 10,000 per summer which is unbelievable."

WILLIS' GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Has one sister, Grace, who plays soccer at Texas State.
- Earned the nickname "Weight Room Willy" in college for his work ethic and strength in the weight room.
- Hosts an Oklahoma football podcast with his former teammate, Jeremiah Hall, called "The Podcast on the Prairie."

WILLIS' GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Sep 10	at Pit							
Sep 17	at LAR							
Sep 21	NYG							
Oct 1	Arz							
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Oct 15	at Cle							
Oct 23	at Min							
Oct 29	Cin							
Nov 12	at Jax							
Nov 19	TB							
Nov 23	at Sea							
Dec 3	at Phi							
Dec 10	Sea							
Dec 17	at Arz							
Dec 25	Bal							
Dec 31	at Was							
TBD	LAR							

TOTALS

WILLIS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	NO	RECEIVING				ATT	RUSHING			
					YDS	AVG	LG	TD		YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2023	SF												
TOTALS													

WILLIS' TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of three 7th-round (247th overall) draft choices by SF in 2023.



MITCH WISHNOWSKY

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AWARDS & HONORS

- 2019:** NFC Special Teams Player of the Week (Week 9)
- 2021:** NFC Special Teams Player of the Week (Week 2)
NFC Special Teams Player of the Month (September)
- 2022:** NFC Special Teams Player of the Month (September)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- His 32 punts inside the 20-yd. line in 2022 were the 4th most by a member of the 49ers in a single season.
- Wishnowsky also ranks 2nd in franchise history in yds. per punt avg. (min. 100 punts) with a 45.2 avg.

MOST PUNTS PLACED INSIDE THE 20 IN A SINGLE SEASON, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee (2007)	42
2. Andy Lee (2012)	36
3. Andy Lee (2010)	34
4. Mitch Wishnowsky (2022)	32
5. Bradley Pinion (2015 & 2017)	31

GOLDMINE

- During Week 13 of the 2020 season, 49ers players wore custom cleats as a part of the NFL's annual My Cause, My Cleats campaign. Wishnowsky and his teammates highlighted their respective causes, with Wishnowsky representing the World Wildlife Fund.
- While working as a glazier, a glass installation specialist, in Australia, Wishnowsky's friends began showing him NFL games. After a couple years, he decided to leave his job and move to Melbourne to join ProKick Australia, a training academy for aspiring punters. Founded by Nathan Chapman, an Australian who once had an opportunity with the Packers, the academy has had massive success, with about 50 punters on Division I scholarships. "While Americans grow up wanting to throw the ball, we grow up trying to kick 60-yard goals," he said. "Sure, the techniques are slightly different, but the swing of your leg is pretty much the same. We have that muscle memory drilled into us from a young age."



WISHNOWSKY'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Last name is pronounced wish-NOW-ski.
- Left school at the age of 17 to take an apprenticeship as a glass installation specialist.
- Accumulated 62 punts that traveled 50-or-more yards during his career at Utah, 2nd most in the school's history.

WISHNOWSKY'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In20	Lg	Blk
Sep 10	at Pit										
Sep 17	at LAR										
Sep 21	NYG										
Oct 1	Arz										
Oct 8	Dal										
Oct 15	at Cle										
Oct 23	at Min										
Oct 29	Cin										
Nov 12	at Jax										
Nov 19	TB										
Nov 23	at Sea										
Dec 3	at Phi										
Dec 10	Sea										
Dec 17	at Arz										
Dec 25	Bal										
Dec 31	at Was										
TBD	LAR										

TOTALS

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- Prior to Week 2's matchup in Cincinnati during the 2019 season, the 49ers spent time in Youngstown, OH, where they participated in the Community Blitz. Wishnowsky and some of his teammates joined the students at Williamson Elementary School to talk about inclusion and anti-bullying. The players spoke at an assembly before helping the kids write compliment cards and discuss how to be kind to one another.
- Participated in the 49ers Annual Community Day, helping pack more than 31,000 nutritious meals in collaboration with Feeding Children Anywhere. The meals, along with groceries and backpacks, were distributed to those most in need in East San Jose.
- Wishnowsky is a naturally talented athlete, whether it is something that requires pure strength or skill. While he participated in universally popular athletics, like soccer and rugby, he enjoyed any sort of competition. When he was 12 years old, he won a major West Australian Billiards tournament. Before shifting to football in the U.S., he was a member of a local semi-pro team in the West Australian Football League. While at Santa Barbara Community College, he found that his ideal conditioning was a mix of hitting the weight room and playing beach volleyball.



WISHNOWSKY'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	G	NO	YDS	AVG	RET	YDS	NET	TB	IN 20	LG	BLK
2019	SF	16	52	2,333	44.9	23	131	41.6	2	23	65	0
2020	SF	16	66	3,093	46.9	23	183	41.6	6	25	60	1
2021	SF	17	57	2,566	45.0	20	156	40.5	5	21	67	0
2022	SF	17	61	2,676	43.9	17	153	39.7	5	32	74	0
2023	SF											
TOTALS		66	236	10,668	45.2	83	623	40.9	18	101	74	1

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	G	NO	YDS	AVG	RET	YDS	NET	TB	IN 20	LG	BLK
2019	SF	3	8	349	43.6	2	0	41.1	1	4	56	0
2021	SF	3	14	601	42.9	3	16	40.4	2	6	52	0
2022	SF	3	9	389	43.2	1	0	41.0	1	6	57	0
TOTALS		9	31	1,339	43.2	6	16	40.7	4	16	57	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 10: 2019 (2); 2020 (4); 2021 (3); 2022 (1)

XP–XPA – 2–4: 2021 (1–2); 2022 (1–2)

FG–FGA – 0–1: 2021 (0–1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at TB (9/8/19); **First punt inside–20:** Regular Season – at TB (9/8/19); Postseason – vs. Min. (1/11/20); **First PAT:** Regular Season – vs. Sea. (10/3/21)

WISHNOWSKY'S CAREER HIGHS

Punts: Regular Season – 9 vs. Was. (12/13/20); Postseason – 5 (2 times)
Last at LAR (1/30/22)

Gross Average: Regular Season – 54.8 vs. GB (11/5/20); Postseason – 57.0 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Net Average: Regular Season – 50.5 vs. Arz. (11/17/19); Postseason – 57.0 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Long Punt: Regular Season – 74 at Den. (9/25/22); Postseason – 57 vs. Sea. (1/14/23)

Inside–20: Regular Season – 4 (2 times) Last vs. Was. (12/13/20); Postseason – 3 (2 times) Last at Phi. (1/29/23)

WISHNOWSKY'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 4th–round (110th overall) draft choice by SF in 2019...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/27/21...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 1/1/22...Signed a four–year extension with SF through 2026 on 9/16/22.



CHARLIE WOERNER

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GOLDMINE

- Woerner grew up in a busy household, as he was brother to six siblings: Rachel, Allen, Peter, Jack, Sally and Lucy. As the second youngest of seven kids, Woerner gained his competitive spirit by trying to keep up with his older brothers. Whether it was on the playground or out hunting, Woerner always pushed himself to keep up the pace set by his siblings. "People ask me, 'Who did you look up to when you were young?'" Woerner said. "I don't say some pro athlete or college athlete. I've always looked up to my big brothers. They're who I spent all my time with. Definitely, without a doubt, they're the biggest influences in my life."



- Growing up in a small town in Georgia, Woerner and his family love outdoor activities, as they all enjoy hunting wild turkey and other game in the area. "I think a lot of it was just being outside playing," he said. "Mom and Dad would make us stay outside for the whole day. We'd go inside to get water and they'd just shove us right back outside. We were always in the woods running around."



WOERNER'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His last name is pronounced WER-ner.
- Has caught several sharks while fishing in the ocean.
- Woerner followed in the footsteps of his uncle, Scott Woerner, a College Football Hall of Fame defensive back who helped Georgia win a national title in 1980 and was drafted in the 3rd round (80th overall) of the 1981 NFL Draft by the Atlanta Falcons. Additionally, Woerner's father, Kent, was a fullback at Furman University.



WOERNER'S GAME-BY-GAME

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TOTALS

WOERNER'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2020	SF	14	0	3	36	12.0	18	0	0	0	–	–	0
2021	SF	17	3	5	52	10.4	27	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	17	2	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2023	SF												
TOTALS		48	5	8	88	11.0	27	0	0	0	–	–	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	RECEIVING					RUSHING				
				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
2021	SF	3	1	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
2022	SF	3	0	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0
TOTALS		6	1	0	0	–	–	0	0	0	–	–	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 17: 2020 (3); 2021 (8); 2022 (6) **Postseason – 2:** 2022 (2)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. Arz. (9/13/20); **First Start:** vs. Ind. (10/24/21); **First Reception:** Regular Season – vs. Buf. (12/7/20 – 15–yd. pass from QB Nick Mullens)

WOERNER'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 2 vs. Buf. (12/7/20)

Long Reception: 27 vs. Ind. (10/24/21)

Receiving Yards: 33 vs. Buf. (12/7/20)

WOERNER'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 6th–round (190th overall) draft choice by SF in 2020...Placed on the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/19/20...Activated from the Reserve/COVID–19 List on 12/29/20...Placed on the Active/Physically Unable to Perform List on 7/27/22...Activated from the Active/Physically Unable to Perform List on 8/15/22.



SAMUEL WOMACK III



CB × 5-10 × 189 × TOLEDO

7.7.99 × DETROIT, MI × 2ND YEAR × ACQUIRED D-5 IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Womack comes to the 49ers with a pair of connections to current 49ers CBs, Ambry Thomas and Ka'Dar Hollman. Womack and Thomas both grew up in Detroit, MI and although they went to rival high schools, the two remain close. "I don't like his school, but me and him have a great relationship," Womack said. "That's my man, that's my brother. Me and him worked out a couple times and chopped it up a couple times, so I'm familiar with him." Womack continued his playing career at the University of Toledo where he spent two years alongside Hollman, a fellow walk-on who earned himself a scholarship. Both Rockets ran 4.3s in the 40-yd. dash on their Pro Days, something that Toledo head coach Jason Candle attributes to their hard work and commitment to the team's strength and conditioning program. "They have a very similar state of mind," Candle said. "It's probably not an accident that those two guys are playing for the 49ers. Because if you think back to some of the guys on that coaching staff and in that organization, it's about toughness, it's about working hard and doing what you do and earning your way."

WOMACK'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Played both WR and CB in HS at East English Village (Detroit, MI) Prep. Had over 1,000 rec. yds. and 20 rec. TDs along with 11 INTs as a senior.
- Played alongside current 49ers CB Ka'Dar Hollman at Toledo for two seasons (2017-18). The two won a MAC Championship together in 2017.
- Ran a 4.39 at Toledo's Pro Day. The second-fastest time recorded by any Rocket in attendance, trailing only current Bengals S Tycen Anderson.

WOMACK'S GAME-BY-GAME

2023

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 10	at Pit													
Sep 17	at LAR													
Sep 21	NYG													
Oct 1	Arz													
Oct 8	Dal													
Oct 15	at Cle													
Oct 23	at Min													
Oct 29	Cin													
Nov 12	at Jax													
Nov 19	TB													
Nov 23	at Sea													
Dec 3	at Phi													
Dec 10	Sea													
Dec 17	at Arz													
Dec 25	Bal													
Dec 31	at Was													
TBD	LAR													
TOTALS														

WOMACK'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	16	1	15	11	4	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
2023	SF															
TOTALS		16	1	15	11	4	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
				TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2022	SF	3	0	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		3	0	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – Regular Season – 4: 2022 (4) Postseason – 2: 2022 (2)

Special Teams Fumble Recoveries – Regular Season – 1: 2022 (1)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Chi. (9/11/22); **First Start:** at Chi. (9/11/22); **First FF:** at Den. (9/25/22); **First INT:** at Arz. (QB Trace McSorley – 11/21/22)

WOMACK'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: Regular Season – 4 at Arz. (11/21/22); Postseason – 3 vs.

Sea. (1/14/23)

Solo: Regular Season – 3 at Arz. (11/21/22); Postseason – 3 vs. Sea.

(1/14/23)

Assists: Regular Season – 2 at Atl. (10/16/22)

Forced Fumbles: Regular Season – 1 at Den. (9/25/22)

Interceptions: Regular Season – 1 at Arz. (11/21/22)

Passes Defensed: Regular Season – 2 at Arz. (11/21/22)

WOMACK'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 5th-round (172nd overall) draft choice by SF in 2022.



NICK ZAKELJ

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OL * 6-6 * 316 * FORDHAM

6.22.99 * BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, OH * 2ND YEAR * ACQUIRED D-6A IN '22

GOLDMINE

- Zakelj's path to the NFL was anything but traditional. The Brecksville-Broadview Heights (OH) HS product was a zero-start recruit when he joined FCS Fordham University's football team. Once on campus, the former LB converted to OL. If it wasn't for another Fordham teammate and current Miami Dolphins RB Chase Edmonds, Zakelj may have not ended up where he is today. When NFL scouts from all 32 teams came to see Edmonds his senior year, they were struck by the potential Zakelj possessed as a freshman playing offensive line for the first time. The story came full circle when the 49ers drafted the four-year starter five years later in the sixth-round of the 2022 NFL Draft.
- Zakelj earned his Master's Degree in business analytics while at Fordham and is passionate about the subject. Zakelj said if he wasn't in the NFL he'd probably pursue a career in baseball analytics, something he explores in his free time. "Baseball reference is the coolest thing ever. Looking at Barry Bonds' baseball reference page... that 2004 season is so crazy," Zakelj said. "Sites like fan-graphs make it so much easier for a casual fan to understand that stuff. As I got further in my studies at Fordham, I was actually able to take that data and analyze it myself."

ZAKELJ'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- Last name is pronounced zuh-CAL.
- Played LB at Brecksville-Broadview Heights (OH) HS alongside former Iowa State and current Kansas City Chiefs LB Mike Rose.
- Received All-Patriot-League honors in three consecutive seasons. Was selected to the first-team in 2021 and 2019 and the second team in 2018.
- Member of the Patriot League All-Academic team in 2021.

ZAKELJ'S CAREER STATISTICS

GAMES/STARTS – 5/0: 2022 (5/0)

POSTSEASON GAMES/STARTS – 0/0: 2022 (0/0)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: at Car. (10/9/22)

ZAKELJ'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally the first of three sixth-round (187th overall) draft choices by SF in 2022.

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SERVICE

MOST SEASONS PLAYED

Player	Seasons
1. John Brodie (1957–1973)	17
2. Jerry Rice (1985–2000)	16
Jimmy Johnson (1961–1976)	16
4. Charlie Krueger (1959–1973)	15
Len Rohde (1960–1974)	15

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES PLAYED

Player	Games
1. Brian Jennings (2000–2012)	208
Len Rohde (1960–1974)	208
3. Jerry Rice (1985–2000)	189
4. Leo Nomellini (1950–1963)	174

MOST REGULAR SEASON GAMES PLAYED

Player	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jerry Rice	WR	1985–2000	16	238
2. Jimmy Johnson	DB/HB	1961–1976	16	213
3. Brian Jennings	TE/LS	2000–2012	13	208
Bryant Young	DT	1994–2007	14	208
Len Rohde	T	1960–1974	15	208
6. John Brodie	QB	1957–1973	17	201
7. Charlie Krueger	DT	1959–1973	15	198
8. Keith Fahnhorst	T	1974–1987	14	193
9. Randy Cross	G/C	1976–1988	13	185
10. Jesse Sapolu	G/C	1983–1997	15	182

MOST REGULAR SEASON GAMES PLAYED BY POSITION

Quarterbacks	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. John Brodie	QB	1957–1973	17	201
2. Joe Montana	QB	1979–1992	14	167
3. Steve Young	QB	1987–1999	13	150
4. Y.A. Tittle	QB	1951–1960	10	112
5. Steve Spurrier	QB	1967–1975	9	92
6. Alex Smith	QB	2005–2012	8	80
7. Jeff Garcia	QB	1999–2003	5	74
8. Colin Kaepernick	QB	2011–2016	6	69
9. Jimmy Garoppolo	QB	2017–2022	6	57
10. Elvis Grbac	QB	1993–1996	4	43

Offensive Linemen	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Len Rohde	T	1960–1974	15	208
2. Keith Fahnhorst	T	1974–1987	14	193
3. Randy Cross	G/C	1976–1988	13	185
4. Jesse Sapolu	C/G	1983–1997	15	182
5. Joe Staley	T	2007–2019	13	181
6. Steve Wallace	T	1986–1996	11	166
7. Bruce Bosley	C/G	1956–1968	13	163
8. John Ayers	G	1977–1986	10	148
9. Guy McIntyre	G	1984–1993	10	145
10. Fred Quillan	C	1978–1987	10	143

WRs/TEs	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jerry Rice	WR	1985–2000	16	238
2. Brian Jennings	TE/LS	2000–2012	13	208
3. Brent Jones	TE	1987–1997	11	143
4. Vernon Davis	TE	2006–2015	9	139
5. Mike Wilson	WR	1981–1990	10	136
6. Dwight Clark	WR	1979–1987	9	134
7. Gene Washington	WR	1969–1977	9	124
8. Terrell Owens	WR	1996–2003	8	121
John Taylor	WR	1987–1995	9	121
10. Freddie Solomon	WR	1978–1985	8	114

Running Backs	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Frank Gore	RB	2005–2014	10	148
2. Joe Perry	FB	1950–1963	12	131
3. Ken Willard	FB	1965–1973	9	125
4. Roger Craig	RB	1983–1990	8	121
5. Tom Rathman	FB	1986–1993	8	115
6. Fred Beasley	FB	1998–2005	8	114
7. Terry Jackson	RB	1999–2005	7	100
8. Hugh McElhenny	HB	1952–1960	9	97
J.D. Smith	HB	1956–1964	9	97
10. Dexter Carter	RB	1990–1996	7	90

Defensive Linemen	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Bryant Young	DT	1994–2007	14	208
2. Charlie Krueger	DT	1959–1973	15	198
3. Leo Nomellini	DT	1950–1963	14	174
4. Roland Lakes	DT	1961–1970	10	140
5. Cedrick Hardman	DE	1970–1979	10	139
6. Tommy Hart	DE	1968–1977	10	131
7. Isaac Sopoaga	DT	2005–2012	8	125
8. Michael Carter	NT	1984–1992	9	121
9. Dwaine Board	DE	1979–1988	10	117
10. Justin Smith	DT	2008–2014	7	110
Dennis Brown	DE	1990–1996	7	110

Linebackers	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Matt Hazeltine	LB	1955–1968	14	176
2. Keena Turner	LB	1980–1990	11	153
Dave Wilcox	LB	1964–1974	11	153
4. Frank Nunley	LB	1967–1976	10	137
5. Willie Harper	LB	1973–1983	11	134
Mike Walter	LB	1984–1993	10	134
7. Ahmad Brooks	LB	2009–2016	8	120
Jeff Ulbrich	LB	2000–2009	10	120
9. Skip Vanderbundt	LB	1969–1977	9	119
10. Patrick Willis	LB	2007–2014	8	112
Ken Norton	LB	1994–2000	7	112

Secondary	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jimmy Johnson	DB/HB	1961–1976	16	213
2. Mel Phillips	DB	1966–1977	12	147
3. Ronnie Lott	S	1981–1990	10	129
4. Merton Hanks	S	1991–1998	8	125
5. Don Griffin	CB	1986–1993	8	114
6. Tim McDonald	S	1993–1999	7	111
7. Eric Wright	CB	1981–1990	10	110
8. Jimmie Ward	DB	2014–2022	9	106
9. Dontae Johnson	CB	2014–2021	7	101
10. Tarell Brown	CB	2007–2013	7	100
Bruce Taylor	CB	1970–1977	8	100

Kickers	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Ray Wersching	K	1977–1987	11	155
2. Tommy Davis	K	1959–1969	11	138
3. Mike Cofer	K	1988–1993	6	96
4. Robbie Gould	K	2017–2022	6	90
5. Joe Nedney	K	2005–2010	6	86

Punters	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Andy Lee	P	2004–2014	11	176
2. Tom Wittum	P	1973–1977	5	70
3. Mitch Wishnowsky	P	2019–present	4	66
4. Bradley Pinion	P	2015–2018	4	64
5. Max Runager	P	1984–1988	5	59

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCORING

ALL-TIME LEADING SCORERS

Player	Years	Gms	TDs	Rsh	Rec	Ret	2-pt	PAT	FG	Pts
1. Jerry Rice	1985-2000	238	187	10	176	1	4	0/0	0/0	1,130
2. Ray Wersching	1977-1987	155	0	0	0	0	0	409/425	190/261	979
3. Tommy Davis	1959-1969	138	0	0	0	0	0	348/350	130/276	738
4. Robbie Gould	2017-2022	90	0	0	0	0	0	221/230	161/184	704
5. Mike Cofer	1988-1993	96	0	0	0	0	0	289/296	128/191	673
6. Gordy Soltau	1950-1958	107	25	0	25	0	0	284/303	70/139	644
7. Joe Nedney	2005-2010	86	0	0	0	0	0	154/154	129/149	541
8. Terrell Owens	1996-2003	121	83	2	81	0	2	0/0	0/0	502
9. Bruce Gossett	1970-1974	70	0	0	0	0	0	163/168	99/153	460
10. Frank Gore	2005-2014	148	76	64	11	1	1	0/0	0/0	458
11. Phil Dawson	2013-2016	64	0	0	0	0	0	130/132	99/115	427
12. Roger Craig	1983-1990	121	66	50	16	0	0	0/0	0/0	396
13. Ken Willard	1965-1973	125	61	45	16	0	0	0/0	0/0	366
14. Gene Washington	1969-1977	124	59	0	59	0	0	0/0	0/0	354
15. Joe Perry	1950-1963	131	57	50	7	0	0	6/7	1/6	351
16. Vernon Davis	2006-2015	139	55	0	55	0	1	0/0	0/0	332
17. Hugh McElhenny	1952-1960	97	51	35	15	1	0	0/0	0/0	306
18. David Akers	2011-2012	32	0	0	0	0	0	78/78	73/94	297
19. Billy Wilson	1951-1960	100	49	0	49	0	0	0/0	0/0	294
20. Dwight Clark	1979-1987	134	48	0	48	0	0	0/0	0/0	288
Freddie Solomon	1978-1985	114	48	3	43	2	0	0/0	0/0	288

MOST POINTS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	TDs	XPM	XPA	FGM	FGA	2pt	Pts
1. David Akers	2011	0	34	34	44	52	0	166
2. Robbie Gould	2017	0	28	30	39	41	0	145
3. Phil Dawson	2013	0	44	44	32	36	0	140
4. Jerry Rice	1987	23	0	0	0	0	0	138
5. Mike Cofer	1989	0	49	51	29	36	0	136
6. Robbie Gould	2022	0	50	51	27	32	0	131
David Akers	2012	0	44	44	29	42	0	131
Ray Wersching	1984	0	56	56	25	35	0	131
9. Jeff Wilkins	1996	0	40	40	30	34	0	130
10. Robbie Gould	2018	0	27	29	33	34	0	126
Ray Wersching	1983	0	51	51	25	30	0	126

Led NFL

Led Conference

+ NFL Record

LONGEST FIELDS GOALS

Player	Game	Lg
1. David Akers	at GB (9/9/12)	63
2. Joey Slye	vs. Ind. (10/24/21)	56
Phil Dawson	at Arz. (12/29/13)	56
Joe Nedney	at StL (12/24/05)	56
Mike Cofer	at Atl. (10/14/90)	56
6. Phil Dawson	vs. KC (10/5/14)	55
Phil Dawson	at NO (11/17/13)	55
David Akers	at Det. (10/16/11)	55
David Akers	vs. Dal. (9/18/11)	55
10. Phil Dawson	at StL (11/1/15)	54
Phil Dawson	at StL (10/13/14)	54
David Akers	at Sea. (12/23/12)	54
Steve Mike-Mayer	at LA Rams (11/9/75)	54
Bruce Gossett	vs. NO (10/21/73)	54

ALL-TIME SCORING

Touchdowns by Rushing	1,105
Touchdowns by Receptions	1,550
Touchdowns by Interception Return	94
Touchdowns by Kickoff Return	22
Touchdowns by Punt Return	30
Fields Goals Made	1,386
Safeties	36

50+ YARD FIELD GOALS, Career

Player	No.
1. Phil Dawson	14
2. Robbie Gould	13
3. Joe Nedney	10
4. David Akers	9
5. Mike Cofer	5

FIELD GOAL PCT., Career

Player	Pct.
1. Robbie Gould, 161-184	87.5
2. Joe Nedney, 129-149	86.6
2. Phil Dawson, 99-115	86.1
3. Ray Wersching, 190-261	72.8
4. Mike Cofer, 128-191	67.0

*Min. 100 atts.

FIELD GOAL PCT., Season

Player	Pct.
1. Robbie Gould, 2018 (33-34)	97.1
2. Robbie Gould, 2017 (39-41)	95.1
3. Joe Nedney, 2005 (26-28)	92.9
4. Wade Richey, 1999 (21-23)	91.3
5. Joe Nedney, 2007 (17-19)	89.5

*Min. 16 atts.

MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	187
2. Terrell Owens (WR)	83
3. Frank Gore (RB)	76
4. Roger Craig (RB)	66
5. Ken Willard (FB)	61
6. Gene Washington (WR)	59
7. Joe Perry (FB)	57
8. Vernon Davis (TE)	55
9. Hugh McElhenny (HB)	51
10. Billy Wilson (E)	49

MOST FGs MADE, Career

Player	FGM
1. Ray Wersching	190
2. Robbie Gould	161
3. Tommy Davis	130
4. Joe Nedney	129
5. Mike Cofer	128
6. Phil Dawson	99
Bruce Gossett	99
8. David Akers	73
9. Gordie Soltau	70
10. Wade Richey	54

MOST FGs ATTEMPTED, Career

Player	FGA
1. Tommy Davis	276
2. Ray Wersching	261
3. Mike Cofer	191
4. Robbie Gould	184
5. Bruce Gossett	153
6. Joe Nedney	149
7. Gordie Soltau	139
8. Phil Dawson	115
9. David Akers	94
10. Wade Richey	72

MOST PATs MADE, Career

Player	PAT
1. Ray Wersching	409
2. Tommy Davis	348
3. Mike Cofer	289
4. Gordie Soltau	284
5. Robbie Gould	221
6. Bruce Gossett	163
7. Joe Nedney	154
8. Phil Dawson	130
9. Wade Richey	122
10. Doug Brien	79

MOST PATs ATTEMPTED, Career

Player	PAT
1. Ray Wersching	425
2. Tommy Davis	350
3. Gordie Soltau	303
4. Mike Cofer	296
5. Robbie Gould	230
6. Bruce Gossett	168
7. Joe Nedney	154
8. Phil Dawson	132
9. Wade Richey	127
10. Doug Brien	81

SAFETIES, Career

Player	Safeties
1. Bryant Young	3
Charlie Krueger	3
3. Leo Nomellini	2
4. 19 Players	1

Last: Team 10/28/18 at Arz.

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCORING

TOP SINGLE-GAME SCORING PERFORMANCES

MOST POINTS

Player	Game	Points
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Atl. (10/14/90) – 5 TDs	30
2. Gordie Soltau (E)	vs. LA Rams (10/28/51) – 3 TDs, 1 FG, 5 PATs	26
3. Tevin Coleman (RB)	vs. Car. (10/27/19) – 4 TDs	24
Jerry Rice (WR)	at TB (11/14/93) – 4 TDs	24
Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61) – 4 TDs	24
6. Jeff Wilkins (K)	vs. Atl. (9/29/96) – 6 FGs, 3 PATs	21
Gordie Soltau (E)	vs. Bal. (12/13/53) – 2 TDs, 1FG, 6 PATs	21

MOST TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Game	TDs
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Atl. (10/14/90)	5
2. Tevin Coleman (RB)	vs. Car. (10/27/19)	4
Jerry Rice (WR)	at TB (11/14/93)	4
Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61)	4

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE

Player	Game	FGM
1. Robbie Gould	vs. Ten. (12/17/17)	6
Jeff Wilkins	vs. Atl. (9/29/96)	6
Ray Wersching	at NO (10/16/83)	6
3. Robbie Gould	at Chi. (12/3/17)	5
Robbie Gould	at Arz. (10/1/17)	5
Joe Nedney	vs. TB (10/30/05)	5
Jeff Chandler	vs. Chi. (9/7/03)	5
Bruce Gossett	at Den. (9/23/73)	5

MOST FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

Player	Game	FGA
1. Robbie Gould	vs. Ten. (12/17/17)	6
David Akers	vs. Arz. (11/20/11)	6
Joe Nedney	vs. TB (10/30/05)	6
Jeff Wilkins	vs. Atl. (9/29/96)	6
Ray Wersching	at NO (10/16/83)	6
Tommy Davis	at LA Rams (10/17/65)	6
Tommy Davis	at Dal. (11/20/60)	6
Gordie Soltau	at GB (11/23/58)	6

MOST PATs MADE

Player	Game	PATs Made
1. Mike Cofer	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	8
2. Mike Cofer	at Det. (12/19/93)	7
Mike Cofer	vs. Chi. (12/23/91)	7
Bruce Gossett	at Atl. (10/29/72)	7
Tommy Davis	vs. Chi. (9/19/65)	7
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/1/61)	7

MOST PATs ATTEMPTED

Player	Game	PATs Att.
1. Mike Cofer	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	8
2. Mike Cofer	at Det. (12/19/93)	7
Mike Cofer	vs. Chi. (12/23/91)	7
Bruce Gossett	at Atl. (10/29/72)	7
Tommy Davis	vs. Chi. (9/19/65)	7
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/1/61)	7

MOST CONSECUTIVE FIELD GOALS MADE

Player	FG
1. Robbie Gould (10/29/17 to 10/7/18)	33
2. Phil Dawson (10/6/13 to 12/29/13)	27
3. Robbie Gould (10/15/18 to 9/8/19)	25
4. Phil Dawson (9/14/15 to 12/13/15)	19
5. Joe Nedney (11/26/06 to 9/30/07)	18
6. Mike Cofer (12/4/88 to 10/1/89)	17
7. Wade Richey (12/27/98 to 11/7/99)	16
Gary Anderson (9/14/97 to 11/10/97)	16
9. Robbie Gould (12/1/19 to 9/27/20)	15
Robbie Gould (9/10/17 to 10/15/17)	15
David Akers (10/9/11 to 11/13/11)	15

MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Season

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (1987), 22 rec., 1 rush	23
2. Jerry Rice (1995), 15 rec., 1 rush, 1 fum. rec.	17
Jerry Rice (1989), 17 rec.	17
4. Terrell Owens (2001), 16 rec.	16
Jerry Rice (1993), 15 rec, 1 rush	16
Jerry Rice (1986), 15 rec., 1 rush	16

MOST FGs MADE, Season

Player	FGM
1. David Akers (2011)	44
2. Robbie Gould (2017)	39
3. Robbie Gould (2018)	33
4. Phil Dawson (2013)	32
5. Jeff Wilkins (1996)	30

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH FG MADE

Player	Games
1. David Akers (9/11/11 to 12/30/12)	32
2. Bruce Gossett (11/29/70 to 10/1/72)	21

MOST FGs ATTEMPTED, Season

Player	FGA
1. David Akers (2011)	52
2. David Akers (2012)	42
3. Robbie Gould (2017)	41
4. Mike Cofer (1988)	38
5. Phil Dawson (2013)	36
Gary Anderson (1997)	36
Mike Cofer (1990)	36
Mike Cofer (1989)	36
Bruce Gossett (1971)	36

MOST PATs MADE, Season

Player	PAT
1. Doug Brien (1994)	60
2. Mike Cofer (1993)	59
3. Ray Wersching (1984)	56
4. Mike Cofer (1992)	53
5. Ray Wersching (1985)	52
Tommy Davis (1965)	52

MOST CONSECUTIVE PATs MADE

Player	PAT
1. Tommy Davis (9/27/59 to 12/12/65)	234

MOST PATs ATTEMPTED, Season

Player	PAT
1. Doug Brien (1994)	62
2. Mike Cofer (1993)	61
3. Ray Wersching (1984)	56
4. Mike Cofer (1992)	54
5. Ray Wersching (1985)	53
Tommy Davis (1965)	53

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (12/19/86 to 12/27/87)	13
2. Raheem Mostert (11/24/19 to 9/20/20)	8
Terrell Owens (11/8/98 to 12/27/98)	8
Jerry Rice (12/8/89 to 11/27/89)	8
Freddie Solomon (10/28/84 to 12/14/84)	8
Dave Parks (11/7/65 to 9/11/66)	8

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PASSING

ALL-TIME LEADING PASSERS (BY YARDS)

Player	Years	Gms	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yards	TD	INT	Lg	QB	Rat	INT	Pct.
1. Joe Montana	1979-1992 (14)	167	4,600	2,929	63.7	35,124	244	123	96t	93.5	2.7		
2. John Brodie	1957-1973 (17)	201	4,491	2,469	55.0	31,548	214	224	83t	72.3	5.0		
3. Steve Young	1987-1999 (13)	150	3,648	2,400	65.8	29,907	221	86	97t	101.4	2.4		
4. Jeff Garcia	1999-2003 (5)	74	2,360	1,449	61.4	16,408	113	56	76t	88.3	2.4		
5. Y.A. Tittle	1951-1960 (10)	112	2,194	1,226	55.9	16,016	108	134	78t	70.0	6.1		
6. Alex Smith	2005-2012 (8)	80	2,177	1,290	59.3	14,280	81	63	75	79.1	2.9		
7. Jimmy Garoppolo	2017-2022 (6)	57	1,632	1,104	67.6	13,599	82	42	83	99.2	2.6		
8. Colin Kaepernick	2011-2016 (6)	69	1,692	1,011	59.8	12,271	72	30	80t	88.9	1.8		
9. Steve DeBerg	1978-1980 (3)	39	1,201	670	55.8	7,220	37	60	93t	63.1	5.0		
10. Steve Spurrier	1967-1975 (9)	92	840	441	52.5	5,250	33	48	81t	61.2	5.7		
11. Nick Mullens	2018-2020 (3)	19	600	387	64.5	4,714	25	22	85t	87.2	3.7		
12. Tim Rattay	2000-2005 (6)	32	586	356	60.8	3,941	24	18	89t	81.6	3.1		
13. Frankie Albert	1950-1952 (3)	36	601	316	52.6	3,847	27	43	60	57.7	7.2		
14. Shaun Hill	2007-2009 (3)	18	522	322	61.7	3,490	23	11	61	87.3	2.1		
15. C.J. Beathard	2017-2020 (4)	19	497	291	58.6	3,469	18	13	83t	81.1	2.6		
16. Jim Plunkett	1976-1977 (2)	26	491	254	51.7	3,285	22	30	85t	62.5	6.1		
17. Elvis Grbac	1994-1996 (3)	42	430	284	66.0	3,098	18	16	81t	85.6	3.7		
18. Blaine Gabbert	2014-2016 (3)	15	449	272	60.6	2,994	16	13	75t	80.2	2.9		
19. Steve Bono	1989-1993 (5)	34	359	220	61.3	2,558	14	7	78	87.7	1.9		
20. Ken Dorsey	2004-2005 (2)	11	316	171	54.1	1,712	8	11	59	63.7	3.5		

MOST PASSING YARDS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yards	TD	INT	Lg	QB	Rat	INT	Pct
1. Jeff Garcia	2000	561	355	63.3	4,278	31	10	69t	97.6	1.8		
2. Steve Young	1998	517	322	62.3	4,170	36	12	81t	101.1	2.3		
3. Steve Young	1993	462	314	68.0	4,023	29	16	80t	101.5	3.5		
4. Jimmy Garoppolo	2019	476	329	69.1	3,978	27	13	75t	102.0	2.9		
5. Steve Young	1994	461	324	70.3	3,969	35	10	69t	112.8	2.2		
6. Joe Montana	1990	520	321	61.7	3,944	26	16	78t	89.0	3.1		
7. Joe Montana	1983	515	332	64.5	3,910	26	12	77t	94.6	2.3		
8. Joe Montana	1985	494	303	61.3	3,653	27	13	73	91.3	2.6		
9. Steve DeBerg	1979	578	347	60.0	3,652	17	21	50	73.1	3.6		
10. Joe Montana	1984	432	279	64.6	3,630	28	10	80t	102.9	2.3		

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MOST CONSECUTIVE COMPLETIONS

Player	Game(s)	Cmp
1. Joe Montana	last 5 vs. Cle. (11/29/87) first 17 at GB (12/6/87)	22
2. Steve Young	at Was. (11/24/96)	19

CONSECUTIVE PASSES WITHOUT INTERCEPTION

Player	Game(s)	Atts
1. Alex Smith	12 passes at Bal. (11/24/11) to 33 passes at Min. (9/23/12)	249
2. Steve Young	22 passes vs. Min. (10/3/93) to 12 passes at LA Rams (11/28/93)	184
3. Joe Montana	12 passes at Phi. (9/24/89) to 6 passes vs. GB (11/19/89)	154

CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH TOUCHDOWN PASS

Player	Game(s)	Gms
1. C. Kaepernick	at NO (10/17/13) to vs. Was. (11/23/14)	18
Steve Young	at Det. (10/9/94) to vs. StL (11/26/95) note: DNP in 5 games in 1995	18
3. Steve Young	vs. NYJ (9/6/98) to vs. StL (12/27/98) note: EQ on 11/8/98	15
Jeff Garcia	at SD (12/3/00) to vs. Buf. (12/2/01)	15

BEST QB RATING, Career

Player	QB Rat
1. Steve Young	101.4
2. Jimmy Garoppolo	99.2
3. Joe Montana	93.5
4. Colin Kaepernick	88.9
5. Jeff Garcia	88.3
6. Shaun Hill	87.3
7. Nick Mullens	87.2
8. Tim Rattay	81.6
9. Alex Smith	79.1
10. John Brodie	72.3

(min. 500 attempts)

AVG Yds PER ATTEMPT, Career

Player	Y/A
1. Jimmy Garoppolo	8.3
2. Steve Young	8.2
3. Nick Mullens	7.9
4. Joe Montana	7.6
5. Y.A. Tittle	7.3

(min. 500 attempts)

MOST ATTEMPTS, Career

Player	Att
1. Joe Montana	4,600
2. John Brodie	4,491
3. Steve Young	3,648
4. Jeff Garcia	2,360
5. Y.A. Tittle	2,194
6. Alex Smith	2,177
7. Colin Kaepernick	1,692
8. Jimmy Garoppolo	1,632
9. Steve DeBerg	1,201
10. Steve Spurrier	840

MOST COMPLETIONS, Career

Player	Comp
1. Joe Montana	2,929
2. John Brodie	2,469
3. Steve Young	2,400
4. Jeff Garcia	1,449
5. Alex Smith	1,290
6. Y.A. Tittle	1,226
7. Jimmy Garoppolo	1,104
8. Colin Kaepernick	1,011
9. Steve DeBerg	670
10. Steve Spurrier	441

MOST TD PASSES, Career

Player	TD
1. Joe Montana	244
2. Steve Young	221
3. John Brodie	214
4. Jeff Garcia	113
5. Y.A. Tittle	108
6. Jimmy Garoppolo	82
Alex Smith	81
8. Colin Kaepernick	72
9. Steve DeBerg	37
10. Steve Spurrier	33

MOST INTs, Career

Player	INT
1. John Brodie	224
2. Y.A. Tittle	134
3. Joe Montana	123
4. Steve Young	86
5. Alex Smith	63
6. Steve DeBerg	60
7. Jeff Garcia	56
8. Steve Spurrier	48
9. Frankie Albert	43
10. Jimmy Garoppolo	42

BEST COMPLETION PCT., Career

Player	Comp. %
1. Jimmy Garoppolo	67.6
2. Steve Young	65.8
3. Nick Mullens	64.5
4. Joe Montana	63.7
5. Shaun Hill	61.7
6. Jeff Garcia	61.4
7. Tim Rattay	60.8
8. Colin Kaepernick	59.8
9. Alex Smith	59.3
10. Y.A. Tittle	55.9

(min. 500 attempts)

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PASSING

TOP SINGLE-GAME PASSING

MOST PASSING YARDS

Player	Game	Yards
1. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/14/90)	476
2. Steve Young	at LA Rams (11/28/93)	462
3. Joe Montana	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	458
4. Steve Young	vs. Buf. (9/13/92)	449
5. Joe Montana	at Was. (11/17/86)	441

MOST ATTEMPTS

Player	Game	Att
1. Joe Montana	at Was. (11/17/86)	60
2. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	57
Tim Rattay	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	57
4. Jeff Garcia	at Dal. (12/8/02)	55
5. C.J. Beathard	vs. Arz. (10/7/18)	54
Jeff Garcia	at Car. (11/18/01)	54
Steve DeBerg	at Atl. (12/16/79)	54
John Brodie	at Chi. (11/13/66)	54

MOST COMPLETIONS

Player	Game	Cmp
1. Tim Rattay	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	38
2. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	37
3. Jeff Garcia	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	36
Jeff Garcia	at Dal. (12/8/02)	36
5. Jimmy Garoppolo	vs. Arz. (11/17/19)	34
C.J. Beathard	vs. Arz. (10/7/18)	34
Jeff Garcia	at Car. (11/18/01)	34
Joe Montana	at Pit. (9/13/87)	34

MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Player	Game	TD
1. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/14/90)	6
2. Joe Montana	at Phi. (9/24/89)	5
Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	5
Steve Spurrier	at Chi. (11/19/72)	5
John Brodie	at Min. (11/28/65)	5

MOST INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Game	INT
1. John Brodie	at Det. (11/4/73)	6
2. Steve DeBerg	at Dal. (10/12/80)	5
Scott Bull	vs. Pit. (11/27/78)	5
Tom Owen	at Cle. (12/1/74)	5
John Brodie	vs. Bal. (11/29/64)	5
Y.A. Tittle	vs. Bal. (12/5/59)	5
Y.A. Tittle	at Bal. (11/30/58)	5
Frankie Albert	vs. Pit. (12/7/52)	5

HIGHEST COMPLETION PERCENTAGE (20+ atts)

Player	Game	Pct.
1. Steve Young	vs. Det. (10/20/91), 18-20	90.0
2. Steve Young	vs. NO (9/14/97), 18-21	85.7
3. John Brodie	vs. Atl. (9/29/68), 17-20	85.0
4. Joe Montana	vs. Atl. (9/25/83), 27-32	84.4

AVERAGE YARDS PER ATTEMPT (20+ atts)

Player	Game	Y/A
1. Steve Young	vs. Det. (12/19/93)	15.39
2. Steve Young	vs. LA Rams (11/28/93)	14.44
3. Steve Young	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	14.25
4. Steve Young	vs. Atl. (9/21/97)	14.00

MOST ATTEMPTS, Season

Player	Att
1. Steve DeBerg (1979)	578
2. Jeff Garcia (2000)	561
3. Jeff Garcia (2002)	528
4. Joe Montana (1990)	520
5. Steve Young (1998)	517

MOST COMPLETIONS, Season

Player	Cmp
1. Jeff Garcia (2000)	355
2. Steve DeBerg (1979)	347
3. Joe Montana (1983)	332
4. Jimmy Garoppolo (2019)	329
5. Jeff Garcia (2002)	328

MOST TD PASSES, Season

Player	TD
1. Steve Young (1998)	36
2. Steve Young (1994)	35
3. Jeff Garcia (2001)	32
4. Jeff Garcia (2000)	31
Joe Montana (1987)	31

MOST INTs, Season

Player	INT
1. Y.A. Tittle (1955)	28
2. John Brodie (1971)	24
3. Frankie Albert (1950)	23
4. Steve DeBerg (1978)	22
John Brodie (1966)	22

BEST COMP. PCT., Season

Player	Pct
1. Steve Young (1994)	70.3
2. Joe Montana (1989)	70.2
3. Jimmy Garoppolo (2019)	69.1
4. Jimmy Garoppolo (2021)	68.3
5. Steve Young (1993)	68.0

BEST QB RATING, Season

Player	Rat
1. Steve Young (1994)	112.8
2. Joe Montana (1989)	112.4
3. Steve Young (1992)	107.0
4. Steve Young (1997)	104.7
5. Joe Montana (1984)	102.9

FEWEST INTs, Season

Player	INT
1. Alex Smith (2011)	5
2. Steve Young (1997)	6
Steve Young (1996)	6
4. Steve Young (1992)	7
5. Colin Kaepernick (2013)	8
Shaun Hill (2008)	8
Joe Montana (1989)	8
Steve Young (1991)	8

AVG Yds PER ATTEMPT, Season

Player	Y/A
1. John Brodie (1961)	9.14
2. Joe Montana (1989)	9.12
3. Steve Young (1991)	9.02
4. Steve Young (1993)	8.71
5. Jimmy Garoppolo (2021)	8.64

49ERS QB WINS/LOSSES AS STARTER

Player	Win	Loss	Ties	Pct
Joe Montana	100	39		0.719
Steve Young	91	33		0.734
John Brodie	74	77	8	0.491
Y.A. Tittle	45	31	2	0.592
Alex Smith	38	36	1	0.513
Jimmy Garoppolo	38	17		0.691
Jeff Garcia	35	36		0.493
Colin Kaepernick	28	30		0.483
Steve Spurrier	13	12	1	0.519
Frankie Albert	13	16	1	0.448
Jim Plunkett	11	15		0.423
Shaun Hill	10	6		0.625
Steve DeBerg	7	28		0.200
Elvis Grbac	6	3		0.667
Steve Bono	5	1		0.833
Nick Mullens	5	11		0.313
Brock Purdy	5	0		1.000
George Mira	4	2		0.667
Tom Owen	4	4		0.500
Blaine Gabbert	4	9		0.308
Tim Rattay	4	12		0.250
Jeff Kemp	3	2	1	0.583
Troy Smith	3	3		0.500
Scott Bull	3	4		0.429
Joe Reed	3	4		0.429
Matt Cavanaugh	2	0		1.000
Norm Snead	2	5		0.286
J.T. O'Sullivan	2	6		0.250
Lamar McHan	2	7		0.222
Ken Dorsey	2	8		0.200
C.J. Beathard	2	10		0.167
Bob Gagliano	1	0		1.000
Jimmy Cason	1	0		1.000
Jim Druckenmiller	1	0		1.000
Ty Detmer	1	0		1.000
Mike Moroski	1	1		0.500
Jimmy Powers	1	1		0.500
Trey Lance	2	2		0.500
Earl Morrall	1	3		0.250
Trent Dilfer	1	5		0.167
Chris Weinke	0	1		0.000
Bobby Waters	0	2		0.000
Dennis Morrison	0	2		0.000
Cody Pickett	0	2		0.000
Steve Stenstrom	0	3		0.000
Brian Hoyer	0	6		0.000
	574	495	14	0.536

300-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Joe Montana	35
2. Steve Young	28
3. Jeff Garcia	14
4. Jimmy Garoppolo	11
5. John Brodie	6

300-YARD GAMES, Season

Player	Games
1. Steve Young (1998)	7
2. Jeff Garcia (2000)	6
3. Jimmy Garoppolo (2021)	5
Steve Young (1994)	5
Joe Montana (1982, '85, '87, '90)	5

STARTING QB YEARLY RECORDS

Year	Player	Record as a Starter
1950	Frankie Albert	3-9
1951	Frankie Albert	6-4-1
	Y.A. Tittle	1-0
1952	Frankie Albert	4-3
	Y.A. Tittle	3-2
1953	Y.A. Tittle	8-2
	Jim Powers	1-1
1954	Y.A. Tittle	6-4-1
	Jim Cason	1-0
1955	Y.A. Tittle	4-8
1956	Y.A. Tittle	4-3-1
	Earl Morrall	1-3
1957	Y.A. Tittle	7-4
	John Brodie	1-0
1958	Y.A. Tittle	3-3
	John Brodie	3-3
1959	Y.A. Tittle	6-4
	John Brodie	1-1
1960	John Brodie	4-4
	Y.A. Tittle	3-1
1961	John Brodie	7-6-1
1962	John Brodie	6-8
1963	Lamar McHan	2-7
	John Brodie	0-3
	Bob Waters	0-2
1964	John Brodie	3-9
	George Mira	1-1
1965	John Brodie	7-5-1
	George Mira	0-1
1966	John Brodie	5-6-2
	George Mira	1-0
1967	John Brodie	5-5
	George Mira	2-0
	Steve Spurrier	0-2
1968	John Brodie	7-6-1
1969	John Brodie	2-6-2
	Steve Spurrier	2-2
1970	John Brodie	10-3-1
1971	John Brodie	9-5
1972	John Brodie	2-3
	Steve Spurrier	6-2-1
1973	John Brodie	2-4
	Steve Spurrier	2-3
	Joe Reed	1-2
1974	Tom Owen	4-3
	Joe Reed	2-2
	Dennis Morrison	0-2
	Norm Snead	0-1
1975	Norm Snead	2-5
	Steve Spurrier	3-3
	Tom Owen	0-1
1976	Jim Plunkett	6-6
	Scott Bull	2-0
1977	Jim Plunkett	5-9
1978	Steve DeBerg	1-10
	Scott Bull	1-4
1979	Steve DeBerg	2-13
	Joe Montana	0-1
1980	Steve DeBerg	4-5
	Joe Montana	2-5
1981	Joe Montana	13-3
1982	Joe Montana	3-6
1983	Joe Montana	10-6
1984	Joe Montana	14-1
	Matt Cavanaugh	1-0
1985	Joe Montana	9-6
	Matt Cavanaugh	1-0
1986	Joe Montana	6-2
	Jeff Kemp	3-2-1
	Mike Moroski	1-1

Year	Player	Record as a Starter
1987	Joe Montana	10-1
	Steve Young	2-1
	Bob Gagliano	1-0
1988	Joe Montana	8-5
	Steve Young	2-1
1989	Joe Montana	11-2
	Steve Young	3-0
1990	Joe Montana	14-1
	Steve Young	0-1
1991	Steve Young	5-5
	Steve Bono	5-1
1992	Steve Young	14-2
1993	Steve Young	10-6
1994	Steve Young	13-3
1995	Steve Young	8-3
	Elvis Grbac	3-2
1996	Steve Young	9-3
	Elvis Grbac	3-1
1997	Steve Young	12-3
	Jim Druckenmiller	1-0
1998	Steve Young	11-4
	Ty Detmer	1-0
1999	Jeff Garcia	2-8
	Steve Young	2-1
	Steve Stenstrom	0-3
2000	Jeff Garcia	6-10
2001	Jeff Garcia	12-4
2002	Jeff Garcia	10-6
2003	Jeff Garcia	5-8
	Tim Rattay	2-1
2004	Tim Rattay	1-8
	Ken Dorsey	1-6
2005	Alex Smith	2-5
	Tim Rattay	1-3
	Ken Dorsey	1-2
	Cody Pickett	0-2
2006	Alex Smith	7-9
2007	Alex Smith	2-5
	Trent Dilfer	1-5
	Shaun Hill	2-0
	Chris Weinke	0-1
2008	Shaun Hill	5-3
	J.T. O'Sullivan	2-6
2009	Alex Smith	5-5
	Shaun Hill	3-3
2010	Alex Smith	3-7
	Troy Smith	3-3
2011	Alex Smith	13-3
2012	Alex Smith	6-2-1
	Colin Kaepernick	5-2
2013	Colin Kaepernick	12-4
2014	Colin Kaepernick	8-8
2015	Blaine Gabbert	3-5
	Colin Kaepernick	2-6
2016	Blaine Gabbert	1-4
	Colin Kaepernick	1-10
2017	Jimmy Garoppolo	5-0
	C.J. Beathard	1-4
	Brian Hoyer	0-6
2018	Nick Mullens	3-5
	Jimmy Garoppolo	1-2
	C.J. Beathard	0-5
2019	Jimmy Garoppolo	13-3
2020	Jimmy Garoppolo	3-3
	Nick Mullens	2-6
	C.J. Beathard	1-1
2021	Jimmy Garoppolo	9-6
	Trey Lance	1-1
2022	Trey Lance	1-1
	Jimmy Garoppolo	7-3
	Brock Purdy	5-0

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RUSHING

ALL-TIME LEADING RUSHERS (BY YARDS)

Player	Years	Gms	Att	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Frank Gore	2005–2014 (10)	148	2,442	11,073	4.5	80t	64
2. Joe Perry	1950–1960, '63 (12)	131	1,475	7,344 +	5.0	78t	50
3. Roger Craig	1983–1990 (8)	121	1,686	7,064	4.2	71	50
4. Ken Willard	1965–1973 (9)	125	1,582	5,930	3.7	69t	45
5. Garrison Hearst	1997–2003 (7)	73	1,189	5,535	4.7	96t	26
6. J.D. Smith	1956–1964 (9)	97	1,007	4,370	4.3	80t	37
7. Hugh McElhenny	1952–1960 (9)	97	877	4,288	4.9	89t	35
8. Kevan Barlow	2001–2005 (5)	72	891	3,614	4.1	78t	24
9. Steve Young (QB)	1987–1999 (13)	150	608	3,581	5.9	49t	37
10. Wendell Tyler	1983–1986 (4)	48	624	3,112	5.0	40	17
11. Delvin Williams	1974–1977 (4)	54	669	2,966	4.4	80t	20
12. Wilbur Jackson	1974–1979 (6)	72	745	2,955	4.0	80	10
13. Ricky Watters	1992–1994 (3)	43	653	2,840	4.3	43	25
14. Carlos Hyde	2014–2017 (4)	50	655	2,729	4.2	61	21
15. Charlie Garner	1999–2000 (2)	32	499	2,371	4.8	53	11
16. Colin Kaepernick (QB)	2011–2016 (6)	69	375	2,300	6.1	90t	13
17. Matt Breida	2017–2019 (3)	43	381	1,902	5.0	83t	6
Tom Rathman	1986–1993 (8)	115	516	1,902	3.7	35	26
19. Vic Washington	1971–1973 (3)	40	483	1,813	3.8	42	14
20. Paul Hofer	1976–1981 (6)	77	416	1,746	4.2	47	16

+ does not include AAFC Statistics

MOST RUSHING YARDS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Att	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Frank Gore	2006	312	1,695	5.4	72	8
2. Garrison Hearst	1998	310	1,570	5.1	96t	7
3. Roger Craig	1988	310	1,502	4.8	46t	9
4. Wendell Tyler	1984	246	1,262	5.1	40	7
5. Charlie Garner	1999	241	1,229	5.1	53	4
6. Frank Gore	2012	258	1,214	4.7	37	8
7. Frank Gore	2011	282	1,211	4.3	55	8
8. Garrison Hearst	2001	252	1,206	4.8	43t	4
9. Delvin Williams	1976	248	1,203	4.9	80t	7
10. Charlie Garner	2000	258	1,142	4.4	42	7
11. Frank Gore	2013	276	1,128	4.1	51	9
12. Frank Gore	2009	229	1,120	4.9	80t	10
13. Frank Gore	2013	255	1,106	4.3	55t	4
13. Frank Gore	2007	260	1,102	4.2	43t	5
14. Roger Craig	1989	271	1,054	3.9	27	6
15. Roger Craig	1985	214	1,050	4.9	62t	9
16. Joe Perry	1954	173	1,049	6.1	58	8
17. Frank Gore	2008	240	1,036	4.3	41t	6
J.D. Smith	1959	207	1,036	5.0	73t	10

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MOST ATTEMPTS, Career

Player	Att
1. Frank Gore	2,442
2. Roger Craig	1,686
3. Ken Willard	1,582
4. Joe Perry	1,475
5. Garrison Hearst	1,189
6. J.D. Smith	1,007
7. Kevan Barlow	891
8. Hugh McElhenny	877
9. Wilbur Jackson	745
10. Delvin Williams	669

MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Frank Gore	64
2. Roger Craig	50
Joe Perry	50
4. Ken Willard	45
5. J.D. Smith	37
Steve Young (QB)	37
7. Hugh McElhenny	35
8. Garrison Hearst	26
9. Tom Rathman	26
10. Ricky Watters	25

HIGHEST RUSHING AVG., Career

Player	Avg
1. Colin Kaepernick (QB)	6.13
2. Steve Young (QB)	5.89
3. Matt Breida	4.99
4. Wendell Tyler	4.99
5. Joe Perry	4.97
6. Jeff Garcia (QB)	4.94
7. Hugh McElhenny	4.89
8. Charlie Garner	4.75
9. Garrison Hearst	4.66
10. Frank Gore	4.53

(min. 300 attempts)

100-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Frank Gore	39
2. Joe Perry	20
3. Garrison Hearst	16
4. Roger Craig	14
5. J.D. Smith	12
Hugh McElhenny	12

1,000-YD SEASONS, Career

Player	Seasons
1. Frank Gore	8
2. Garrison Hearst	3
Roger Craig	3
4. Charlie Garner	2
Joe Perry	2

CONSECUTIVE 1,000-YD SEASONS

Player	Seasons
1. Frank Gore (2011–14)	4
Frank Gore (2006–09)	4
3. Charlie Garner (1999–00)	2
Garrison Hearst (1997–98)	2
Roger Craig (1988–89)	2
Joe Perry (1953–54)	2

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RUSHING

TOP SINGLE-GAME RUSHING

MOST RUSHING YARDS

	Player	Game	Yards
1.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (11/19/06)	212
2.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (9/20/09)	207
3.	Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	201
4.	Garrison Hearst	vs. Det. (12/14/98)	198
5.	Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	194

MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS

	Player	Game	Att
1.	Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	36
2.	Maurice Hicks	at Arz. (12/12/04)	34
	Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	34
4.	Frank Gore	vs. Cle. (10/30/11)	31
	Frank Gore	at Den. (12/31/06)	31
	Garrison Hearst	vs. Sea. (12/1/02)	31
	J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62)	31
	J.D. Smith	at Chi. (10/14/62)	31

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

	Player	Game	TD
1.	Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61)	4
3.	(13 times) Last: Jeff Wilson Jr.	at NE (10/25/20)	3

HIGHEST RUSHING AVERAGE (10+ Attempts)

	Player	Game	Avg
1.	Joe Perry	vs. Det. (11/2/58)	13.4
2.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (9/20/09)	12.9
3.	Matt Breida	vs. Det. (9/16/18)	12.5
4.	Wilbur Jackson	vs. NO (11/27/77)	11.9
5.	Hugh McElhenny	at Chi. (10/17/54)	11.4
	Carlos Hyde	vs. NYJ (12/11/16)	11.4

MOST CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

	Player	Game(s)	Games
1.	Frank Gore	at Phi. (10/2/11) to at Was. (11/6/11)	5
2.	Garrison Hearst	vs. NYG (11/30/98) to at NE (12/20/98)	4
3.	Frank Gore	vs. Oak. (10/17/10) to vs. Den. (10/31/10)	3
	Frank Gore	at Det. (11/12/06) to at StL (11/26/06)	3
	J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62) to at GB (10/21/62)	3
	Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Det. (10/1/61) to at Min. (10/15/61)	3

MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS, Season

	Player	Att
1.	Frank Gore (2006)	312
2.	Roger Craig (1988)	310
	Garrison Hearst (1998)	310
4.	Frank Gore (2011)	282
5.	Frank Gore (2013)	276

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS, Season

	Player	TD
1.	Frank Gore (2009)	10
	Derek Loville (1995)	10
	Ricky Watters (1993)	10
	Billy Kilmer, QB (1961)	10
	J.D. Smith (1959)	10
	Joe Perry (1953)	10

HIGHEST RUSHING AVG., Season

	Player	Avg
1.	Hugh McElhenny (1952)	6.98
2.	Colin Kaepernick (QB) (2014)	6.14
3.	Joe Perry (1958)	6.06
4.	Joe Perry (1954)	6.06
5.	Raheem Mostert (2019)	5.64

MOST 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES, Season

	Player	Games
1.	Frank Gore (2006)	9
2.	Roger Craig (1988)	7
3.	Garrison Hearst (1998)	6
4.	Elijah Mitchell (2021)	5
	Frank Gore (2011)	5
	Frank Gore (2009)	5
	Delvin Williams (1976)	5
	J.D. Smith (1959)	5
	Joe Perry (1953)	5

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RUSHING TD

	Player	Game(s)	Games
1.	Joe Perry	at GB (11/22/53) to at GB (10/10/54)	7
2.	Raheem Mostert	vs. GB (11/24/19) to at Sea. (12/29/19)	6
	Derek Loville	vs. Car. (11/5/95) to at Car. (12/10/95)	6
4.	Deebo Samuel	vs. LAR (11/15/21) to vs. Atl. (12/19/21)	5
	Hugh McElhenny	vs. Was. (9/26/54) to vs. Det. (10/24/54)	5

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RECEIVING

ALL-TIME LEADING RECEIVERS (BY RECEPTIONS)

Player	Years	Gms	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jerry Rice	1985–2000 (16)	238	1,281	19,247	15.0	96t	176
2. Terrell Owens	1996–2003 (8)	121	592	8,572	14.5	79t	81
3. Roger Craig (RB)	1983–1990 (8)	121	508	4,442	8.7	73	16
4. Dwight Clark	1979–1987 (9)	134	506	6,750	13.3	80t	48
5. Vernon Davis (TE)	2006–2015 (10)	139	441	5,640	12.9	73t	55
6. Brent Jones (TE)	1987–1997 (11)	143	417	5,195	12.5	69t	33
7. Billy Wilson	1951–1960 (10)	100	407	5,902	14.5	77t	49
8. George Kittle (TE)	2017–present (6)	82	395	5,254	13.3	85t	31
9. Gene Washington	1969–1977 (9)	124	371	6,664	18.0	79t	59
10. Michael Crabtree	2009–2014 (6)	79	347	4,327	12.5	60t	26
John Taylor	1987–1995 (9)	121	347	5,598	16.1	97t	43
12. Frank Gore (RB)	2005–2014 (10)	148	342	2,883	8.4	55t	11
13. J.J. Stokes	1995–2002 (8)	111	327	4,139	12.7	53	30
14. Freddie Solomon	1978–1985 (8)	114	310	4,873	15.7	93t	43
15. Tom Rathman	1986–1993 (8)	115	294	2,490	8.5	36	8
16. Bernie Casey	1961–1966 (6)	79	277	4,008	14.5	68t	27
17. Ken Willard (RB)	1965–1973 (9)	125	273	2,156	7.9	62	16
18. Gordie Soltau	1950–1958 (9)	107	249	3,487	14.0	54t	25
19. Anquan Boldin	2013–2015 (3)	46	237	3,030	12.8	76t	16
20. Earl Cooper	1980–1985 (6)	88	213	1,908	9.0	73t	12

MOST RECEPTIONS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jerry Rice	1995	122	1,848	15.1	81t	15
2. Jerry Rice	1994	112	1,499	13.4	69t	13
3. Jerry Rice	1996	108	1,254	11.6	39	8
4. Terrell Owens	2002	100	1,300	13.0	76t	13
Jerry Rice	1990	100	1,502	15.0	64t	13
6. Jerry Rice	1993	98	1,503	15.3	80t	15
7. Terrell Owens	2000	97	1,451	15.0	69t	13
8. Terrell Owens	2001	93	1,412	15.2	60t	16
9. Roger Craig	1985	92	1,016	11.0	73	6
10. George Kittle (TE)	2018	88	1,377	15.6	85t	5
11. Derek Loville (RB)	1995	87	662	7.6	31	3
12. Jerry Rice	1986	86	1,570	18.3	66t	15
13. George Kittle (TE)	2019	85	1,053	12.4	61t	5
Anquan Boldin	2013	85	1,179	13.9	63	7
Michael Crabtree	2012	85	1,105	13.0	49t	9
Dwight Clark	1981	85	1,105	13.0	78t	4
17. Jerry Rice	1992	84	1,201	14.3	80t	10
18. Anquan Boldin	2014	83	1,062	12.8	76t	5
Earl Cooper	1980	83	567	6.8	66t	4
20. Eric Johnson	2004	82	825	10.1	25	2
Jerry Rice	1998	82	1,157	14.1	75t	9
Jerry Rice	1989	82	1,483	18.1	68t	17
Dwight Clark	1980	82	991	12.1	71t	8

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MOST RECEIVING YARDS, Career

Player	Yds
1. Jerry Rice	19,247
2. Terrell Owens	8,572
3. Dwight Clark	6,750
4. Gene Washington	6,664
5. Billy Wilson	5,902
6. Vernon Davis (TE)	5,640
7. John Taylor	5,598
8. George Kittle (TE)	5,254
9. Brent Jones (TE)	5,195
10. Freddie Solomon	4,873

MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice	176
2. Terrell Owens	81
3. Gene Washington	59
4. Vernon Davis (TE)	55
5. Billy Wilson	49
6. Dwight Clark	48
7. Freddie Solomon	43
John Taylor	43
9. Brent Jones (TE)	33
10. George Kittle (TE)	31

BEST RECEIVING AVG., Career

Player	Avg
1. Gene Washington	18.0
2. John Taylor	16.1
3. Dave Parks	16.0
4. Freddie Solomon	15.7
5. Jerry Rice	15.0

(min. 200 receipts.)

100-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice	66
2. Terrell Owens	25
3. Gene Washington	17
4. Dwight Clark	16
5. George Kittle (TE)	14

1,000-YD SEASONS, Career

Player	Seasons
1. Jerry Rice	12
2. Terrell Owens	5
3. George Kittle (TE)	2
Anquan Boldin	2
John Taylor	2

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RECEIVING

TOP SINGLE-GAME RECEIVING

MOST RECEIVING YARDS

Player	Game	Yards
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	289
2. John Taylor (WR)	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	286
3. Terrell Owens (WR)	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	283
4. Jerry Rice (WR)	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	241
5. Dave Parks (WR)	at Bal. (10/3/65)	231
6. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Atl. (10/14/90)	225
Bernie Casey (WR)	at Chi. (11/13/66)	225
8. George Kittle (TE)	vs. Den. (12/9/18)	210
9. Anquan Boldin (WR)	vs. GB (9/8/13)	208
10. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Was. (11/17/86)	204

MOST RECEPTIONS

Player	Game	Rec
1. Terrell Owens	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	20
2. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (11/20/94)	16
3. George Kittle	vs. Phi. (10/4/20)	15
4. Jerry Rice	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	14
5. George Kittle	at Cin. (12/12/21)	13
George Kittle	vs. Atl. (12/15/19)	13
Anquan Boldin	vs. GB (9/8/13)	13
Eric Johnson	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	13
Terrell Owens	vs. Phi. (11/25/02)	13
Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	13

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Game	TD
1. Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	5
2. Jerry Rice	at TB (11/14/93)	4
3. (17 times) Last: Vernon Davis	at Hou. (10/25/09)	3

RECEIVING AVERAGE (5+ RECEPTIONS)

Player	Game	Avg
1. John Taylor	at Atl. (12/3/89), 5–162	32.4
2. Jerry Rice	at Dal. (11/12/95), 5–161	32.2
3. Gene Washington	vs. NE (10/31/71), 5–160	32.0
4. Jerry Rice	at GB (11/4/90), 6–187	31.2
5. George Kittle	vs. Den. (12/9/18), 7–210	30.0

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	Game(s)	Games
1. Jerry Rice	(12/9/85) to (12/23/00)	225*
2. Terrell Owens	(10/20/96) to (12/21/03)	115
3. Dwight Clark	(9/14/80) to (9/13/87)	105

* NFL Record (streak extended to 274 in '04 as member of Raiders)

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS, Season

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (1987)	22
2. Jerry Rice (1989)	17
3. Terrell Owens (2001)	16
4. Jerry Rice (1995)	15
Jerry Rice (1993)	15
Jerry Rice (1986)	15
7. Terrell Owens (1998)	14
Jerry Rice (1991)	14
9. (6 times) Last: Vernon Davis (2013)	13

MOST RECEIVING YARDS, Season

Player	Yards
1. Jerry Rice (1995)	1,848
2. Jerry Rice (1986)	1,570
3. Jerry Rice (1993)	1,503
4. Jerry Rice (1990)	1,502
5. Jerry Rice (1994)	1,499
6. Jerry Rice (1989)	1,483
7. Terrell Owens (2000)	1,451
8. Terrell Owens (2001)	1,412
9. Deebo Samuel (2021)	1,405
10. George Kittle (2018)	1,377

CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN RECEPTION

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (12/19/86 to 12/27/87)	13
2. Terrell Owens (11/8/98 to 12/27/98)	8
Jerry Rice (12/8/89 to 11/27/89)	8
Dave Parks (11/7/65 to 9/11/66)	8

BEST RECEIVING AVERAGE, Season

Player	Avg
1. Freddie Solomon (1983)	21.4
2. Gene Washington (1974)	21.2
3. Gene Washington (1970)	20.8
4. Jerry Rice (1988)	20.4
5. Torrey Smith (2015)	20.1

(min. 25 receptions)

MOST 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES, Season

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (1995)	9
2. Jerry Rice (1989)	8
3. Jerry Rice (1990)	7
4. Terrell Owens (2001)	6
Jerry Rice (1986)	6
Dwight Clark (1982)	6

CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (10/29/95 to 11/20/95)	4
2. Jerry Rice (12/10/95 to 12/24/95)	3
Jerry Rice (9/10/89 to 9/24/89)	3
Jerry Rice (9/11/88 to 9/25/88)	3
Jerry Rice (11/15/87 to 11/29/87)	3
Dwight Clark (12/11/82 to 12/26/82)	3
Dwight Clark (9/12/82 to 11/21/82)	3

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCRIMMAGE YARDS

ALL-TIME LEADERS IN TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

Player	Years	Gms	Touches	Yards	Avg	Yds/Gm	TD
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	1985–2000 (16)	238	1,365	19,872	14.6	83.5	186
2. Frank Gore (RB)	2005–2014 (10)	148	2,784	13,956	5.0	94.3	75
3. Roger Craig (RB)	1983–1990 (8)	121	2,194	11,506	5.2	95.1	66
4. Terrell Owens (WR)	1996–2003 (8)	121	613	8,734	14.2	72.2	83
5. Joe Perry (RB)	1950–1960, '63 (12)	131	1,660	8,624	5.2	65.8	57
6. Ken Willard (RB)	1965–1973 (9)	125	1,855	8,086	4.4	64.7	61
7. Garrison Hearst (RB)	1997–2003 (7)	73	1,363	7,139	5.2	97.8	33
8. Hugh McElhenny (HB)	1952–1960 (9)	97	1,072	6,954	6.5	71.7	50
9. Dwight Clark (WR)	1979–1987 (9)	134	512	6,800	13.3	50.7	48
10. Gene Washington (WR)	1969–1977 (9)	124	376	6,663	17.7	53.7	59
11. Billy Wilson (E)	1951–1960 (10)	100	407	5,902	14.5	59.0	49
12. Vernon Davis (TE)	2006–2015 (10)	139	447	5,655	12.7	40.7	55
13. John Taylor (WR)	1987–1995 (9)	121	353	5,629	15.9	46.5	43
14. J.D. Smith (HB)	1956–1964 (9)	97	1,128	5,479	4.9	56.5	42
15. George Kittle (TE)	2017–present (6)	82	406	5,323	13.1	64.9	31
16. Freddie Solomon (WR)	1978–1985 (8)	114	357	5,202	14.6	45.6	46
17. Brent Jones (TE)	1987–1997 (11)	143	417	5,195	12.5	36.3	33
18. Kevan Barlow (RB)	2001–2005 (5)	72	1,028	4,757	4.6	66.1	27
19. Tom Rathman (RB)	1986–1993 (8)	115	810	4,392	5.4	38.2	34
20. Michael Crabtree (WR)	2009–2014 (6)	79	350	4,345	12.4	55.0	26

MOST TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Touches	Yards	Avg	Yds/Gm	TD
1. Frank Gore	2006	373	2,180	5.8	136.3	9
2. Garrison Hearst	1998	349	2,105	6.0	131.6	9
3. Roger Craig	1985	306	2,066	6.8	129.1	15
4. Roger Craig	1988	386	2,036	5.3	127.3	10
5. Jerry Rice	1995	127	1,884	14.8	117.8	16
6. Charlie Garner	2000	326	1,789	5.5	111.8	10
7. Deebo Samuel	2021	136	1,770	13.0	110.6	14
8. Charlie Garner	1999	297	1,764	5.9	110.3	6
9. Jerry Rice	1986	96	1,642	17.1	102.6	16
10. Ricky Watters	1994	305	1,596	5.2	99.8	11
11. Jerry Rice	1994	119	1,592	13.4	99.5	15
12. Jerry Rice	1993	101	1,572	15.6	98.3	16
13. Garrison Hearst	2001	293	1,553	5.3	97.1	5
14. Frank Gore	2007	313	1,538	4.9	102.5	6
15. Roger Craig	1989	320	1,527	4.8	95.4	7

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MOST TOUCHES, Career

Player	Touches
1. Frank Gore.....	2,784
2. Roger Craig.....	2,194
3. Ken Willard.....	1,855
4. Joe Perry.....	1,660
5. Jerry Rice.....	1,365
6. Garrison Hearst.....	1,363
7. J.D. Smith.....	1,128
8. Hugh McElhenny.....	1,072
9. Kevan Barlow.....	1,028
10. Wilbur Jackson.....	893

BEST YARDS PER TOUCH, Career

Player	Avg
1. Jerry Rice.....	14.6
2. Hugh McElhenny.....	6.5
3. Tom Rathman.....	5.4
4. Ricky Watters.....	5.4
5. Roger Craig.....	5.2
6. Garrison Hearst.....	5.2
7. Joe Perry.....	5.2
8. Delvin Williams.....	5.1
9. Frank Gore.....	5.0
10. J.D. Smith.....	4.9

(min. 750 touches)

MOST TOUCHES, Season

Player	Touches
1. Roger Craig (1988).....	386
2. Frank Gore (2006).....	373
3. Garrison Hearst (1998).....	349
4. Charlie Garner (2000).....	326
5. Roger Craig (1989).....	320

BEST YARDS PER TOUCH, Season

Player	Avg
1. Jerry Rice (1993).....	15.6
2. Dwight Clark (1982).....	15.2
3. Jerry Rice (1995).....	14.8
4. Jerry Rice (1990).....	14.7
5. Terrell Owens (2000).....	14.6

(min. 100 touches)

TOP SINGLE-GAME SCRIMMAGE YARD TOTALS

MOST YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Jerry Rice	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	299
2. Terrell Owens	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	288
3. John Taylor	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	286
4. Delvin Williams	vs. Was. (11/7/76)	279
5. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	255
6. Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (9/20/09)	246
7. Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (11/19/06)	238
8. Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	235
9. Dave Parks	at Bal. (10/3/65)	231
10. Garrison Hearst	vs. NYJ (9/6/98)	225
Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	225
Bernie Casey	at Chi. (11/13/66)	225

MOST TOUCHES IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Touches
1. Maurice Hicks	at Arz. (12/12/04)	39
Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	39
3. Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	35
4. Derek Loville	vs. Buf. (12/3/95)	34
5. Frank Gore	at Den. (12/31/06)	33
Frank Gore	at Sea. (12/14/06)	33
Kevan Barlow	at Phi. (12/21/03)	33
Garrison Hearst	vs. Sea. (12/1/02)	33
J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62)	33
10. (6x) Last: Christian McCaffrey	at Sea. (12/15/22)	32

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON INTERCEPTIONS

ALL-TIME INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Player	Years	Gms	INT	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	1981–1990 (10)	129	51	643	12.6	83t	5
2. Jimmy Johnson	1961–1976 (16)	213	47	615	13.1	63	2
3. Kermit Alexander	1963–1969 (7)	94	36	499	13.9	66t	1
4. Merton Hanks	1991–1998 (8)	125	31	380	12.3	67t	2
5. Dwight Hicks	1979–1985 (7)	96	30	586	19.5	72	3
6. Lowell Wagner	1950–1953, '55 (5)	47	25	331	13.2	40	0
7. Tony Parrish	2002–2006 (5)	66	22	504	22.9	60	1
Don Griffin	1986–1993 (8)	114	22	49	2.2	23	0
Rex Berry	1951–1956 (6)	66	22	404	18.4	44t	3
10. Dave Baker	1959–1961 (3)	38	21	294	14.0	40	0
11. Tim McDonald	1993–1999 (7)	111	20	325	16.3	73t	3
Dick Moegle	1955–1959 (5)	47	20	232	11.6	40	1
13. Zack Bronson	1997–2003 (7)	84	19	346	18.2	97t	2
14. Eric Wright	1981–1990 (10)	110	18	256	14.2	60t	2
Bruce Taylor	1970–1977 (8)	109	18	201	11.2	70	0
16. Carlton Williamson	1981–1987 (7)	88	17	294	17.3	82	1
17. Tim McKyer	1986–1989 (4)	51	16	62	3.9	21t	1
18. Walt Harris	2006–2008 (3)	46	15	151	10.1	42	1
Abe Woodson	1958–1964 (7)	89	15	159	10.6	61	0
20. Dashon Goldson	2007–2012 (6)	81	14	152	10.9	39t	1
Skip Vanderbundt	1969–1977 (9)	119	14	165	11.8	37t	2
Frank Nunley	1967–1976 (10)	137	14	136	9.7	24	0
Dave Wilcox	1964–1974 (11)	153	14	149	10.6	35	1

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	INT	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	1986	10	134	13.4	57t	1
Dave Baker	1960	10	96	9.6	28	0
3. Tony Parrish	2003	9	202	22.4	49	0
Dwight Hicks	1981	9	239	26.6	72	1
Kermit Alexander	1968	9	155	17.2	66t	1
Lowell Wagner	1951	9	115	12.8	40	0
7. Walt Harris	2006	8	84	10.5	42	1
Dick Moegle	1957	8	107	13.4	40	0
Jim Cason	1951	8	147	18.4	65t	1
10. Tony Parrish	2002	7	204	29.1	60	0
Ahmed Plummer	2001	7	45	6.4	24	0
Zack Bronson	2001	7	165	23.6	97t	2
Merton Hanks	1994	7	93	13.3	38	0
Dave Waymer	1990	7	64	9.1	24	0
Tim McKyer	1988	7	11	1.6	7	0
Eric Wright	1983	7	164	23.4	60t	2
Ronnie Lott	1981	7	117	16.7	41t	3
Rex Berry	1953	7	142	20.3	29	1

MOST INT RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Ronnie Lott	643
2. Jimmy Johnson	615
3. Dwight Hicks	586
4. Tony Parrish	504
5. Kermit Alexander	499
6. Rex Berry	404
7. Merton Hanks	380
8. Zack Bronson	346
9. Lowell Wagner	331
10. Tim McDonald	325

MOST INTs RETURNED FOR TD, Career

Player	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	5
2. Rex Berry	3
Dwight Hicks	3
Tim McDonald	3
Deion Sanders	3
6. (12 Players) Last: Jimmie Ward	2

MOST INT RETURN YARDS, Season

Player	Yards
1. Deion Sanders (1994)	303
2. Dwight Hicks (1981)	239
3. Tony Parrish (2002)	204
4. Tony Parrish (2004)	202
5. Zack Bronson (2001)	165

MOST INTs RETURNED FOR TD, Season

Player	TD
1. Deion Sanders (1994)	3
Ronnie Lott (1981)	3
3. Zack Bronson (2001)	2
Tim McDonald (1995)	2
Ken Norton (1995)	2
Tom Holmoe (1986)	2
Dwight Hicks (1983)	2
Eric Wright (1983)	2
Skip Vanderbundt (1972)	2

MOST INTs BY A NON-DB, Season

Player	INT
1. Jim Fahnhorst, LB (1986)	4
Keena Turner, LB (1984)	4
Frank Nunley, LB (1974)	4

Led NFL

Led Conference

TOP SINGLE-GAME INTERCEPTION TOTALS

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	INT
1. Dave Baker	at LA Rams (12/4/60)	4
2. Walt Harris	vs. Oak. (10/8/06)	3
Ronnie Heard	vs. Arz. (10/27/02)	3
Rod Woodson	vs. NO (9/14/97)	3
Eric Wright	at Min. (9/8/83)	3
Tony Leonard	vs. Cin. (10/1/78)	3
Dave Baker	at Dal. (11/20/60)	3

MOST INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Dwight Hicks	at Was. (10/4/81)	104
2. Zack Bronson	at Chi. (10/28/01)	97
3. Merton Hanks	vs. NO (11/22/93)	94
Al Randolph	vs. Chi. (12/11/66)	94
5. Deion Sanders	at Atl. (10/16/94)	93
6. Deion Sanders	at SD (12/11/94)	90
Kermit Alexander	at Pit. (11/24/68)	90
8. NaVorro Bowman	vs. Atl. (12/23/13)	89
9. Tory Nixon	at GB (10/26/86)	88
10. Patrick Willis	at Sea. (9/14/08)	86
Eric Davis	vs. StL (11/26/95)	86

MOST INTs RETURNED FOR TD IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	INT
1. Ken Norton	at StL (10/22/95)	2
2. 57 Players	76 Times	1

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SACKS

ALL-TIME SACK LEADERS

Player	Years	Sacks
1. Bryant Young (DT)	1994–2007 (14)	89.5
2. Charles Haley (LB)	1986–1999 (7)	66.5
3. Ahmad Brooks (LB)	2009–2016 (8)	51.5
4. Dana Stubblefield (DT)	1993–2002 (7)	46.5
5. Dwaine Board (DE)	1982–1988 (10)	45.0
6. Aldon Smith (LB)	2011–2014 (4)	44.0
7. Justin Smith (DT)	2008–2014 (7)	43.5
8. Nick Bosa (DL)	2019–2022 (4)	43.0
9. Chris Doleman (DE)	1996–1998 (3)	38.0
10. Andre Carter (DE)	2001–2005 (5)	32.0
11. Jeff Stover (DE)	1982–1988 (7)	30.5
12. Roy Barker (DE)	1996–1998 (3)	30.0
13. Pierce Holt (DE)	1988–1992 (5)	29.5
14. Arik Armstead (DL)	2015–2022 (8)	28.5
DeForest Buckner (DL)	2016–2019 (4)	28.5
16. Larry Roberts (DE)	1986–1993 (8)	28.0
Fred Dean (DE)	1981–1985 (5)	28.0
18. Tim Harris (LB)	1991–1995 (4)	26.0
19. Kevin Fagan (DE)	1987–1993 (7)	25.5
20. Dennis Brown (DE)	1990–1996 (7)	24.5

Note: Includes figures since 1982, when sacks first became an official statistic

MOST SACKS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2012	19.5
2. Nick Bosa	2022	18.5
3. Fred Dean	1983	17.5
4. Tim Harris	1992	17.0
5. Charles Haley	1990	16.0
6. Nick Bosa	2021	15.5
7. Chris Doleman	1998	15.0
Dana Stubblefield	1997	15.0
9. Aldon Smith	2011*	14.0
10. Dwaine Board	1983	13.0

Led NFL Led Conference *Rookie Year

MOST SACKS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Sacks
1. Fred Dean	vs. NO (11/13/83)	6.0
2. Aldon Smith	vs. Chi. (11/19/12)	5.5
3. Roy Barker	at StL (10/25/98)	4.0
Chris Doleman	at NO (10/11/98)	4.0
Dana Stubblefield	at Phi. (11/10/97)	4.0
Pierce Holt	vs. NYG (11/27/89)	4.0
Dwaine Board	at LA Raiders (9/22/85)	4.0

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PUNTING

ALL-TIME LEADING PUNTERS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	Punts	Yards	Avg	Net	Lg	In20	Blk
1. Andy Lee	2004–2014 (11)	941	43,468	46.2	39.5	82	300	4
2. Mitch Wishnowsky	2019–present (4)	236	10,668	45.2	40.9	74	101	1
3. Tommy Davis	1959–1969 (11)	511	22,833	44.7	NA	82	NA	2
4. Bradley Pinion	2015–2018 (4)	334	14,599	43.7	39.9	65	112	1
5. Frankie Albert	1950–1952 (3)	139	5,830	41.9	NA	70	NA	1
6. Tommy Thompson	1995–1997 (3)	208	8,711	41.9	35.6	65	55	3
7. Tom Wittum	1973–1977 (5)	380	15,494	40.8	NA	68	NA	9
8. Jim Miller	1980–1982 (3)	214	8,686	40.6	31.7	80	36	1
9. Jason Baker	2001–2002 (2)	111	4,501	40.5	34.1	64	33	0
10. Max Runager	1984–1988 (5)	281	11,394	40.5	33.8	62	36	5

*minimum 100 punts

BEST PUNTING AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Punts	Yards	Avg	Net	Lg	In20	Blk
1. Andy Lee	2011	78	3,970	50.9	44.0	68	28	1
2. Andy Lee	2013	79	3,804	48.2	41.7	62	27	0
3. Andy Lee	2012	67	3,226	48.1	43.2	66	36	0
4. Andy Lee	2008	66	3,155	47.8	39.0	82	13	1
5. Andy Lee	2009	99	4,711	47.6	41.0	64	30	0
6. Andy Lee	2007	105	4,968	47.3	41.0	74	42	0
7. Mitch Wishnowsky	2020	66	3,093	46.9	41.6	60	25	1
8. Andy Lee	2014	72	3,369	46.8	39.6	71	28	1
9. Andy Lee	2010	91	4,203	46.2	38.2	64	34	0
10. Tommy Davis	1965	54	2,471	45.8	NA	65	NA	0

Led NFL Led Conference + NFL Record

MOST PUNTS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Punts
1. Tom Wittum	vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)	11
2. Andy Lee	vs. Sea. (9/30/07)	10
Jim Miller	vs. Atl. (11/8/81)	10
Jim Miller	vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)	10
Mike Connell	at Atl. (11/5/78)	10
Mike Connell	vs. Cin. (10/1/78)	10
Tom Wittum	at Atl. (11/6/77)	10
Tom Wittum	vs. Atl. (10/23/76)	10
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/6/63)	10

BEST PUNT AVG. IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
1. Andy Lee	vs. Sea. (9/11/11)	59.6
2. Andy Lee	at Bal. (11/24/11)	57.6
3. Andy Lee	at Pit. (9/23/07)	57.2
4. Andy Lee	at StL (1/1/12)	56.8
5. Andy Lee	at NE (12/16/12)	56.6
6. Andy Lee	vs. Dal. (9/18/11)	55.3
7. Klaus Wilmsmeyer	vs. Det. (10/9/94)	55.0
8. Andy Lee	at StL (12/21/08)	54.8

*minimum 4 punts

MOST PUNTS, Career

Player	Punts
1. Andy Lee	941
2. Tommy Davis	511
3. Tom Wittum	380
4. Bradley Pinion	334
5. Max Runager	281

MOST PUNTS INSIDE 20, Career

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee	300
2. Bradley Pinion	112
3. Mitch Wishnowsky	101
4. Max Runager	84
5. Tommy Thompson	55

*inside-the-20 became official stat in 1976

MOST PUNTS, Season

Player	Punts
1. Andy Lee (2005)	107
2. Andy Lee (2007)	105
3. Bradley Pinion (2016)	100
4. Andy Lee (2009)	99
5. Andy Lee (2004)	96
Mike Connell (1978)	96

MOST PUNTS INSIDE 20, Season

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee (2007)	42
2. Andy Lee (2012)	36
3. Andy Lee (2010)	34
4. Mitch Wishnowsky (2022)	32
5. Bradley Pinion (2017)	31
Bradley Pinion (2015)	31
7. Andy Lee (2009)	30
Max Runager (1985)	30

*inside-the-20 became official stat in 1976

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PUNT RETURNS

ALL-TIME LEADERS IN PUNT RETURNS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	PR	FC	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Manfred Moore	1974–1975 (2)	21	0	309	14.7	88t	1
2. Jim Cason	1950–1952, '54 (4)	24	NA	288	12.0	33	0
3. Ted Ginn Jr.	2010–2012 (3)	94	48	1,113	11.8	78t	2
4. Allen Rossum	2008–2009 (2)	27	8	307	11.4	45	0
5. Iheanyi Uwaezuoke	1996–1998 (3)	34	14	373	11.0	36	0
6. LaMichael James	2012–2014 (3)	23	12	251	10.9	40	0
7. Ray-Ray McCloud III 2022–present (1)		33	21	356	10.8	35	0
Dana McLemore	1982–1987 (6)	142	38	1,531	10.8	93t	4
9. Jimmy Williams	2001–2004 (4)	55	18	576	10.5	89t	1
10. Dexter Carter	1990–1996 (7)	117	56	1,213	10.4	78t	2

*minimum 20 returns

BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	PR	FC	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jimmy Williams	2002	20	8	336	16.8	89t	1
2. Hugh McElhenny	1952	20	NA	284	14.2	94t	1
3. Ted Ginn Jr.	2010	24	18	321	13.4	78t	1
4. Joe Arenas	1951	21	NA	272	13.0	51	0
5. John Taylor	1988	44	7	556	12.6	95t	2
6. Dana McLemore	1987	21	7	265	12.6	83t	1
7. Ted Ginn Jr.	2011	38	18	466	12.3	55t	1
8. Dexter Carter	1993	34	20	411	12.1	72t	1
9. Bruce Taylor	1970	43	10	516	12.0	76	0
10. John Taylor	1989	36	20	417	11.6	37	0

*minimum 20 returns

Led NFL Led Conference

TOP SINGLE-GAME PUNT RETURN PERFORMANCES

MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Tony Leonard	vs. NO (10/17/76)	141
2. Bruce Taylor	at Hou. (11/15/70)	133
3. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (10/3/93)	131
4. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	126
5. Dana McLemore	vs. LA Rams (1/2/83)	125

MOST PUNT RETURNS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Returns
1. Tony Leonard	vs. NO (10/17/76)	9
Ralph McGill	at Atl. (10/29/72)	9
3. Michael Lewis	vs. StL (11/18/07)	7
Dana McLemore	at NO (11/25/84)	7
Tony Leonard	at Atl. (11/6/77)	7
Tony Leonard	vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)	7
Ralph McGill	at Phi. (11/30/75)	7
Ralph McGill	vs. Atl. (10/12/75)	7

BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
1. Ted Ginn Jr.	at StL (12/26/10)	32.3
2. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	31.5
3. Dana McLemore	vs. LA Rams (1/2/83)	31.3
4. Abe Woodson	at GB (10/21/62)	30.3
5. John Taylor	vs. Was. (11/21/88)	28.3
6. Chuck Levy	at Phi. (11/10/97)	27.3
7. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (10/3/93)	26.2
8. Dana McLemore	at NYG (10/8/84)	25.8
9. Bruce Taylor	vs. NYG (12/21/75)	25.7
10. Freddie Solomon	vs. TB (10/26/80)	25.0

*minimum of 3 punt returns

MOST PUNT RETURNS, Career

Player	PR
1. John Taylor	149
2. Dana McLemore	142
Bruce Taylor	142
4. Joe Arenas	124
5. Kermit Alexander	120
6. Dexter Carter	117
7. Freddie Solomon	106
8. Ralph McGill	105
Abe Woodson	105
10. Hugh McElhenny	99

MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Dana McLemore	1,531
2. John Taylor	1,517
3. Bruce Taylor	1,323
4. Dexter Carter	1,213
5. Ted Ginn Jr.	1,113
6. Ralph McGill	964
7. Abe Woodson	949
8. Freddie Solomon	804
9. Kermit Alexander	782
10. Joe Arenas	774

MOST PUNT RETURN TDs, Career

Player	TD
1. Dana McLemore	4
2. Kermit Alexander	2
Dexter Carter	2
Ted Ginn Jr.	2
Freddie Solomon	2
John Taylor	2
Abe Woodson	2

MOST PUNT RETURNS, Season

Player	PR
1. R.W. McQuarters (1998)	47
2. Dana McLemore (1984)	45
3. Michael Lewis (2007)	44
John Taylor (1988)	44
5. Bruce Taylor (1970)	43
6. Ted Ginn Jr. (2011)	38
Dexter Carter (1996)	38
Don Griffin (1986)	38
Dana McLemore (1985)	38
10. Dexter Carter (1996)	36
John Taylor (1989)	36

MOST PUNT RETURN TDs, Season

Player	TD
1. John Taylor (1988)	2
Freddie Solomon (1980)	2

ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON KICKOFF RETURNS

ALL-TIME LEADERS IN KICKOFF RETURNS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	KR	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Abe Woodson	1958–1964 (7)	166	4,873	29.4	105t	5
2. LaMichael James	2012–2014 (3)	26	738	28.4	62	0
3. Joe Arenas	1951–1957 (7)	139	3,798	27.3	96	1
4. Allen Rossum	2008–2009 (2)	54	1,411	26.1	104t	1
5. Lenny Lyles	1959–1960 (2)	42	1,091	26.0	97t	1
6. Vic Washington	1971–1973 (3)	84	2,178	25.9	98t	1
7. Bruce Ellington	2014–2016 (3)	50	1,279	25.6	40	0
8. Mike Holmes	1974–1975 (2)	27	671	24.9	57	0
9. J.D. Smith	1956–1964 (9)	36	882	24.5	39	0
10. Amos Lawrence	1981–1982 (2)	26	627	24.1	92t	1

*minimum 25 returns

BEST KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	KR	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Joe Arenas	1953	16	551	34.4	82	0
2. Abe Woodson	1963	29	935	32.2	103t	3
3. Abe Woodson	1962	37	1,157	31.3	79	0
4. Lenny Lyles	1960	17	526	30.9	97t	1
5. Joe Arenas	1956	27	801	29.7	96	1
6. Abe Woodson	1960	17	498	29.3	64	0
7. Abe Woodson	1961	27	782	29.0	98t	1
8. Vic Washington	1972	27	771	28.6	98t	1
9. Ted Ginn Jr.	2011	29	800	27.6	102t	1
10. Abe Woodson	1964	32	880	27.5	70	0

*minimum 1.25 ret/game

Led NFL

Led Conference

TOP SINGLE-GAME KICKOFF RETURN PERFORMANCES

MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Abe Woodson	vs. Det. (11/11/62)	210
2. Abe Woodson	at Det. (9/23/62)	205
3. Lenny Lyles	vs. Bal. (12/18/60)	202
4. Maurice Hicks	vs. SD (10/15/06)	195
5. Allen Rossum	vs. Phi. (10/12/08)	194

MOST KICKOFF RETURNS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Returns
1. Maurice Hicks	vs. SD (10/15/06)	9
Allen Rossum	vs. Phi. (10/12/08)	9
3. Maurice Hicks	at Was. (10/23/05)	8
4. (15 times) Last: Ted Ginn Jr.	at SD (12/16/10)	7

BEST KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
1. Lenny Lyles	vs. Bal. (12/18/60)	67.3
2. Doug Cunningham	vs. NO (10/22/67)	53.0
3. Abe Woodson	vs. Min. (9/29/63)	51.0
4. Allen Rossum	vs. Arz. (11/10/08)	46.5
5. Amos Lawrence	vs. LA Rams (11/22/81)	46.0
Abe Woodson	vs. NYG (11/17/63)	46.0

*minimum of 3 kickoff returns

MOST KICKOFF RETURNS FOR TOUCHDOWN IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	TD
1. (22 times) Last: Richie James	vs. Sea. (12/16/18)	1

MOST KICKOFF RETURNS, Career

Player	KR
1. Dexter Carter	217
2. Maurice Hicks	185
3. Abe Woodson	166
4. Joe Arenas	139
5. Kermit Alexander	137
6. Ted Ginn Jr.	87
7. Vic Washington	84
8. Carl Monroe	76
9. James Owens	72
10. Paul Hofer	68
Doug Cunningham	68

MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Abe Woodson	4,873
2. Dexter Carter	4,707
3. Maurice Hicks	4,242
4. Joe Arenas	3,798
5. Kermit Alexander	3,271
6. Vic Washington	2,178
7. Ted Ginn Jr.	2,045
8. James Owens	1,728
9. Carl Monroe	1,660
10. Doug Cunningham	1,613

MOST KICKOFF RETURN TDs, Career

Player	TD
1. Abe Woodson	5
2. Dexter Carter	2
James Owens	2
Dave Williams	2
5. (11 times) Last: Richie James	1

MOST KICKOFF RETURNS, Season

Player	KR
1. Maurice Hicks (2007)	63
2. Maurice Hicks (2006)	57
3. Vinny Sutherland (2001)	50
4. Dexter Carter (1994)	48
5. Ted Ginn Jr. (2010)	47
Allen Rossum (2008)	47
7. Dexter Carter (1996)	41
Dexter Carter (1990)	41
James Owens (1979)	41

MOST KICKOFF RETURN TDs, Season

Player	TD
1. Abe Woodson (1963)	3
2. (19x) Last: Richie James (2018)	1

49ERS LONGEST PLAYS

LONGEST RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE

96t	Garrison Hearst vs. NYJ	9/6/98
90t	Colin Kaepernick vs. SD	12/20/14
89t	Hugh McElhenny at Dal. Texans	10/5/52
86t	Hugh McElhenny at GB	11/18/56
83t	Matt Breida vs. Cle.	10/7/19
82t	Hugh McElhenny vs. Dal. Texans	10/26/52
80	Wilbur Jackson vs. NO	11/27/77
80t	Raheem Mostert at NYJ	9/20/20
80t	Frank Gore vs. Sea.	9/20/09
80t	Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76
80t	J.D. Smith vs. GB	12/7/58
79t	Frank Gore vs. Sea.	9/20/09
78t	Kevan Barlow vs. Pit.	11/17/03
78t	Joe Perry vs. Dal. Texans	10/26/52
78t	Joe Perry vs. GB	12/10/50

LONGEST RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE BY QUARTERBACK

90t	Colin Kaepernick vs. SD	12/20/14
50t	Colin Kaepernick vs. Mia.	12/9/12
50	Colin Kaepernick at StL	12/2/12
49t	Steve Young vs. Min.	10/30/88
45	Y.A. Tittle at Bal. Colts	11/24/57
44t	Blaine Gabbert at Chi.	12/6/15
42	Frankie Albert at GB	11/26/50

LONGEST PASSES

97t	Steve Young to John Taylor at Atl.	11/3/91
96t	Joe Montana to Jerry Rice at SD	11/27/88
95t	Joe Montana to John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89
93t	Steve DeBerg to Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/28/80
92t	Joe Montana to John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89
89t	Tim Rattay to Brandon Lloyd vs. Dal.	9/25/05
85t	Nick Mullens to George Kittle vs. Den.	12/9/18
85t	Jim Plunkett to Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76
83	Jimmy Garoppolo to Deebo Samuel at Chi.	10/31/21
83t	C.J. Beathard to Marquise Goodwin vs. NYG	11/12/17
83t	John Brodie to Dave Parks at LA Rams	10/18/64
82t	C.J. Beathard to George Kittle at LAC	9/30/18
82	Steve Young to Terry Kirby at Atl.	10/19/97
81t	Steve Young to Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/22/98
81t	Elvis Grbac to Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/12/95
81t	Steve Spurrier to Ted Kwalick vs. NO	10/22/72
80t	(8x) Last time: C. Kaepernick to Brandon Lloyd at StL	10/13/14

LONGEST PUNTS

86	Larry Barnes vs. Chi.	9/29/57
82	Andy Lee vs. NE	10/5/08
82	Tommy Davis vs. Min.	9/30/62
81	Andy Lee at TB	11/21/04
81	Tommy Davis at StL Cardinals	11/25/62
80	Jim Miller at Den.	9/19/82
79	Tommy Davis at Chi.	10/14/62
76	Larry Barnes vs. Bal.	12/8/57
75	Verl Lillywhite vs. Cle.	9/30/57
74	Mitch Wishnowsky at Den.	9/25/22
74	Andy Lee vs. Bal.	10/7/07
74	Tommy Davis vs. Chi.	10/30/51

LONGEST PUNT RETURNS

95t	John Taylor vs. Was.	11/21/88
94t	Hugh McElhenny at Chi.	10/19/52
93t	Dana McLemore vs. LA Rams	1/2/83
89t	Jimmy Williams vs. Sea.	12/1/02
88t	Manfred Moore vs. Atl.	11/24/74
85t	Abe Woodson at GB	10/21/62
83t	Dana McLemore vs. Chi.	12/14/87
80t	Abe Woodson vs. Det.	11/5/61
79t	Dana McLemore at NYG	10/8/84
78t	Ted Ginn Jr. at StL	12/26/10
78t	Dexter Carter vs. Min.	12/18/95

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURNS

105t	Abe Woodson at LA Rams	11/8/59
104t	Allen Rossum at Arz.	11/11/08
103t	Abe Woodson vs. Min.	9/15/63
102t	Ted Ginn Jr. vs. Sea.	9/11/11
101t	Terry Kirby vs. Car.	11/16/97
101t	James Owens at Det.	11/2/80
99t	Abe Woodson at NYG	11/17/63
98t	Dexter Carter vs. NO	12/1/91
98t	Vic Washington at Atl.	10/29/72
98t	Abe Woodson at Det.	10/1/61
97t	Richie James vs. Sea.	12/16/18
97t	Vic Washington vs. Dal.	12/23/72
97t	Lenny Lyles vs. Bal.	12/18/60
96t	Dexter Carter at Was.	11/6/94

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURNS

97t	Zack Bronson at Chi.	10/28/01
94t	Alvin Randolph vs. Chi.	12/11/66
93t	Deion Sanders at Atl.	10/16/94
90t	Deion Sanders at SD	12/11/94
89t	NaVorro Bowman vs. Atl.	12/23/13
88t	Tory Nixon at GB	10/26/86
86t	Patrick Willis at Sea.	9/14/08
86t	Eric Davis vs. StL	11/26/95
83t	Ronnie Lott at KC	12/26/82
82	Carlton Williamson vs. Sea.	11/25/85
77t	Tom Holmoe vs. StL Cardinals	11/9/86
74t	Deion Sanders vs. NO	9/25/94
73	Eric Reid at Sea.	12/14/14

LONGEST FUMBLE RETURNS

99t	Don Griffin vs. Chi.	12/23/91
96t	Lee Woodall vs. Buf.	12/3/95
80t	Dwaine Carpenter at Chi.	10/31/04
80t	Dwight Hicks at Was.	10/4/81
78t	Derrick Johnson at Arz. (Mexico City)	10/2/05
75t	Clark Miller at Det.	11/14/65
73t	Skip Vanderbundt at Dal.	11/23/72
71t	Darnell Walker at Min.	10/24/99
71	Gerard Williams vs. NO	9/23/79
66t	Windlan Hall vs. Phi.	12/2/73
65t	Keena Turner at Was.	12/1/85
63t	Tommy Hart at StL Cardinals	10/24/71

LONGEST FIELD GOALS

63	David Akers at GB	9/9/12
56	Joey Slye vs. Ind.	10/24/21
56	Phil Dawson at Arz.	12/29/13
56	Joe Nedney at StL	12/24/05
56	Mike Cofer at Atl.	10/14/90
55	Phil Dawson vs. KC	10/5/14
55	Phil Dawson at NO	11/17/13
55	David Akers at Det.	10/16/11
55	David Akers vs. Dal.	9/18/11
54	Phil Dawson at StL	10/14/14
54	David Akers at Sea.	12/23/12
54	Steve Mike-Mayer at LA Rams	11/9/75
54	Bruce Gossett vs. NO	10/21/73
53	(10x) Last time: Robbie Gould vs. NYG	11/12/18

LONGEST RETURNS OF FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT

92t	Bruce Taylor at NO	12/13/70
74t	Nate Clements at NYG	10/19/08
62t	Johnny Jackson at Dal.	10/15/89
58t	Bruce Taylor at NO	9/26/71
41t	Donald Strickland vs. Phi.	10/12/08
38	Kermit Alexander vs. Phi.	11/20/66
30	Kermit Alexander at Phi.	9/20/64

NFL RECORDS BY 49ERS

Most Consecutive Seasons Leading NFL in Passer Rating

4 Steve Young (1991–94)

Most Receiving Touchdowns in a Game

5 Jerry Rice at Atl. (10/14/90); tied with Chi. Bob Shaw vs. Bal. (10/2/50) and SD Kellen Winslow vs. Oak. (11/22/81)

Most Interceptions in a Game

4 Dave Baker vs. LA Rams (12/4/60); tied with 12 others

Most Interceptions Returned for a Touchdown in a Game

2 Ken Norton vs. StL (10/22/95); tied with 26 others

Most Seasons Leading League in Kickoff Return Avg.

3 Abe Woodson (1959, 1962–63)

Most Points in a Season, No Touchdowns, Single Season

166 David Akers (2011)

Most Field Goals Attempted in a Season

52 David Akers (2011)

Most Field Goals Made in a Season

44 David Akers (2011)

49ERS NFL LEADERS

RUSHING CHAMPIONS (Yards)

1953	Joe Perry	1,018
1954	Joe Perry	1,049

PASSING CHAMPIONS (Passer Rating)

1970	John Brodie	93.9
1987	Joe Montana	102.1
1989	Joe Montana	112.4
1991	Steve Young	101.8
1992	Steve Young	107.0
1993	Steve Young	101.5
1994	Steve Young	112.8
1996	Steve Young	97.2
1997	Steve Young	104.7

RECEIVING CHAMPIONS (Receptions)

1954	Billy Wilson	60
1956	Billy Wilson	60
1957	Billy Wilson	52
1965	Dave Parks	80
1968	Clifton McNeil	71
1982	Dwight Clark	60
1985	Roger Craig	92
1990	Jerry Rice	100
1996	Jerry Rice	108

49ERS NFL LEADERS

RECEIVING CHAMPIONS (Touchdowns)

1953	Billy Wilson	10
1972	Gene Washington	12
1986	Jerry Rice	16
1987	Jerry Rice	22
1989	Jerry Rice	17
1990	Jerry Rice	13
1991	Jerry Rice	14
1993	Jerry Rice	16
1994	Jerry Rice	13
2001	Terrell Owens	16
2002	Terrell Owens	13
2009	Vernon Davis #	13

RECEIVING CHAMPIONS (Yards)

1970	Gene Washington	1,100
1986	Jerry Rice	1,570
1989	Jerry Rice	1,483
1990	Jerry Rice	1,502
1993	Jerry Rice	1,503
1994	Jerry Rice	1,499
1995	Jerry Rice	1,848
2018	George Kittle (TE)	1,377

PUNTING CHAMPIONS (Average)

1962	Tommy Davis	45.6
2011	Andy Lee	50.9

SCORING

1952	Gordie Soltau	94
1953	Gordie Soltau	114
1984	Ray Wersching	131
1987	Jerry Rice	138
1989	Mike Cofer	136
2011	David Akers	166*

KICKOFF RETURNS (Average)

1953	Joe Arenas	34.4
1959	Abe Woodson	29.4
1962	Abe Woodson	31.3
1963	Abe Woodson	32.2

FIELD GOALS MADE

1960	Tommy Davis	19
2011	David Akers	44*
2017	Robbie Gould	39

PUNT RETURNS (Yards)

1960	Abe Woodson	174
1988	John Taylor	556

INTERCEPTIONS

1960	Dave Baker	10
1986	Ronnie Lott	10
2003	Tony Parrish	9#

*NFL Record #Shared NFL Lead

ROOKIE SEASON RECORDS

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

No	Att	Player	Year
1.	207	Elijah Mitchell	2021
2.	191	Vic Washington	1971
3.	189	Ken Willard	1965
4.	176	Roger Craig	1983
5.	174	Wilbur Jackson	1974
6.	171	Earl Cooper	1980
7.	129	John H. Johnson	1954
8.	127	Frank Gore	2005
9.	125	Kevan Barlow	2001
10.	109	Don Lisbon	1963

RUSHING YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	963	Elijah Mitchell	2021
2.	811	Vic Washington	1971
3.	778	Ken Willard	1965
4.	725	Roger Craig	1983
5.	720	Earl Cooper	1980
6.	705	Wilbur Jackson	1974
7.	684	Hugh McElhenny	1952
8.	681	John H. Johnson	1954
9.	608	Frank Gore	2005
10.	512	Kevan Barlow	2001

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	10	Billy Kilmer	1961
2.	9	John H. Johnson	1954
3.	8	Roger Craig	1983
4.	6	Hugh McElhenny	1952
6.	6	William Floyd	1994
6.	5	Elijah Mitchell	2021
5.	5	Ken Willard	1965
5.	5	Dicky Moegle	1955
9.	4	Carlos Hyde	2014
4.	4	Kevan Barlow	2001
11.	3	Deebo Samuel (WR)	2019
3.	3	C.J. Beathard (QB)	2017
3.	3	Frank Gore	2005
3.	3	Earl Cooper	1980
3.	3	Delvin Williams	1974
3.	3	Vic Washington	1971
3.	3	J.D. Smith	1958

RECEPTIONS

No	Rec	Player	Year
1.	83	Earl Cooper (RB)	1980
2.	60	Brandon Aiyuk	2020
3.	57	Deebo Samuel	2019
4.	51	Gene Washington	1969
5.	49	Jerry Rice	1985
6.	48	Michael Crabtree	2009
48	48	Roger Craig (RB)	1983
8.	43	George Kittle (TE)	2017
43	43	Trent Taylor	2017
10.	40	Eric Johnson (TE)	2001

RECEIVING YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	927	Jerry Rice	1985
2.	802	Deebo Samuel	2019
3.	748	Brandon Aiyuk	2020
4.	711	Gene Washington	1969
5.	703	Dave Parks	1964
6.	625	Michael Crabtree	2009
7.	567	Earl Cooper (RB)	1980
8.	520	Terrell Owens	1996
9.	517	J.J. Stokes	1995
10.	515	George Kittle (TE)	2017

RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	8	Dave Parks	1964
2.	5	Brandon Aiyuk	2020
5	5	Dante Pettis	2018
5	5	Jimmy Thomas	1969
5	5	R.C. Owens	1957
5.	4	Terrell Owens	1996
4	4	J.J. Stokes	1995
4	4	Roger Craig	1983
4	4	Earl Cooper	1980
4	4	Vic Washington	1971
4	4	Ken Willard	1965
4	4	Carroll Hardy	1955

PASSES ATTEMPTED

No	Att	Player	Year
1.	224	C.J. Beathard	2017
2.	184	Tom Owen	1974
3.	170	Brock Purdy	2022
4.	165	Alex Smith	2005
5.	78	Earl Morrall	1956
6.	71	Trey Lance	2021
7.	53	George Mira	1964
8.	52	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
9.	51	Dennis Morrison	1974
10.	50	Steve Spurrier	1967

PASSES COMPLETED

No	Comp	Player	Year
1.	123	C.J. Beathard	2017
2.	114	Brock Purdy	2022
3.	88	Tom Owen	1974
4.	84	Alex Smith	2005
5.	41	Trey Lance	2021
6.	38	Earl Morrall	1956
7.	23	Steve Spurrier	1967
23	23	George Mira	1964
9.	21	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
21	21	Scott Bull	1976
21	21	Dennis Morrison	1975

PASSING YARDS

No	Yds	Players	Year
1.	1,430	C.J. Beathard	2017
2.	1,374	Brock Purdy	2022
3.	1,327	Tom Owen	1974
4.	875	Alex Smith	2005
5.	621	Earl Morrall	1956
6.	603	Trey Lance	2021
7.	331	George Mira	1964
8.	286	Billy Kilmer	1961
9.	252	Scott Bull	1976
10.	239	Jim Druckenmiller	1997

PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	13	Brock Purdy	2022
2.	10	Tom Owen	1974
3.	5	Trey Lance	2021
4.	4	C.J. Beathard	2017
5.	2	Scott Bull	1976
2	2	George Mira	1964
2	2	John Brodie	1957
8.	1	Alex Smith	2005
1	1	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
1	1	Bill Musgrave	1991
1	1	Joe Montana	1979
1	1	Dennis Morrison	1974
1	1	Bob Waters	1960
1	1	Earl Morrall	1956

PASSES INTERCEPTED

No	INT	Player	Year
1.	15	Tom Owen	1974
2.	11	Alex Smith	2005
3.	7	Steve Spurrier	1967
4.	6	C.J. Beathard	2017
6	6	Earl Morrall	1956
6.	5	Dennis Morrison	1974
5	5	George Mira	1964
8.	4	Brock Purdy	2022
4	4	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
4	4	Scott Bull	1976
4	4	Billy Kilmer	1961

PUNT RETURNS

No	Ret	Player	Year
1.	47	R.W. McQuarters	1998
2.	38	Don Griffin	1986
3.	35	Anthony Leonard	1976
4.	30	Trent Taylor	2017
5.	23	Bruce Ellington	2014
6.	22	Brandon Williams	2006
22	22	Ralph McGill	1972
8.	21	Vinny Sutherland	2001
21	21	Joe Arenas	1951

PUNT RETURN YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	406	R.W. McQuarters	1998
2.	377	Don Griffin	1986
3.	293	Anthony Leonard	1976
4.	284	Hugh McElhenny	1952
5.	281	Trent Taylor	2017
6.	272	Joe Arenas	1951
7.	219	Ralph McGill	1972

PUNT RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	1	Otis Amey	2005
1	1	R.W. McQuarters	1998
1	1	Don Griffin	1986
1	1	Dana McLemore	1982
1	1	Anthony Leonard	1976
1	1	Manfred Moore	1974
1	1	Hugh McElhenny	1952

PUNTING ATTEMPTS

No	Att	Player	Year
1.	96	Andy Lee	2004
2.	91	Bradley Pinion	2015
3.	79	Tom Wittum	1973
4.	78	Barry Helton	1988
5.	77	Jim Miller	1980

PUNTING YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	3,990	Andy Lee	2004
2.	3,969	Bradley Pinion	2015
3.	3,455	Tom Wittum	1973
4.	3,152	Jim Miller	1980
5.	3,069	Barry Helton	1988

PUNTING AVERAGE*

No	Avg	Player	Year
1.	45.7	Tommy Davis	1959
2.	44.9	Mitch Wishnowsky	2019
3.	43.7	Tom Wittum	1973
4.	43.6	Bradley Pinion	2015
5.	41.6	Andy Lee	2004

*minimum of 20 punts

ROOKIE SEASON RECORDS (CONT.)

KICKOFF RETURNS

No	Ret	Player	Year
1.	50	Vinny Sutherland	2001
2.	41	James Owens	1979
3.	41	Dexter Carter	1971
4.	33	Vic Washington	1990
5.	26	Rasheed Marshall	2005
	26	Anthony Leonard	1976
7.	24	Bruce Ellington	2014

KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	1,140	Vinny Sutherland	2001
2.	1,002	James Owens	1979
3.	858	Vic Washington	1971
4.	783	Dexter Carter	1990
5.	614	Bruce Ellington	2014
6.	580	Richie James	2018

KICKOFF RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	1	Richie James	2018
	1	Amos Lawrence	1981
	1	James Owens	1979
	1	Dave Williams	1977

INTERCEPTIONS

No	INT	Player	Year
1.	7	Ronnie Lott	1981
2.	6	Tim McKyer	1986
	6	Dicky Moegle	1955
4.	5	Kermit Alexander	1963
	5	Jimmy Johnson	1961
	5	Dave Baker	1959
	5	Fred Bruney	1953
	5	Jim Powers	1950

INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Year
1.	138	Alvin Randolph	1967
2.	117	Ronnie Lott	1981
3.	116	Jimmy Johnson	1961
4.	81	Todd Shell	1984
5.	77	Rex Berry	1951

INTERCEPTION RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	3	Ronnie Lott	1981
2.	1	Javon Kinlaw	2020
	1	Dontae Johnson	2014
	1	Tim McKyer	1986
	1	Bill Belk	1968
	1	Alvin Randolph	1966

TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Year
1.	12	Roger Craig	1983
2.	10	Billy Kilmer	1961
	10	Hugh McElhenny	1952
4.	9	Earl Cooper	1980
	9	Ken Willard	1965
	9	John H. Johnson	1954

TOTAL POINTS

No	Pts	Player	Year
1.	105	Doug Brien	1994
2.	103	Wade Richey	1997
3.	72	Roger Craig	1983

SACKS

No	Sacks	Player	Year
1.	14.0	LB Aldon Smith	2011
2.	12.0	LB Charles Haley	1986
3.	10.5	DT Dana Stubblefield	1993
4.	9.0	DL Nick Bosa	2019
5.	6.5	DE Andre Carter	2001
6.	6.0	DT DeForest Buckner	2016
	6.0	LB Aaron Lynch	2014

ROOKIE SINGLE GAME RECORDS

RUSHING YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	170	Hugh McElhenny	10/5/52	Dal.
2.	142	Joe Perry**	10/29/50	Bal.
3.	137	Elijah Mitchell	10/31/21	Chi.
4.	135	Joe Perry**	12/10/50	GB
5.	134	Amp Lee	12/13/92	Min.
6.	133	Elijah Mitchell	11/28/21	Min.
7.	131	Billy Kilmer	10/8/61	LA Rams
8.	125	Vic Washington	11/28/71	NYJ
9.	124	Dexter Carter	12/17/90	LA Rams
	124	John Henry Johnson	11/20/54	Pit.

**Player who was in his 1st NFL season, but had previous pro experience.

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	4	Billy Kilmer	10/15/61	Min.
2.	3	Ricky Watters	10/18/92	Atl.
	3	Roger Craig	12/4/83	TB

RECEPTIONS

No	REC	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	10	Brandon Aiyuk	12/13/20	Was.
	10	Jerry Rice	12/9/85	LA Rams
	10	Earl Cooper	9/7/80	NO
3.	9	Earl Cooper	9/14/80	StL
4.	8	Eight times, most recently Brandon Aiyuk	11/1/20	Sea.

RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	2	11x (last: Dante Pettis)	12/9/18	Den.

RECEIVING YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	241	Jerry Rice	12/9/85	LA Rams
2.	146	Dave Parks	10/25/64	Min.
3.	134	Deebo Samuel	11/17/19	Arz.
4.	131	Aaron Thomas	11/19/61	Chi.
5.	129	Dante Pettis	12/2/18	Sea.

TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

No	TD	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	4	Billy Kilmer	10/15/61	Min.
2.	3	Roger Craig	12/4/83	TB

PUNT RETURN YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	141	Anthony Leonard	10/17/76	NO
2.	133	Bruce Taylor	11/15/70	Houston
3.	125	Dana McLemore	1/2/83	LA Rams
4.	122	Hugh McElhenny	10/19/52	Chi.
5.	109	Ralph McGill	10/29/72	Atl.

KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

No	Yds	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	179	Vic Washington	11/14/71	NO
2.	172	LaMichael James	12/23/12	Sea.
3.	163	Jamal Willis	10/15/95	Ind.
4.	159	D.J. Reed Jr.	9/16/18	Det.
	159	Doug Cunningham	10/22/67	NO
6.	147	Dana McLemore	12/2/82	LA Rams
	147	Vinny Sutherland	11/18/01	Car.

INTERCEPTIONS

No	INT	Player	Date	Opp.
1.	2	Chris Borland	11/16/14	NYG
	2	Tim McKyer	12/19/86	LA Rams
	2	Ronnie Lott	10/11/81	Det.
	2	Carlton Williamson	11/29/81	NYG
	2	Ricky Churchman	11/30/80	NE
	2	Jimmy Johnson	11/5/61	Det.
	2	Dicky Moegle	10/23/55	Chi.
	2	Rex Berry	10/21/51	Chi.
	2	Jimmy Powers	10/22/50	Det.

ROOKIE HIGHLIGHTS

LONG RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	89t	Hugh McElhenny	at Dal.	10/5/52
2.	82t	Hugh McElhenny	vs. Dal.	10/26/52
3.	75t	Jimmy Thomas	vs. Chi.	12/6/69
4.	74t	Dexter Carter	at Atl.	10/14/90
5.	72t	Frank Gore	at Was.	10/23/05

LONG RECEPTIONS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	83t	Dave Parks	at LA Rams	10/18/64
2.	80t	Dave Parks	vs. Min.	10/25/64
3.	79t	Dave Parks	at Min.	11/8/64
4.	78	Keith Henderson	vs. Atl.	11/12/89
	78t	Carroll Hardy	vs. Det.	10/30/55

LONG PUNTS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	86	Larry Barnes	vs. Chi.	9/29/57
2.	81	Andy Lee	at TB	11/21/04
3.	71	Tommy Davis	vs. Chi.	10/25/59
4.	70	Chad Stanley	at Jac.	9/12/99
5.	65	Mitch Wishnowsky	vs. Sea.	11/11/19
	65	Jim Miller	at NYJ	9/21/80

LONG PUNT RETURNS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	94t	Hugh McElhenny	vs. Chi.	10/16/52
2.	93t	Dana McLemore	vs. LA Rams	1/2/83
3.	88t	Manfred Moore	vs. Atl.	11/24/74
4.	76t	Don Griffin	vs. Atl.	11/23/86
	76	Bruce Taylor	at Chi.	11/8/70

LONG KICKOFF RETURNS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	97t	Richie James	vs. Sea.	12/16/18
2.	94	Doug Cunningham	vs. NO	11/22/67
3.	92t	Amos Lawrence	vs. LA Rams	11/22/81
4.	90	D.J. Reed Jr.	vs. Det.	9/16/18
5.	85t	James Owens	vs. Den.	11/18/79

100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Player	Game	Yards (Att-Lg-TD)	
1. Hugh McElhenny	at Dal. Texans (10/5/52)	170 (7-89t-1)	
2. Joe Perry**	vs. Bal. (10/29/50)	142 (16-49-0)	
3. Elijah Mitchell	at Chi. (10/31/21)	137 (18-39-1)	
4. Joe Perry**	vs. GB (12/10/50)	135 (9-78t-1)	
5. Amp Lee	at Min. (12/13/92)	134 (23-43-1)	
6. Elijah Mitchell	vs. Min. (11/28/21)	133 (27-15-1)	
6. Billy Kilmer	vs. LA Rams (10/8/61)	131 (19-26-2)	
7. Vic Washington	at NYJ (11/28/71)	125 (27-20-1)	
8. Dexter Carter	at LA Rams (12/17/90)	124 (13-74t-1)	
	John Henry Johnson	at Pit. (11/20/54)	124 (17-24t-1)
10. Elijah Mitchell	vs. Hou. (1/2/22)	119 (21-37-0)	
11. Jimmy Thomas	vs. Chi. (12/6/69)	118 (6-75t-1)	
12. Billy Kilmer	at Min. (10/15/61)	115 (20-21-4)	
13. Ken Willard	at Min. (11/28/65)	113 (18-21-0)	
14. Frank Gore	vs. Hou. (1/1/06)	108 (25-28-0)	
	Joe Arenas	vs. GB (12/9/51)	108 (12-14-2)
16. Elijah Mitchell	vs. Ind. (10/24/21)	107 (18-20-1)	
17. Elijah Mitchell	at Det. (9/12/21)	104 (19-38-1)	
18. Billy Kilmer	at Det. (10/1/61)	103 (16-31-2)	
	Hugh McElhenny	at Chi. (10/19/52)	103 (12-25t-2)

**Player who was in his 1st NFL season, but had previous pro experience.

LONG RETURNS OF FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	92t	Bruce Taylor	at NO	12/13/70
2.	62t	Johnny Jackson	at Dal.	10/15/89

LONG COMPLETIONS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	83t	C.J. Beathard	vs. NYG	11/12/17
2.	79t	George Mira	at Min.	11/8/64
3.	76t	Trey Lance	vs. Sea.	10/3/21
4.	68t	Tom Owen	at Chi.	11/17/74
5.	54	Brock Purdy	vs. Was.	12/24/22
	54t	Brock Purdy	at Sea.	12/15/22

LONG INTERCEPTION RETURNS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	94t	Alvin Randolph	vs. Chi.	12/11/66
2.	70t	Jason Webster	vs. Atl.	11/19/00
	70	Bruce Taylor	vs. GB	11/1/70
4.	63	Jimmy Johnson	vs. GB	12/10/61
5.	53t	Todd Shell	at NO	11/25/84

LONG FIELD GOALS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	54	Steve Mike-Mayer	at LA Rams	11/9/75
2.	52	Jose Cortez	vs. StL	9/23/01
3.	49	Jose Cortez	at NYJ	10/1/01
4.	48	Chase McLaughlin	vs. GB	11/24/19
	48	Doug Brien	at NO	11/28/94
6.	47	Chase McLaughlin	vs. Sea.	11/11/19
	47	Doug Brien	at LA Rams	9/18/94

LONG FUMBLE RETURNS

No	Yds	Player	Opp.	Date
1.	75t	Derrick Johnson	at Arz.	10/2/05
2.	34	Eric Davis	at LA Rams	12/17/90
3.	18	Ed Pine	at Min.	12/2/62
4.	17	Jamie Winborn	at NO	1/6/02
5.	16	Jack Capple	vs. Min.	10/24/65

100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Game	Yards (Rec-TD)	
1. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	241 (10-1)	
2. Dave Parks	vs. Min. (10/25/64)	146 (5-1)	
3. Deebo Samuel	vs. Arz. (11/17/10)	134 (8-0)	
4. Aaron Thomas	vs. Chi. (11/19/61)	131 (3-2)	
5. Dante Pettis	at Sea. (12/2/18)	129 (5-2)	
6. Clyde Conner	vs. GB (12/8/56)	125 (7-1)	
7. Monty Stickles	vs. NYG (9/25/60)	123 (8-0)	
8. Carroll Hardy	at GB (11/20/55)	122 (4-2)	
9. Brandon Aiyuk	vs. Was. (12/13/20)	119 (10-0)	
10. Bernie Casey	vs. GB (12/10/61)	118 (5-1)	
	Hugh McElhenny	at NYG (11/9/52)	118 (4-0)
12. Brandon Aiyuk	at NE (10/25/20)	115 (6-0)	
13. Deebo Samuel	vs. Sea. (11/11/19)	112 (8-0)	
	Dave Parks	at LA Rams (10/18/64)	112 (3-1)
15. Jerry Rice	vs. Dal. (12/22/85)	111 (7-0)	
16. Terrell Owens	vs. Car. (12/8/96)	110 (5-1)	
17. J.J. Stokes	at Atl. (12/24/95)	106 (5-1)	
	Alyn Beals**	vs. LA Rams (10/1/50)	106 (7-0)
19. Deebo Samuel	at Sea. (12/29/19)	102 (5-0)	
	Don Lisbon	vs. Dal. (11/10/63)	102 (5-2)
	Alex Loyd	at Cle. (11/12/50)	102 (5-0)
22. George Kittle	at LAR (12/31/17)	100 (4-0)	

**Player who was in his 1st NFL season, but had previous pro experience.

CAREER 100/300 YARD GAMES

CAREER 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

No	Player	W-L-T
39	Frank Gore	31-8-0
20	Joe Perry	16-4-0
16	Garrison Hearst	15-1-0
14	Roger Craig	11-3-0
12	Hugh McElhenny	8-4-0
12	J.D. Smith	7-5-0
10	Wendell Tyler	8-2-0
10	Delvin Williams	5-5-0
9	Ricky Watters	8-1-0
9	Ken Willard	5-3-1
6	Charlie Garner	3-3-0
5	Elijah Mitchell	4-1-0
5	Matt Breida	3-2-0
5	Kevan Barlow	2-3-0
4	Billy Kilmer	4-0-0
4	Carlos Hyde	1-3-0
4	Jeff Wilson Jr.	4-0-0
3	Paul Hofer	0-3-0
3	Wilbur Jackson	2-1-0
3	Christian McCaffrey	3-0-0
2	Joe Cribbs	2-0-0
2	Larry Schreiber	2-0-0
2	Maurice Hicks	2-0-0
2	C.R. Roberts	2-0-0
2	Colin Kaepernick	0-2-0
1	Joe Arenas	1-0-0
1	Dexter Carter	1-0-0
1	Tevin Coleman	1-0-0
1	Lenvil Elliott	1-0-0
1	Keith Henderson	1-0-0
1	John Henry Johnson	1-0-0
1	Terry Kirby	1-0-0
1	Amp Lee	1-0-0
1	Gary Lewis	1-0-0
1	Verl Lillywhite	1-0-0
1	Lawrence Phillips	1-0-0
1	Jimmy Thomas	1-0-0
1	Vic Washington	1-0-0
1	Brian Westbrook	1-0-0
1	Alfred Morris	0-1-0
1	Raheem Mostert	0-1-0
1	O.J. Simpson	0-1-0
1	Steve Young	0-1-0
221		162-58-1

CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES

No	Player	W-L-T
35	Joe Montana	26-9-0
28	Steve Young	21-7-0
14	Jeff Garcia	5-9-0
11	Jimmy Garoppolo	8-3-0
6	John Brodie	4-1-1
6	Colin Kaepernick	4-2-0
5	Y.A. Tittle	4-1-0
5	Steve DeBerg	0-5-0
4	Nick Mullens	2-2-0
3	Elvis Grbac	2-1-0
3	Alex Smith	1-2-0
2	Steve Bono	2-0-0
2	Blaine Gabbert	1-1-0
2	Jeff Kemp	1-1-0
2	Brian Hoyer	0-2-0
2	Steve Spurrier	0-2-0
1	Troy Smith	1-0-0
1	Tim Rattay	1-0-0
1	George Mira	1-0-0
1	Tom Owen	1-0-0
1	J.T. O'Sullivan	1-0-0
1	C. J. Beathard	0-1-0
1	Shaun Hill	0-1-0
1	Mike Moroski	0-1-0
138		86-51-1

CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

No	Player	W-L-T
66	Jerry Rice	46-20-0
25	Terrell Owens	15-10-0
17	Gene Washington	11-5-1
16	Dwight Clark	11-5-0
14	George Kittle	8-6-0
12	John Taylor	10-2-0
11	Freddie Solomon	5-6-0
11	Dave Parks	2-8-1
10	Bernie Casey	3-5-2
10	Deebo Samuel	6-4-0
10	Gordie Soltau	5-5-0
10	Billy Wilson	4-4-2
9	Vernon Davis	4-5-0
8	R.C. Owens	5-2-1
8	Michael Crabtree	5-3-0
5	Anquan Boldin	4-1-0
5	Monty Stickles	3-2-0
4	Brandon Aiyuk	3-1-0
4	Marquise Goodwin	2-2-0
4	Paul Hofer	2-2-0
4	J.J. Stokes	2-2-0
3	Garrison Hearst	2-1-0
3	Dick Witcher	2-1-0
3	Clifton McNeil	1-2-0
3	Ted Kwalick	0-2-1
3	Brandon Lloyd	0-3-0
2	Clyde Conner	2-0-0
2	Roger Craig	2-0-0
2	Emmanuel Sanders	2-0-0
2	J.R. Boone	1-1-0
2	Isaac Bruce	1-1-0
2	Antonio Bryant	1-1-0
2	John David Crow	1-1-0
2	Eric Johnson	1-1-0
2	Hugh McElhenny	1-1-0
1	Danny Abramowicz	1-0-0
1	Jimmy Johnson	1-0-0
1	Brent Jones	1-0-0
1	Don Lisbon	1-0-0
1	Willie McGee	1-0-0
1	Jeff Moore	1-0-0
1	Renaldo Nehemiah	1-0-0
1	Ted Popson	1-0-0
1	Tom Rathman	1-0-0
1	J.D. Smith	1-0-0
1	Aaron Thomas	1-0-0
1	Ricky Watters	1-0-0
1	Mike Wilson	1-0-0
1	Arnaz Battle	0-1-0
1	Alyn Beals	0-1-0
1	Jimmy Cason	0-1-0
1	Curtis Conway	0-1-0
1	Pierre Garçon	0-1-0
1	Charlie Garner	0-1-0
1	Frank Gore	0-1-0
1	Carroll Hardy	0-1-0
1	Richie James	0-1-0
1	Jeremy Kerley	0-1-0
1	Alex Loyd	0-1-0
1	Joshua Morgan	0-1-0
1	Quinton Patton	0-1-0
1	Dante Pettis	0-1-0
1	Joe Perry	0-1-0
1	Mike Sherrard	0-1-0
1	Torrey Smith	0-1-0
1	Jimmy Thomas	0-1-0
1	Cedrick Wilson	0-1-0
327		185-134-8

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303 – Jimmy Garoppolo vs. KC	10/23/22 (25 of 37)
316 – Jimmy Garoppolo at LAR	1/9/22 (23 of 32)
322 – Jimmy Garoppolo at Ten.	12/23/21 (26 of 35)
326 – Jimmy Garoppolo vs. Arz.	11/7/21 (28 of 40)
322 – Jimmy Garoppolo at Chi.	10/31/21 (17 of 28)
314 – Jimmy Garoppolo at Det.	9/12/21 (17 of 25)
316 – Nick Mullens vs. Buf.	12/7/20 (26 of 39)
343 – Nick Mullens at NYG	9/27/20 (25 of 36)
349 – Jimmy Garoppolo at NO	12/8/19 (26 of 35)
424 – Jimmy Garoppolo vs. Arz.	11/17/19 (34 of 45)
317 – Jimmy Garoppolo at Arz.	10/31/19 (28 of 37)
332 – Nick Mullens vs. Den.	12/9/18 (20 of 33)
414 – Nick Mullens at Sea.	12/2/18 (30 of 48)
349 – C.J. Beathard vs. Arz.	10/7/18 (34 of 54)
381 – Jimmy Garoppolo vs. Ten.	12/17/17 (31 of 43)
334 – Jimmy Garoppolo at Hou.	12/10/17 (20 of 33)
353 – Brian Hoyer at Ind.	10/8/17 (29 of 46)
332 – Brian Hoyer vs. LAR	9/21/17 (23 of 37)
398 – Colin Kaepernick vs. NO	11/6/16 (24 of 39)
354 – Blaine Gabbert vs. STL	1/3/16 (28 of 44)
318 – Blaine Gabbert vs. Arz.	11/29/15 (25 of 36)
340 – Colin Kaepernick vs. Bal.	10/18/15 (16 of 27)
335 – Colin Kaepernick at Pit.	9/20/15 (33 of 46)
343 – Colin Kaepernick at STL	10/13/14 (22 of 36)
310 – Colin Kaepernick at Arz.	12/29/13 (21 of 34)
412 – Colin Kaepernick vs. GB	9/8/13 (27 of 39)
303 – Alex Smith vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (18 of 24)
356 – Troy Smith vs. STL	11/14/10 (17 of 28)
309 – Alex Smith vs. Phi.	10/10/10 (25 of 39)
310 – Alex Smith at Sea.	12/6/09 (27 of 45)
303 – Shaun Hill at Dal.	11/23/08 (21 of 33)
321 – J.T. O'Sullivan at Sea.	9/14/08 (20 of 32)
417 – Tim Rattay vs. Arz.	10/10/04 (38 of 57)
344 – Jeff Garcia at Cin.	12/14/03 (26 of 33)
337 – Jeff Garcia at SD	11/17/02 (25 of 43)
305 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	11/18/01 (34 of 54)
332 – Jeff Garcia at Atl.	10/14/01 (27 of 41)
335 – Jeff Garcia vs. Atl.	9/9/01 (26 of 40)
402 – Jeff Garcia vs. Chi.	12/17/00 (36 of 44)
305 – Jeff Garcia vs. NO	12/10/00 (25 of 38)
323 – Jeff Garcia at SD	12/3/00 (18 of 32)
307 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	10/22/00 (25 of 39)
336 – Jeff Garcia at GB	10/15/00 (27 of 42)
336 – Jeff Garcia vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (28 of 41)
373 – Jeff Garcia at Atl.	1/3/00 (26 of 34)
303 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	12/18/99 (29 of 46)
437 – Jeff Garcia at Cin.	12/5/99 (33 of 49)
342 – Steve Young at Atl.	11/15/98 (21 of 40)
331 – Steve Young vs. Ind.	10/18/98 (33 of 51)
309 – Steve Young at NO	10/11/98 (21 of 40)
329 – Steve Young at Buf.	10/4/98 (23 of 38)
387 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (28 of 39)
303 – Steve Young at Was.	9/14/98 (21 of 32)
363 – Steve Young vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (26 of 46)
336 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/21/97 (17 of 24)
393 – Steve Young vs. Car.	12/8/96 (27 of 41)
316 – Steve Young at Atl.	12/24/95 (31 of 44)
425 – Steve Young vs. Min.	12/18/95 (30 of 49)
336 – Steve Young at Car.	12/10/95 (31 of 45)
382 – Elvis Grbac at Mia.	11/20/95 (31 of 41)
305 – Elvis Grbac at Dal.	11/12/95 (20 of 30)
327 – Elvis Grbac at Car.	11/5/95 (26 of 37)
348 – Steve Young at Det.	9/25/95 (27 of 44)
331 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/10/95 (27 of 40)
350 – Steve Young vs. Den.	12/17/94 (20 of 29)
304 – Steve Young at SD	12/11/94 (25 of 32)
325 – Steve Young vs. LA Rams	11/20/94 (30 of 44)
355 – Steve Young at LA Rams	9/18/94 (31 of 39)
308 – Steve Young vs. LA Raiders	8/5/94 (19 of 32)

354 – Steve Young at Det.	12/19/93 (17 of 23)
462 – Steve Young at LA Rams	11/28/93 (26 of 32)
311 – Steve Young at TB	11/14/93 (23 of 29)
342 – Steve Young vs. Phi.	11/29/92 (24 of 35)
399 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	10/18/92 (18 of 28)
449 – Steve Young vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (26 of 37)
338 – Steve Young vs. Chi.	12/23/91 (21 of 32)
347 – Steve Bono vs. NO	12/1/91 (27 of 41)
306 – Steve Bono at LA Rams	11/25/91 (18 of 33)
348 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	10/13/91 (22 of 38)
348 – Steve Young vs. SD	9/8/91 (26 of 36)
411 – Joe Montana at GB	11/4/90 (25 of 40)
476 – Joe Montana at Atl.	10/14/90 (32 of 49)
318 – Joe Montana at Hou.	10/7/90 (20 of 28)
398 – Joe Montana vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (24 of 36)
390 – Joe Montana vs. Was.	9/16/90 (29 of 44)
458 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	12/11/89 (30 of 42)
325 – Joe Montana vs. GB	11/19/89 (30 of 42)
302 – Joe Montana vs. NO	11/6/89 (22 of 31)
428 – Joe Montana at Phi.	9/24/89 (25 of 34)
302 – Joe Montana at Sea.	9/25/88 (20 of 29)
343 – Joe Montana vs. Atl.	9/18/88 (32 of 48)
308 – Joe Montana at GB	12/6/87 (26 of 35)
342 – Joe Montana vs. Cle.	11/29/87 (23 of 31)
304 – Joe Montana at TB	11/22/87 (29 of 45)
334 – Joe Montana vs. STL Cardinals	10/18/87 (31 of 39)
316 – Joe Montana at Pit.	9/13/87 (34 of 49)
441 – Joe Montana at Was.	11/17/86 (33 of 60)
332 – Mike Moroski at NO	11/2/86 (23 of 40)
359 – Jeff Kemp vs. Min.	10/12/86 (23 of 42)
332 – Jeff Kemp vs NO	9/21/86 (29 of 44)
356 – Joe Montana at TB	9/7/86 (32 of 46)
322 – Joe Montana vs. Dal.	12/22/85 (24 of 34)
354 – Joe Montana at NO	12/15/85 (25 of 38)
328 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	12/9/85 (26 of 36)
306 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/27/85 (22 of 30)
429 – Joe Montana at Atl.	10/6/85 (37 of 57)
301 – Joe Montana vs. Cin.	11/4/84 (27 of 42)
365 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/28/84 (21 of 31)
353 – Joe Montana at Hou.	10/21/84 (25 of 35)
381 – Joe Montana vs. Was.	9/10/84 (24 of 40)
358 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/23/83 (25 of 39)
316 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	10/9/83 (28 of 42)
341 – Joe Montana at STL Cardinals	9/18/83 (20 of 32)
356 – Joe Montana vs. SD	12/11/82 (31 of 46)
305 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	12/2/82 (26 of 37)
334 – Joe Montana vs. NO	11/28/82 (27 of 42)
408 – Joe Montana at STL Cardinals	11/21/82 (26 of 39)
336 – Joe Montana at Den.	9/19/82 (26 of 37)
345 – Steve DeBerg at Atl.	9/28/80 (32 of 51)
345 – Steve DeBerg vs. Atl.	12/16/79 (29 of 54)
348 – Steve DeBerg vs. Chi. Bears	10/28/79 (26 of 41)
306 – Steve DeBerg vs. Sea.	10/7/79 (31 of 40)
321 – Steve DeBerg at Hou.	9/17/78 (20 to 32)
316 – Tom Owen at Chi.	11/17/74 (15 of 26)
320 – Steve Spurrier vs. Min.	10/14/73 (31 of 48)
315 – Steve Spurrier at GB	11/5/72 (19 of 37)
317 – John Brodie at Chi.	11/8/70 (21 of 28)
356 – John Brodie at LAN	11/9/69 (25 of 42)
301 – John Brodie vs. GB	12/1/68 (24 of 39)
324 – George Mira at Atl.	12/10/67 (20 of 34)
327 – John Brodie at Chi.	11/13/66 (28 of 54)
328 – John Brodie vs. GB	12/10/61 (19 of 29)
322 – John Brodie vs. Chi.	11/19/61 (11 of 19)
316 – Y.A. Tittle at Det.	10/16/55 (15 of 31)
371 – Y.A. Tittle vs. Bal.	12/13/53 (29 of 44)
301 – Y.A. Tittle at LA Rams	11/8/53 (18 of 32)
304 – Y.A. Tittle vs. Chi.	11/1/53 (25 of 43)
341 – Y.A. Tittle at NYG	11/9/52 (16 of 29)

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121 – Christian McCaffrey at LV	1/1/23 (19 carries)
108 – Christian McCaffrey at Sea.	12/15/22 (26 carries)
119 – Christian McCaffrey vs. TB	12/11/22 (14 carries)
120 – Jeff Wilson Jr. at Car.	10/9/22 (17 carries)
119 – Elijah Mitchell vs. Hou.	1/2/22 (21 carries)
110 – Jeff Wilson Jr. vs. Atl.	12/19/21 (21 carries)
133 – Elijah Mitchell vs. Min.	11/28/21 (27 carries)
137 – Elijah Mitchell at Chi.	10/31/21 (18 carries)
107 – Elijah Mitchell vs. Ind.	10/24/21 (18 carries)
104 – Elijah Mitchell at Det.	9/12/21 (19 carries)
183 – Jeff Wilson Jr. at Arz.	12/26/20 (22 carries)
112 – Jeff Wilson Jr. at NE	10/25/20 (17 carries)
146 – Raheem Mostert at Bal.	12/1/19 (19 carries)
105 – Tevin Coleman vs. Car.	10/27/19 (11 carries)
114 – Matt Breida vs. Cle.	10/7/19 (11 carries)
121 – Matt Breida at Cin.	9/15/19 (12 carries)
111 – Alfred Morris at LAR	12/30/18 (16 carries)
106 – Matt Breida at TB	11/25/18 (14 carries)
101 – Matt Breida vs. NYG	11/12/18 (17 carries)
138 – Matt Breida vs. Det.	9/16/18 (11 carries)
124 – Carlos Hyde at Sea.	9/17/17 (15 carries)
193 – Carlos Hyde vs. NYJ	12/11/16 (17 carries)
113 – Colin Kaepernick at Mia.	11/27/16 (10 carries)
102 – Carlos Hyde at Sea.	9/25/16 (21 carries)
168 – Carlos Hyde vs. Min.	9/14/15 (26 carries)
144 – Frank Gore vs. Arz.	12/28/14 (25 carries)
158 – Frank Gore vs. SD	12/20/14 (26 carries)
151 – Colin Kaepernick vs. SD	12/20/14 (7 carries)
107 – Frank Gore vs. KC	10/5/14 (18 carries)
119 – Frank Gore vs. Phi.	9/28/14 (24 carries)
110 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	12/8/13 (17 carries)
101 – Frank Gore vs. Arz.	10/13/13 (25 carries)
153 – Frank Gore at StL	9/26/13 (20 carries)
131 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	10/18/12 (16 carries)
106 – Frank Gore vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (14 carries)
112 – Frank Gore at GB	9/9/12 (16 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at Was.	11/6/11 (19 carries)
134 – Frank Gore vs. Cle.	10/30/11 (31 carries)
141 – Frank Gore at Det.	10/16/11 (15 carries)
125 – Frank Gore vs. TB	10/9/11 (20 carries)
127 – Frank Gore at Phi.	10/2/11 (15 carries)
136 – Brian Westbrook at Arz.	11/29/10 (23 carries)
118 – Frank Gore vs. Den. (London)	10/31/10 (29 carries)
102 – Frank Gore at Car.	10/24/10 (19 carries)
149 – Frank Gore vs. Oak.	10/17/10 (25 carries)
112 – Frank Gore vs. NO	9/20/10 (20 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at StL	1/3/10 (23 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at Phi.	12/20/09 (16 carries)
167 – Frank Gore vs. Arz.	12/14/09 (25 carries)
104 – Frank Gore vs. Chi.	11/12/09 (25 carries)
207 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	9/20/09 (16 carries)
106 – Frank Gore vs. StL	11/16/08 (18 carries)
101 – Frank Gore vs. Phi.	10/12/08 (19 carries)
130 – Frank Gore vs. Det.	9/21/08 (27 carries)
138 – Frank Gore vs. Cin.	12/15/07 (29 carries)

116 – Frank Gore at Arz.	11/25/07 (21 carries)
153 – Frank Gore at Den.	12/31/06 (31 carries)
144 – Frank Gore at Sea.	12/14/06 (29 carries)
130 – Frank Gore vs. GB	12/10/06 (18 carries)
134 – Frank Gore at StL	11/26/06 (21 carries)
212 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	11/19/06 (24 carries)
159 – Frank Gore at Det.	11/12/06 (22 carries)
111 – Frank Gore at Chi.	10/29/06 (12 carries)
134 – Frank Gore vs. Oak.	10/8/06 (27 carries)
127 – Frank Gore vs. StL	9/17/06 (29 carries)
108 – Frank Gore vs. Hou	1/1/06 (25 carries)
109 – Maurice Hicks at StL	12/24/05 (10 carries)
101 – Kevan Barlow vs. TB	10/30/05 (26 carries)
103 – Kevan Barlow at NE	1/2/05 (25 carries)
139 – Maurice Hicks at Arz.	12/12/04 (34 carries)
114 – Kevan Barlow at NO	9/19/04 (20 carries)
154 – Kevan Barlow at Phi.	12/21/03 (30 carries)
154 – Kevan Barlow vs. Arz.	12/7/03 (18 carries)
117 – Garrison Hearst vs. TB	10/19/03 (20 carries)
124 – Garrison Hearst vs. Sea.	12/1/02 (31 carries)
116 – Garrison Hearst vs. StL	10/6/02 (13 carries)
103 – Garrison Hearst vs. Mia.	12/16/01 (26 carries)
124 – Garrison Hearst vs. Buf	12/2/01 (25 carries)
106 – Garrison Hearst at Ind.	11/25/01 (12 carries)
145 – Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/11/01 (17 carries)
102 – Charlie Garner vs. KC	11/12/00 (25 carries)
109 – Charlie Garner vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (24 carries)
201 – Charlie Garner at Dal.	9/24/00 (36 carries)
129 – Charlie Garner vs. Was	12/26/99 (16 carries)
107 – Charlie Garner vs. Atl.	12/12/99 (26 carries)
166 – Charlie Garner vs. Pit	11/7/99 (20 carries)
102 – Lawrence Phillips at Arz.	9/27/99 (9 carries)
107 – Garrison Hearst at NE	12/20/98 (27 carries)
198 – Garrison Hearst vs. Det.	12/14/98 (24 carries)
139 – Garrison Hearst at Car.	12/6/98 (20 carries)
166 – Garrison Hearst vs. NYG	11/30/98 (20 carries)
138 – Garrison Hearst at Was	9/14/98 (22 carries)
187 – Garrison Hearst vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (20 carries)
104 – Garrison Hearst vs. Dal.	11/2/97 (22 carries)
105 – Garrison Hearst at Atl.	10/19/97 (18 carries)
141 – Garrison Hearst at Car.	9/29/97 (28 carries)
105 – Terry Kirby at Atl.	12/2/96 (12 carries)
105 – Ricky Watters at NO	11/28/94 (26 carries)
103 – Ricky Watters vs. TB	10/23/94 (14 carries)
116 – Ricky Watters vs. NO	11/22/93 (16 carries)
135 – Ricky Watters at NO	9/26/93 (25 carries)
112 – Ricky Watters vs. Atl.	9/19/93 (19 carries)
134 – Amp Lee at Min.	12/13/92 (23 carries)
163 – Ricky Watters at LA Rams	11/22/92 (26 carries)
115 – Ricky Watters vs. NO	11/15/92 (21 carries)
104 – Ricky Watters at NE	10/11/92 (19 carries)
100 – Ricky Watters at NYG	9/6/92 (13 carries)
104 – Keith Henderson vs. Det.	10/20/91 (20 carries)
102 – Steve Young vs. NO	12/23/90 (8 carries)
124 – Dexter Carter at LA Rams	12/17/90 (13 carries)

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105 – Roger Craig vs. Buf.	12/17/89 (25 carries)
109 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	11/12/89 (17 carries)
131 – Roger Craig at Ind.	9/10/89 (24 carries)
115 – Roger Craig vs. NO	12/11/88 (22 carries)
103 – Roger Craig at Atl.	12/4/88 (23 carries)
162 – Roger Craig at Phx.	11/6/88 (26 carries)
190 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	10/16/88 (22 carries)
143 – Roger Craig vs. Den.	10/9/88 (26 carries)
107 – Roger Craig at Sea.	9/25/88 (21 carries)
110 – Roger Craig at NYG	9/11/88 (18 carries)
104 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	11/1/87 (23 carries)
107 – Joe Cribbs at NE	12/14/86 (23 carries)
101 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	11/23/86 (17 carries)
105 – Joe Cribbs vs. StL	11/9/86 (21 carries)
111 – Wendell Tyler vs. KC	11/17/85 (16 carries)
117 – Roger Craig at Den.	11/11/85 (22 carries)
107 – Wendell Tyler at Det.	10/20/85 (16 carries)
107 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	9/15/85 (11 carries)
125 – Wendell Tyler at Min.	9/8/85 (21 carries)
117 – Wendell Tyler at NO	11/25/84 (15 carries)
108 – Wendell Tyler at Hou.	10/21/84 (23 carries)
101 – Wendell Tyler at NYG	10/8/84 (14 carries)
113 – Wendell Tyler at Phi.	9/23/84 (21 carries)
102 – Wendell Tyler vs. TB	12/4/83 (16 carries)
108 – Wendell Tyler at StL	9/18/83 (18 carries)

107 – Wendell Tyler at Min.	9/8/83 (19 carries)
125 – Lenvil Elliot vs. NO	12/7/80 (20 carries)
147 – Paul Hofer at NO	11/11/79 (17 carries)
106 – Paul Hofer at Oak.	11/4/79 (13 carries)
104 – Paul Hofer vs. LA Rams	11/19/78 (20 carries)
108 – O.J. Simpson vs. Chi.	9/10/78 (27 carries)
107 – Delvin Williams at Min.	12/4/77 (27 carries)
190 – Wilbur Jackson vs. NO	11/27/77 (16 carries)
123 – Wilbur Jackson at NO	11/13/77 (22 carries)
110 – Delvin Williams at NO	11/13/77 (25 carries)
106 – Delvin Williams vs. Det.	10/23/77 (27 carries)
104 – Delvin Williams at SD	12/5/76 (26 carries)
156 – Wilbur Jackson vs. Min.	11/29/76 (30 carries)
153 – Delvin Williams vs. Min.	11/29/76 (20 carries)
180 – Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76 (23 carries)
194 – Delvin Williams at StL Cardinals	10/31/76 (34 carries)
121 – Delvin Williams at GB	9/12/76 (25 carries)
104 – Delvin Williams at Atl.	12/14/75 (10 carries)
106 – Delvin Williams vs. Chi.	11/16/75 (12 carries)
106 – Larry Schreiber vs. Atl.	11/24/74 (20 carries)
117 – Ken Willard vs. Phi.	12/2/73 (15 carries)
104 – Larry Schreiber vs. Bal.	11/12/72 (17 carries)
125 – Vic Washington at NYJ	11/28/71 (27 carries)
129 – Ken Willard at NYJ	11/28/71 (15 carries)
105 – Ken Willard vs. Cle.	9/27/70 (22 carries)

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101 – Brandon Aiyuk at LV	1/1/23 (9 catches)	108 – Vernon Davis at GB	11/22/09 (6 catches)
120 – George Kittle vs. Was.	12/24/22 (6 catches)	102 – Vernon Davis vs. Ten.	11/8/09 (10 catches)
115 – Deebo Samuel vs. LAR	10/3/22 (6 catches)	125 – Isaac Bruce at Dal.	11/23/08 (8 catches)
107 – Brandon Aiyuk at LAR	1/9/22 (6 catches)	120 – Arnaz Battle at NO	9/28/08 (7 catches)
159 – Deebo Samuel at Ten.	12/23/21 (9 catches)	153 – Isaac Bruce at Sea.	9/14/08 (4 catches)
151 – George Kittle at Cin.	12/12/21 (13 catches)	131 – Antonio Bryant vs. StL	9/17/06 (4 catches)
181 – George Kittle at Sea.	12/5/21 (9 catches)	114 – Antonio Bryant at Arz.	9/10/06 (4 catches)
101 – George Kittle vs. Arz.	11/7/21 (6 catches)	119 – Brandon Lloyd vs. Sea.	11/20/05 (7 catches)
171 – Deebo Samuel at Chi.	10/31/21 (6 catches)	102 – Brandon Lloyd at Arz.	10/2/05 (7 catches)
100 – Deebo Samuel vs. Ind.	10/24/21 (7 catches)	142 – Brandon Lloyd vs. Dal.	9/25/05 (4 catches)
156 – Deebo Samuel vs. Sea.	10/3/21 (8 catches)	101 – Cedrick Wilson vs. Car.	11/14/04 (5 catches)
189 – Deebo Samuel at Det.	9/12/21 (9 catches)	162 – Eric Johnson vs. Arz.	10/10/04 (13 catches)
119 – Brandon Aiyuk vs. Was.	12/13/20 (10 catches)	113 – Eric Johnson vs. StL	10/3/04 (10 catches)
133 – Deebo Samuel at LAR	11/29/20 (11 catches)	112 – Curtis Conway at NO	9/19/04 (8 catches)
184 – Richie James vs. GB	11/5/20 (9 catches)	127 – Terrell Owens at Cin.	12/14/03 (8 catches)
115 – Brandon Aiyuk at NE	10/25/20 (6 catches)	155 – Terrell Owens vs. Pit.	11/17/03 (8 catches)
109 – George Kittle vs. LAR	10/18/20 (7 catches)	152 – Terrell Owens vs. TB	10/19/03 (6 catches)
183 – George Kittle vs. Phi.	10/4/20 (15 catches)	112 – Terrell Owens vs. Chi.	9/7/03 (7 catches)
102 – Deebo Samuel at Sea.	12/29/19 (5 catches)	123 – Terrell Owens at Dal.	12/8/02 (12 catches)
134 – George Kittle vs. Atl.	12/15/19 (13 catches)	166 – Terrell Owens vs. Phi.	11/25/02 (13 catches)
157 – Emmanuel Sanders at NO	12/8/19 (7 catches)	171 – Terrell Owens at SD	11/17/02 (7 catches)
129 – George Kittle vs. GB	11/24/19 (6 catches)	191 – Terrell Owens at Oak.	11/3/02 (12 catches)
134 – Deebo Samuel vs. Arz.	11/17/19 (8 catches)	132 – Terrell Owens vs. Arz.	10/27/02 (8 catches)
112 – Deebo Samuel vs. Sea.	11/11/19 (8 catches)	116 – Terrell Owens at NO	1/6/02 (2 catches)
112 – Emmanuel Sanders at Arz.	10/31/19 (7 catches)	103 – Terrell Owens at Ind.	11/25/01 (6 catches)
103 – George Kittle at LAR	10/13/19 (8 catches)	100 – Terrell Owens vs. NO	11/11/01 (8 catches)
149 – George Kittle at LAR	12/30/18 (9 catches)	125 – Terrell Owens vs. Det.	11/4/01 (9 catches)
210 – George Kittle vs. Den.	12/9/18 (7 catches)	105 – Garrison Hearst at Chi.	10/28/01 (4 catches)
129 – Dante Pettis at Sea.	12/2/18 (5 catches)	183 – Terrell Owens at Atl.	10/14/01 (9 catches)
108 – George Kittle vs. Oak.	11/1/18 (4 catches)	118 – Terrell Owens vs. Car.	10/7/01 (8 catches)
126 – Marquise Goodwin at GB	10/15/18 (4 catches)	283 – Terrell Owens vs. Chi.	12/17/00 (20 catches)
125 – George Kittle at LA Chargers	9/30/18 (6 catches)	129 – Terrell Owens vs. NO	12/10/00 (6 catches)
100 – George Kittle at LA Rams	12/31/17 (4 catches)	115 – Terrell Owens vs. StL	10/29/00 (8 catches)
114 – Marquise Goodwin vs. Ten.	12/17/17 (10 catches)	112 – Charlie Garner at Car.	10/22/00 (7 catches)
106 – Marquise Goodwin at Hou.	12/10/17 (6 catches)	176 – Terrell Owens vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (12 catches)
116 – Marquise Goodwin at Ind.	10/8/17 (5 catches)	108 – Terrell Owens at StL	9/17/00 (6 catches)
142 – Pierre Garçon vs. LAR	9/21/17 (7 catches)	143 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	1/3/00 (6 catches)
106 – Quinton Patton vs. NO	11/6/16 (6 catches)	130 – J.J. Stokes at Atl.	1/3/00 (5 catches)
102 – Jeremy Kerley vs. Arz.	10/6/16 (8 catches)	157 – Jerry Rice at Cin.	12/5/99 (9 catches)
102 – Anquan Boldin vs. Bal.	10/18/15 (5 catches)	145 – Terrell Owens at Cin.	12/5/99 (9 catches)
107 – Anquan Boldin at NYG	10/11/15 (8 catches)	120 – Terrell Owens vs. StL	11/21/99 (6 catches)
120 – Torrey Smith at Pit.	9/20/15 (6 catches)	115 – Jerry Rice at NE	12/20/98 (5 catches)
137 – Anquan Boldin vs. Was.	11/23/14 (9 catches)	140 – Terrell Owens vs. NYG	11/30/98 (5 catches)
103 – Stevie Johnson at Arz.	9/21/14 (9 catches)	103 – Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/22/98 (4 catches)
149 – Anquan Boldin at Arz.	12/29/13 (9 catches)	169 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	11/15/98 (10 catches)
102 – Michael Crabtree vs. Atl.	12/23/13 (5 catches)	120 – Terrell Owens at StL.	10/25/98 (5 catches)
180 – Vernon Davis vs. Arz.	10/13/13 (8 catches)	110 – J.J. Stokes vs. Ind.	10/18/98 (9 catches)
208 – Anquan Boldin vs. GB	9/8/13 (13 catches)	162 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (8 catches)
172 – Michael Crabtree vs. Arz.	12/30/12 (8 catches)	105 – Garrison Hearst vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (4 catches)
107 – Michael Crabtree at NE	12/16/12 (7 catches)	111 – J.J. Stokes vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (7 catches)
101 – Michael Crabtree at StL	12/2/12 (7 catches)	129 – Jerry Rice vs. Car.	12/8/96 (10 catches)
113 – Michael Crabtree vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (6 catches)	110 – Terrell Owens vs. Car.	12/8/96 (5 catches)
106 – Vernon Davis vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (5 catches)	116 – Ted Popson vs. Cin.	10/20/96 (8 catches)
118 – Vernon Davis at StL	1/1/12 (8 catches)	108 – Jerry Rice at StL	10/6/96 (7 catches)
120 – Michael Crabtree vs. Arz.	11/20/11 (7 catches)	127 – Jerry Rice at Car.	9/22/96 (10 catches)
114 – Vernon Davis at Cin.	9/25/11 (8 catches)	153 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	12/24/95 (12 catches)
122 – Michael Crabtree at StL	12/26/10 (6 catches)	106 – J.J. Stokes at Atl.	12/24/95 (5 catches)
106 – Joshua Morgan at SD	12/16/10 (7 catches)	289 – Jerry Rice vs. Min.	12/18/95 (14 catches)
126 – Vernon Davis at GB	12/5/10 (4 catches)	121 – Jerry Rice at Car.	12/10/95 (6 catches)
105 – Michael Crabtree vs. Phi.	10/10/10 (9 catches)	149 – Jerry Rice at Mia.	11/20/95 (8 catches)
104 – Vernon Davis vs. Phi.	10/10/10 (5 catches)	161 – Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/12/95 (5 catches)
102 – Frank Gore at KC	9/26/10 (9 catches)	111 – Jerry Rice vs. Car.	11/5/95 (8 catches)
111 – Vernon Davis at Sea.	12/6/09 (6 catches)	108 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	10/29/95 (8 catches)

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181 – Jerry Rice at Det.	9/25/95 (11 catches)	172 – Jerry Rice vs. Ind.	10/5/86 (6 catches)
167 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/10/95 (11 catches)	120 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	9/21/86 (7 catches)
121 – Jerry Rice vs. Den.	12/17/94 (9 catches)	100 – Dwight Clark vs. NO	9/21/86 (7 catches)
106 – Ricky Watters vs. Den.	12/17/94 (4 catches)	157 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	9/14/86 (6 catches)
144 – Jerry Rice at SD	12/11/94 (12 catches)	100 – Dwight Clark at TB	9/7/86 (7 catches)
165 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Rams	11/20/94 (16 catches)	111 – Jerry Rice vs. Dal.	12/22/85 (7 catches)
147 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	9/18/94 (11 catches)	241 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Rams	12/9/85 (10 catches)
103 – John Taylor at LA Rams	9/18/94 (7 catches)	132 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	10/27/85 (6 catches)
169 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Raiders	9/5/94 (7 catches)	167 – Roger Craig at Atl.	10/6/85 (12 catches)
132 – Jerry Rice at Det.	12/19/93 (4 catches)	125 – Renaldo Nehemiah vs. Min.	12/8/84 (6 catches)
115 – John Taylor at Det.	12/19/93 (4 catches)	105 – Freddie Solomon at Cle.	11/11/84 (5 catches)
105 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	12/11/93 (6 catches)	124 – Dwight Clark vs. Cin.	11/4/84 (7 catches)
166 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	11/28/93 (8 catches)	127 – Dwight Clark at Hou.	10/21/84 (5 catches)
150 – John Taylor at LA Rams	11/28/93 (6 catches)	105 – Dwight Clark vs. Was.	9/10/84 (5 catches)
172 – Jerry Rice at TB	11/14/93 (8 catches)	103 – Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/25/83 (6 catches)
155 – Jerry Rice vs. Phx.	10/24/93 (9 catches)	121 – Freddie Solomon at StL	9/18/83 (3 catches)
118 – Jerry Rice vs. TB	12/19/92 (7 catches)	104 – Dwight Clark at KC	12/26/82 (4 catches)
133 – Jerry Rice vs. Phi.	11/29/92 (8 catches)	101 – Dwight Clark vs. Atl.	12/19/82 (8 catches)
183 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	10/18/92 (7 catches)	135 – Dwight Clark vs. SD	12/11/82 (12 catches)
159 – Mike Sherrard vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (6 catches)	102 – Jeff Moore at LA Rams	12/2/82 (8 catches)
112 – John Taylor vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (5 catches)	103 – Dwight Clark at StL	11/21/82 (6 catches)
125 – Jerry Rice vs. Chi.	12/23/91 (5 catches)	127 – Dwight Clark at Den.	9/19/82 (9 catches)
113 – John Taylor at Sea.	12/8/91 (7 catches)	109 – Freddie Solomon at Den.	9/19/82 (4 catches)
154 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	12/11/91 (9 catches)	106 – Dwight Clark vs. LA Raiders	9/12/82 (6 catches)
121 – John Taylor at LA Rams	11/25/91 (6 catches)	124 – Freddie Solomon at LA Rams	11/22/81 (5 catches)
127 – John Taylor at Atl.	11/3/91 (2 catches)	128 – Dwight Clark vs. Atl.	11/8/81 (7 catches)
138 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	10/13/91 (7 catches)	109 – Dwight Clark vs. LA Rams	10/25/81 (8 catches)
150 – Jerry Rice vs. SD	9/8/91 (9 catches)	135 – Dwight Clark vs. Dal.	10/11/81 (4 catches)
118 – Jerry Rice at Min.	12/30/90 (9 catches)	113 – Freddie Solomon vs. Chi.	9/13/81 (5 catches)
104 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	12/17/90 (5 catches)	155 – Dwight Clark vs. NO	12/7/80 (6 catches)
101 – Jerry Rice at Cin.	12/9/90 (8 catches)	104 – Freddie Solomon at GB	11/9/80 (5 catches)
147 – Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/11/90 (12 catches)	148 – Dwight Clark at Dal.	10/12/80 (8 catches)
187 – Jerry Rice at GB	11/4/90 (6 catches)	132 – Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/28/80 (5 catches)
225 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	10/14/90 (13 catches)	135 – Paul Hofer vs. StL	9/14/80 (9 catches)
132 – John Taylor at Hou.	10/7/90 (4 catches)	114 – Paul Hofer at NO	9/7/80 (7 catches)
171 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (8 catches)	130 – Paul Hofer at Atl.	12/16/79 (9 catches)
125 – Brent Jones vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (5 catches)	104 – Paul Hofer at NYG	10/14/79 (9 catches)
160 – John Taylor vs. Was.	9/16/90 (8 catches)	144 – Freddie Solomon vs. NO	9/23/79 (8 catches)
101 – Jerry Rice vs. Chi.	12/24/89 (4 catches)	107 – Freddie Solomon at Min.	9/2/79 (4 catches)
286 – John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89 (11 catches)	110 – Freddie Solomon at Hou.	9/17/78 (3 catches)
162 – John Taylor at Atl.	12/3/89 (5 catches)	130 – Gene Washington vs. Dal.	12/12/77 (5 catches)
117 – Jerry Rice vs. NYG	11/27/89 (7 catches)	112 – Gene Washington vs. Det.	10/23/77 (4 catches)
106 – Jerry Rice vs. GB	11/19/89 (9 catches)	104 – Willie McGee at Sea.	9/26/76 (5 catches)
112 – Jerry Rice vs. NE	10/22/89 (6 catches)	101 – Gene Washington at Phi.	11/30/75 (6 catches)
103 – Tom Rathman vs. NE	10/22/89 (11 catches)	144 – Gene Washington at LA Rams	11/9/75 (5 catches)
149 – Jerry Rice at NO	10/8/89 (7 catches)	121 – Gene Washington at Dal.	11/10/74 (7 catches)
136 – John Taylor at Phi.	9/24/89 (6 catches)	133 – Ted Kwalick at Det.	11/4/73 (8 catches)
164 – Jerry Rice at Phi.	9/24/89 (6 catches)	101 – Dan Abramowicz vs. NO	10/21/73 (4 catches)
122 – Jerry Rice at TB	9/17/89 (8 catches)	118 – Gene Washington vs. Min.	10/14/73 (8 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice at Ind.	9/10/89 (6 catches)	119 – Gene Washington vs. Min.	12/16/72 (4 catches)
171 – Jerry Rice at SD	11/27/88 (6 catches)	114 – Gene Washington at Chi.	11/19/72 (4 catches)
105 – Jerry Rice vs. Was.	11/21/88 (3 catches)	164 – Gene Washington at GB	11/5/72 (6 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice at Sea.	9/25/88 (6 catches)	102 – Ted Kwalick vs. NO	10/22/72 (2 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/18/88 (8 catches)	126 – Ted Kwalick vs. NYG	10/15/72 (6 catches)
109 – Jerry Rice at NYG	9/11/88 (4 catches)	140 – Gene Washington vs. SD	9/17/72 (8 catches)
126 – Jerry Rice vs. Cle.	11/29/87 (7 catches)	160 – Gene Washington vs. NE	10/31/71 (5 catches)
103 – Jerry Rice at TB	11/22/87 (7 catches)	112 – Gene Washington at Phi.	10/3/71 (3 catches)
108 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	11/15/87 (4 catches)	131 – Gene Washington at NO	12/13/70 (5 catches)
104 – Mike Wilson at Cin.	9/20/87 (7 catches)	115 – Gene Washington vs. Atl.	12/6/70 (3 catches)
106 – Jerry Rice at Pit.	9/13/87 (8 catches)	119 – Gene Washington at Chi.	11/8/70 (5 catches)
204 – Jerry Rice at Was.	11/17/86 (12 catches)	126 – Gene Washington vs. NO	10/18/70 (4 catches)
156 – Jerry Rice vs. StL	11/9/86 (4 catches)	145 – Gene Washington at LA Rams	10/11/70 (7 catches)
144 – Jerry Rice vs. Min.	10/12/86 (7 catches)		

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ALL-TIME INTERCEPTION RETURNS FOR TDs

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
10/9/22	Moseley, Emmanuel	41	at Car.
10/3/22	Hufanga, Talanoa	52	vs. LAR
11/15/21	Ward, Jimmie	27	vs. LAR
9/12/21	Greenlaw, Dre	39	at Det.
11/29/20	Kinlaw, Javon	27	at LAR
12/21/19	Warner, Fred	46	vs. LAR
9/8/19	Witherspoon, Ahkello	25	at TB
9/8/19	Sherman, Richard	31	at TB
9/30/18	Exum Jr., Antone	32	at LAC
12/24/17	Johnnson, Dontae	50	vs. Jax.
12/6/15	Ward, Jimmie	29	at Chi.
12/20/14	Bethea, Antoine	49	vs. SD
10/13/14	Johnson, Dontae	20	at StL
12/23/13	Bowman, Navorro	89	vs. Atl.
10/6/13	Brock, Tramaine	18	vs. Hou.
11/25/12	Whitner, Donte	42	at NO
11/25/12	Brooks, Ahmad	50	at NO
10/9/11	Rogers, Carlos	31	vs. TB
1/2/11	Brown, Tarell	62	vs. Arz.
12/12/10	Goldson, Dashon	39	vs. Sea.
10/24/10	McDonald, Ray	31	at Car.
10/4/09	Willis, Patrick	23	vs. StL
9/14/08	Willis, Patrick	86	at Sea.
12/31/06	Harris, Walt	28	at Den.
1/1/06	Adams, Mike	40	vs. Hou.
11/27/05	Spencer, Shawntae	61	at Ten.
9/25/05	Parrish, Tony	34	vs. Dal.
9/7/03	Plummer, Ahmed	68	vs. Chi.
10/6/02	Webster, Jason	37	vs. StL
11/25/01	Bronson, Zack	48	at Ind.
10/28/01	Bronson, Zack	97	at Chi.
12/3/00	Montgomery, Monty	46	at SD
11/19/00	Webster, Jason	70	vs. Atl.
10/17/99	Walker, Darnell	27	vs. Car.
9/19/99	Shulters, Lance	64	at NO
1/3/98	Norton, Ken Jr.	23	vs. Min.*
12/15/97	Hanks, Merton	55	vs. Den.
9/29/96	Pope, Marquez	55	vs. Atl.
11/26/95	Davis, Eric	86	vs. StL
10/22/95	Norton, Ken Jr.	35	at StL
10/22/95	Norton, Ken Jr.	21	at StL
9/10/95	McDonald, Tim	13	vs. Atl.
9/3/95	McDonald, Tim	52	at NO
1/15/95	Davis, Eric	44	vs. Dal.*
12/11/94	Sanders, Deion	90	at SD
11/6/94	McDonald, Tim	73	at Was.
10/16/94	Sanders, Deion	93	at Atl.
9/25/94	Sanders, Deion	74	vs. NO
11/22/93	Hanks, Merton	67	vs. NO
10/31/93	McGruder, Michael	31	vs. LA Rams
10/3/93	Davis, Eric	41	vs. Min.
9/6/92	Johnson, John	56	at NYG
1/12/91	Carter, Michael	61	vs. Was.*
1/6/90	Lott, Ronnie	58	vs. Min.*
1/9/88	Fuller, Jeff	48	vs. Min.*
11/9/86	Holmoe, Tom	78	vs. StL Cardinals
10/26/86	Nixon, Tory	88	at GB
10/26/86	Lott, Ronnie	55	at GB
10/5/86	McKyer, Tim	21	vs. Ind.
9/28/86	Holmoe, Tom	66	at Mia.
10/13/85	Williamson, Carlton	43	vs. Chi.
12/2/84	McLemore, Dana	54	at Atl.
11/25/84	Shell, Todd	53	at NO
12/19/83	Wright, Eric	48	vs. Dal.
10/16/83	Hicks, Dwight	62	at NO
9/18/83	Collier, Tim	32	at StL Cardinals
9/18/83	Hicks, Dwight	40	at StL Cardinals
9/8/83	Wright, Eric	60	at Min.
12/26/82	Lott, Ronnie	83	at KC
1/3/82	Lott, Ronnie	20	vs. NYG*
11/22/81	Lott, Ronnie	25	at LA Rams
10/11/81	Lott, Ronnie	41	vs. Dal.
10/4/81	Hicks, Dwight	32	at Was.
9/27/81	Lott, Ronnie	26	vs. NO
10/1/78	Leonard, Anthony	30	vs. Cin.
10/19/75	Allen, Nate	37	vs. NO
12/15/74	Wilcox, Dave	21	vs. NO
11/23/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	21	at Dal.
10/29/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	37	at Atl.
10/1/72	Simpson, Mike	32	at NO
12/20/70	Johnson, Jimmy	36	at Oak.
9/27/70	Phillips, Mel	35	vs. Cle.
10/26/69	Wolitt, Johnny	57	at Bal.

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Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
11/24/68	Belk, Bill	6	at Pit.
11/24/68	Alexander, Kermit	66	at Pit.
9/15/68	Hindman, Stan	25	at Bal. Colts
12/11/66	Randolph, Alvin	94	vs. Chi.
11/24/66	Dowdle, Mike	27	at Det.
10/16/66	Johnson, Jimmy	35	at Atl.
11/22/59	Mertens, Jerry	30	at Bal. Colts
11/30/58	Hazeltine, Matt	13	at Bal. Colts
10/27/57	Herchman, Bill	54	vs. Chi.
12/8/56	Moegle, Dick	32	vs. GB
10/16/55	Berry, Rex	44	at Det.
10/17/54	Brown, Hardy	41	at Chi.
9/26/54	Berry, Rex	34	vs. Was.
12/6/53	Berry, Rex	29	vs. GB
10/12/52	Burke, Don	35	at Det.
10/14/51	Cason, Jim	65	at Pit.
11/5/50	Livingston, Howie	35	at LA Rams

ALL-TIME FUMBLE RETURNS FOR TDs

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
12/4/22	Greenlaw, Dre	23	vs. Mia.
11/17/19	Reed Jr., D.J.	4	vs. Arz.
11/11/19	Buckner, DeForest	12	vs. Sea.
9/7/14	Culliver, Chris	35	at Dal.
12/15/13	Hunter, Kendall	2	at TB
10/27/13	Skuta, Dan	47	at Jax.
10/20/13	Osgood, Kassim	end zone	at Ten.
12/16/12	Gore, Frank	9	at NE
9/30/12	Rogers, Carlos	51	at NYJ
10/4/09	McDonald, Ray	11	vs. StL
10/4/09	McKillop, Scott	end zone	vs. StL
12/7/08	Staley, Joe	end zone	vs. NYJ
11/25/07	Banta-Cain, Tully	end zone	at Arz.
10/8/06	Oliver, Melvin	12	vs. Oak.
10/2/05	Johnson, Derrick	78	at Arz. (Mex. City)
10/2/05	Smith, Derek	end zone	at Arz. (Mex. City)
11/28/04	Smith, Derek	46	vs. Mia.
10/31/04	Carpenter, Dwaine	80	at Chi.
10/26/03	Harris, Kwame	1	at Arz.
10/28/01	Peterson, Julian	26	at Chi.
10/24/99	Walker, Darnell	71	at Min.
10/17/99	McMillan, Mark	41	vs. Car.
10/10/99	Bryant, Junior	end zone	at StL
12/15/97	Greene, Kevin	40	vs. Den.
11/10/97	Hanks, Merton	38	at Phi.
11/17/96	Doleman, Chris	end zone	vs. Bal.
12/24/95	Rice, Jerry	end zone	at Atl.
12/3/95	Woodall, Lee	96	vs. Buffalo
11/12/95	Hanks, Merton	38	at Dal.
10/16/94	McDonald, Tim	49	at Atl.
11/14/93	Tamm, Ralph	1	at TB
10/17/93	Davis, Eric	47	at Dal.
11/1/92	Sherrard, Mike	38	at Phx. Cardinals
12/23/91	Griffin, Don	99	vs. Chi.
11/12/89	Haley, Charles	3	vs. Atl.
12/27/87	Taylor, John	26	vs. LA Rams
12/1/85	Turner, Keena	65	at Was.
10/20/85	McIntyre, Guy	end zone	at Det.
9/22/85	McColl, Milt	28	at LA Raiders
12/2/84	Johnson, Gary	33	at Atl.
10/23/83	Board, Dwaine	end zone	at LA Rams
10/4/81	Hicks, Dwight	80	at Was.
10/3/76	Elam, Cleveland	31	vs. NYJ
11/16/75	Hart, Tommy	10	vs. Chi.
10/26/75	McGill, Ralph	14	at NE
12/15/74	Belk, Bill	19	vs. NO
12/2/73	Hall, Windlan	66	vs. Phi.
11/23/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	73	at Dal.
12/26/71	Hoskins, Bob	end zone	vs. Was.*
10/31/71	Blue, Forrest	25	vs. NE
10/24/71	Hart, Tommy	63	at StL Cardinals
10/19/69	Lakes, Roland	2	vs. Atl.
10/27/68	Witcher, Dick	12	at Det.
10/15/67	Windsor, Bob	2	at Phi.
12/11/66	Alexander, Kermit	14	vs. Chi.
10/9/66	Hazeltine, Matt	22	vs. GB
11/28/65	Kopay, Dave	end zone	at Min.
11/14/65	Miller, Clark	75	at Det.
11/14/65	Wilcox, Dave	8	at Det.
10/24/65	Chapple, Jack	8	vs. Min.
9/19/65	Krueger, Charlie	6	vs. Chi.
10/14/62	Woodson, Abe	37	at Chi.
10/18/59	Hazeltine, Matt	40	at Det.

ALL-TIME BLOCKED FGs RETURNED FOR TDs

(1970–Present)

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
9/27/09	Clements, Nate	59	at Min.
10/19/08	Clements, Nate	74	at NYG
10/12/08	Strickland, Donald	41	vs. Phi.
10/15/89	Jackson, Johnnie	62	at Dal.
9/26/71	Taylor, Bruce	58	at NO
12/13/70	Taylor, Bruce	92	at NO

ALL-TIME PUNT RETURNS FOR TDs

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
9/11/11	Ginn Jr., Ted	55	vs. Sea.
12/26/10	Ginn Jr., Ted	78	at StL
9/11/05	Amey, Otis	75	vs. StL
10/10/04	Battle, Amaz	71	vs. Arz.
12/1/02	Williams, Jimmy	89	vs. Sea.
12/27/98	McQuarters, R.W.	72	vs. StL
11/10/97	Levy, Chuck	73	at Phi.
12/18/95	Carter, Dexter	78	vs. Min.
10/3/93	Carter, Dexter	72	vs. Min.
11/9/92	Hanks, Merton	48	at Atl.
11/21/88	Taylor, John	95	vs. Was.
10/2/88	Taylor, John	77	vs. Det.
12/14/87	McLemore, Dana	83	vs. Chi.
11/23/86	Griffin, Don	76	vs. Atl.
10/8/84	McLemore, Dana	79	at NYG
12/19/83	McLemore, Dana	56	vs. Dal.
1/2/83	McLemore, Dana	93	vs. LA Rams
12/7/80	Solomon, Freddie	57	vs. NO
10/26/80	Solomon, Freddie	53	vs. TB
10/17/76	Leonard, Anthony	60	vs. NO
9/26/76	McGill, Ralph	50	at Sea.
11/24/74	Moore, Manfred	88	vs. Atl.
12/11/66	Alexander, Kermit	44	vs. Chi.
11/15/64	Alexander, Kermit	70	vs. GB
10/21/62	Woodson, Abe	85	at GB
11/5/61	Woodson, Abe	80	vs. Det.
12/16/56	Arenas, Joe	67	at Bal. Colts
10/19/52	McElhenny, Hugh	94	at Chi.
19.26/52	O'Donahue, Pat	23	vs. Dal.
10/28/51	Nomellini, Leo	20	vs. LA Rams

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ALL-TIME KICKOFF RETURNS FOR TDs

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
12/16/18	James, Richie	97	vs. Sea.
9/11/11	Ginn Jr., Ted	102	vs. Sea.
11/10/08	Rossum, Allen	104	at Arz.
11/2/03	Wilson, Cedrick	95	vs. StL
1/11/98	Levy, Chuck	95	vs. GB*
11/16/97	Kirby, Terry	101	vs. Car.
11/6/94	Carter, Dexter	96	at Was.
12/1/91	Carter, Dexter	98	vs. NO
12/20/87	Cribbs, Joe	92	vs. Atl.
12/1/85	Monroe, Carl	95	at Was.
11/22/81	Lawrence, Amos	92	at LA Rams
11/2/80	Owens, James	101	at Det.
11/18/79	Owens, James	85	vs. Den.
11/19/78	Williams, Dave	89	vs. LA Rams
12/4/77	Williams, Dave	80	at Min.
12/23/72	Washington, Vic	97	vs. Dal.*
10/29/72	Washington, Vic	98	at Atl.
11/17/63	Woodson, Abe	99	at NYG
9/29/63	Woodson, Abe	95	at Min.
9/15/63	Woodson, Abe	103	vs. Min.
10/1/61	Woodson, Abe	98	at Det.
12/18/60	Lyles, Lenny	97	vs. Bal. Colts
11/22/59	Woodson, Abe	105	at LA Rams
11/4/56	Arenas, Joe	90	vs. Det.

ALL-TIME BLOCKED PUNTS RETURNED FOR TDs

(1970–Present)

Date	Player	Yds	Opp.
10/3/10	Taylor Mays	0	at Atl.
9/25/77	Mike Baldassin	0	vs. Mia.
9/21/75	Dave Washington	15	at Min.
12/15/73	Windlan Hall	0	vs. Pit.

ALL-TIME 1,000/3,000 YARD SEASONS

RUSHING

Yds	Player	Year
1,695	Frank Gore	2006
1,570	Garrison Hearst	1998
1,502	Roger Craig	1988
1,262	Wendell Tyler	1984
1,229	Charlie Garner	1999
1,214	Frank Gore	2012
1,211	Frank Gore	2011
1,206	Garrison Hearst	2001
1,203	Delvin Williams	1976
1,142	Charlie Garner	2000
1,128	Frank Gore	2013
1,120	Frank Gore	2009
1,106	Frank Gore	2014
1,102	Frank Gore	2007
1,054	Roger Craig	1989
1,050	Roger Craig	1985
1,049	Joe Perry	1954
1,036	Frank Gore	2008
1,036	J.D. Smith	1959
1,024	Kevan Barlow	2003
1,019	Garrison Hearst	1997
1,018	Joe Perry	1953
1,013	Ricky Watters	1992

RECEIVING

Yds	Player	Year
1,848	Jerry Rice	1995
1,570	Jerry Rice	1986
1,503	Jerry Rice	1993
1,502	Jerry Rice	1990
1,499	Jerry Rice	1994
1,483	Jerry Rice	1989
1,451	Terrell Owens	2000
1,412	Terrell Owens	2001
1,405	Deebo Samuel	2021
1,377	George Kittle	2018
1,344	Dave Parks	1965
1,306	Jerry Rice	1988
1,300	Terrell Owens	2002
1,254	Jerry Rice	1996
1,206	Jerry Rice	1991
1,201	Jerry Rice	1992
1,179	Anquan Boldin	2013
1,157	Jerry Rice	1998
1,105	Michael Crabtree	2012
1,105	Dwight Clark	1981
1,102	Terrell Owens	2003
1,100	Gene Washington	1970
1,097	Terrell Owens	1998
1,078	Jerry Rice	1987
1,077	John Taylor	1989
1,062	Anquan Boldin	2014
1,053	George Kittle	2019
1,032	R.C. Owens	1961
1,016	Roger Craig	1985
1,015	Brandon Aiyuk	2022
1,011	John Taylor	1991

PASSING

Yds	Player	Year
4,278	Jeff Garcia	2000
4,170	Steve Young	1998
4,023	Steve Young	1993
3,978	Jimmy Garoppolo	2019
3,969	Steve Young	1994
3,944	Joe Montana	1990
3,910	Joe Montana	1983
3,810	Jimmy Garoppolo	2021
3,653	Joe Montana	1985
3,652	Steve DeBerg	1979
3,630	Joe Montana	1984
3,565	Joe Montana	1981
3,538	Jeff Garcia	2001
3,521	Joe Montana	1989
3,465	Steve Young	1992
3,369	Colin Kaepernick	2014
3,344	Jeff Garcia	2002
3,200	Steve Young	1995
3,197	Colin Kaepernick	2013
3,144	Alex Smith	2011
3,112	John Brodie	1965
3,054	Joe Montana	1987
3,029	Steve Young	1997
3,020	John Brodie	1968

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING (BASED ON YARDS)

Year	Player	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1946	Standlee, Norm	134	683	5.1	—	2	—
1947	Strzykalski, John	143	906	6.3	50	5	—
1948	Strzykalski, John	141	915	6.5	—	4	—
1949	Perry, Joe	115	783	6.8	59	8	—
1950	Perry, Joe	124	647	5.2	78t	5	5
1951	Perry, Joe	136	677	5.0	58t	3	5
1952	Perry, Joe	158	725	4.6	78t	8	3
1953	Perry, Joe	192	1,018	5.3	51t	10	1
1954	Perry, Joe	173	1,049	6.1	58	8	1
1955	Perry, Joe	156	701	4.5	42	2	5
1956	McElhenny, Hugh	185	916	5.0	86t	8	3
1957	McElhenny, Hugh	102	478	4.7	61	1	15
1958	Perry, Joe	125	758	6.1	73t	4	3
1959	Smith, J.D.	207	1,036	5.0	73t	10	2
1960	Smith, J.D.	174	780	4.5	41	5	5
1961	Smith, J.D.	167	823	4.9	33	8	5
1962	Smith, J.D.	258	907	3.5	28	6	6
1963	Smith, J.D.	162	560	3.5	52t	5	13
1964	Kopay, Dave	75	271	3.6	18	0	32
1965	Willard, Ken	189	778	4.1	32	5	4
1966	Willard, Ken	191	763	4.0	49	5	5
1967	Willard, Ken	169	510	3.0	20	5	17
1968	Willard, Ken	227	967	4.3	69t	7	2
1969	Willard, Ken	171	557	3.3	18	7	13
1970	Willard, Ken	236	789	3.3	20	7	9/6
1971	Willard, Ken	216	855	4.0	49	4	15/9
1972	Washington, Vic	141	468	3.3	33	3	42/20
1973	Washington, Vic	151	534	3.5	25	8	32/15
1974	Jackson, Wilbur	174	705	4.1	64	0	17/8
1975	Williams, Delvin	117	631	5.4	52	3	21/13
1976	Williams, Delvin	248	1,203	4.9	80t	7	3/2
1977	Williams, Delvin	268	931	3.5	40	7	10/5
1978	Simpson, O.J.	161	593	3.7	34	1	39/19
1979	Hofer, Paul	123	615	5.0	47	7	33/17
1980	Cooper, Earl	171	720	4.2	47	5	23/12
1981	Patton, Ricky	152	543	3.6	28	4	35/16
1982	Moore, Jeff	85	281	3.3	19	4	37/16
1983	Tyler, Wendell	176	856	4.9	39	4	19/10
1984	Tyler, Wendell	246	1,262	5.1	40	7	5/5
1985	Craig, Roger	214	1,050	4.9	62t	9	13/8
1986	Craig, Roger	204	830	4.1	25	7	13/8
1987	Craig, Roger	215	815	3.8	25	3	8/5
1988	Craig, Roger	310	1,502	4.8	46t	9	3/2
1989	Craig, Roger	271	1,054	3.9	27	6	10/5
1990	Carter, Dexter	114	460	4.0	74t	1	39/19
1991	Henderson, Keith	137	561	4.1	25	2	30/11
1992	Watters, Ricky	206	1,013	4.9	43	9	13/8
1993	Watters, Ricky	208	950	4.6	39	10	12/8
1994	Watters, Ricky	239	877	3.7	23	6	15/8
1995	Loville, Derek	218	723	3.3	27	10	24/13
1996	Kirby, Terry	134	559	4.2	31	3	33/15
1997	Hearst, Garrison	234	1,019	4.4	51	4	15/7
1998	Hearst, Garrison	310	1,570	5.1	96t	7	3/2
1999	Garner, Charlie	241	1,229	5.1	53	4	8/5
2000	Garner, Charlie	258	1,142	4.4	42	7	16/7
2001	Hearst, Garrison	252	1,206	4.8	43t	4	10/5

PASSING (BASED ON YARDS)

Year	Player	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	INT	Rtg	Rank
1946	Albert, Frank	197	104	52.9	1,404	14	14	—	—
1947	Albert, Frank	242	128	52.9	1,692	18	15	—	—
1948	Albert, Frank	264	154	58.3	1,990	29	10	—	—
1949	Albert, Frank	260	129	49.6	1,862	27	16	—	—
1950	Albert, Frank	306	155	50.7	1,767	14	23	52.6	8
1951	Albert, Frank	166	90	50.7	1,116	5	10	60.2	8
1952	Tittle, Y.A.	208	106	51.0	1,407	11	12	66.4	5
1953	Tittle, Y.A.	259	149	57.5	2,121	20	16	84.0	3
1954	Tittle, Y.A.	295	170	57.6	2,205	9	9	78.7	7
1955	Tittle, Y.A.	287	147	51.2	2,185	17	28	56.6	4
1956	Tittle, Y.A.	218	124	56.9	1,641	7	12	68.6	7
1957	Tittle, Y.A.	279	176	63.1	2,157	13	15	80.6	6
1958	Tittle, Y.A.	208	120	57.7	1,467	9	15	63.9	3
1959	Tittle, Y.A.	199	102	51.3	1,331	10	15	58.0	4
1960	Brodie, John	207	103	49.8	1,111	6	9	57.5	5
1961	Brodie, John	283	155	54.8	2,588	14	12	84.7	4
1962	Brodie, John	304	175	57.6	2,272	18	16	79.0	6
1963	McHan, Lamar	195	83	42.3	1,243	8	11	54.3	15
1964	Brodie, John	392	193	49.2	2,498	14	16	64.6	12
1965	Brodie, John	391	242	61.9	3,112	30	16	95.3	3
1966	Brodie, John	427	232	54.3	2,810	16	22	65.8	8
1967	Brodie, John	349	168	48.1	2,013	11	16	57.6	11
1968	Brodie, John	404	234	57.9	3,020	22	21	78.0	3
1969	Brodie, John	347	194	55.9	2,405	16	15	74.9	7
1970	Brodie, John	378	223	59.0	2,941	24	10	93.8	1/1
1971	Brodie, John	387	208	53.7	2,642	18	24	65.0	12/6
1972	Spurrier, Steve	269	147	54.6	1,983	18	16	75.9	8/5
1973	Brodie, John	194	98	50.5	1,126	3	12	43.0	N/A
1974	Owen, Tom	184	88	47.8	1,327	10	15	56.1	25/11
1975	Snead, Norm	189	108	57.1	1,337	9	10	73.0	11/5
1976	Plunkett, Jim	243	126	51.9	1,592	13	16	63.0	17/8
1977	Plunkett, Jim	248	128	51.6	1,693	9	14	62.1	17/8
1978	DeBerg, Steve	302	137	45.4	1,570	8	22	40.0	28/17
1979	DeBerg, Steve	578	347	60.0	3,652	17	21	73.1	13/5
1980	Deberg, Steve	321	186	57.9	1,998	12	17	66.7	25/13
1981	Montana, Joe	488	311	63.7	3,565	19	12	88.4	4/1
1982	Montana, Joe	346	213	61.6	2,613	17	11	88.0	5/3
1983	Montana, Joe	515	332	64.5	3,910	26	12	94.6	5/3
1984	Montana, Joe	432	279	64.6	3,630	28	10	102.9	2/1
1985	Montana, Joe	494	303	61.3	3,653	27	13	91.3	3/1
1986	Montana, Joe	307	191	62.2	2,236	8	9	80.7	9/2
1987	Montana, Joe	398	266	66.8	3,054	31	13	102.1	1/1
1988	Montana, Joe	397	238	59.9	2,981	18	10	87.9	6/3
1989	Montana, Joe	386	271	70.2	3,521	26	8	112.4	1/1
1990	Montana, Joe	520	321	61.7	3,944	26	16	89.0	7/3
1991	Young, Steve	279	180	64.5	2,517	17	8	101.8	1/1
1992	Young, Steve	402	268	66.7	3,465	25	7	107.0	1/1
1993	Young, Steve	462	314	68.0	4,023	29	16	101.5	1/1
1994	Young, Steve	461	324	70.3	3,969	35	10	112.8	1/1
1995	Young, Steve	447	299	66.9	3,200	20	11	92.3	5/4
1996	Young, Steve	316	214	67.7	2,410	14	6	97.2	1/1
1997	Young, Steve	356	241	67.7	3,029	19	6	104.7	1/1
1998	Young, Steve	517	322	62.3	4,170	36	12	101.1	3/2
1999	Garcia, Jeff	375	225	60.0	2,544	11	11	77.9	17/10
2000	Garcia, Jeff	561	355	63.3	4,287	31	10	97.6	5/4
2001	Garcia, Jeff	504	316	62.7	3,538	32	12	94.8	3/2

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS (CONT.)

RUSHING (BASED ON YARDS)

Year	Player	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
2002	Hearst, Garrison	215	972	4.5	40	8	21/9
2003	Barlow, Kevan	201	1,024	5.1	78t	6	17t/6t
2004	Barlow, Kevan	244	822	3.4	60	7	26/12
2005	Gore, Frank	127	608	4.8	72t	3	32/14
2006	Gore, Frank	312	1,695	5.4	72	8	3/1
2007	Gore, Frank	260	1,102	4.2	43t	5	13/5
2008	Gore, Frank	240	1,036	4.3	41t	6	13t/9
2009	Gore, Frank	229	1,120	4.9	80t	10	11t/5
2010	Gore, Frank	203	853	4.2	64	3	21/8
2011	Gore, Frank	282	1,211	4.3	55	8	6/3
2012	Gore, Frank	258	1,214	4.7	37	8	10/5
2013	Gore, Frank	276	1,128	4.1	51	9	9/7
2014	Gore, Frank	255	1,106	4.3	52t	4	9/5
2015	Hyde, Carlos	115	470	4.1	22	3	47/24
2016	Hyde, Carlos	217	988	4.6	47	6	14/6
2017	Hyde, Carlos	240	938	3.9	61	8	13/5
2018	Breida, Matt	153	814	5.3	66t	3	21/11
2019	Mostert, Raheem	137	772	5.6	41t	8	26/12
2020	Wilson Jr., Jeff	126	600	4.8	34	7	35/19
2021	Mitchell, Elijah	207	963	4.7	39	5	8/4
2022	McCaffrey, Christian	159	746	4.7	38t	6	37/20

PASSING (BASED ON YARDS)

Year	Player	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	INT	Rtg	Rank
2002	Garcia, Jeff	528	328	62.1	3,344	21	10	85.6	11t/4
2003	Garcia, Jeff	392	225	57.4	2,704	18	13	80.1	15/8
2004	Rattay, Tim	325	198	60.9	2,169	10	10	78.1	20/10
2005	Smith, Alex	165	84	50.9	875	1	11	40.8	DNQ
2006	Smith, Alex	442	257	58.1	2,890	16	16	74.8	22/11
2007	Dilfer, Trent	219	113	51.6	1,166	7	12	55.1	N/A
2008	Hill, Shaun	288	181	62.8	2,046	13	8	87.5	12/7
2009	Smith, Alex	372	225	60.5	2,350	18	12	81.5	19/9
2010	Smith, Alex	342	204	59.6	2,370	14	10	82.1	21/9
2011	Smith, Alex	445	273	61.3	3,144	17	5	90.7	9/7
2012	Kaepernick, C.	218	136	62.4	1,814	10	3	98.3	DNQ
2013	Kaepernick, C.	416	243	58.4	3,197	21	8	91.6	20/10
2014	Kaepernick, C.	452	274	60.6	3,165	17	10	85.1	17/9
2015	Gabbert, Blaine	282	178	63.1	2,031	10	7	86.2	30/15
2016	Kaepernick, C.	331	196	57.7	2,241	16	4	90.7	29/14
2017	Beathard, C.J.	224	123	54.9	1,430	4	6	69.2	34/18
2018	Mullens, Nick	274	176	64.2	2,277	13	10	90.8	30/16
2019	Garoppolo, J.	476	329	69.1	3,978	27	13	102.0	12/8
2020	Mullens, Nick	326	211	64.7	2,437	12	12	84.1	26/13
2021	Garoppolo, J.	441	301	68.3	3,810	20	12	98.7	12/7
2022	Garoppolo, J.	308	207	67.2	2,437	16	4	103.0	23/10

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

RECEIVING (BASED ON CATCHES)

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1946	Beals, Alyn	40	586	14.7	—	10	—
1947	Beals, Alyn	47	655	13.9	54	10	—
1948	Beals, Alyn	46	591	12.8	—	14	—
1949	Beals, Alyn	44	678	15.4	—	12	—
1950	Loyd, Alex	32	402	12.6	38	0	18
1951	Softau, Gordy	59	826	14.0	48t	7	2
1952	Softau, Gordy	55	774	14.1	49t	7	4
1953	Wilson, Billy	51	840	16.5	61t	10	6
1954	Wilson, Billy	60	830	13.8	43	5	1
1955	Wilson, Billy	53	831	15.7	72t	7	2
1956	Wilson, Billy	60	889	14.8	77t	5	1
1957	Wilson, Billy	52	757	14.6	40	6	1
1958	Conner, Clyde	49	512	10.4	26	5	5
1959	Wilson, Billy	44	540	12.3	57t	4	6
1960	Conner, Clyde	38	531	14.0	65t	2	1
1961	Owens, R.C.	55	1,032	18.8	54	5	7
1962	Casey, Bernie	53	819	15.5	48t	6	11
1963	Casey, Bernie	47	762	16.2	68t	7	14
1964	Casey, Bernie	58	808	13.9	63t	4	6
1965	Parks, Dave	80	1,344	16.8	53t	12	1
1966	Parks, Dave	66	974	14.8	65t	5	3
1967	Witcher, Dick	46	705	15.3	63t	3	17
1968	McNeil, Clifton	71	994	14.0	65t	7	1
1969	Washington, Gene	51	711	13.9	52	3	10
	Cunningham, Doug, RB	51	484	9.5	58	0	11
1970	Washington, Gene	53	1,100	20.8	79t	12	4/3
1971	Kwalick, Ted	52	664	12.8	42t	5	4/2
1972	Washington, Gene	46	918	20.0	62t	12	13/7
1973	Kwalick, Ted	47	729	15.5	48	5	10/6
1974	Schreiber, Larry, RB	30	217	7.2	16	1	60/36
1975	Washington, Gene	44	735	16.7	68t	9	31/10
1976	Washington, Gene	33	457	13.8	55t	6	52/25
	Jackson, Wilbur, RB	33	324	9.8	32	1	53/27
1977	Washington, Gene	32	638	19.9	47t	5	52/22
1978	Solomon, Freddie	31	458	14.8	58t	2	83/42
1979	Hofer, Paul, RB	58	662	11.4	44	2	17/7
1980	Cooper, Earl, RB	83	567	6.8	66t	4	2/1
1981	Clark, Dwight	85	1,105	13.0	78t	4	2/1
1982	Clark, Dwight	60	913	15.2	51	5	1/1
1983	Clark, Dwight	70	840	12.0	46t	8	11/5
1984	Craig, Roger, RB	71	675	9.5	64t	3	11/6
1985	Craig, Roger, RB	92	1,016	11.0	73	6	1/1
1986	Rice, Jerry	86	1,570	18.3	66t	15	2/1
1987	Craig, Roger, RB	66	492	7.5	35t	1	3/2
1988	Craig, Roger, RB	76	534	7.0	22	1	7/5
1989	Rice, Jerry	82	1,483	18.1	68t	17	5/4
1990	Rice, Jerry	100	1,502	15.0	64t	13	1/1
1991	Rice, Jerry	80	1,206	15.1	73t	14	5/3
1992	Rice, Jerry	84	1,201	14.3	80t	10	5/3
1993	Rice, Jerry	98	1,503	15.3	80t	15	2/2
1994	Rice, Jerry	112	1,499	13.4	69t	13	2/1
1995	Rice, Jerry	+122	1,848	15.1	81t	15	2/2
1996	Rice, Jerry	108	1,254	11.6	39	8	1/1
1997	Owens, Terrell	60	936	15.6	56t	8	32t/13t
1998	Rice, Jerry	82	1,157	14.1	75t	9	7t/3t
1999	Rice, Jerry	67	830	12.4	62	5	31t/19
2000	Owens, Terrell	97	1,451	15.0	69t	13	5/2
2001	Owens, Terrell	93	1,412	15.2	60t	16	9/4
2002	Owens, Terrell	100	1,300	13.0	76t	13	4t/2
2003	Owens, Terrell	80	1,102	13.8	75t	9	12/7

PUNTING (BASED ON GROSS AVG.) (MIN. 25 PUNTS)

Year	Player	No	Avg	Lg	Blck	Rank
1946	Albert, Frank	54	41.0	73	0	—
1947	Albert, Frank	40	44.0	69	1	—
1948	Albert, Frank	35	44.8	82	0	—
1949	Albert, Frank	31	48.2	72	0	—
1950	Lillywhite, Verl	26	39.1	57	0	11
1951	Albert, Frank	34	44.3	66	0	2
1952	Albert, Frank	68	42.6	70	0	5
1953	Powers, Jim	42	40.6	55	1	8
1954	Brown, Pete	49	37.5	51	0	11
1955	Luna, Bob	63	40.6	63	3	8
1956	Morrall, Earl	45	37.9	57	0	16
1957	Jessup, Bill	38	43.6	62	0	13
1958	Atkins, Bill	25	39.3	51	0	11
1959	Davis, Tommy	59	45.7	71	0	3
1960	Davis, Tommy	62	44.1	74	0	3
1961	Davis, Tommy	50	45.4	67	0	3
1962	Davis, Tommy	48	45.6	82	0	1
1963	Davis, Tommy	73	45.4	64	2	4
1964	Davis, Tommy	79	45.6	68	0	4
1965	Davis, Tommy	54	45.8	65	0	2
1966	Davis, Tommy	63	41.4	60	0	6
1967	Spurrier, Steve	73	37.6	61	1	12
1968	Spurrier, Steve	68	39.0	54	0	12
1969	Kilgore, Jon	36	40.3	72	0	9
1970	Spurrier, Steve	75	38.4	58	0	14/11
1971	McCann, Jim	49	38.7	54	1	25/12
1972	McCann, Jim	64	39.7	63	1	21/10
1973	Wittum, Tom	79	43.7	62	0	4/1
1974	Wittum, Tom	68	41.2	67	1	4/2
1975	Wittum, Tom	67	41.9	64	3	3/2
1976	Wittum, Tom	89	40.8	68	2	3/2
1977	Wittum, Tom	77	36.4	54	3	26/13
1978	Connell, Mike	96	37.3	59	1	21/10
1979	Melville, Dan	71	37.0	53	1	25/14
1980	Miller, Jim	77	40.9	65	0	10/5
1981	Miller, Jim	93	41.5	65	0	15/6
1982	Miller, Jim	44	38.1	80	1	25/13
1983	Orosz, Tom	65	39.3	61	1	25/11
1984	Runager, Max	56	41.8	59	1	17/17
1985	Runager, Max	86	39.8	57	1	26/13
1986	Runager, Max	83	41.6	62	2	10/6
1987	Runager, Max	55	39.2	56	1	22/11
1988	Helton, Barry	78	39.3	53	1	21/11
1989	Helton, Barry	55	40.5	56	1	12/8
1990	Helton, Barry	69	36.8	56	1	28/1
1991	Prokop, Joe	40	38.5	58	0	27/13
1992	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	49	39.1	58	0	26/14
1993	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	42	40.9	61	0	23/11
1994	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	54	41.4	60	0	14t/7t
1995	Thompson, Tommy	57	40.6	65	0	25/13t
1996	Thompson, Tommy	73	44.1	65	2	10/4
1997	Thompson, Tommy	78	40.8	55	1	30/15
1998	Roby, Reggie	60	41.9	66	0	22/9
1999	Stanley, Chad	69	39.7	70	2	26/11
2000	Stanley, Chad	69	39.5	56	1	27/12
2001	Baker, Jason	69	40.8	64	0	23/13
2002	Baker, Jason	42	40.2	51	0	25t/13
2003	LaFleur, Bill	68	38.7	56	1	29t/16
2004	Lee, Andy	96	41.6	81	0	20/10
2005	Lee, Andy	107	41.6	58	1	25/12

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS (CONT.)

RECEIVING (BASED ON CATCHES)

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
2004	Johnson, Eric, TE	82	825	10.1	25	2	35/14
2005	Lloyd, Brandon	48	733	15.3	89t	5	44/20
2006	Gore, Frank, RB	61	485	8.0	39	1	40t/21t
2007	Gore, Frank, RB	53	436	8.2	23t	1	54t/27t
2008	Bruce, Isaac	61	835	13.7	63	7	37/19
2009	Davis, Vernon, TE	78	965	12.4	73t	13	19t/10
2010	Davis, Vernon, TE	56	914	16.3	66t	7	51/23
2011	Crabtree, Michael	72	874	12.1	52t	4	24t/15t
2012	Crabtree, Michael	85	1,105	13.0	49t	9	14/9
2013	Boldin, Anquan	85	1,179	13.9	63	7	16/10
2014	Boldin, Anquan	83	1,062	12.8	76t	5	18/11
2015	Boldin, Anquan	69	789	11.4	51	4	37t/19t
2016	Kerley, Jeremy	64	667	10.4	33t	3	64/35
2017	Hyde, Carlos	59	350	5.9	18	0	43t/25
2018	Kittle, George, TE	88	1,377	15.6	85t	5	14/9
2019	Kittle, George, TE	85	1,053	12.4	61t	5	17/10
2020	Aiyuk, Brandon	60	748	12.5	49	5	48t/30
2021	Samuel, Deebo	77	1,405	18.2	83	6	24t/10t
2022	Aiyuk, Brandon	78	1,015	13.0	54	8	22t/11

+ Team Record

PUNTING (BASED ON GROSS AVG.) (MIN. 25 PUNTS)

Year	Player	No	Avg	Lg	Bkck	Rank
2006	Lee, Andy	81	44.8	66	0	7/6
2007	Lee, Andy	105	47.3	74	0	2/1
2008	Lee, Andy	66	47.8	82	1	4/3
2009	Lee, Andy	99	47.6	64	0	2/2
2010	Lee, Andy	91	46.2	64	0	4/2
2011	Lee, Andy	78	50.9	68	1	1/1
2012	Lee, Andy	67	48.1	66	0	4/2
2013	Lee, Andy	79	48.2	62	0	3/1
2014	Lee, Andy	72	46.8	71	1	6/2
2015	Pinion, Bradley	86	43.9	62	0	27/13
2016	Pinion, Bradley	100	44.0	65	0	29/15
2017	Pinion, Bradley	75	43.4	59	0	28/14
2018	Pinion, Bradley	68	43.7	64	1	28t/16
2019	Wishnowsky, Mitch	52	44.9	65	0	22/11
2020	Wishnowsky, Mitch	66	46.9	60	1	9/5
2021	Wishnowsky, Mitch	57	45.0	67	0	18/10
2022	Wishnowsky, Mitch	61	43.9	74	0	29/16

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SCORING (BASED ON POINTS)

Year	Player	TD	PAT	FG	Pts	Rank
1946	Beals, Alyn	10	1	0	61	—
1947	Beals, Alyn	10	0	0	60	—
1948	Beals, Alyn	14	0	0	84	—
1949	Beals, Alyn	12	1	0	73	—
1950	Soltau, Gordie	1	26	4	44	22
1951	Soltau, Gordie	7	30	6	90	5
1952	Soltau, Gordie	7	34	6	94	—
1953	Soltau, Gordie	6	48	10	114	1
1954	Soltau, Gordie	2	31	11	76	4
1955	Soltau, Gordie	1	27	3	42	24
	Wilson, Billy	7	0	0	42	24
1956	Soltau, Gordie	1	26	13	71	6
1957	Soltau, Gordie	0	33	9	60	9
1958	Soltau, Gordie	0	29	8	53	20
1959	Davis, Tommy	0	31	12	67	9
1960	Davis, Tommy	0	21	19	78	9
1961	Davis, Tommy	0	44	12	80	8
1962	Davis, Tommy	0	36	10	66	16
1963	Davis, Tommy	0	24	10	54	21
1964	Davis, Tommy	0	30	8	54	24
1965	Davis, Tommy	0	52	17	103	4
1966	Davis, Tommy	0	38	16	86	12
1967	Davis, Tommy	0	33	14	75	10
1968	Davis, Tommy	0	26	9	53	19
1969	Willard, Ken	10	0	0	60	21
1970	Gossett, Bruce	0	39	21	102	6/4
1971	Gossett, Bruce	0	32	23	101	5/3
1972	Gossett, Bruce	0	41	18	95	13/7
1973	Gossett, Bruce	0	26	26	104	7/4
1974	Gossett, Bruce	0	25	11	58	25/8
1975	Mike-Mayer, Steve	0	27	14	69	22/9
1976	Mike-Mayer, Steve	0	26	16	74	25/9
1977	Williams, Delvin	9	0	0	54	14/10
1978	Wersching, Ray	0	24	15	69	22/9
1979	Wersching, Ray	0	32	20	92	12/5
1980	Wersching, Ray	0	33	15	78	18/10
1981	Wersching, Ray	0	30	17	81	22/13
1982	Wersching, Ray	0	23	12	59	9/4
1983	Wersching, Ray	0	51	25	126	3/3
1984	Wersching, Ray	0	56	25	131	1/1
1985	Wersching, Ray	0	52	13	91	21/11
1986	Wersching, Ray	0	41	25	116	3/3
1987	Rice, Jerry	23	0	0	138	1/1
1988	Cofer, Mike	0	40	27	121	2/1
1989	Cofer, Mike	0	49	29	136	1/1
1990	Cofer, Mike	0	39	24	111	4/3
1991	Cofer, Mike	0	49	14	91	17/8
1992	Cofer, Mike	0	53	18	107	8/4
1993	Cofer, Mike	0	59	16	107	11/6
1994	Brien, Doug	0	60	15	105	11/4
1995	Rice, Jerry	17	1(2PT)	0	104	19/10
1996	Wilkins, Jeff	0	40	30	130	4/2
1997	Anderson, Gary	0	38	29	125	3/2
1998	Richey, Wade	0	49	18	103	14/6
1999	Richey, Wade	0	30	21	93	21/8
2000	Richey, Wade	0	43	15	88	28/13
2001	Cortez, Jose	0	47	18	101	16/8
2002	Owens, Terrell	14	0	0	84	8t/3*
2003	Peterson, Todd	0	22	12	58	30/14
2004	Peterson, Todd	0	23	18	77	42/18

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Year	Player	Att	Made	Pct	Lg	Rank
1946	Vetrano, Joe	7	4	.571	26	—
1947	Vetrano, Joe	8	4	.500	30	—
1948	Vetrano, Joe	8	5	.625	47	—
1949	Vetrano, Joe	4	3	.750	28	—
1950	Soltau, Gordie	8	4	.500	26	DNQ
1951	Soltau, Gordie	18	6	.333	42	9
1952	Soltau, Gordie	12	6	.500	31	5
1953	Soltau, Gordie	15	10	.667	39	2
1954	Soltau, Gordie	18	11	.611	37	3
1955	Soltau, Gordie	12	3	.250	28	11
1956	Soltau, Gordie	20	13	.650	40	3
1957	Soltau, Gordie	15	9	.600	37	5
1958	Soltau, Gordie	21	8	.381	39	9
1959	Davis, Tommy	26	12	.462	43	5
1960	Davis, Tommy	32	19	.594	40	7
1961	Davis, Tommy	22	12	.545	46	6
1962	Davis, Tommy	23	10	.435	42	15
1963	Davis, Tommy	31	10	.323	46	22
1964	Davis, Tommy	25	8	.320	*53	19
1965	Davis, Tommy	27	17	.630	*53	5t
1966	Davis, Tommy	31	16	.516	46	15t
1967	Davis, Tommy	33	14	.424	50	23
1968	Davis, Tommy	16	9	.563	38	14
1969	Davis, Tommy	10	3	.300	48	DNQ
1970	Gossett, Bruce	31	21	.677	48	5/3
1971	Gossett, Bruce	36	23	.639	48	9/5
1972	Gossett, Bruce	29	18	.621	50	15/6
1973	Gossett, Bruce	33	26	.788	54	1**/1
1974	Gossett, Bruce	24	11	.458	46	22/11
1975	Mike-Mayer, Steve	28	14	.500	54	22t/11
1976	Mike-Mayer, Steve	28	16	.571	45	16t/9
1977	Wersching, Ray	17	10	.588	50	15/5
1978	Wersching, Ray	23	15	.652	45	12/6
1979	Wersching, Ray	24	20	.833	47	2/1
1980	Wersching, Ray	19	15	.789	47	2/1
1981	Wersching, Ray	23	17	.739	48	5/4
1982	Wersching, Ray	17	12	.706	45	15/8
1983	Wersching, Ray	30	25	.833	52	5t/1t
1984	Wersching, Ray	35	25	.714	53	17/11
1985	Wersching, Ray	21	13	.619	45	22/11
1986	Wersching, Ray	35	25	.714	50	11t/5t
1987	Wersching, Ray	17	13	.765	45	12/6
1988	Cofer, Mike	38	27	.711	52	17/10
1989	Cofer, Mike	36	29	.806	47	4/2
1990	Cofer, Mike	36	24	.667	*56	26t/11t
1991	Cofer, Mike	28	14	.500	50	28/14
1992	Cofer, Mike	27	18	.667	46	21/11
1993	Cofer, Mike	26	16	.615	46	26/12
1994	Brien, Doug	20	15	.750	48	20/7
1995	Wilkins, Jeff	13	12	.923	40	DNQ
1996	Wilkins, Jeff	34	30	.882	49	4/3
1997	Anderson, Gary	36	29	.806	51	11/7
1998	Richey, Wade	27	18	.667	46	27t/13t
1999	Richey, Wade	23	21	.913	52	1**/1
2000	Richey, Wade	22	15	.682	47	28/14
2001	Cortez, Jose	25	18	.720	52	21/12
2002	Cortez, Jose	24	18	.750	45	26/13t
2003	Peterson, Todd	15	12	.800	48	DNQ
2004	Peterson, Todd	22	18	.818	51	15t/6t
2005	Nedney, Joe	28	26	.929	56	3/2

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS (CONT.)

SCORING (BASED ON POINTS)

Year	Player	TD	PAT	FG	Pts	Rank
2005	Nedney, Joe	0	19	26	97	22t/8t
2006	Nedney, Joe	0	29	29	116	7t/4t
2007	Nedney, Joe	0	22	17	73	35/17
2008	Nedney, Joe	0	34	29	121	15/9
2009	Nedney, Joe	0	33	17	84	28t/14
2010	Nedney, Joe	0	17	11	50	65t/31t
2011	Akers, David	0	34	44	166	1/1
2012	Akers, David	0	44	29	131	9/5
2013	Dawson, Phil	0	44	32	140	6t/3
2014	Dawson, Phil	0	33	25	108	19/9
2015	Dawson, Phil	0	20	24	92	24/12
2016	Dawson, Phil	0	33	18	87	30/14
2017	Gould, Robbie	0	28	39	145	3/2
2018	Gould, Robbie	0	27	33	126	9/4
2019	Gould, Robbie	0	41	23	110	14/9
2020	Gould, Robbie	0	36	19	93	29/15
2021	Gould, Robbie	0	39	20	99	25/12
2022	Gould, Robbie	0	50	27	131	5/3

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Year	Player	Att	Made	Pct	Lg	Rank
2006	Nedney, Joe	35	29	.829	51	16/9
2007	Nedney, Joe	19	17	.895	50	5/1
2008	Nedney, Joe	33	29	.878	53	12/7
2009	Nedney, Joe	21	17	.810	51	21/9
2010	Reed, Jeff	10	9	.900	47	NA
2011	Akers, David	52	44	.846	55	14/7
2012	Akers, David	42	29	.690	63*	30/14
2013	Dawson, Phil	36	32	.889	56	14t/6t
2014	Dawson, Phil	31	25	.806	55	25/13
2015	Dawson, Phil	27	24	.889	54	10/7
2016	Dawson, Phil	21	18	.857	53	11/6
2017	Gould, Robbie	41	39	.951	52	2/2
2018	Gould, Robbie	34	33	.971**	53	1/1
2019	Gould, Robbie	31	23	.742	47	25/13
2020	Gould, Robbie	23	19	.826	52	17/8
2021	Gould, Robbie	23	20	.870	52	16/8
2022	Gould, Robbie	32	27	.844	51	20/12

* LONGEST FIELD GOAL IN NFL THAT YEAR; ** LEADER BASED ON FIELD GOAL PCT OF KICKERS WITH 15-OR-MORE MADE; DNQ - DID NOT QUALIFY FOR THE LEAGUE MINIMUM

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

KICKOFF RETURNS (BASED ON AVG.) (MIN. 20 RETURNS)

YEAR	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1946	Eshmont, Len	10	264	26.4	—	0	DNQ
1947	Eshmont, Len	9	177	19.7	—	0	DNQ
1948	Hall, Forrest	13	369	28.4	—	0	3
1949	Perry, Joe	14	337	24.1	—	0	5
1950	Cathcart, Sam	14	329	23.9	62	0	20
1951	Arenas, Joe	21	542	25.8	49	0	8
1952	McElhenny, Hugh	18	396	22.0	40	0	16
1953	Arenas, Joe	16	551	34.4	82	0	1
1954	Arenas, Joe	16	362	22.6	41	0	11
1955	Arenas, Joe	24	594	24.8	42	0	7
1956	Arenas, Joe	27	801	29.7	96t	1	2
1957	Arenas, Joe	24	657	27.4	64	0	2
1958	Smith, J.D.	15	356	23.7	39	0	8
1959	Lyles, Lenny	25	565	22.6	46	0	10
1960	Lyles, Lenny	17	526	30.9	97t	1	2
1961	Woodson, Abe	27	782	29.0	98t	1	3
1962	Woodson, Abe	37	1,157	31.3	79	0	1
1963	Woodson, Abe	29	935	32.2	103t	3	1
1964	Woodson, Abe	32	880	27.5	70	0	4
1965	Alexander, Kermit	32	741	23.2	46	0	20
1966	Alexander, Kermit	37	984	26.6	56	0	7
1967	Cunningham, Doug	31	826	26.6	94	0	5
1968	Alexander, Kermit	20	360	18.0	35	0	24
1969	Smith, Noland	14	310	22.1	60	0	DNQ
1970	Tucker, Bill	25	577	23.1	43	0	16/9
1971	Washington, Vic	33	858	26.0	74	0	12/8
1972	Washington, Vic	27	771	28.6	98t	1	4/3
1973	Washington, Vic	24	549	22.9	38	0	26/10
1974	Holmes, Mike	25	612	24.5	57	0	15/6
1975	Moore, Manfred	26	650	25.0	52	0	10/5
1976	Leonard, Anthony	26	553	21.3	39	0	29/13
1977	Hofer, Paul	36	871	24.2	48	0	12/7
1978	Williams, Dave	34	745	21.9	89t	1	23/8
1979	Owens, James	41	1,002	24.4	85t	1	5/3
1980	Owens, James	31	726	23.4	101t	1	4/3
1981	Lawrence, Amos	17	437	25.7	92t	1	3/2
1982	McLemore, Dana	16	353	22.1	45	0	18/9
1983	McLemore, Dana	30	576	19.2	39	0	30/14
1984	Monroe, Carl	27	561	20.8	44	0	19/9
1985	Monroe, Carl	28	717	25.6	95t	1	4/3
1986	Crawford, Derrick	15	280	18.7	34	0	DNQ
1987	Rodgers, Del	17	358	21.1	50	0	DNQ
1988	DuBose, Doug	32	608	19.0	44	0	27/11
1989	Flagler, Terrence	32	643	20.1	41	0	18/11
1990	Carter, Dexter	41	783	19.1	35	0	21/11
1991	Carter, Dexter	37	839	22.7	98t	1	5/3
1992	Logan, Marc	22	478	21.7	82	0	9/6
1993	Carter, Dexter	25	494	19.8	60	0	18/11
1994	Carter, Dexter	48	1,105	23.0	96t	1	15/11
1995	Carter, Dexter	23	522	22.7	46	0	DNQ
1996	Carter, Dexter	41	909	22.2	71	0	21/10
1997	Levy, Chuck	36	793	22.0	59	0	22/12
1998	Levy, Chuck	22	383	17.4	30	0	DNQ
1999	McQuarters, R.W.	26	568	21.8	37	0	DNQ
2000	Williams, Kevin	30	536	17.9	33	0	DNQ
2001	Sutherland, Vinny	50	1,140	22.8	65	0	19/11
2002	Williams, Jimmy	35	765	21.9	50	0	29/18
2003	Wilson, Cedrick	37	836	22.6	95t	1	16/10
2004	Robertson, Jamal	25	560	22.4	37	0	11/5
2005	Hicks, Maurice	34	689	20.3	40	0	36/18

PUNT RETURNS (BASED ON AVERAGE) (MIN. 10 RETURNS)

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1946	Casanega, Ken	18	248	13.8	—	0	DNQ
1947	Vetrano, Joe	12	137	11.4	—	0	DNQ
1948	Cason, Jim	22	309	14.0	—	0	DNQ
1949	Cason, Jim	21	351	16.7	—	0	DNQ
1950	Cathcart, Sam	16	185	11.6	29	0	10
1951	Arenas, Joe	21	272	13.0	51	0	6
1952	McElhenny, Hugh	20	284	14.2	94t	1	5
1953	McElhenny, Hugh	15	104	6.9	25	0	7
1954	Arenas, Joe	23	117	5.1	23	0	6
1955	Arenas, Joe	21	55	2.6	7	0	17
1956	Arenas, Joe	19	117	6.2	67t	1	8
1957	Arenas, Joe	25	80	3.2	26	0	13
1958	McElhenny, Hugh	24	93	3.9	18	0	16
1959	Woodson, Abe	15	143	9.5	65	0	6
1960	Woodson, Abe	13	174	13.4	48	0	1
1961	Woodson, Abe	16	172	10.8	80t	1	4
1962	Woodson, Abe	19	179	9.4	85t	1	4
1963	Woodson, Abe	13	95	7.3	13	0	13
1964	Alexander, Kermit	21	189	9.0	70t	1	8
1965	Alexander, Kermit	35	262	7.5	40	0	7
1966	Alexander, Kermit	30	198	6.6	44t	4	6
1967	Cunningham, Doug	27	249	9.2	57	0	3
1968	Alexander, Kermit	24	87	3.6	26	0	16
1969	Smith, Noland	10	46	4.6	18	0	19
1970	Taylor, Bruce	43	516	12.0	76	0	2/1
1971	Taylor, Bruce	34	235	6.9	38	0	15/6
1972	McGill, Ralph	22	219	10.0	33	0	4/3
1973	Taylor, Bruce	15	207	13.8	61	0	1/1
1974	McGill, Ralph	20	161	8.3	47	0	20/13
1975	McGill, Ralph	31	290	9.4	34	0	18/9
1976	Leonard, Anthony	35	293	8.4	60t	1	20/9
1977	Leonard, Anthony	22	154	7.0	19	0	30/13
1978	Steptoe, Jack	11	129	11.7	28	0	DNQ
1979	Solomon, Freddie	23	142	6.2	14	0	23/9
1980	Solomon, Freddie	27	298	11.0	57t	2	3/2
1981	Hicks, Dwight	19	171	9.0	39	0	DNQ
1982	McLemore, Dana	7	156	22.3	93t	1	DNQ
1983	McLemore, Dana	31	331	10.7	56t	1	6/2
1984	McLemore, Dana	45	521	11.6	79t	1	4/2
1985	McLemore, Dana	38	258	6.8	22	0	21/9
1986	Griffin, Don	38	377	9.9	76t	1	5/2
1987	McLemore, Dana	21	265	12.6	83t	1	2/2
1988	Taylor, John	44	556	12.6	95t	2	1/1
1989	Taylor, John	36	417	11.6	37	0	5/4
1990	Taylor, John	26	212	8.2	30	0	13/8
1991	Taylor, John	31	267	8.6	24	0	9/5
1992	Grant, Alan	29	249	8.6	46	0	12/6
1993	Carter, Dexter	34	411	12.1	72t	1	5/2
1994	Carter, Dexter	38	321	8.4	26	0	14/11
1995	Taylor, John	11	56	5.1	11	0	DNQ
1996	Carter, Dexter	36	317	8.8	52	0	18/9
1997	Uwaezuoke, Iheanyi	34	373	11.0	36	0	11/6
1998	McQuarters, R.W.	47	406	8.6	72t	1	19/10
1999	McQuarters, R.W.	18	90	5.0	32	0	DNQ
2000	Williams, Kevin	26	220	8.5	25	0	DNQ
2001	Sutherland, Vinny	21	147	7.0	19	0	DNQ
2002	Williams, Jimmy	20	336	16.8	89t	1	1/1
2003	Williams, Jimmy	35	240	6.9	20	0	26/11
2004	Battle, Arnaz	31	266	8.6	71t	1	15/6
2005	Amey, Fred	11	125	11.4	75t	1	DNQ

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS (CONT.)

KICKOFF RETURNS (BASED ON AVG.) (MIN. 20 RETURNS)

YEAR	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
2006	Hicks, Maurice	57	1,428	25.1	64	0	12/4
2007	Hicks, Maurice	63	1,502	23.8	55	0	20/9
2008	Rossum, Allen	47	1,259	26.8	104t	1	6/3
2009	Robinson, Michael	18	414	23.0	40	0	DNQ
2010	Ginn Jr., Ted	47	992	21.1	61	0	33/17
2011	Ginn Jr., Ted	29	800	27.6	102t	1	3/2
2012	James, LaMichael	14	417	29.8	62	0	DNQ
2013	James, LaMichael	12	321	26.8	41	0	DNQ
2014	Ellington, Bruce	24	614	25.6	38	0	7/3
2015	Ellington, Bruce	26	665	25.6	40	0	9/7
2016	Shepherd, JaCorey	21	456	21.7	41	0	9/7
2017	Bolden Jr., Victor	19	396	20.8	34	0	DNQ
2018	James, Richie	23	580	25.2	97t	1	7/2
2019	James, Richie	20	428	21.4	81	0	10/5
2020	McKinnon, Jerick	12	239	19.9	30	0	DNQ
2021	Cannon, Trenton	16	328	20.5	68	0	DNQ
2022	McCloud III, Ray-Ray	26	599	23.0	39	0	9/5

*DNQ – Insufficient returns to qualify for NFL rankings

PUNT RETURNS (BASED ON AVERAGE) (MIN. 20 RETURNS)

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
2006	Williams, Brandon	22	147	6.7	25	0	28/15
2007	Lewis, Michael	44	336	7.6	51	0	18/9
2008	Rossum, Allen	15	223	14.9	45	0	DNQ
2009	Battle, Arnaz	21	61	2.9	18	0	28/13
2010	Ginn Jr., Ted	24	321	13.4	78t	1	3/2
2011	Ginn Jr., Ted	38	466	12.3	55t	1	4/3
2012	Ginn Jr., Ted	32	326	10.2	38	0	11/3
2013	James, LaMichael	23	251	10.9	40	0	10t/6t
2014	Ellington, Bruce	23	188	8.2	23	0	13/7
2015	Ellington, Bruce	19	137	7.2	36	0	DNQ
2016	Kerley, Jeremy	21	158	7.5	26	0	16/9
2017	Taylor, Trent	30	281	9.4	39	0	10/6
2018	Taylor, Trent	10	78	7.8	18	0	DNQ
2019	James, Richie	33	264	8.0	32	0	7t/3
2020	Taylor, Trent	9	112	12.4	20	0	DNQ
2021	Aiyuk, Brandon	29	208	7.2	27	0	13/5
2022	McCloud III, Ray-Ray	33	356	10.8	35	0	3/1

*DNQ – Insufficient returns to qualify for NFL rankings

49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

INTERCEPTIONS

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1946	Casanega, Ken	8	146	18.3	68	0	—
1947	Eshmont, Len	6	72	12.0	—	0	—
1948	Carr, Eddie	7	144	20.6	56	1	—
1949	Cason, Jim	9	152	19.9	—	0	—
1950	Powers, Jim	5	42	8.4	26	0	18t
1951	Wagner, Lowell	9	115	12.8	40	0	3t
1952	Wagner, Lowell	6	69	11.5	30	0	10t
1953	Berry, Rex	7	142	20.3	29	1	8t
1954	Berry, Rex	3	69	23.0	34t	1	29t
	Brown, Hardy	3	42	14.0	41t	1	29t
	Williams, Johnny	3	28	9.3	15	0	29t
	Arenas, Joe	3	26	8.7	26	0	29t
1955	Moegle, Dick	6	50	8.3	37	0	7t
1956	Moegle, Dick	6	75	12.5	31t	1	9t
1957	Moegle, Dick	8	107	13.4	40	0	6
1958	Ridlon, Jim	4	10	2.5	3	0	14t
1959	Baker, Dave	5	75	15.0	29	0	6t
1960	Baker, Dave	10	96	9.6	28	0	2t
1961	Baker, Dave	6	123	20.5	10	0	17t
1962	Woodson, Abe	2	31	15.5	31	0	92t
	Hazeltine, Matt	2	24	12.0	12	0	92t
	Pine, Ed	2	16	8.0	13	0	92t
	Mertens, Jerry	2	0	0	0	0	92t
1963	Alexander, Kermit	5	72	17.4	38	0	25t
1964	Alexander, Kermit	5	65	13.0	24	0	22t
1965	Johnson, Jimmy	6	47	7.8	26	0	8t
1966	Alexander, Kermit	4	73	18.3	55	0	32t
	Johnson, Jimmy	4	57	14.3	35t	1	32t
1967	Alexander, Kermit	5	72	14.4	48	0	21t
1968	Alexander, Kermit	9	155	17.2	66t	1	3
1969	Alexander, Kermit	5	39	7.8	22	0	15t
	Johnson, Jimmy	5	18	3.6	18	0	15t
1970	Taylor, Bruce	3	70	23.3	70	0	46t/23t
	Phillips, Mel	3	49	16.3	35t	1	46t/23t
	Nunley, Frank	3	42	14.0	24	0	46t/23t
	Taylor, Roosevelt	3	27	9.0	19	0	46t/23t
1971	Taylor, Bruce	3	68	22.7	49	0	58t/29t
	Johnson, Jimmy	3	16	5.3	10	0	58t/29t
	Taylor, Roosevelt	3	13	4.3	13	0	58t/29t
1972	Johnson, Jimmy	4	18	4.5	15	0	20t/7t
1973	Taylor, Bruce	6	30	5.0	22	0	4t/2t
1974	McGill, Ralph	5	71	14.2	45	0	13t/6t
1975	Taylor, Bruce	3	29	9.7	15	0	54t/26t
1976	Rhodes, Bruce	3	42	14.0	30	0	43t/24t
1977	Washington, Dave	2	68	34.0	50	0	91t/37t
	Phillips, Mel	2	23	11.5	23	0	91t/37t
1978	Crist, Chuck	6	59	26.5	32	0	10t/9t
1979	Hicks, Dwight	5	57	11.4	29	0	17t/8t
1980	Hicks, Dwight	4	73	18.3	44	0	39t/17t
	Churchman, Ricky	4	7	1.8	7	0	39t/17t
1981	Hicks, Dwight	9	239	26.6	72	1	3t/2t
1982	Hicks, Dwight	3	5	1.7	3	0	21t/8t
1983	Wright, Eric	7	164	23.4	60t	2	6t/4t
1984	Turner, Keena	4	51	12.8	21	0	33t/17t
	Lott, Ronnie	4	26	6.5	15	0	33t/17t
1985	Lott, Ronnie	6	68	11.3	25	0	10t/3t
1986	Lott, Ronnie	10	134	13.4	57t	1	1/1
1987	Lott, Ronnie	5	62	12.4	34	0	7t/4t
	Griffin, Don	5	1	0.2	1	0	7t/4t

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rank
1988	McKyer, Tim	7	11	1.6	7	0	6t/5
1989	Lott, Ronnie	5	34	6.8	28	0	17t/9t
1990	Waymer, Dave	7	64	9.1	24	0	3t/2t
1991	Waymer, Dave	4	77	19.3	42	0	23t/13t
1992	Griffin, Don	5	4	0.8	2	0	15t/5t
1993	McGruder, Michael	5	89	17.8	37	1	14t/6t
1994	Hanks, Merton	7	93	13.3	38	0	4t/4t
1995	Drakeford, Tyrone	5	54	10.8	37	0	15t/10t
	Hanks, Merton	5	31	6.2	23	0	15t/10t
1996	Pope, Marquez	6	98	16.3	55t	1	4t/2t
1997	Hanks, Merton	6	103	17.2	55t	1	5t/3t
1998	Walker, Darnell	4	78	19.5	36	0	24t/11t
	Hanks, Merton	4	37	9.3	37	0	24t/11t
	Bronson, Zack	4	34	8.5	28	0	24t/11t
	McDonald, Tim	4	22	5.5	18	0	24t/11t
1999	Schulters, Lance	6	127	21.2	64t	1	6t/3t
2000	Bronson, Zack	3	75	25.0	43	0	46t/21t
	Montgomery, Monty	3	68	22.7	46t	1	46t/21t
2001	Bronson, Zack	7	165	23.6	97t	2	7t/4t
	Plummer, Ahmed	7	45	6.4	24	0	7t/4t
2002	Parrish, Tony	7	204	29.1	60	0	3t/2t
2003	Parrish, Tony	9	202	22.4	49	0	1t/1t
2004	Parrish, Tony	4	64	16.0	26	0	21t/10t
2005	Spencer, Shawntae	4	85	21.3	61t	1	19t/9t
	Adams, Mike	4	36	9.0	40t	1	19t/9t
2006	Harris, Walt	8	84	10.5	42	1	3t/1t
2007	Clements, Nate	4	74	18.5	62	0	23t/11t
	Harris, Walt	4	42	10.5	23	0	23t/11t
2008	Harris, Walt	3	25	8.3	24	0	30t/13t
	Spikes, Takeo	3	14	4.7	13	0	30t/13t
2009	Goldson, Dashon	4	39	9.8	34	0	23t/14t
2010	Clements, Nate	3	46	15.3	39	0	31t/21t
	Spikes, Takeo	3	9	3.0	6	0	31t/21t
	Spencer, Shawntae	3	0	0.0	0	0	31t/21t
2011	Goldson, Dashon	6	53	8.8	21	0	4t/2t
	Rogers, Carlos	6	106	17.7	31t	1	4t/2t
2012	Goldson, Dashon	3	21	7.0	20	0	29t/17t
2013	Brock, Tramaine	5	82	16.4	41	1	5t/5t
2014	Cox, Perrish	5	12	2.4	10	0	3t/2t
2015	Acker, Kenneth	3	45	15.0	45	0	24t/10t
	Brock, Tramaine	3	26	8.7	26	0	24t/10t
2016	Hodges, Gerald	2	27	13.5	21	0	47t/23t
2017	Armstrong, Ray-Ray	2	29	14.5	29	0	53t/28t
	Reid, Eric	2	0	0.0	0	0	53t/28t
	Witherspoon, A.	2	42	21.0	23	0	53t/28t
2018	Exum Jr., Antone	1	32	32.0	32	1	99t/46t
	Tartt, Jaquiski	1	23	23.0	23	0	99t/46t
2019	Sherman, Richard	3	65	21.7	31t	1	20t/7t
2020	Taylor, Jamar	2	8	4.0	8	0	41t/22t
	Verrett, Jason	2	0	0.0	0	0	41t/22t
	Warner, Fred	2	3	1.5	3	0	41t/22t
2021	Ward, Jimmie	2	27	13.5	27	1	47t/26t
2022	Gipson Sr., Tashaun	5	141	28.2	56	0	5t/3t

BEST PERFORMANCES VS. 49ERS

SCORING

Points

36 Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)

Touchdowns

6 Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)

PATs

8 Rafael Septien, at Dal. (10/12/80)

8 Paige Cothren, vs. LA Rams (10/5/58)

PAT Attempts

8 Rafael Septien, at Dal. (10/12/80)

8 Paige Cothren, vs. LA Rams (10/5/58)

Field Goals

6 Neil Rackers, at Arz. in Mexico City (10/2/05)

5 Jason Sanders, vs. Mia. (10/11/20)

5 Morten Andersen, at Atl. (9/3/00)

5 Chris Jacke, at GB (10/14/96)

5 Morten Andersen, at NO (10/25/87)

5 Lou Michaels, at Bal. (9/25/66)

Field Goal Attempts

7 Morten Andersen, at NO (10/25/87)

Long Field Goal

59 Graham Gano, at Was. (11/6/11)

59 Morten Andersen, at Atl. (12/24/95)

56 Al Del Greco, at Hou. (10/27/96)

55 Brandon McManus, at Den. (9/25/22)

55 John Kasay, at Car. (10/24/10)

54 Josh Brown, at StL (1/3/10)

54 Jan Stenerud, vs. KC (12/6/71)

RUSHING

Attempts

35 Clinton Portis, vs. Was. (12/18/04)

Marcel Shipp, at Arz. (10/26/03)

32 Calvin Hill, at Dal. (11/10/74)

Steven Jackson, at StL Rams (12/21/08)

Yards

209 Thomas Rawls, at Sea. (11/22/15), 30 att.

192 Erric Pegram, vs. Atl. (9/19/93), 27 att.

181 Willie Galimore, vs. Chi. (9/16/62), 22 att.

175 Barry Sanders, vs. Det. (12/23/96), 28 att.

174 Rudi Johnson, at Cin. (12/14/03), 21 att.

174 Leroy Kelly, vs. Cle. (11/3/68), 27 att.

Touchdowns

4 LaDainian Tomlinson, vs. SD (10/15/06)

Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)

Rick Casares, vs. Chi. (10/28/56)

Long

84t Chester Taylor, vs. Min. (12/9/07)

PASSING

Attempts

65 Tom Brady, at NE (12/16/12)

61 Brett Favre, at GB (10/14/96)

60 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)

58 Glenn Foley, vs. NYJ (9/6/98)

58 Jay Schroeder, at Was. (12/1/85)

Completions

42 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)

41 Eli Manning, at NYG (10/11/15)

38 Jared Goff, at Det. (9/12/21)

37 Matt Ryan, vs. Atl. (12/23/13)

36 Tom Brady, at NE (12/16/12)

Yards

484 Kurt Warner, at Arz. (11/25/07)

471 Brad Johnson, vs. Was. (12/26/99)

460 Don Meredith, vs. Dal. (11/10/63)

447 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)

444 Dan Fouts vs. SD (12/11/82)

Touchdowns

5 Drew Brees, at NO (12/8/19)

5 Donovan McNabb, at Phi. (9/18/05)

5 Kurt Warner, at StL (10/10/99)

5 Vince Ferragamo, at LA Rams (10/23/83)

5 Dan Fouts, vs. SD (12/11/82)

Interceptions

7 Steve DeBerg, at TB (9/7/86)

6 Steve Grogan, vs. NE (11/30/80)

Long

96t Tobin Rote to Billy Grimes, vs. GB (12/10/50)

Times Sacked

10 Phil Simms, vs. NYG (11/23/80)

10 James Harris, at LA Rams (10/11/76)

10 Bill Munson, vs. LA Rams (12/6/64)

RECEIVING

Receptions

17 Clark Gaines, at NYJ (9/21/80)

14 DeAndre Hopkins vs. Arz. (9/13/20)

14 Roy Helu Jr. at Was. (11/6/11)

13 Julio Jones, vs. Atl. (12/15/19)

12 Davante Adams vs. GB (9/26/21)

12 DK Metcalf at Sea. (11/1/20)

12 Roddy White, vs. Atl. (12/23/13)

12 Reggie Wayne, at Ind. (11/1/09)

12 Tim Hightower, at Ari. (9/13/09)

12 Cris Carter, vs. Min. (12/18/95)

12 Michael Irvin, at Dal. (10/17/93)

Yards

220 Don Beebe, at GB (10/14/96)

214 Harlon Hill, vs. Chi. (10/31/54)

213 Terrell Owens, at Dal. (11/23/08)

210 Roddy White, vs. Atl. (10/11/09)

202 Paul Flatley, vs. Min. (10/24/65)

Touchdowns

4 Isaac Bruce, at StL (10/10/99)

4 Ahmad Rashad, at Min. (9/2/79)

4 Harlon Hill, vs. Chi. (10/31/54)

Long

96t Billy Grimes, vs. GB (12/10/50)

INTERCEPTIONS

Interceptions

3 Bill Simpson, vs. LA Rams (11/20/77)

3 Gene Howard, at LA Rams (11/21/71)

3 Roy Winston, vs. Min. (10/25/64)

3 Jerry Richardson, at LAN (10/18/64)

3 Donald Doll, at Det. (10/8/50)

Yards

107 Aaron Martin, at LA Rams (10/18/64)

101 Tom Pridemore, at Atl. (9/20/81)

Long

101t Tom Pridemore, at Atl. (9/20/81)

SACKS

Sacks

4.5 Kevin Greene, vs. LA Rams (12/18/88)

4.0 Aaron Donald, vs. LA Rams (10/21/18)

3.5 Michael Bennett, at Sea. (11/22/15)

PUNTING

Punts

12 Wilbur Summers, vs. Det. (10/23/77)

12 Rusty Jackson, vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)

Average

58.5 Reggie Roby, at Mia. (9/28/86) (min. 4 pts)

Long

90 Don Chandler, at GB (10/10/65)

PUNT RETURNS

Returns

8 Rolland Lawrence, vs. Atl. (10/9/77)

7 Nate Burleson, at Sea. (12/6/09)

7 Alvin Pearman, at Jac. (12/18/05)

7 J.T. Smith, at Phx. (11/6/88)

7 Robbie Martin, vs. Ind. (10/5/86)

7 LeRoy Irvin, vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)

7 Roland Lawrence, vs. Atl. (10/23/76)

Yards

184 Tom Watkins, at Det. (10/6/63)

Long

90t Tom Watkins, at Det. (10/6/63)

KICKOFF RETURNS

Returns

9 Ahmad Merritt, vs. Chi. (9/7/03)

9 Eric Metcalf, vs. Atl. (9/29/96)

Yards

222 Leon Washington, vs. Sea. (12/12/10)

208 Ron Smith, at Chi. (11/19/72)

Long

101 Percy Harvin, at Min. (9/27/09)

101 Mel Gray, vs. NO (9/21/86)

49ERS SINGLE-SEASON TEAM RECORDS

SCORING

Most Points Scored

505 (1994, 16 games)
479 (2019, 16 games)
479 (1998, 16 games)

Highest Average

31.6 (1994, 16 games)
31.0 (1953, 12 games)
30.6 (1987, 15 games)

Fewest Points Scored

198 (1963, 14 games)
208 (1960, 12 games)
209 (1982, 9 games)
213 (1950, 12 games)

Lowest Average

13.7 (2007, 16 games)
13.7 (1978, 16 games)
14.1 (1963, 14 games)

TOUCHDOWNS

Most Scored

66 (1994, 16 games)
61 (1998, 16 games)
(1993, 16 games)
59 (1987, 16 games)

Fewest Scored

21 (1960, 12 games)
23 (2005, 16 games)

Most Allowed

56 (2016, 16 games)
54 (2004, 16 games)
(1979, 16 games)
53 (1999, 16 games)

Fewest Allowed

23 (2011, 16 games)
23 (1971, 14 games)
24 (1984, 16 games)
24 (1982, 9 games)
24 (1951, 12 games)

Most by Rushing Allowed

25 (2016, 16 games)
24 (1979, 16 games)
(1955, 12 games)
23 (1956, 12 games)

Most by Passing Allowed

36 (1999, 16 games)
35 (2018, 16 games)
30 (2016, 16 games)
29 (1980, 16 games)

KICKING

Most Field Goals Made

44 (2011, 16 games)
39 (2017, 16 games)
33 (2018, 16 games)
32 (2013, 16 games)
30 (2019, 16 games)
30 (1996, 16 games)

Most PATs Made

60 (1994, 16 games)
59 (1993, 16 games)
56 (1984, 16 games)

RUSHING

Most Attempts

585 (1978, 16 games)
576 (1976, 14 games)
564 (1977, 14 games)

Most Yards Gained

2,544 (1998, 16 games)
2,523 (1988, 16 games)
2,498 (1954, 12 games)

Highest Average

5.7 (1954, 12 games)
5.2 (1998, 16 games)
5.1 (2012, 16 games)

Most Touchdowns

28 (1954, 12 games)
27 (1961, 14 games)
26 (1993, 16 games)
26 (1953, 12 games)

PASSING

Most Attempts

644 (1995, 16 games)
607 (2017, 16 games)
602 (1979, 16 games)
597 (1980, 16 games)
583 (2000, 16 games)
583 (1990, 16 games)

Most Completions

432 (1995, 16 games)
371 (2020, 16 games)
366 (2000, 16 games)
363 (1980, 16 games)
362 (2017, 16 games)

Highest Completion Pct.

70.3 (1994, 16 games)
70.2 (1989, 16 games)
69.2 (2019, 16 games)
67.6 (1993, 16 games)
67.1 (1995, 16 games)

Most Yds Gained (Gross)

4,779 (1995, 16 games)
4,584 (1989, 16 games)
4,510 (1998, 16 games)
4,480 (1993, 16 games)
4,437 (2021, 17 games)

Most Touchdowns

44 (1987, 15 games)
41 (1998, 16 games)
37 (1994, 16 games)
35 (1965, 14 games)
35 (1989, 16 games)

Highest Avg. Gain Per Att.

9.49 (1989, 16 games)
8.84 (1961, 14 games)
8.63 (2021, 17 games)

TOTAL NET YARDS

Most Yards Gained

6,800 (1998, 16 games)
6,435 (1993, 16 games)
6,387 (2021, 17 games)
6,366 (1984, 16 games)
6,268 (1989, 16 games)

FIRST DOWNS

Most First Downs

381 (1998, 16 games)
372 (1993, 16 games)
362 (1994, 16 games)
361 (2021, 17 games)
357 (1987, 15 games)

Most by Rushing

141 (2002, 16 games)
141 (1988, 16 games)
138 (1984, 16 games)

Most by Passing

231 (1995, 16 games)
223 (1998, 16 games)
217 (2020, 16 games)

Most by Penalty

45 (2018, 16 games)
34 (2014, 16 games)
34 (1978, 16 games)
32 (2020, 16 games)
31 (2021, 17 games)
31 (2019, 16 games)
31 (2011, 16 games)

FUMBLES

Most Opp. Fumbles Recovered

27 (1978, 16 games)
22 (1959, 12 games)
21 (1981, 16 games)
21 (1950, 12 games)

INTERCEPTIONS

Most Thrown

36 (1978, 16 games)
29 (1958, 12 games)
28 (1974, 14 games)
28 (1955, 12 games)

Most Intercepted

39 (1986, 16 games)
33 (1951, 12 games)
27 (1981, 16 games)

PENALTIES

Most Penalties

134 (2000, 16 games)
133 (1998, 16 games)
123 (2017, 16 games)

Most Yards Penalized

1,156 (1998, 16 games)
1,135 (2000, 16 games)
1,066 (2021, 17 games)

QUARTERBACK SACKS*

Most Sacks Recorded

60 (1985, 16 games)
57 (1983, 16 games)
54 (1997, 16 games)

Most Sacks Allowed

55 (2008, 16 games)
55 (2007, 16 games)
53 (1998, 16 games)

Fewest Sacks Allowed

20 (1982, 9 games)
22 (2002, 16 games)
24 (1991, 16 games)

Best Season, Win Percentage

.938 – 1984

Best Season, Win Total

Won 15, Lost 1 – 1984

Worst Season, Win Percentage

.125 – 1978, 1979, 2004, 2016

Longest Winning Streak

15 – 11/27/89 to 11/18/90

Longest Winning Streak at Home

19 – 12/23/96 to 10/3/99

Longest Losing Streak at Home

11 – 10/2/16 to 11/5/17

Longest Winning Streak on Road

18 – 11/27/88 to 12/30/90

Longest Losing Streak on Road

18 – 12/4/77 to 12/16/79

Longest Losing Streak

13 – 9/18/16 to 12/18/16

Most Consecutive Wins to Start Season

10 – 1990

Most Consecutive Wins to End Season

10 – 2022

Most Consecutive Losses to Start Season

9 – 2017

Most Consecutive Losses to End Season

5 – 1963

Total Shutouts by 49ers

32 – Last vs. NO (11/27/22)

Most Shutouts in a Season

3 – 2001

Most Consecutive Games Scored Points

420 – 10/16/77 to 9/19/04

Largest Comeback Victory

38–35 (OT) victory vs. New Orleans at Candlestick Park, December 7, 1980 (came back from 35–7 deficit in 2nd qtr.)

*Since 1982

49ERS SINGLE-GAME TEAM RECORDS

SCORING

Most Points Scored

56 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)
 55 at Det. (12/19/93)
 52 vs. Chi. (12/23/91)
 52 vs. Chi. (12/19/65)
 51 vs. Min. (12/8/84)
 51 vs. Car. (10/27/19)

Most Points Allowed

61 at Chi. (12/12/65)
 59 at Dal. (10/12/80)
 56 vs. LAN (11/9/58)

Most Points by Both Teams

94 49ers 48, Saints 46 (at NO), 12/8/19
 83 49ers 41, Vikings 42 (at SF), 10/24/65
 81 49ers 20, Bears 61 (at Chi.), 12/12/65

Most Points Scored in 1st Quarter

27 vs. GB (12/7/58)
 21 (Several times) Last: vs. Min. (12/18/95)

Most Points Allowed in 1st Quarter

24 at Chi. (10/29/06)

Most Points Scored in 2nd Quarter

28 at Min. (9/8/83)
 28 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)
 24 (Several times) Last: at Det. (9/12/21)

Most Points Allowed in 2nd Quarter

28 at Min. (9/29/63)
 27 at NYG (10/14/79)

Most Points Scored in 1st Half

42 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)
 41 at Min. (9/8/83)
 38 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)

Most Points Allowed in 1st Half

41 at Chi. (10/29/06)
 38 at Dal. (10/12/80)

Most Points Scored in 3rd Quarter

21 vs. Arz. (1/2/11)
 21 at NO (9/4/88)
 21 at StL (9/18/83)
 21 vs. Hou. (12/13/81)
 21 vs. NO (10/21/73)

Most Points Allowed in 3rd Quarter

24 vs. StL (10/6/74)
 21 (Several times) Last: at Den. (10/19/14)

Most Points Scored in 4th Quarter

28 vs. Chi. (12/22/91)
 28 at Phi. (9/24/89)
 28 at LA Rams (10/23/83)

Most Points Allowed in 4th Quarter

28 at StL (12/30/02)
 24 at NE (12/16/12)
 23 vs. Phi. (10/12/08)

Most Points Scored in 2nd Half

35 vs. Atl. (9/15/85)
 31 at LA Rams (10/23/83)
 30 vs. NO (10/21/73)

Most Points Allowed in 2nd Half

36 at NO (11/23/69)
 35 at Jac. (9/12/99)

Most Decisive Victory

49 49ers 49 at Lions 0, 10/1/61

Most Decisive Loss

45 Cowboys 59 vs. 49ers 14, 10/12/80

TOUCHDOWNS

Most Scored

8 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)
 7 vs. Car. (10/27/19)
 7 vs. Arz. (12/7/03)
 7 at Det. (12/19/93)
 7 vs. Chi. (12/23/91)
 7 vs. LA Rams (12/27/87)
 7 at Atl. (10/29/72)
 7 vs. Chi. (9/19/65)
 7 at Det. (10/1/61)
 7 vs. GB (12/7/58)
 7 vs. Dal. Texans (10/26/52)

Most Allowed

9 at Chi. (12/12/65)
 8 at Dal. (10/12/80)
 8 at LA Rams (11/9/58)

Most Scored by Rushing

6 at Det. (10/1/61)

Most Allowed by Rushing

5 at Chi. (12/12/65)
 5 vs. Chi. (10/28/56)
 5 vs. Cle. (10/2/55)

Most Scored by Passing

6 at Atl. (10/14/90)

Most Allowed by Passing

5 (7 times) Last: at NO (12/8/19)

KICKING

Most Field Goals Made

6 vs. Ten. (12/17/17)
 6 vs. Atl. (9/29/96)
 6 at NO (10/16/83)

Most Field Goals Allowed

6 vs. Arz. (10/2/05), Mex. City

NET YARDS

Most Yards Gained

621 vs. Buf. (10/7/12) (311 rush, 310 pass)
 598 vs. Buf. (9/13/92) (159 rush, 439 pass)
 597 vs. Bal. (12/13/53) (252 rush, 345 pass)
 590 vs. Atl. (10/18/92) (191 rush, 399 pass)

Most Yards Allowed

584 at Chi. (12/12/65) (183 rush, 401 pass)
 583 at Phi. (9/18/05) (140 rush, 443 pass)
 577 vs. LA Rams (11/9/58) (324 rush, 253 pass)

Fewest Yards Gained

61 at Det. (10/6/63) (71 rush, -10 pass)
 81 vs. GB (12/10/60) (71 rush, 10 pass)
 88 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76) (70 rush, 18 pass)

Fewest Yards Allowed

44 vs. Atl. (10/23/76) (83 rush, -39 pass)
 65 at Det. (10/12/52) (40 rush, 25 pass)
 82 vs. NO (10/21/73) (97 rush, -15 pass)

FIRST DOWNS

Most First Downs

36 vs. Ind. (10/18/98)
 33 vs. Hou. (11/8/87)
 32 vs. LA Rams (11/20/94)

Most First Downs Allowed

32 at NE (12/16/12)
 32 at StL (9/17/00)

Fewest First Downs

3 vs. Bal. (11/22/59)
 5 at Bal. (10/13/63)

Fewest First Downs Allowed

2 vs. NO (10/21/73)
 4 at Det. (10/12/52)

Most by Rushing

21 vs. Det. (12/14/98)
 20 at Min. (10/15/61)

Fewest by Rushing

0 at Min. (12/14/69)
 0 at Bal. (10/13/63)

Most Allowed by Rushing

19 at GB (10/11/59)

Fewest Allowed by Rushing

0 (8 times) Last: at StL (9/26/13)

Most by Passing

24 at Cin. (12/5/99)
 24 at Atl. (10/14/90)

Most Allowed by Passing

25 at NYJ (9/21/80)
 23 vs. Dal. (11/10/63)

Fewest by Passing

1 (6 times) Last: vs. TB (10/30/05)

Fewest Allowed by Passing

0 vs. NO (10/21/73)
 0 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)

Most by Penalty

8 at NO (10/11/98)

Most Allowed by Penalty

8 vs. Oak. (10/8/00)

RUSHING

Most Attempts

59 at Min. (12/4/77)
 56 vs. Det. (10/25/63)
 56 at GB (Milw.) (10/10/54)
 56 vs. Bal. (10/29/50)

Most Attempts Allowed

62 at Chi. (11/19/50)
 59 at Dal. (10/12/80)

Fewest Attempts

10 at GB (11/22/09)

Most Yards Gained

355 vs. SD (12/20/14)
 328 vs. Det. (12/14/98)
 324 at Min. (10/15/61)

Most Yards Allowed

324 at LA Rams (11/9/58)

Fewest Yards Gained

5 vs. Hou. (12/7/75)
 12 at Min. (12/14/69)

Fewest Yards Allowed

7 at Arz. (10/29/12)
 7 at NO (10/1/72)

49ERS SINGLE-GAME TEAM RECORDS

PASSING

Most Attempts

63 vs. Phi. (11/25/02)
 60 at Was. (12/17/86)
 57 vs. Arz. (10/10/04)
 57 at Atl. (10/6/85)

Most Attempts Allowed

65 at NE (12/16/12)
 61 at GB (10/14/96)
 60 at NYJ (9/21/80)
 58 vs. NYJ (9/6/98)
 58 at Mia. (9/28/86)
 58 at Was. (12/1/85)

Fewest Attempts

8 vs. NO (11/27/77)
 8 vs. Min. (11/29/76)
 12 at Atl. (11/6/77)
 12 at GB (9/12/76)
 12 vs. LAN (10/28/51)

Fewest Attempts Allowed

4 vs. NO (10/15/78)
 6 at NYG (10/16/77)
 7 at NO (11/13/77)

Most Completions

38 vs. Arz. (10/10/04)
 37 at Atl. (10/6/85)
 36 at Dal. (12/8/02)
 36 vs. Phi. (11/25/02)
 36 vs. Chi. (12/17/00)

Most Completions Allowed

42 at NYJ (11/21/80)
 41 at NYG (10/11/15)
 38 at Det. (9/12/21)
 37 vs. Atl. (12/23/13)
 36 at NE (12/16/12)
 35 at Arz. (11/25/07)
 35 at LA Rams (10/27/85)
 35 at Mia. (9/28/86)

Fewest Completions

1 at Chi. (11/13/05)
 3 vs. Min. (11/29/76)
 4 vs. Pit. (9/19/77)

Fewest Completions Allowed

2 vs. NO (10/15/78)
 2 at NYG (10/16/77)
 2 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)

Most Yards Gained (gross)

488 at LA Rams (11/29/93)
 476 at Atl. (10/14/90)
 458 at LA Rams (12/11/89)

Most Yards Allowed (gross)

486 at Arz. (11/25/07)
 471 vs. Was. (12/26/99)
 460 vs. Dal. (11/10/63)

Fewest Yards Gained (gross)

28 at Chi. (11/13/05)
 32 vs. Min. (11/29/76)
 33 at LAN (11/4/51)
 34 vs. GB (12/10/60)

Fewest Yards Allowed (gross)

13 vs. Chi. (9/16/62)
 13 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)
 17 vs. NO (10/21/73)
 31 vs. NO (10/15/78)

PENALTIES

Most Penalties

22 at Buf. (10/4/98)
 16 at Atl. (1/3/00)
 15 at Det. (10/16/11)
 15 vs. Car. (12/8/96)
 15 at Was. (11/17/86)

Most Penalties by Opponent

17 at Atl. (11/5/78)

Fewest Penalties

0 (3 times) Last: at NO (1/6/02)

Fewest Penalties by Opponent

0 (5 times) Last: at Bal. (10/26/69)

Most Yards Penalized

178 at Buf. (10/4/98)
 177 at LA Rams (9/18/94)
 168 at StL (10/24/71)

Most Yards Opponent Penalized

165 at Min. (10/13/66)
 136 at LA Rams (10/8/78)
 135 vs. StL (11/14/10)
 133 vs. Cin. (10/1/78)

Fewest Yards Penalized

0 (3 times) Last: at NO (1/6/02)

Fewest Yards Opponent Penalized

0 (5 times) Last: at Bal. (10/26/69)

FUMBLES

Most Committed

10 at Det. (12/17/78)

Most Lost

6 at Min. (10/15/61)
 6 at Cle. (11/12/50)

Most Committed by Opponent

8 vs. Min. (10/24/65)
 8 at NYG (12/1/57)

Most Lost by Opponent

6 at NYG (12/1/57)

INTERCEPTIONS

Most Intercepted

7 at TB (9/7/86)
 6 vs. NO (9/14/97)
 6 vs. NE (11/30/80)
 6 at Chi. (10/17/54)
 6 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)

Most Thrown

7 at LA Rams (10/18/64)
 6 vs. Bal. (12/5/59)
 6 at Det. (11/4/73)

Most Interception Yards

171 vs. StL (11/26/95)
 163 at GB (10/26/86)

Most Interception Yards By Opponent

314 at LA Rams (10/18/64)
 147 vs. Was. (12/18/04)

TURNOVERS

Most Forced by Defense

9 at Oak. (12/20/70), 4 FRs, 5 INTs
 8 vs. NO (9/14/97), 2 FRs, 6 INTs
 8 vs. Cin. (10/1/78), 3 FRs, 5 INTs
 8 at Chi. (10/17/54), 2 FRs, 6 INTs

Most Committed

10 at Dal. (10/12/80), 5 FRs, 5 INTs
 9 at Cle. (11/12/50), 6 FRs, 3 INTs

PUNTS

Most Punts

11 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)
 11 at Chi. (10/17/54)

Most Punts by Opponent

12 vs. Det. (10/23/77)
 12 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)

Fewest Punts

0 (8 times) Last: at NYG (9/27/20)

Fewest Punts by Opponent

0 (2 times) Last: at NO (10/20/02)

PUNT RETURNS

Most Punt Returns

9 vs. NO (10/17/76)
 9 at Atl. (10/29/72)
 8 (6 times) Last: vs. StL (11/21/82)

Most Punt Returns by Opponent

9 at Det. (10/6/63)
 9 vs. Atl. (10/9/77)

Most Punt Return Yards

146 vs. Phi. (9/27/59)
 141 vs. NO (10/17/76)
 137 vs. LAN (1/2/83)

Most Punt Return Yards by Opponent

231 at Det. (10/6/63)
 166 vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Kickoff Returns

10 vs. SD (10/15/06)
 9 (6 times): Last vs. Phi. (10/12/08)

Most Kickoff Returns by Opponent

10 vs. Atl. (9/29/96)
 9 (6 times) Last vs. Chi. (9/7/03)

Most Kickoff Return Yards

256 at Det. (11/14/54)
 248 at Det. (9/23/62)

Most Kickoff Return Yards by Opponent

260 at Dal. (11/11/65)
 233 vs. NO (9/21/86)

SACKS

Most Sacks Made

10 vs. NYG (11/23/80)
 10 at LA Rams (10/11/76)
 10 vs. LA Rams (12/6/64)

Most Sacks Allowed

9 at Cle. (12/13/15)
 9 at Bal. (11/24/11)
 9 at GB (11/1/98)
 9 vs. LA Rams (12/18/88)

ALL-TIME TEAM HIGHS AND LOWS

49ERS HIGHS			CATEGORY	49ERS LOWS		
56	vs. Atl.	10/18/92	POINTS	0	(13 times) last vs. TB	11/21/10
8	vs. Atl.	10/18/92	TOUCHDOWNS	0	last at Was.	10/20/19
6	at Det.	10/1/61	RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. Mia.	12/4/22
6	at Atl.	10/14/90	PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. LAC	11/13/22
6	last vs. Ten.	12/17/17	FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED	0	last vs. TB	12/11/22
6	last vs. Ten.	12/17/17	FIELD GOALS MADE	0	last at Sea.	12/15/21
36	vs. Ind.	10/18/98	TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	3	vs. Bal.	11/22/59
21	vs. Det.	12/14/98	RUSHING FIRST DOWNS	0	last at Min.	12/14/69
24	(2 times) last at Cin.	12/5/99	PASSING FIRST DOWNS	1	(6 times) last vs. TB	10/30/05
621	vs. Buf.	10/7/12	TOTAL NET YARDS	61	at Det.	10/6/63
59	at Min.	12/4/77	RUSHING ATTEMPTS	10	at GB	11/22/09
355	vs. SD	12/20/14	NET RUSHING YARDS	5	vs. Hou.	12/7/75
475	at LA Rams	11/29/93	NET YARDS PASSING	-10	at Det.	10/6/63
9	(4 times) last at Cle.	12/13/15	QB SACKS ALLOWED	0	last at LV	1/1/23
488	at LA Rams	11/29/93	GROSS YARDS PASSING	28	at Chi.	11/13/05
63	vs. Phi.	11/25/02	PASS ATTEMPTS	8	(2 times) last vs. NO	11/27/77
38	vs. Arz.	10/10/04	PASS COMPLETIONS	1	at Chi.	11/13/05
7	at LA Rams	10/18/64	INTERCEPTIONS THROWN	0	last vs. Arz.	1/8/23
9	at Oak.	12/20/70	TOTAL TAKEAWAYS	0	last at LAR	10/30/22
10	at Det.	12/17/78	FUMBLES BY	0	last vs. Arz.	1/8/23
6	at Min.	10/15/61	FUMBLES LOST	0	last vs. Arz.	1/7/23
11	(2 times) last vs. LAN	11/21/76	PUNTS	0	(9 times) last at Chi.	10/31/21
61.0	at Cle.	9/13/93	PUNTING AVERAGE	0	(9 times) last at Chi.	10/31/21
22	at Buf.	10/4/98	PENALTIES	0	(3 times) last at NO	1/6/02
178	at Buf.	10/4/98	YARDS PENALIZED	0	(3 times) last at NO	1/6/02

OPPONENT'S HIGHS			CATEGORY	OPPONENT'S LOWS		
61	at Chi.	12/12/65	POINTS	0	(32 times) last vs. NO	11/27/22
9	at Chi.	12/12/65	TOUCHDOWNS	0	(99 times) last vs. NO	11/27/22
5	(3 times) last at Chi.	12/12/65	RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. Was.	12/24/22
5	(7 times) last at NO	12/8/19	PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. NO	11/27/22
7	vs. NO	10/25/87	FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED	0	last vs. Arz.	1/8/23
6	at Arz.	10/2/05	FIELD GOALS MADE	0	last vs. Arz.	1/8/23
32	at StL	9/17/00	TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	2	vs. NO	10/21/73
19	at GB	10/11/59	RUSHING FIRST DOWNS	0	(8 times) last at StL	9/26/13
25	at NYJ	9/21/80	PASSING FIRST DOWNS	0	(2 times) last vs. NO	10/21/73
584	at Chi.	12/12/65	TOTAL NET YARDS	44	vs. Atl.	10/23/76
62	vs. Chi.	9/24/50	RUSHING ATTEMPTS	8	vs. StL	11/2/03
324	at LA Rams	11/9/58	NET RUSHING YARDS	7	(2 times) last at Arz.	10/29/12
456	at Arz.	11/25/07	NET YARDS PASSING	-39	vs. Atl.	10/23/76
10	(3 times) last vs. NYG	11/23/80	QB SACKS ALLOWED	0	last at LV	1/1/23
486	at Arz.	11/25/07	GROSS YARDS PASSING	13	(2 times) last vs. LAN	10/10/71
65	at NE	12/16/12	PASS ATTEMPTS	4	vs. NO	10/15/78
42	vs. NYJ	9/21/80	PASS COMPLETIONS	2	(3x) vs. NO	10/15/78
7	at TB	9/7/86	INTERCEPTIONS THROWN	0	last at Sea.	12/15/22
10	at Dal.	10/12/80	TOTAL TAKEAWAYS	0	last vs. Arz.	1/8/23
8	(2 times) last vs. Min.	10/24/65	FUMBLES BY	0	last vs. LAC	11/13/22
6	at NYG	12/1/57	FUMBLES LOST	0	last at LV	1/1/23
12	(2 times) last vs. Det.	10/23/77	PUNTS	0	(2 times) last at NO	10/20/02
62.0	at GB	10/21/62	PUNTING AVERAGE	0	(2 times) last at NO	10/20/02
17	at Atl.	11/5/78	PENALTIES	0	(5 times) last at Bal.	10/26/69
165	at Min.	10/13/66	YARDS PENALIZED	0	(5 times) last at Bal.	10/26/69

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John Lynch

Getting 49ers' sixth Super Bowl title motivation for GM John Lynch

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The San Francisco 49ers were less than 24 hours removed from their 2021 season ending in devastating fashion, and coach Kyle Shanahan's tank was running low.

In the minds of Shanahan, general manager John Lynch and the Niners coaches and players, the season ended a game too early, as they coughed up a fourth-quarter lead to eventual Super Bowl champion Los Angeles Rams in the NFC Championship Game. Now, it was up to Lynch and Shanahan to pick up the pieces before the Niners went their separate ways. Shanahan asked Lynch to address the team with encouraging words for the months ahead.

As a Hall of Fame safety, Lynch had come up short before eventually breaking through by winning Super Bowl XXXVII with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. With that experience in mind, he wanted to deliver a message centered on the fortitude it takes to push through the pain of losing and come out on the other side better for it.

Everyone listening at the 49ers' facility knew the faces would change in the offseason, with many players scheduled for free agency and coaches ticketed for other opportunities. Behind the scenes, Lynch was already pondering if he, too, would be on the way out.

In the weeks before the season ended, Lynch had been made aware that Prime Video, which would begin exclusively airing "Thursday Night Football" in 2022, was looking to fill out its broadcasting booth and willing to pay big money for recognizable names.

Lynch, who spent nine years as a color analyst at Fox, was near the top of the list. But as he stood before the assembled players and coaches on locker room clean out day, he couldn't shake the same feeling of everyone in the room: unfinished business.

"I remember vividly being up there and saying, 'I can't leave these guys here,'" Lynch said. "I'm telling them here's what it's gonna take ... Right then is when I knew."

What Lynch knew was that regardless of the money, he couldn't leave because his mission -- to bring the 49ers a sixth Lombardi Trophy -- was incomplete.

In nearly six years as general manager, Lynch has rarely talked at length about how his time on the job has been. He doesn't love talking about himself, but recently sat down for a long conversation about the many hats he's worn as general manager. Yet, he always comes back to the one he wants the most: world champion.

From the moment Shanahan and Lynch arrived in 2017 and reaffirmed with contract extensions in 2020, it's been their obsession.

"I feel like it's a demand," Lynch said of winning a Super Bowl. "It kills me. Like, I can't even tell you."

In 2019, the Niners lost Super Bowl LIV to the Kansas City Chiefs. In 2012, before Lynch and Shanahan arrived, they fell to the Baltimore Ravens in Super Bowl XLVII. They again knocked on the door last year, coming up short but holding out hope they're on the verge of kicking it down.

All of which is why Lynch, even after going through what he calls "the mechanics" of meeting with Prime Video executives and learning what the job might pay -- reports indicate it could have roughly tripled



Lynch's salary to somewhere between \$12 million and \$15 million per year -- wasn't ready to walk away from what he and Shanahan had built.

It's why Thursday night, when the Niners will try to clinch the NFC West with a victory over the Seattle Seahawks at Lumen Field (8:15 p.m. ET, Prime Video), Lynch will be watching from an owner's box rather than a broadcast booth. And why Shanahan, who encouraged Lynch to consider the broadcasting job given its massive payday, is happy Lynch is still around to pursue the Lombardi Trophy.

"All I tried to tell him was when you have opportunities like this, like that's too much to not make the right decision for you and your family," Shanahan said. "Don't just do something because you feel loyal to the Niners or loyal to me. It never was about the money really for John ... it's because he really loves being a part of a team.

"We love him here. I think he loves being here and hope he's here for a long time."

IN MANY WAYS, Lynch and Troy Aikman are kindred spirits. Both enjoyed Hall of Fame-playing careers before going on to success in the broadcast booth. What they didn't know is that each aspired to run an NFL franchise, as they missed being part of a team and going home with a result -- good or bad -- each Sunday.

Which is why Aikman, who's the color analyst for "Monday Night Football," likes to joke with Lynch and Shanahan that had the Fox broadcasting schedule been a little bit different in the 2016 playoffs, Aikman, not Lynch, would be the Niners general manager.

At the time, Aikman worked on Fox's top broadcasting crew with Joe Buck while Lynch was on the No. 2 team. When the playoff assignments were doled out, Lynch drew the Atlanta Falcons in the divisional round. It was in those production meetings and previous weeks of Lynch covering Falcons games that he and Shanahan, then Atlanta's offensive coordinator ticketed for the Niners job, began discussing the idea of Lynch coming to San Francisco.

By the time Buck and Aikman were in a production meeting with Shanahan the following week for the NFC Championship Game, they had a good idea Lynch was going to San Francisco with Shanahan, who had been linked to the Niners as head coach for multiple weeks and would take the job as soon as Atlanta's season ended.

"My first question to Kyle when he came into our production meeting, I asked him, 'Kyle, are you telling me that if Fox had assigned me the divisional game for Atlanta that I'd be your GM right now?'" Aikman said, laughing. "But John Lynch is an all-time great person. He's an old-school football guy. A great fit for those two. They've had enormous success."

Lynch's hiring came with plenty of questions. He would be a first-time general manager who had no formal experience on the personnel side and was joining Shanahan, a first-time head coach.

Shanahan didn't care about going the unconventional route. He wanted someone who was honest, who could work well with people and would work hard so he could pick up things without direction.

It was an outside-the-box hire for a team that needed a massive rebuild both from a roster and culture standpoint after cycling through three coaches in as many years. At the time, Niners CEO Jed York emphasized the importance of having a tandem that could work through decisions and find the right solution even if they initially disagreed.

Lynch and Shanahan knew each other a bit from Lynch's four seasons playing for Mike Shanahan with the Denver Broncos. They also shared a common affinity for the 49ers, with Shanahan loving the team as a kid when his dad was offensive coordinator and Lynch playing college ball at nearby Stanford for legendary coach Bill Walsh.

They quickly discovered a shared passion for restoring the franchise to greatness.



"He was the perfect guy to build a team with," Shanahan said. "Not just the players, but the whole coaching staff, the whole personnel department ... You had plenty of guys with experience who could do stuff and he hadn't had that. But I think most people in that situation, they have a hard time admitting that they don't know stuff."

NEAR THE START of every 49ers practice as players go through stretching and individual drills, Shanahan and Lynch play catch. For Shanahan, it's an opportunity to loosen his right arm before taking his spot as the quarterback opposite the starting defense during group game plan install.

It's also a chance for Shanahan and Lynch to stay connected. The pair rarely talk business as they toss the ball around, but their daily routine has roots in a piece of advice Lynch received from former Bucs and Indianapolis Colts coach Tony Dungy when he first took the general manager job.

Lynch, who played for Dungy with the Bucs, remembers Dungy telling him to create opportunities to spend time with Shanahan so necessary discussions can come up organically.

"The general manager kind of impacts the front office and the staff," Dungy said. "The head coach impacts the coaching staff and the players. And when you get everybody with the same message on board thinking alike, it's really important. And then in the decision-making process, you want to be together, too. I told John I thought that was really important and I really think he and Kyle have that."

While Shanahan and Lynch have developed a close bond, Lynch is the eternal optimist that Shanahan jokingly calls "Captain America" while Shanahan is a natural skeptic who prefers to be described as realistic over pessimistic but acknowledges both traits.

When a potential roster move arises, it's not unusual for Lynch to be met with Shanahan's immediate cynicism. Shanahan likens the process of big roster moves to buying a house with his wife, where he will point out everything wrong with it to her as a means to determine whether those things can be worked past.

That push and pull, with neither side taking disagreements personally, is necessary. Dungy recalls the Colts' picking wideout Pierre Garcon in the sixth round of the 2008 draft.

Colts GM Bill Polian viewed Garcon as an intriguing developmental prospect, while Dungy believed the wideout from tiny Mount Union College was too raw. It was the classic battle of long-term versus short-term. The long-term won out and Garcon went on to play 11 years with 628 receptions for 7,854 yards and 38 touchdowns, coincidentally ending his career with the Niners after becoming one of Lynch and Shanahan's first free agent additions.

WHEN LYNCH ARRIVED in 2017, he and Shanahan set out on a teardown and a plan to play it conservative on the rebuild. And for the most part, they did. Until October. That's when they traded for quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo, effectively scuttling their initial plan to try to sign Kirk Cousins in free agency the following March and giving Garoppolo the first shot at becoming their franchise quarterback.

It was the first significant pivot from the Niners' initial team-building plan and a harbinger of things to come.

After making what Lynch called the easiest decision of his tenure to draft end Nick Bosa with the No. 2 pick in the 2019 draft, then landing receiver Deebo Samuel in the second round, Lynch and Shanahan took stock of what was happening around them. Like the NBA, the NFL was becoming an increasingly star-powered league.

They've since made big trades for the likes of left tackle Trent Williams, running back Christian McCaffrey and up the draft board for quarterback Trey Lance.



"It feels like in all of these sports right now, it takes these superstars [to win]," Lynch said. "You understand those guys are essential to winning. The whole team is, every person out there is, but you need those guys. I think we've got as many of those guys as anybody. And that's why we have a chance."

Those moves have been supplemented by finding some superstars -- such as Bosa, Samuel, linebacker Fred Warner and tight end George Kittle -- in the draft. And the Niners have found a way to keep most of those players, even when it seemed unlikely. That's most notably true in the case of Garoppolo.

After a long offseason unsuccessfully spent trying to trade Garoppolo, it seemed there was little chance he would be back. During an August practice, Lynch strolled up to Shanahan and suggested bringing Garoppolo back at a reduced rate. Per custom, Shanahan said "no way," not because he didn't want to retain Garoppolo but because he didn't think the quarterback would go for it.

Lynch preached patience, encouraging Shanahan to let it all play out. Eventually, much to the surprise of many, Garoppolo stayed. Just as Samuel, running back Raheem Mostert and kicker Robbie Gould all had after at one point requesting a trade.

"When [guys like that] come in and say, 'Hey, I wanna be someplace else,' you just go, 'No, you wanna be here,'" Lynch said. "You rely on that good foundation of a relationship you have because you understand those guys are essential to winning."

That's not to say, of course, that every move Lynch and Shanahan have made has worked out. Far from it.

Lynch has called trading defensive tackle DeForest Buckner the hardest move he's made. The trade for end Dee Ford and signing of linebacker Kwon Alexander were big whiffs, and the draft is littered with selections, even near the top, that haven't worked out.

Even an under-the-radar move like losing cornerback D.J. Reed on waivers still stings. Reed was a fifth-round pick in the 2018 draft whom the Niners believed had starter potential. Heading into his third season, Reed was dealing with a torn pectoral.

After exploring options to keep him, they waived Reed with an injury designation believing he would clear waivers and revert to their injured reserve list. The Seahawks claimed Reed, who became a starter and earned a three-year, \$33 million deal from the New York Jets in the offseason.

Lynch acknowledges the misses but doesn't wince at their mention. He knows mistakes come with the job and likens it to playing safety, where you're the last line of defense and if you give up a big touchdown everyone knows it's your fault.

The choice Lynch sees is to dwell on it or learn from it.

"Take note when you really covet a player, don't try to be cute," Lynch said. "Those things stick with you but when you're aligned and you do things together, like everyone's gotta own it, you know? And I think we all learned from that one."

HANGING ABOVE LYNCH'S desk in his office at the 49ers facility is a picture of him and his family from the day he was hired. On a recent afternoon, Lynch looks up at the photo and marvels at how much his family has changed since.

After a one-year delay, Lynch's family relocated to the Bay Area from San Diego, much to the chagrin of his daughter Lindsay. He jokes that telling your teenage daughter she has to move before her senior year of high school is a bolder move than anything he could do as general manager.

More than anything, he's sure to credit his family for supporting his decision to leave the broadcast booth.



"I look back, it's been fun," Lynch said. "It's been an adventure. It's been worthwhile. It's been fulfilling, I'm very appreciative of my family, very appreciative for the opportunity."

One of the first things Lynch said after taking the job was that he didn't know what he didn't know. In order to learn, he took another cue from Dungy and surrounded himself with people he believed in.

Paraag Marathe, the Niners' executive vice president of football operations, and Brian Hampton, the team's vice president of football operations, have been instrumental in handling salary cap and contract issues, an area Lynch says is a work in progress for him.

Assistant general manager Adam Peters is his top lieutenant and player personnel director Ran Carthon has been key in assisting with scouting talent.

Both have interviewed for general manager jobs elsewhere in the past year. Either would be a candidate to replace Lynch if he left.

"We have a lot of people on the staff that we're always trying to groom," Shanahan said. "Not just to replace one of us someday but also to help them get opportunities in other places. We've got lots of good guys here that we feel confident in but John's our guy and I hope that we don't have to deal with that for a long time."

By his own admission, Lynch is almost too focused on the here and now, rarely looking beyond the 24 hours in front of him. Which means he's spent little time considering when he might be done in San Francisco's front office.

Lynch works in a building with constant reminders of the Niners' five world championships. He admits he doesn't see himself walking away until he's added at least No. 6.

"I'm still very motivated to get up and come to work every day," Lynch said. "I'm challenged and I'm enjoying myself. I'm still motivated to get this place back to where it once was. And that's on the top."



49ers: How John Lynch's tough-love 'teddy bear' dad propelled him to Canton

By Eric Branch
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John Lynch was on his back, gasping for air, looking up at a group of concerned teammates and coaches.

But then the scenery changed for the Pop Warner quarterback of the Torrey Pines Falcons who'd had the wind knocked out of him. The only person the middle-schooler could see was his dad, John Sr., also known as Big John, a hulking 6-foot-5 former linebacker with size-15 feet who was a 13th-round pick of the Steelers in 1969.

"My dad said, 'You know, guys, I think he just needs some space,'" Lynch said. "So everybody backs up and he said, 'Johnny,' — he called me Johnny back then — 'if you ever lay on the field again for anything other than your neck, it's going to hurt a lot worse when you get home.'"

The message stuck. Lynch, a hellacious-hitting safety, would spend the rest of his football career stubbornly trying to get to his feet when told otherwise by trainers or doctors, as if his father was, again, about to enter the picture. Yes, Big John had a huge impact on his son, the 49ers' general manager who will be enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, on Sunday in recognition of a 15-year career that included nine Pro Bowl berths with the Buccaneers and Broncos.

Lynch, 49, was a high school QB who was recruited by powers such as USC and Notre Dame. And he was a Stanford pitcher who was a second-round pick in the 1992 Major League Baseball Draft. He owes much of his ability to his mom, Cathy, a runner and golfer known as the family's best athlete. But the man who once knocked out his brother-in-law, Bears tight end John Allred, and was placed among the 10 most feared hitters in league history by NFL Films, is known more for his on-field intensity than athleticism. And that defining quality was transferred from Big John.

His dad was his Little League manager ... who was ejected from multiple games (John Sr. didn't dispute the charge: "I'm still chagrined. What was I thinking? But at the time it was damn important to us.") And his dad once chartered a jet to Pullman, Wash., hours after his son verbally committed to Washington State on a recruiting trip and had pointed words for Cougars coach Dennis Erickson (His reaction when this was mentioned: "Oh my Lord.")

And his dad was livid with Stanford quarterbacks coach Ron Turner after his son, a backup QB who was never given a start, was moved to safety. (Explained John Sr.: "I used to get really pissed off at Ron Turner for not playing him and I'd give him the evil eye.") And his dad had a supporting role in what Lynch terms the best performance of his football career. That was in Stanford's upset win over Notre Dame in 1992 in which Lynch's helmet was taken away after he suffered a concussion.

Recalled Lynch of his dad's message from his seat near Stanford's sideline in an era where concussion protocols were nonexistent: "It was something like, 'Get your helmet and get back in the you-know-what game.'"

Lynch laughs as he relays such stories, but he also has reflected deeply on his influences while preparing for induction weekend. And he wants to place his dad in proper context.

Yes, Big John began taking his three children to 5:30 a.m. workouts at a San Diego gym when John was 8, Kara was 10 and Ryan was 5. But then he'd take them to Mass at St. James in Solana Beach, followed by a trip to Solana Donuts because he also was passionate about faith and fun. And, yes, he'd occasionally lose his cool with teenage Little League umpires. But the businessman who built a radio empire, selling Noble Broadcast Group for \$152 million in 1996, never missed his children's sporting events despite his grueling travel schedule: He'd regularly arrive just before those Little League games after an East Coast flight — and then take the team to a Mexican restaurant or pizza joint afterward.



“My dad was tough, but tough in a good way,” Lynch said. “Tough in that he had expectations. He was also incredibly loving, as was my mom. They both taught that you have to dream big. And you have to set your goals high. And everything you did, you did your best. And they were such great examples because they always taught us that it was not just a nice thing, but it was responsibility to give back to your community. ...”

“But, yeah, I’d go 4-for-5 in a Little League game and he’d say, ‘What happened on the fifth one?’ He did it in such a way that he pulled it off. And my mom was always there to pick me up when he was a little ticked off and I had to walk home because I was 3-for-5.”

Kara, 51, who runs a health and wellness company, says her dad “expected greatness” from his children but is a “teddy bear.” And Ryan, 46, a former minor-league pitcher who is the co-CEO of a real-estate investment company, terms his dad — who regularly woke him for 5 a.m. backyard batting-cage sessions — a “softy.” And John Sr. was warm, self-deprecating and funny during a recent 30-minute phone interview. Asked about his anticipated emotions during his son’s induction speech, he cracked: “First of all, we’re Irish, so we cry when they mow the lawn.”

Lynch notes his dad never even spanked his children. And Big John, asked about his reaction when John was laying down on the field with the wind knocked out him, said some of his rhetoric was for effect.

“I never would have put John in harm’s way,” he said. “But, yeah, basically it was, ‘You get your ass back in there.’”

There’s no question Big John forcefully directed some of his son’s steps on his path to Canton.

In eighth grade, Lynch began regularly surfing with a new group of friends. His dad noticed a change in his attitude, which included an occasionally disrespectful tone with his mom. One morning, Lynch couldn’t locate the surfboard he was certain he left in the garage. He called his dad at work.

“He said, ‘I’ve got your surfboard,’” Lynch said. “‘You can have it back after high school. And you’ll thank me later.’”

As a senior at Torrey Pines High School, Lynch took his recruiting visit to Washington State, a trip that preceded his visit to Stanford. During his trip, he excitedly called his parents and told them he’d verbally committed. His mom mentioned he’d yet to see Stanford. His dad was mostly silent. The next morning, his dad arrived unannounced at a brunch for recruits at Erickson’s house.

“My dad walks in and asks coach Erickson and me to come into a room for a moment,” Lynch said, laughing. “I mean, it’s not his house. I’m like, ‘Dad what are you doing here?’”

Big John explained to the coach that his son would not sign until he’d visited Stanford. Erickson ended up leaving WSU for Miami a few weeks later.

At Stanford, Lynch couldn’t crack the starting lineup at QB and strongly considered turning his full attention to baseball. But head coach Dennis Green convinced him to transition to safety as a junior. This time, Lynch, who knew his dad would be irate, called his parents and explained that he’d made the decision and it was final. In other words: Dad, don’t intervene.

“That was kind of symbolic of me becoming a man,” Lynch said. “I was like, ‘I appreciate everything you’ve done for me, but I’ve got this now.’”

If not for the position switch, Lynch wouldn’t have been stunned by a knock at his house in Rancho Santa Fe in January. Hall of Fame president David Baker delivered the news that Lynch, an eight-time finalist, had finally been voted into the Hall of Fame. In the emotional ensuing celebration, Big John raised a toast to the son he’d loved deeply, pushed hard and, finally, let go — while clinging to a long-held belief.



He said, 'Cathy and I are so proud of Johnny,'" Lynch recalled, "although I still think he would have made it as a quarterback.' I'm like, 'Dad, give it up!'"



Why is John Lynch doing this? Inside new 49ers GM's crash course

By Eric Branch
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Former NFL safety John Lynch recently detonated his idyllic life as though it was a wide receiver crossing the middle. The impact sent him to Santa Clara while his wife and four children stayed in San Diego.

The separation is temporary. His family will join the new 49ers general manager at the end of the school year. But the months apart will be arduous.

That became clear earlier this month. Lynch, 45, in a suit and tie after his introductory news conference, was asked, as he leaned against a counter in the media room at Levi's Stadium, why he'd swapped serenity for stress. All GM jobs are demanding, but Lynch's could be particularly grueling, at least initially: He has no executive experience and is in the midst of a front-office crash course.

Before joining the 49ers, the 15-year NFL veteran spent eight years as a well-respected Fox broadcaster, and his work-half-the-year gig let him stay close to family as well as football. So why accept an all-consuming job he didn't need? The GM suggested Linda Lynch had posed the same question.

"My wife keeps on saying, 'Are you sure?'" Lynch said. "I said, 'Well, this has already started. We're in.'"

His response inspired laughter. Lynch was smiling, too, but then the grin faded and his eyes pooled with tears.

"I tell you, I've never been apart from my family," said Lynch, his voice cracking with emotion he didn't anticipate. "So it's been gut-wrenching already."

His tears, of course, make his recent decision even more perplexing.

Why is John Lynch doing this?

The answer involves the craving for competition that fuels countless athletes and often can't be satisfied after the final whistle.

As a Fox analyst, Lynch quickly ascended to the No. 2 broadcast team, but he found success without a scoreboard unsatisfying. At the end of a telecast, the nine-time Pro Bowl player and four-time Hall of Fame finalist often fist-bumped his play-by-play partner and then ... nothing. No anguish or elation.

"He really missed someone winning and losing at the end of a game," 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan said. "He enjoyed doing the announcing and being a part of the NFL. But the fight to go through something with a group of guys and what we go through together — it's not easy, and it's a grind for everybody, but it's worth it."

Indeed, the grind-loving competitor that lurks within the charismatic and composed Lynch has re-emerged after spending the past decade in post-playing limbo.

It's fitting that Lynch rejoined the NFL by signing his contract with the 49ers on a Sunday. During his playing career, that was typically when he transformed from mild-mannered to maniacal.

For his first five NFL seasons, cornerback Champ Bailey knew Lynch only from afar as a bone-rattling enforcer who punctuated hits with screams. In 2004, however, they became teammates with the Broncos and Bailey saw there was far more to the madman than met the eye.



Lynch is the Stanford-educated, San-Diego-bred son of a successful businessman. His father, John Lynch Sr., is the president and CEO of the Broadcast Company of the Americas, which owns three radio stations, and was the CEO of the San Diego Union-Tribune. In 2006, Lynch won the Bart Starr Award, which is given to the NFL player who best exemplifies outstanding leadership and character.

Bailey was shocked: He didn't expect the thumper to be so thoughtful.

"Man, that's what fools you about him," Bailey said. "If you meet him before you see him play, you'd never think he'd play the way he does. But, for me, I saw him play before I met him and immediately it was like, 'Dang, this is not what I expected.' I expected some nut case wanting to run through every brick wall he sees. But he wasn't. Calm, collected, he had great values, focused."

Bailey gives Lynch, who is seven years older, much of the credit for his longevity. The 12-time Pro Bowl pick also played 15 seasons — partly because he noticed how Lynch cared for his body and how his obsessive film study compensated for declining late-career skills.

"I don't really know anyone personally that would be better suited to run a team than John Lynch," Bailey said. "I believe he could be the general manager and the head coach. That's how competitive he is and how much he prepares before he does anything."

Before becoming a GM, Lynch prepared for the job by learning from his close friend, Broncos general manager John Elway. With the Hall of Fame quarterback, Lynch discussed front-office intricacies and the emptiness that was prompting him to consider an executive role.

The ultra-competitive Elway returned to the NFL in 2011 when he joined Denver's front office. During Elway's tenure, he has asked Lynch to evaluate college prospects, asked him to attend draft meetings and asked him this: Why stay in TV if you can get back in the trenches?

"I think one thing that was a common denominator (between us) was what fills up your balloon?" Elway said. "Obviously, John did a tremendous job with TV. But I think — that's what I told him — I don't know how much TV fills up your balloon, but being in this position to where you're putting a football team together, a football staff together, is very satisfying. And, obviously, it's a great challenge. The next thing to playing is being in that position."

Lynch's challenge is daunting: He's a novice who has inherited a 2-14 team with serious quarterback issues.

However, the man ranked the 10th-hardest hitter in league history by NFL Network specialized in obliterating obstacles during his football career.

At Stanford, he spent his first two seasons as a never-used quarterback, transitioned to a hybrid linebacker role as a junior and didn't start until he moved to safety his final season. The result: He left Palo Alto as a second-team All-American.

"What it really comes down to is he's extraordinarily competitive," said Tom Holmoe, a former 49ers safety who was Lynch's position coach during his senior season. "It was real early in his transition to free safety that you said, 'Oh boy, he's going to take it to the limit.'"

In the NFL, Lynch was a third-round pick of the Buccaneers whose inexperience at safety partly explained why he didn't start more than six games in any of his first three seasons.

Tampa Bay head coach Sam Wyche had been encouraged to draft Lynch by Stanford's Bill Walsh, under whom Wyche had served as an assistant with the 49ers. Lynch was a project, but Wyche was wowed by the rookie's off-the-chart intangibles, which forecast future success.



“There are players that come in and you notice their competitive spirit right away,” Wyche said. “Well, with John, it just oozed out of him. He couldn’t hide it. The really great players only know one speed.”

Lynch earned his first Pro Bowl berth in 1997, his fifth season, and was a captain of the 2002 Buccaneers, who won a Super Bowl on the strength of one of the best defenses in NFL history. However, Tampa Bay released Lynch in a salary-cap move after the 2003 season, and the then-32-year-old underwent surgery to remove bone spurs in his neck.

It was his last significant challenge. And Lynch responded by morphing from injured and unemployed to seemingly indomitable. He signed with the Broncos and immediately had an I’m-back hit on Chiefs wide receiver Dante Hall, who was impaled by Lynch in the 2004 season opener. It set the tone for a career-ending, four-year run with Denver that featured four Pro Bowl berths.

“He absolutely came in (in 2004) with something to prove,” Bailey said. “He didn’t talk about it a lot, but you could see the fire in his eyes. ... The guy was a presence. He knew it. He just had to prove it over again that he could play.”

Now, Lynch hopes to conquer perhaps his greatest challenge.

With the 49ers, he’ll attempt to resurrect a franchise while maintaining a normal life with a family that includes a 17-year-old son and daughters Lindsay, 16, Lilly, 14, and Leah, 9.

Lynch said his children and Linda, his wife of 23 years, eventually reached the point where they shared his excitement over his new job. But it will take some adjustment.

His son, Jake, might stay in San Diego and live with Lynch’s parents in the fall to play his senior season of high school football. In addition, the complications of their temporary separation were clear when plane-grounding fog in San Diego prevented his family from surprising him at his introductory news conference.

Lynch, who said he’s been getting little sleep, joked that he’s still trying to locate his new work-life balance when asked about contacting quarterback Colin Kaepernick.

“I got chewed out for not calling my daughter before she went to bed last night,” he said. “So I’m trying to get a lot of things in.”

Moments later, the former NFL tough guy was fighting back tears and the moment illustrated the anguish involved in his latest task.

So, again, why is John Lynch doing this? He clearly agrees with Shanahan: It won’t be easy, but it will be worth it.



The Unconventional Career Path of 49ers GM John Lynch

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Behind John Lynch's desk in Santa Clara, there are a number of bottles of wine, each one wishing him luck in his new venture as the 49ers general manager. That he got them from agents is one surprise from his first three weeks on the job.

"I'm telling you, I didn't think agents were this nice," he said over the phone on Wednesday afternoon, laughing before conceding, "They're buttering me up."

The haul of reds hasn't been the only things to catch Lynch a little off guard with this move that set the football world back on its heels at the outset of Super Bowl week. There's the breadth of the work, which goes well beyond scouting. And related to that, there's how a GM gets pulled in so many different directions during a given day.

But there's good news here, too. With a couple weeks to spare before the Niners staff packs up for Indianapolis and the scouting combine, this very much feels to Lynch—the former player and broadcaster—like what he's supposed to be doing.

"It does," he said. "I'd caution you, one thing Monte Kiffin always said to us was that the worst three words any football player can say are, 'I got it.' I'm right at the beginning stages. We're right at the beginning stages. We're taking on challenges every day. But I can tell you, I'm not overwhelmed, each day I come in and there's a routine.

"A priest once said to me, 'Think about eating a huge steak, you can't eat it all in one bite. You gotta take one bite at a time.' And that's the way we're going through it. You can get overwhelmed in this job, particularly coming in late. I got all this to do, how do I do it? Instead, we're just going about our business each day and taking things as they come. It does feel very natural."

In this week's Game Plan, we'll look at how the 2018 quarterback crop could affect the Mitch Trubiskys and Deshaun Watsons of this year, the Redskins' Kirk Cousins quandary, how the use of the franchise tag has changed dramatically over the past five years and a lot more.

But we start with the Niners' new GM, his first few weeks on the job, and why he hardly feels like a fish out of water—despite the fact that he landed in his new role without taking the traditional path to it.

Lynch's precursor to one of 32 jobs running the personnel side of an NFL franchise is comprised of 16 years as a player and some eight-and-a-half seasons working his way up in the world of football broadcasting. He, in fact, never left pro football, having been involved for the past 24 years running. And this is where, in these stories about him, you point out where he was never a scout.

That's where we'll take our left-hand turn. Let's explain why, through his words, his start has proven Lynch to be more prepared than most of the skeptics expected, and how he already has a pretty evolved vision.

His playing experience. That's beyond just having played for Denny Green, Bill Walsh, Sam Wyche, Tony Dungy, Jon Gruden, Mike Shanahan and, briefly, Bill Belichick. It also goes past figuring, between the lines and through endless film study, what makes a great NFL player. And it goes to his first experience in the pros, and being part of the 1990s Bucs' transition from doormat to dominant force.

"There's a lot of parallels," he says, comparing those Bucs with these 49ers. "There'd been constant change, so the thought process as a rookie was 'don't get close to the guy next to you, because he may not be here in a couple weeks. Don't let your wives make friends, because they're not gonna be here.' That was the culture. Everybody talks about Tony [Dungy], and Tony was certainly integral.



“But before that, Rich McKay came in and brought some stability—we’re gonna draft good winning players that have certain traits, and football character. Then Tony came in and gave it more stability—these are the schemes we’re gonna play. We’re not deviating in Week 1 or Week 2 if it’s not working. We’re sticking to them.”

His TV experience. Lynch settled in Denver after his playing career and grew close to John Elway. So when Elway took the Broncos’ job in 2011, he’d get after Lynch about leaving broadcasting to work for a team. To that end, in 2012, Elway had him write reports on safeties in the draft. In 2013, Lynch sat in Denver’s draft meetings for a month.

Now, Lynch maintains that he followed advice he got from Mike Tomlin in Tampa: Be where you’re at. He was focused on his job with Fox, and was moving up in the ranks there. Still, he knew, as he puts it, “What was missing was a scoreboard.” And so Elway’s poking, plus working to be prepared as a broadcaster, opened the door to Lynch subconsciously developing team-building beliefs in the course of his work.

“I wasn’t out there soaking up information from organizations as I went in their buildings, I was trying to be the best broadcaster I could be,” he explains. “But you’re meeting with the quarterback, you’re meeting with the head coach, the GM usually comes and finds you, you’re meeting with coordinators on both sides, you’re meeting with finest players in the league. ... So it challenges your mind.”

His Broncos experience. At one point, Elway discussed hiring Lynch before deciding he didn’t have the right role for him. In the end, the Broncos GM may have given him something more valuable than a job—an open-door to his own experiences growing into the role without the traditional career path behind him. Two pieces of advice stuck with Lynch. First, Elway said “hire some good people around you,” which Lynch now jokes was to Elway’s detriment, since Lynch’s first hire was one of Elway’s best people—new 49ers VP of player personnel Adam Peters. Second, Elway told Lynch that he had to learn to close his door, which seems simple, but relates to time management as a boss.

“Day 1, all I wanted to do was turn on the tape of the San Francisco 49ers to see what we have,” Lynch says. “And it wasn’t until 4:30 that I finally turned the tape on, because I was meeting people, meeting the trainer, going through the office. But that was very important too. That’s how it is. ... You also have to learn to close your door. You need your quiet time to yourself where you can just get stuff done.”

His life experience. Lynch says that, at the end of his playing career, “You’re always saying, ‘I haven’t come close to knowing it all, there’s always something I can improve on.’” He took that thirst to learn into broadcasting, and he plans to take that humility into his new job, too. “I think that’ll be the case 15 years from now,” he says.

Early on, it’s been small stuff. At the Super Bowl, both college and NFL players would approach him, and he’d wonder, Is this tampering? He’s leaned on Peters and fellow new hire, and former Lions GM Martin Mayhew, for help in those areas. And he knows he has a lot to learn elsewhere. So yes, he’ll delegate some. But what’s as important is that he maintains that quest for knowledge in all areas.

“Part of the interview process was, 10 characteristics of a GM, go 1-10 on what you’d be strongest at,” he says. “And I just followed my heart. Setting the tone and vision for a building, that was 1. Negotiating salary cap and contracts, right off the bat, I had that as 10, because I haven’t done it. So listen, I’m gonna have to rely on some people. But I will learn that, because I think to be good at it, you can’t just say, ‘that’s my guy over there.’ You gotta learn it and be a part of it.”

So why will this work? I don’t know if it will, because these are hard things to forecast. But I do think that Lynch and head coach Kyle Shanahan have a chance, and not just because both are competitive, smart and driven football junkies. My feeling is it’s more because Shanahan has a very defined vision for a football team, and Lynch has a clear-headed idea of how to build that, and they share a lot of ideals.



Getting that alignment was a stated goal of CEO Jed York's during the GM/coach search, and it looks like San Francisco has that at this early juncture. On Tuesday, Shanahan gave a lengthy, detailed presentation for the scouts on what his staff would be looking for at each position. And that adds detail to the character traits Lynch has talked to his scouts about seeking.

One that Lynch calls "critical" is football character. "You gotta live it and breathe it," he says.

The 49ers GM certainly does, and he's gotten to work in surrounding himself with others that do, too. Which is probably why none of this feels unnatural to him at all.



Paraag Marathe

The fall and rise of Paraag Marathe: How the maligned ‘numbers guy’ endures as 49ers front-office force

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He’s still here. Paraag Marathe, the whiz kid hired nearly 20 years ago to lead the 49ers’ analytics revolution, is sitting in a gorgeous executive office overlooking the 49ers practice field on a recent autumn afternoon.

He’s still here, having outlasted both of the executives who hired him, the coaches he helped hire and the pitchforks that tried to run him out of town.

Marathe, and he alone among the 49ers’ top decision-makers, proved impervious to the free-swinging axe of the tumultuous early 2000s, thriving even as three general managers (Terry Donahue, Scot McCloughan and Trent Baalke) and six head coaches were cut down. The GMs and coaches all fell. Marathe rose.

He’s still here, in his 19th season, having endured the outrageous slings and arrows of sports-talk radio. For a spell a few years ago, criticism turned so vicious that one of his most famous supporters considering going incognito to defend him on the radio dial. Go ahead, Billy from Oakland, you’re on the air ...

“I’ve never called a sports-talk radio show, but I remember hearing it and I wanted to disguise my voice and call in,” A’s executive vice president Billy Beane said in a recent phone interview. “I knew Paraag personally and I knew him professionally. He’s an infectious personality and a high-energy guy.”

Beane, the foremost expert when it comes to resistance to data-driven roster-making, said he’s met four young intellectuals in his life whose smarts, personality and creativity wowed him from their very first meeting: current A’s GM David Forst, former Dodgers GM and current Cleveland Browns executive Paul DePodesta, Giants president Farhad Zaidi ... and Paraag Marathe.

“My first impression? I wanted to hire him,” Beane said. “And then as time went on, I realized the more likely scenario was that he would hire me.”

Not everyone was on board from the start of Marathe’s 49ers career in 2000, however, especially not within 49ers headquarters. Former staffers from that era recall a near mutiny among coaches when they got a load of the newly hired Marathe and his data-harvesting staff evaluating game tape. As one former assistant coach said by phone recently: “These guys didn’t even know the plays. They didn’t know what a shovel pass was. They didn’t know what a screen pass was. They didn’t know any of that.”

In those days? Critics saw Marathe as a numbers nerd whose lack of football acumen played a damaging role in plunging a proud NFL franchise into a prolonged abyss. Multiple sources interviewed earlier this month still recall, with more than a trace of bitterness, what they describe as a reckless naiveté that infuriated coaches, insulted veteran players and had NFL agents threatening to no longer do business with the 49ers. Detractors rankled at the idea that the young Stanford MBA held sway in the coaching booth, where he weighed in on replay challenges while actual NFL coaches sat idly by.

Particularly galling to several sources was the way Donahue and Marathe orchestrated a purge of high-priced veterans that essentially severed the lineage of a Super Bowl dynasty. The ensuing leadership void in the 49ers locker room left the franchise adrift for years. “That falls on the Terry Donahue and Paraag Marathe,” one former executive said. “They destroyed the 49ers way.”



And now? Marathe is the chief contract negotiator and salary-cap architect for an undefeated franchise that is stable, healthy and trending straight-arrow up. Additional sources interviewed this month described Marathe as an affable and respected NFL mind with a reputation for both diplomacy and financial creativity.

John Lynch, now in his third season as general manager, said Marathe has been instrumental in helping the front office transform the 49ers into a 7-0 juggernaut.

"I really wasn't privy to a lot of the preconceived notions. So when people talk about 'perceptions,' I don't know that," Lynch said Tuesday. "All I know is what I know from working with him: And I would say he's been great. He's been invaluable to me."

Marathe has fans outside the building, too.

"He's one of the most talented front-office executives I've dealt with in my 32 years as a certified agent in the National Football League," super-agent Drew Rosenhaus said by phone.

Said another high-profile agent, David Mulugheta, who represents superstar players such as Aaron Rodgers and Deshaun Watson: "From a professional standpoint, it's refreshing. He's super intelligent and straight forward. He does his homework. He's someone you can trust."

Marathe, after months of requests from The Athletic, recently sat down for an extended conversation about his evolution from mysterious numbers cruncher to franchise power broker to enduring figure in the front office. Initially hired as a draft consultant, his exalted job title these days barely squeezes onto a single business card: He is the President of 49ers Enterprises and Executive Vice President of Football Operations.

He's not only still here, and he's kinda everywhere. There is a football in his office, but also a soccer ball (Marathe guided an effort by 49ers Enterprises to purchase a minority ownership in the Leeds United Football Club). There's also a cricket bat (Marathe was unanimously elected as the Chair of the USA Cricket Board last October).

Still youthful looking at 42, he's one of a handful of people inside 49ers headquarters whose front-office career spans from Bill Walsh to Lynch.

Marathe spoke unflinchingly of his tumultuous early days and also explained why the new guard, Lynch and Kyle Shanahan, have him "probably the most excited I've ever been about this team."

Mostly, Marathe helped answer the question of how, against all odds, he's still here.

He was hired, quite literally, to figure out if a computer could do the same thing as Walsh's brain. The 49ers wanted a data expert to analyze the value of specific draft spots and create a handy value chart. The chart would serve as a quick reference guide for potential draft-day trades for teams looking to move up or down the board — is it worth it to trade the 27th overall pick for the 48th and 61st?

Such charts had been around forever, but the 49ers figured they could get an edge with a modern deep dive from a prestigious market analyst. The team reached out to the Bain & Co. consulting company — Marathe says Walsh himself made the call — and asked for help. Internally, Bain tapped Marathe for the task because the third-year man already had a few sports-related projects on his résumé.

Marathe jumped at the chance. He'd been a 49ers fan since he was 6, back when his parents owned and operated a Round Table Pizza in Saratoga. In a way, he'd been waiting for the call. Whenever he filled out business school applications, he always answered the question about his career aspirations with: "I want a chance to run a sports team."

Cracking the code to draft day was an ideal place to start. His analysis proved so incisive that Donahue hired him shortly after they met.



“Bill always did it on instinct, so my job was to figure out, ‘How did they arrive at this chart, this curve from pick No. 1 to pick 250?’ Then I had to figure out: What was a better way to do it?” Marathe said.

After he finished devising what he calls the “exchange rate” for draft slots, he went back and applied them to Walsh’s old draft trades to see how the system paired up. And old school and new school matched up essentially to a “T”.

“The ‘aha!’ moment was that we were trying to replicate the genius of his mind,” Marathe said.

Repeating the art behind Walsh’s actual draft-day triumphs, however, proved to be a challenge. And it was a bumpy changing of the guard. By the early 2000s, Walsh’s influence was fading. He’d come back as kind of a quick-fix GM in 1999, then remained in the fold in lesser roles, including as a team consultant through 2004. It appeared as if ownership was nudging him toward the door, intent on starting a fresh legacy.

Donahue, who worked under Walsh as the director of player personnel, took over as full-fledged GM in 2001. But it got awkward as early as the first round of his first draft, according to an assistant coach who was in the room that day.

The 49ers wanted Andre Carter, a ferocious defensive end from Cal, with the No. 9 pick. The problem, the assistant coach said, is that Donahue had dropped too many hints in the media about the 49ers’ interest in Carter. That piqued the Chicago Bears’ interest, and they started making noise about swiping Carter at No. 8. According to the former assistant coach, Donahue began to panic that the 49ers would miss their guy by one pick.

The room sensed his fear.

“And then Bill Walsh stood up and said — and these were his exact words — ‘Shut the fuck up. I’m taking over,’” the assistant recalled by phone.

The witness said that Walsh immediately dialed his old friend, Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren, and swung a trade that allowed the 49ers to leapfrog the Bears to No. 7, where they could safely get their man.

“And then Walsh turned around and said: ‘That’s the way you run a draft. You don’t open your fucking mouth at all about anything that we want to do,’” the former assistant said.

Marathe also got a glimpse of Walsh’s draft-day edginess, according to another former staffer who witnessed the scene. The exact details of the deal are lost to memory, but the staffer recalls Walsh reaching agreement on the parameters of a trade involving multiple draft picks. But before Walsh pulled the trigger, Marathe approached the Hall of Fame coach and handed him a printout of his data. Marathe’s numbers on the sheet argued that the 49ers weren’t getting proper value.

“Bill kind of glanced down at the sheet, pretending like he was really paying attention to it. Then he kind of spun the page away, pointed at (John) McVay and said, ‘Make the move,’” the witness said. “It was pretty alarming. He basically scoffed in Paraag’s face. ... Walsh did not follow the same path that Donahue was trying to follow.”

Marathe smiled wide upon hearing the story. He said he doesn’t remember a thing about that exchange with Walsh, per se, but said it’s typical of any NFL draft room — where pressure-packed decisions are made quickly and where sensitivity is an afterthought. It’s worth noting that there’s a framed photo of Walsh in his office.

“I hope that happened, and I can tell you it still happens today,” Marathe said. “It’s not, ‘Let’s just refer to the chart. Does it say yes or no?’ It’s just one more piece of information.

“If you really value a player or think this player is going to be better than his draft slot, by all means you disregard (the chart) and do what you think is right. I hope it will continue to happen that way.”



Marathe repeated a similar sentiment several times over in the conversation, eager to dispel the myth that the 49ers ever planned to rely on statistics to the exclusion of all else.

“Maybe in other sports it works, but there’s so much human element to (football) that it’s never been that,” he said. “It’s more like, ‘Let’s add one more piece of fuel to the fire and see if it helps us.’”

As the draft-day dustup with Walsh showed, Donahue had reason for unease. He was taking over the GM reins from someone with a pair of the most distinguished eyes in football. The stories remain legendary. Walsh discovered Jerry Rice while flipping channels in a hotel room and stumbling across a game from Mississippi Valley State. He fixated on Dwight Clark after traveling to work out a Clemson quarterback named Steve Fuller and instead got a load of the magnetic roommate who’d tagged along to catch passes. And, of course, Walsh looked at a skinny kid with a so-so arm from Notre Dame and saw the magic of Joe Montana within.

That’s a tough act to follow for anyone, and Donahue was realistic about his challenge. As a former 49ers staffer recalled: “Donahue was obviously out of his depth and obviously didn’t have the confidence that Bill did in terms of selecting players. ... And so he was visualizing: ‘How can I develop an edge?’”

Donahue, in the vein of his friend Beane, embraced the idea of a “Moneyball”-style approach to football, especially since salary-cap problems left the team with little wiggle room. By using analytics to spot undervalued assets in the draft and on the free-agent market, the 49ers could get a Silicon Valley-style edge while the rest of the NFL was still sleeping.

Donahue turned more and more to Marathe, a plan that had the full backing of the York family. This was when John York, not his son, was still in charge and the licensed pathologist loved the concept of making decisions based on proofs and statistical models. In those early days, according to sources, York often referred to Marathe as “our secret weapon.”

But “Moneyball” proved to be a tough sequel for football. In baseball, you can isolate performance — batter vs. pitcher. But a football play like, say, an interception might depend on the defensive line getting pressure, a free safety sticking to his assignment and a tipped pass by a linebacker.

The 49ers’ early forays into creating useful metrics were so divisive within the organization that they have taken on an air of mythology. A Marathe-led system called “ticking” still gets a rise out of those who remember the unusual method for evaluating college prospects.

“Oh, what a labor-intensive effort that was,” said Terry Tumey, who started as a 49ers player personnel assistant in 2001 before becoming the team’s director of football administration.

Tumey, now the athletic director at Fresno State, remains a Marathe fan and credits him for helping push the 49ers into a more sophisticated way of decision making. But he chuckles at a mention of “ticking.” The system called for analysts to watch film and make notations for every player on every play. “You’re trying to capture data that went beyond traditional,” Tumey said. “He was trying to get to the point where he had enough data to really evaluate a player.”

The problem? Tumey said ticking led to dubious choices like receiver Rashaun Woods, a first-round pick in 2004 who showed up with all the competitive fire of a wet rag. Looking back, a former general manager from another team still can’t believe it: “By their analytics, he was the No. 1 receiver. Throw that stuff away because he’s not even close. He was gone! ... I said, ‘What in the world are you guys doing taking him in the first round?’”

But another former 49ers employee, otherwise critical of Marathe, defended the ticking system in this case. He said old-school scouting was the culprit, recalling that Bill Rees, the 49ers director of player personnel at the time, pushed hard for Woods.

Regardless, Tumey doesn’t recall hearing about ticking anymore after that Woods pick.



“The tracking system could tell you nothing about the intrinsic nature of the players. It couldn’t tell you about his resilience,” Tumeay said. “It couldn’t tell you about how he handled adversity. It couldn’t tell you about his heart. It couldn’t tell you about any of that stuff. At the end of the day, it didn’t capture the true essence of the player.”

Beyond that, critics said, Marathe’s army of young interns lacked the football expertise to make a proper evaluation even with the on-field stuff, much to the exasperation of Dennis Erickson’s mostly old-school staff. Genial offensive coordinator Ted Tollner, who had been a head coach at USC, stumbled upon a “ticking” session one day and blew a gasket.

“Ted Tollner was one of the most mild-mannered and kind coaches that I’ve seen. He blew up one time. I mean cussin’ down the hallway,” a former staffer said. “You just never saw Ted respond that way, but he got so animated ... I think Ted walked in and said, ‘What are you guys doing?’ They explained, and he lost his mind because he thought, ‘We’re relying on these motherfuckers to save our jobs?’”

Such was the conflict during that era. Multiple sources said Marathe wasn’t respectful enough of what football lifers brought to the table.

“He was definitely a smart guy. But his flaw is that he’s a smart guy, too,” one said. “Because he believes that he’s the smartest guy.”

Such resistance, though, has been a familiar phenomenon over the sports landscape as the new generation takes hold. As the influence of Beane and other statistically-minded people grows, traditionalists often grumble or push back. But there’s no question as to who is winning that war. Just check out baseball’s reliance on shifts and spin rates and launch angles or the NBA’s evolution to positional fluidity, corner 3s and discouraging the mid-range jumper.

To Beane, the resistance to Marathe’s vanguard approach seems familiar.

“Totally. Absolutely,” Beane said. “He was one of the early adopters, especially in that sport, and those early guys face a lot more headwinds. They get beat up. ... So it’s been great to see his success. He blazed a trail for a lot of the guys behind him. It’s a credit to his intelligence.”

Marathe now oversees an entire 49ers analytics department. And in the NFL, the “ticking” system no longer looks so wild, even in retrospect.

“It was like what Pro Football Focus is doing now,” Marathe said. “Back then, no one was really doing much with offensive line players, giving out run-blocking, pass-blocking grades.

“(Ticking) was us hiring a bunch of interns to do what PFF does today, which is go down the whole decision tree of all the things an O-lineman does — on a pass, did he successfully block his guy or did he allow pressure or a hit or a sack? On a run block, did he block at the first level or the second level? Was he successful? Did he keep his guy away from the ball?”

“There are a thousand snaps per offensive lineman across the league, so it’s a lot of intern work to start quantifying it and use it as another tool. There’s a lot of nuance to it, so the thought was that over a thousand plays over time across all teams, it sort of averages out. It’s not the answer, it’s just one piece to add to it.”

Marathe also dismisses the suggestion that “ticking” duped the 49ers into picking Woods, who amassed a mere seven career catches in his lone season. For one thing, Marathe said his staff never ranked receivers from top to bottom as part of an evaluation. They just compiled raw numbers. Passing their data from ticking was akin to providing a list of a player’s vertical leap from the scouting combine.

“I’ve always looked for wherever I can add empirical evidence to help the case, that’s what I want to do,” he said. “The landscape has changed, probably because there’s easier and better access to data and



information. Doing the tick thing sort of sounds like such an esoteric, surreptitious way. But now when I say, 'It's like a PFF,' you go, OK, I get it."

The current 49ers regime certainly seems to be a more receptive audience. Lynch, who also went to Stanford, has embraced analytics as part of the 49ers' overall evaluation process, and so has his head coach.

"The previous regime wasn't really using them. I figure as long as they're here, we'll see what they can bring," Lynch told ESPN Radio in March 2018. "And we found that it's been incredibly valuable. And we've tried to kind of intertwine them in our scouting process. Kyle's bought into that."

The 49ers fired Donahue and Erickson after the 2004 season, but Marathe remained unscathed by the 2-14 record that year. In fact, his responsibilities kept growing: Marathe, York and Tumey helped lead the committee that hired the next coach — Mike Nolan.

It helped that Marathe had shown himself to be smart, ambitious and forward-thinking; he was finding his footing as an NFL executive. And it also didn't hurt that he'd become personally close to Jed York, who would soon be handed the keys to the kingdom. About the same age, the two hung out socially, played poker together and found a kinship as they shared a vision for the 49ers franchise. As one former high-ranking 49ers official put it: "Paraag was best friends with Jed York — everybody knew it. So he could do no wrong."

Tumey continues to see the friendship as a positive for the organization.

"Both Jed and Paraag wanted to take this industry that was basically being run by old coaches and they wanted to be vanguards and the new renegades. 'Let us show you some new tools that can teach some old dogs some new tricks,'" he said.

"It kind of brought them together. They were the two young bucks. It basically made (Marathe) part of the family."

Marathe dabbled in lots of areas over the years, and to some extent it was trial and error as he learned to focus on his strengths. He spent some time in the coaching booth helping Nolan figure out when to throw the challenge flag for a replay review. This, perhaps above all else, served as a hot-button issue among fans. As the talk-show airwaves made clear during that time, it was an awkward look having an egghead making crucial football decisions while surrounded by a handful of coaches. Never mind that Nolan once said: "He's always right on it. He's probably the best I've ever been around."

To be clear, Marathe was never in charge of challenging calls. It was his job to offer recommendations to Nolan, who held the red flag. Marathe had read the NFL playing rules five times and impressed Nolan with his understanding of even the most arcane details. Nolan had gone only 2 for 5 in his challenges as a rookie coach. So he started kicking around other options.

"He talked to the coaches. Then talked to Paraag about it," a former front-office staffer during that time recalled. "And Paraag was cool with it — he was right there. Because some people don't want to do it, but Paraag was cool with it."

In the two full seasons with Marathe in the booth under Nolan, the 49ers went 10 for 20 (.500) on replay challenges. Comparing that with some notable names, Bill Belichick is 48 for 120 in his career on challenge flags (.400), Andy Reid is 57 for 122 (.467) and Pete Carroll is 39 for 85 (.458).

Marathe also tried to use analytics to teach Nolan the best time to call a timeout, with mixed success. ("Paraag loved that stuff," a source said. "And it was good because Mike Nolan was all over the place with timeouts. Holy smokes.")

But Marathe really found his groove as a salary-cap specialist, not only in helping the 49ers carve out a path for responsible long-term planning but for personally negotiating deals that left the 49ers plenty of



wiggle room. Gone are the days when Donahue would work the phrase “salary cap hell” into every sentence. As of Monday, the 49ers had \$8.74 million in salary-cap room.

They have several of their big names signed to extensions (Jimmy Garoppolo through 2022, Joe Staley through 2021) and appear armed with the financial flexibility to work out extensions for other cornerstone pieces, such as tight end George Kittle and defensive lineman DeForest Buckner.

Above all, the 49ers seem to have a responsible vision for team-building, showing a knack for avoiding the burdensome contracts that can haunt a franchise for years. Lynch, who essentially went from television analyst to the GM job, said he told Marathe upon his hiring that he was going to need some lessons from the cap professor.

“That was one thing I was committed to when I took this job,” Lynch said Tuesday. “I said, ‘Look, Paraag, I can’t do this job and just say you’ve got the cap. If we did that, then we couldn’t make decisions. You have to teach me this.’”

“He said, ‘absolutely,’ and he’s been tremendous with that.”

Lynch said that Marathe’s mastery of the cap includes knowing the back channels that allow for creative contracts. In that regard, he reminds Lynch of Leigh Steinberg, his agent during his playing days.

“I always thought he was incredibly invaluable to have as an agent because I felt like he understood it better than anybody — the loopholes and all those things,” Lynch said. “I kind of feel the same way with Paraag. It’s a great asset.”

For all the intricacies, however, Marathe said the fundamental shift was a fairly simple concept.

“We went from looking at the cap ‘this year’ to always looking at the cap on a three-year basis. That was the big change,” Marathe said. “‘Salary cap hell’ might have happened because we were looking just at today — You have \$20 million in room now, but you don’t realize that you’re \$20 million over in each of the next two years. The big fundamental change now is with every decision we make, we’re always trying to look at it on that three-year window.”

The other part of the equation is still being able to lure top talent while staying under budget. One former 49ers employee said Marathe initially alienated agents with a ferocious approach to negotiations. He said because of his youth and outsider status, Marathe tried to “win” every deal. “It was an everybody-doubts-me-type of attitude. It’s like short-man’s syndrome,” the source said. The thinking goes that it’s OK to “lose” a deal every once in a while, because the give and take often pays off over the long run. An agent who feels like he got a good deal for his client is going to want to do business with that team again.

But no agent reached for this story recalls any such dynamic, not even from Marathe’s early days. And Marathe said it would have been nuts to do anything but work collaboratively with the agents, especially when 20 percent of the top negotiators represent 80 percent of the players.

Rosenhaus has made numerous deals with the 49ers over the years, including contract extensions for running back Frank Gore and linebacker NaVorro Bowman, two of the most notable players of Marathe’s tenure. He’s also worked with Marathe on a first-round pick (Anthony Davis) and a recent unrestricted free agent (Kwon Alexander).

“My first impressions were always very positive. He’s been very consistent,” Rosenhaus said. “He’s not trying to embarrass the player or the agent, because he has an inherent sense of fairness and equity. He has integrity: If he tells you something, you can put your trust in what he’s telling you.”

Joel Segal, one of the NFL’s most powerful agents and Buckner’s representative, said in a phone interview that he really likes Marathe and has from the start. “Even initially, Paraag was a likable guy who commanded respect,” Segal said. “His way is not to bully you; he’s affable but tough.”

Mulugheta, meanwhile, remains grateful for Marathe’s kindness when he was an unknown agent first starting out. Other NFL executives sometimes ignored Mulugheta in those early days, but Marathe was a



notable exception. Mulugheta also found it inspiring to be working with another minority in the NFL power structure.

“When I first got into the business, he always treated me the same. Even when I didn’t have a lot of clients, here was a guy who was responsive and returned my calls,” he said. “In my business, my clients are relying on me to give them the right information. And if I tell them something wrong, they’re not going to blame the executive — they’re going to blame me. Paraag is one of those people I can count on to always shoot straight. He’s someone I can trust.”

Marathe’s job title changed in 2015, a reassignment widely seen as a demotion. In 2015, after he was their team president for two years, the 49ers moved him out of that role to make room for chief operating officer Al Guido. Marathe never lost his role as the lead contract negotiator, but the change in his job description meant an increased focus on the team’s outside business interests.

As the president of 49ers Enterprises, the work essentially falls into four buckets: sports consulting (such as for Sacramento Republic FC), investments in other teams or leagues (such as Leeds United), launching new businesses (WellStrong, VenueNext) and small strategic venture capital investments.

“We have the people, we have the know-how, we have the ability to do other things,” Marathe said. “It’s a way for the York family to grow their brand, not dissimilarly from the Yankees, Cowboys and Manchester United. We have, without a doubt, one of the most powerful sports brands in the world. We’re looking at ways to extend that brand.”

He’s still with the 49ers having survived yet another round of snark during the last regime change. As the 49ers looked to replace coach Chip Kelly and GM Trent Baalke, questions arose anew about Marathe’s meddling. A Yahoo Sports column reflected upon Kelly’s firing by writing that he never stood a chance against to turn around the 49ers, arguing that doing so would mean overcoming “a jagged union of personalities and agendas. It meant working for an impetuous and involved owner in York; sitting in football meetings with head of football operations Paraag Marathe, a numbers guy whose influence over ownership was unparalleled.”

ProFootballTalk went so far as to write in 2017 that Marathe’s presence was scaring away potential GM and coaching candidates. According to the report, multiple candidates for the GM job either declined an invitation to interview or withdrew after interviewing, including Chiefs director of player personnel Chris Ballard and Patriots director of player personnel Nick Caserio.

“The impediment to attracting their preferred candidates isn’t owner Jed York; apparently,” PFT wrote, “it’s Chief Strategy Officer and EVP of Football Operations Paraag Marathe. ... Put simply, Marathe has influence, along with the ear of ownership. He’s been there for 16 years, and he has transcended the bubble of accountability in which coaches and General Managers reside. And that’s precisely the kind of dynamic coaches and General Managers try to avoid.”

Lynch certainly did not avoid it. Instead, he embraced it.

“Particularly coming from a different background. I was going to need a support system,” Lynch said. “I was very confident in my ability to do it (the GM job), provided I had that. And he’s been a tremendous asset to both Kyle and I and our entire team as we’ve tried to instill our vision for this team and how we’re going to be successful. That’s been the best compliment I can pay to him.”

Paraag Marathe with wife, Jennifer, and daughters Juniper and Maren. Courtesy of San Francisco 49ers.

There’s no sign of that criticism now. Marathe is no longer talk-show fodder. He’s no longer “Senior Associate Lightning Rod,” as the San Jose Mercury News once called him. The 49ers are rolling, and suddenly the analytics guy is no longer the source of mystery or distrust. He can laugh a bit about the days when his Stanford Business School education was viewed as a negative.

“Back then, MBA were like the scarlet letters I wore across my chest.”



The team is robust and fun to watch, and Marathe has happily avoided the spotlight as Shanahan and Lynch get their proper due for the 49ers' renaissance.

But Marathe hasn't forgotten the criticism, either.

"Externally, I can't say it didn't hurt," he said. "You pay attention to stuff like that. If you try to ignore it, your mom or dad or good friend says, 'Oh, my gosh, I was driving home and Ralph Barbieri said this about you.' I didn't even know who he was, but you obviously internalize that.

"At first, it was frustrating. There was this perception that because I was this mysterious figure, that I must be in a dark, windowless office wearing a pocket protector and couldn't have any conversations with people. Any of my friends would tell you that is the opposite of who I am. ... Internally, as long as I have earned the trust and respect and I'm valuable to the people I work with, then I'm good. The moment I don't, all good, I'll do something else."

It helps that there's nothing to complain about. The 49ers are 7-0 and in terms of yardage per game, they rank sixth in offense and first in defense. They have outscored opponents 207-77 this season.

It's unlikely that fans will start calling KNBR soon to praise Marathe for his long-term vision. But that's fine with him. He defers credit, too.

"It's almost exclusively about what John and Kyle have built," Marathe said. "It's the culture here. They make it a fun place to work but also have everyone held to such a high standard and accountability. Everyone looks to them for it. I've never seen anything like it. It's really awesome. It's inspiring, and I think a lot of people feel it here.

"Kyle is as smart as anyone I've ever been around and so is John, and the way they get everyone believing is a different feeling."

Beane, meanwhile, is happy that he no longer has to ponder calling into a radio show with a fake voice. He talks to Marathe often, and the conversation would actually be a killer sports-talk show: They jump from football, to baseball, to soccer, to cricket (really) and kick around trends in the sports business industry. "Whenever I talk to Paraag," Beane said, "we're both just looking for the next big thing."

"First off, he's brilliant. There are a lot of bright people, but what's incredibly rare are the people who have the quantitative mind and the creative mind. A lot of people are just one of those. To have both is rare," he continued. "But the other thing is, you genuinely like him from the moment you meet him. He's like Farhan in that regard.

"I stayed on him for a while. I figured I could hire him if the 49ers thing didn't work out."

Forget it, Billy.

Paraag Marathe is still here. It's the 49ers who are going places.



Paraag Marathe and his back story are a slice of 49ers intrigue

By Mark Purdy
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Do you know Paraag Marathe? You don't know Paraag Marathe.

"Hey, it's the same oven!" he exclaimed.

We had just entered the front door of Mountain Mike's pizza parlor. Marathe grew up blocks away. But this was far more than Marathe's old stomping ground. This was much more.

"I don't know how long it's been since I was here," Marathe said, gazing around. "I helped my dad set up this place. I hired the first employees, I picked out this furniture. I picked this color scheme."

Yes, it turns out there is a lot that all of us don't know about Paraag Marathe. I used to think that was exactly how he and the 49ers wanted it. But as we sat down for a nearly two-hour lunch at the restaurant that this family once owned, a lot of insightful doors opened up into the team's mystery man.

Marathe's official title with the 49ers is "Chief Strategy Officer And Executive Vice-President of Football Operations." His unofficial title is "Senior Associate Lightning Rod." As basically the right-hand man of owner Jed York, Marathe has been given credit for helping the Levi's Stadium project come together and blamed for . . . well, just about everything else. Fans and various media voices have accused him of meddling in the college draft, lurking in the coaching booth on Sundays, spying on behalf of York and/or undermining the operation in just about any conspiracy theory you want to offer.

Do you know Paraag Marathe? You don't know Paraag Marathe. Through all the lightning bolts, the man himself has been polite whenever encountered but mostly silent, very rarely granting interviews. But he agreed to sit down with me when I suggested that we do the interview at one of the pizza places that his immigrant father and mother operated on Saratoga Sunnyvale Road throughout his childhood. We talked about his family's back story, one that may go against the image many 49ers fans have of him as a privileged intellectual with degrees from Cal and Stanford.

Marathe does indeed own those degrees. But his upbringing was hardly one of privilege. His parents immigrated from India and pursued the American dream from the ground up. They endured disappointment and tragedy as their two children pitched in to help the family succeed. It provides good insight into what makes Marathe tick and propelled him to the second most powerful executive on the business side of the 49ers organization—though he might argue that point, as we'll see in a few paragraphs.

Actually, Mountain Mike's was the second restaurant owned by Vijay and Seema Marathe. The first was a Round Table Pizza just up the street, in a building that's now a savings and loan. At the Round Table, Paraag would often stand behind the counter and work the cash register. Nothing unusual about that — except that he was only 12 years old at the time and slightly under five feet tall.

"I could barely see above the register," Marathe said. "It was almost like a gimmick for customers at first because I looked really young back then. It was a like a little kid was running the restaurant. But we would churn out 200 or 250 pizzas on a Friday evening and there were times I really would run the whole operation. It's crazy now when I think about it."

Marathe worked long hours at the pizza businesses while attending Lynbrook High School. That way, his father could keep his other job as an electronics engineer—a job that Vijay ultimately had to quit, anyway, because the pizza business was so labor intensive and many of the teenagers they employed didn't always show up. Marathe's dad needed to be there just in case.

"Which is why all my guilt came in," Marathe said. "It was like, why would I be with my buddies in the evening when I should be working to give my dad a break?"



It's the story of hundreds of immigrant Silicon Valley families. But this one had a new twist. After Vijay and Seema pushed themselves so hard to send their children through college, they wondered why in the heck Paraag wanted to pursue a career with a NFL team. It was a dream he'd had since he was ringing up those pepperoni specials while the 49ers games played on the projection big screen TV.

"In Indian American culture," Marathe said, "everyone's got to be a doctor or engineer . . . or maybe a lawyer. Like, working in sports, my whole family, the ones who are in India and everywhere else, they just thought this was a hobby."

Reading between the lines, you can see that Marathe was out to prove a point—both to those folks who chuckled at the kid behind the register and to the family members who were mystified why such a bright young man was so obsessed with . . . a football salary cap?

Do you know Paraag Marathe? You don't know Paraag Marathe. He's a competitive guy who, while pitching for his high school baseball team, sparked a brawl in a game when he followed his coach's orders to throw at an opposing batter. But it was Marathe's obsession with front office NFL matters that fueled his rapid rise in the 49ers organization after he joined it 17 years ago as a jack-of-all-trades numbers guy who knew finances and statistics and how the NFL dealt with both. He became expert in negotiating contract terms. Marathe eventually became Chief Operating Officer and finally team president. He and York were considered hotshot young wizards when the 49ers went to the Super Bowl following the 2012 season.

Then came 2014. A clumsy offload of coach Jim Harbaugh led to the 49ers losing 25 of their next 32 games. And the two young wizards conjured up only loathing among the fan base. Marathe lost his president's title—but is still a major front office presence.

So what does Marathe do, exactly? If you ask around the league, the people who deal with him tend to respect him and his intelligence. Yet some of those people ask the same question. So could he please enlighten us? He could.

"The lion's share of my job," Marathe said, "is what it's been for a long period of time — chief negotiator, monitoring the salary cap and figuring out our Collective Bargaining Agreement compliance with the league. The other part of my job has evolved over time. In the beginning, I was a troubleshooter looking at things where we could make things more efficient and better. And then I was finding a location for a new stadium and doing the stuff for the Levi's project."

With Levi's complete, Marathe dipped into other branches of the 49ers multi-tentacled operation, including a stadium-technology startup and a piece of Sacramento's pro soccer team. So why do 49ers fans think he's to blame for so much of the team's recent misery? Probably because he has participated in the coaching searches that resulted in Jim Tomsula and Chip Kelly's miserable seasons — and remains involved in day to day elements of the operation under new general manager John Lynch and new head coach Kyle Shanahan.

"I'd say 75 of my job is football related," Marathe said, "because the cap goes up and up and up and now we're at \$165 million and accounting for every dollar and penny takes a lot of time."

Is criticism of him fair when the team does a faceplant?

"Yes, absolutely," Marathe said. "We're measured by wins and losses . . . We haven't won and we have to get that straightened out . . . (but) I'm not the spokesperson for football. That's John and Kyle's job and they're really good at it. And that's not my job. My job is to do my job and do it so I can be useful and a utility player for them."

Which is where things get foggy. How, exactly, does Marathe define the term "utility player?" He says it means that he takes orders from Lynch and Shanahan if they need him to research a potential player's expected compensation and whether it fits into the 49ers template—or anything else they might ask.



"I support those guys in everything football," Marathe said. "I'm our chief contract negotiator and manage our salary cap and help them in all our player personnel decisions. And you'd better have your 'A' game because they're going to challenge you. It's their show and I'm here to support them . . . The only time I do something with football is because someone wants me to do it. There are certain things within game management that I've done, but only at the request of the head coach."

Out of respect for the York family and coaches, Marathe also keeps his mouth shut in public. The practical effect, however, is that Marathe becomes an empty vessel for fans and media to fill up with castigation for things that he might or might not have actually done. At some point, he surely must want to speak up and clarify whether that's true.

"Is it frustrating?" Marathe said. "That's one of the things I learned from Round Table when I was 12 years old. People were counting me out because they thought I couldn't do that job. I learned how to just focus on doing the best I can. I can't sit here and tell you that it doesn't hurt. My wife and my daughter, my in-laws and my parents do live a stone's throw away from where we are right now. They hear and read things. That hurts. I'm still human. But all I can do is know that the sun rises and sun sets— and focus on doing the best job I can."

Do you know Paraag Marathe? You don't know Paraag Marathe. He gained the best perspective, sadly, when his sister died in 2005 after years in the grip of anorexia. That was the Marathe family tragedy. As the condition of Shilpa Marathe progressed, Paraag had difficulty dealing with her situation. He considered it grim irony that his family was in the food service business while at home, Shilpa had an eating disorder that made her so thin and weak, Vijay had to carry her upstairs to bed every night.

"Because I was really into my job at the time," Paraag said, "I became good at blocking it out of my mind, compartmentalizing. I probably didn't get at peace with it until 2012, 2013, 2014 . . . and then I kind of had that moment where I felt like I had this voice because I'm in this industry where . . . no one talks about mental illness that often. And being in an immigrant family, there's no such thing as mental anxiety or mental issues. You should just do or not do. There's nothing else. And being a male, to be able to talk about anorexia . . . I felt I had a really good platform to be heard. So I started to get involved and there's a couple of boards that I joined."

The two organizations, Andrea's Voice and Project Heal, have websites to consult for those dealing with anorexia in their own families. But Marathe says the first step is "to talk about it because I kept it inside for many years."

By now, the lunch was almost over. Marathe kibitzed a bit with the restaurant's current owner, Eil Abbasi, who bought the Mountain Mike's outlet place from Marathe's parents a while ago. Looking back on it, Marathe said, his pizza experience was exhausting but invaluable.

"I honestly felt like my third parent was Round Table Pizza," Marathe said. "It was more influential in my life than anything I can think of, including school and graduate school . . . You know, I was interviewing prospective employees when I was 13 or 14 years old, hiring delivery drivers . . . Knowing I was being counted out but knowing if you keep your head down and focused on what's doing right and not listen to the noise, that's what you need."

As we wrapped up our interview, he asked: "How'd you like the pizza?"

Marathe then told one final story. Both his family's pizza places were not far from Saratoga High School, so the football team often showed up for postgame meals. One of the Saratoga High players that Marathe served was a frosh-soph wide receiver named Kyle Shanahan.

Shanahan is the new 49ers' head coach. Does he know Paraag Marathe? Shanahan didn't then. He does now. After lunch at Mountain Mike's, maybe we all do.



Kyle Shanahan

Is 49ers' Kyle Shanahan the coolest coach ever?

By Ron Kroichick
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On the eve of the NFC Championship Game, at the team hotel in Santa Clara, head coach Kyle Shanahan delivered a memorable speech.

The 49ers were preparing to play Green Bay, an opponent they had steamrolled 37-8 in November. Shanahan, known among his players as a smooth and confident public speaker with anecdotes at the ready, did not disappoint.

He told the story of a UFC fighter who, faced with a rematch against a foe he previously had beaten, decisively won again. Shanahan also explained how he had talked to a Navy Seal about not letting the enemy reach the water's surface.

Shanahan's essential message, through these colorful yarns: Don't take the Packers lightly and don't let them come up for air. The next day, the 49ers jumped ahead early and won 37-20.

"They were some crazy analogies, but he made the point," wide receiver Kendrick Bourne said.

The larger point: Shanahan, a onetime 49ers ball boy who returned as an Xs-and-Os wizard with unproven leadership ability, quickly figured out how to connect with his players. And this, maybe even more than his much-lauded play-calling acumen, helps explain why San Francisco will play Kansas City in Sunday's Super Bowl.

Shanahan's people skills were an open question when the 49ers hired him in February 2017. Even general manager John Lynch has since acknowledged that he wondered how Shanahan would turn out as a leader and communicator.

But nobody really knew three years ago, when Shanahan and Lynch took over the team. Shanahan, after nine seasons as offensive coordinator for four teams (Houston, Washington, Cleveland and Atlanta), had a reputation as a creative, borderline-brilliant play caller ... with a smug, know-it-all personality.

One not-exactly-objective person disputed this reputation. Mike Shanahan, a two-time Super Bowl-winning head coach and Kyle's father, insisted he knew his son could handle the human demands of being a head coach.

"I could see as a kid that he connected right away with everybody," Mike Shanahan said in a phone interview this week. "So I was surprised he had that reputation. Those opinions that he didn't relate well (to players), I kind of laughed. I thought he was just the opposite. That's the way he's been his whole life.

"But when you're in a situation and you're young, sometimes those are the perceptions. ... He's a lot better than I was at relating to almost everybody in the room. He always had a natural ability to relate to everybody, whether they were white or black, anyone."

Kyle Shanahan's career arc, in a way, began in Santa Clara. Twenty-five years ago, as the 49ers of Steve Young and Jerry Rice rolled to the franchise's fifth Super Bowl championship, he was an eager, curious 14-year-old ball boy prone to wearing a Deion Sanders T-shirt all day and night.

Shanahan roamed the practice field, did laundry, ran errands. Sometimes, he hung out with Sanders or tackle Harris Barton. During training camp, Shanahan shared a room with his dad, then the team's offensive coordinator, and offensive line coach Bobb McKittrick.



A quarter-century later, Shanahan roams the field in a decidedly different role. If the 49ers win Sunday, this would be their first Super Bowl title since that 1994 season, when Mike Shanahan called the plays and Kyle fetched footballs.

The younger Shanahan's duties now stretch a bit deeper. And they include a forthright and direct manner with his players, many of whom pointed out how this distinguishes Shanahan from some peers in a cold, cutthroat business.

"He's the most honest coach I've been around," said wide receiver Jordan Matthews, who also has played for the Eagles, Bills and Patriots. "That's one of the things I appreciate about Kyle. It's not like my situation here has been roses and rainbows."

The 49ers signed Matthews on Oct. 4, cut him Oct. 26 and signed him again Dec. 11.

"But, every single time," Matthews said, "he never hesitated to tell me, 'Here's the deal, here's what's going on. Here's why we're having to let you go. Here's why we're bringing you back.' And I appreciate that about someone."

Matthews made another salient point on Shanahan's uncommon candor with the media about player injuries. That resonates loudly in the locker room, where players often feel pressure to return even if they're not physically ready.

"If a coach comes out (publicly) and says, 'Hey, it's going to take some time,' then it's like, 'OK, now I have the space to breathe and get healthy,'" Matthews said. "So if this injury takes longer to come back from than we expect, it's not like I've got the fans and media down my throat about getting back out there."

Shanahan's honesty is a thread running through his three years with the 49ers. In his initial interview with chief executive officer Jed York, he bluntly told York the roster needed an overhaul. Shanahan then did exactly that — and guided his team to the Super Bowl in his third season.

York, in an interview last week with Bay Area reporters, described Shanahan as being "very, very direct." And, yes, York meant it as a compliment.

This all traces to Shanahan's teenage years, in many ways, when he routinely joined his dad at work. That meant playing catch with Young or Rice, and learning from some of the best players ever. Shanahan later was a wide receiver at Duke and Texas before pursuing coaching.

His simmering intensity as a player, and earlier in his coaching career, has since morphed into a more balanced approach.

"I truly believe the locker room reflects the personality of your head coach," said guard Mike Person, who also played for Shanahan in Atlanta. "When we're on football, Kyle is always focused on talking ball. But he's such a laid-back personality, I think it rubs off on us in a good way. Everyone enjoys being around each other. We're not constantly looking over our shoulder."

Matthews suggested Shanahan's coaching style has persuaded some players to consider coaching as a career option after their playing days. That's unusual, because most NFL players see the long hours of coaching and want no part of it.

Shanahan, contrary to his pre-49ers reputation, is changing perceptions.

"I think he's the coolest coach ever," guard Laken Tomlinson said.

Now that's high praise.



Kyle Shanahan at 40: The 49ers coach reflects on the forces that shaped him, including that damn wrought-iron fence

By Matt Barrows
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Nothing changes your career path quite like being impaled by a sharp, unforgiving, wrought-iron fence. Today, Kyle Shanahan looks like the smartest guy in the NFL, one whose beautiful mind was on full display Sunday while directing the 49ers to beat Saints coach Sean Payton at his own game and on Payton's own turf. But 18 years ago, on a warm summer night in Denver, the thought that kept running through that mind was this: I am such an idiot.

Shanahan, 21 years old at the time, had gone to retrieve a ball for his black lab, Magic. He went to hop the fence that surrounded his parents' home, something he'd done hundreds of times and something a 6-foot-3, 185-pound University of Texas athlete could do with a bit of momentum and a casual swing of the legs.

Not this time. Shanahan's hand slipped and his left thigh plunged down on the decorative tip of the fence. He braced for his fall, expecting his head to strike the ground. But he never got there; the spear point snagged him and left him suspended in mid-air.

The metal, like a hook, was in so deep that Shanahan had trouble extracting himself. His parents, Mike and Peggy, were in Greeley, Colo., because Mike's Denver Broncos were spending training camp there. So Kyle called out to the only person inside the house, his friend, Zach Zucker.

"Kyle was literally hanging from the top of the fence. He was hanging by his leg," Zucker recalled in a phone interview. "So I'm in a complete panic. I ran out to him as he's trying to get himself off the fence. I pick him up, put him in the car and drive as fast as I possibly can to the nearest hospital. And yeah, man, that was that was one of the scariest moments of my life. I didn't know what the heck to do."

Doctors soon were plucking chips of black metal from deep in Shanahan's thigh. The gash was so extensive it required a two-hour surgery, three layers of stitches and left a nine-inch scar.

Until then, Shanahan had put all his efforts on becoming an NFL wide receiver. He had transferred from Duke to Texas the previous year and was slated to be the No. 3 receiver in a high-profile offense that featured Chris Simms at quarterback, Roy Williams at receiver and Cedric Benson at tailback.

Would he have been drafted? Maybe, maybe not. He had had a strong spring practice, was in line to get plenty of snaps and was intriguing enough to at least be invited to a training camp if not make an NFL roster. The fence incident changed all that. It forced him to take everything he had used to become a receiver — his singular focus, his hyper-competitive nature, all of his energy — and shift it to Plan B.

He joined the UCLA coaching staff a year and a half later and five years after that became the NFL's youngest offensive coordinator with the Houston Texans. Now he has the 49ers on the verge of sealing a playoff berth for the first time since 2013.

There's a perception around the NFL that Shanahan is a savant when it comes to calling plays. His players don't disagree and they rave that the adjustments he makes at halftime are football-genius level. But they also recognize that the 49ers' success this season begins with how hard their head coach grinds.

Tackle Joe Staley, who is nearing the end of his 13th season with the 49ers, says he's been on teams in which the playbook doesn't vary from Week 1 through Week 17.

"We might have run a couple of different plays, but we weren't adding anything," he said. "We weren't attacking anything differently. And it's completely the opposite here. Every week is a brand-new game



plan. So there's no way to get a bead on what we're doing. He's doing so many different things all the time."

Those game plans seem to be growing more expansive as the season grows in importance.

The plan Shanahan used against the Saints began with endless cups of coffee and an 18-hour cram session with his top offensive lieutenants, Mike McDaniel and Mike LaFleur, in Bradenton, Fla., during the 49ers' stay between the Ravens and Saints road games. When they arrived home from New Orleans, the trio immediately were back in the lab, and they have an even bigger plan in store for the Falcons, the team they all were a part of before joining the 49ers in 2017.

"The amount of plays we had installed today was insane," fullback Kyle Juszczyk said on Wednesday, his eyes widening for emphasis. "It might have been a season high. Those guys just absolutely grind. And they don't back off even though we're 14 weeks into the season. If anything, it seems like they've been working harder recently."

One of the NFL's sharpest minds and most diligent workers wasn't exactly a star student. Asked the subjects at which young Kyle Shanahan excelled, his mother laughs. None? Her son was one of those kids who never studied until the night before a big exam.

He lost his homework. He routinely misplaced his wallet. He couldn't find his keys. The Ph.D. play caller was more absent-minded professor away from the football field.

"He was a moron," said Zucker, his high school friend. "It's funny because at work he's so prepared and there are certain things he's great about. But other things? I mean, the kid lost his cell phone, his keys every two seconds."

When Kyle was still in grade school, Peggy warned him he'd never get into college if he didn't take his schoolwork more seriously. He looked up and explained that he wasn't worried. He was planning to get a football scholarship. They regularly had so many similar exchanges in the years that followed that it became a running joke, a smile spreading across the son's face as he spoke, a mix of adoration and exasperation in the mom as she heard the familiar rationale.

He may have been a B- student, but he was an A+ arguer.

"He ended up being right," Peggy Shanahan said. "He got a scholarship — to Duke, no less — without studying at all. Of course, it was because of football. Yup, it just kind of worked out for him."

When Kyle was young, he cared about two things. One was clothing. Peggy said she never had to lay an outfit on his bed for school. He wouldn't let her. In fact, Kyle knew precisely what he was going to wear two weeks before his first day of kindergarten.

"I mean, he was so picky," Peggy said. "I couldn't even dry his shirts. Because they had to just fit in a certain way and if I dried them, then they might fit a little bit different. I had to hang them up. I mean, it was just weird. And he's still that way."

His other obsession was football.

You might think someone who moved from town to town as a kid, who enrolled at a different school every few years, who barely saw his father some weeks, might end up resenting his dad's profession. For Kyle, it was the opposite. He gobbled up X's and O's and talked for hours about how he wanted to be part of the sport.

Was he good?



Maybe not immediately. His friend when the Shanahans lived in Los Angeles, KC Freer, remembers 10-year-old Kyle being their team's "mayday" quarterback.

"That means if we were up by enough, we would put the backup, backup quarterback in," Freer said. "To be fair, he did play some other positions. But that was the one I remember."

Freer didn't recall the story to be mean — they've been close friends for three decades — but to illustrate a point: Kyle wanted so badly to be an NFL player that by the time he was finished with high school the one-time "mayday" quarterback had colleges asking him to attend for free.

"It's a pretty good combination when you're smart at something and then you also outwork everyone," Freer said. "It's tough to beat."

In 1995, a new kid enrolled at sprawling Cherry Creek High outside of Denver. Zucker, a linebacker on the football team, remembers the first time he saw Kyle Shanahan, whose dad had just been hired as the Broncos head coach. He looked like a California skater.

"Kyle came in and we were doing speed camp for football and just getting started on the offseason," he said. "And funny enough, he had a red hat on with the 'S' on it for Saratoga. He came from Saratoga High. It looked just like the one he wears today. And you could hardly see his face. He had it pulled down so low. That's the first memory I had of Kyle."

The years in Denver ended up being the most formative for Kyle's career, although he didn't know it at the time. He spent his Sundays literally a step or two from his father; he was the guy who made sure the head coach's communication cords — there were no WiFi connections then — didn't get tangled up on the sideline. During the spring and summer, he would work out with Terrell Davis, Ed McCaffrey, Rod Smith and the other Broncos players. And Mike Shanahan allowed his son to invite his friends along, too. No one took it easy on the boys.

Pickup games were treated with the gravity of overtime at the Super Bowl. While Davis, a future Hall of Fame running back, was serving as quarterback in one of the games, he fired a pass that Zucker thought was intended for someone else.

"So I ducked and I didn't catch the ball and we didn't win," Zucker recalled. "I'm telling you, I got more shit that day than I did my whole life."

Another one of Kyle's high school teammates got a black eye after taking a Brian Griese pass to the face. The coach's son didn't escape the rough stuff, either. During a 1-on-1 drill, a defensive back struck Kyle in the face so hard it drew blood.

"I tried to hold it together out there, then I went inside and didn't want to show my face," Kyle recalled. "It was so embarrassing. My dad wouldn't have it. He made me go out there and I had to walk around with a busted up face."

At the time, Kyle was intent on sharpening his skills and becoming an NFL receiver. He wanted to be the next McCaffrey. It turned out to be the ideal lesson for what turned out to be his actual career. He learned the practice-field patter, what a championship team looked like, who were the winners and who were the loafers.

Mostly, he realized that an NFL player would be able to sniff out a fraud from a mile away. His last name might allow him to step into the NFL coaching ranks. But he'd still have to work harder than everyone else to accelerate through them.

"I knew what I was getting into before I got into it," Shanahan said. "That's why I worked so hard and stuff — I wanted to make sure I did know what I was talking about. If you ever get around a group of NFL guys and you don't know what you're talking about, I can't imagine how insecure you'd be. Because it's at a very high level, it's very intense and that's why I never wanted to get into coaching until I absolutely knew



that I put in the work, I put in the hours. I never wanted a player to ask me something I couldn't help them with. Knowing what their expectations were before I got into it was what helped me be so ready."

After the surgeons cleaned out his wound and stitched up his thigh, Shanahan was told it would take a full season to recover from the fence gouging. That was unacceptable, and he pushed himself to be back on the field in 18 days.

But it was still too late. He had missed Texas' version of training camp, never fully regained his speed that year and slipped down the depth chart. He finished the season with just seven catches. He got an invitation to attend the NFL scouting combine when he left Texas but didn't go. By that point, he had already changed course, already was speeding ahead.

Shanahan, known in NFL circles for his youth and precociousness, for his energy and swagger, turns 40 on Saturday.

"I guess I have to change everything," he said.

Don't worry. He's only joking. He's not going to retire the red, wide-brimmed hat that's become his signature, turn the music he blasts at practice to a more reasonable volume or start wearing a sensible pair of brown loafers. After all, what other gig would allow him to marry his two lifelong passions?

"I love that I come to work and I'm almost in my pajamas every day," he said. "I don't have to come in dressed in a suit. I sit in a chair every morning, get a cup of coffee and turn out the lights and watch film, then I walk out onto the field and coach guys. I think it's pretty cool that I'm in a line of work where you can be yourself."

Sometimes, the grass really is greener on the other side of the fence.



Of Will Ferrell, Jerry Rice and Drake: How Kyle Shanahan is rebuilding 49ers culture

By Nick Wagoner
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To find the ultimate answer for creating a successful culture on a NFL team, why not go to a guy with an economics degree from the Ivy League?

Luckily, the San Francisco 49ers have fullback Kyle Juszczyk (Harvard, '13).

"You didn't know that Will Ferrell is the key to building a football franchise?" Juszczyk said with a grin creeping across his face. "I thought everyone knew that."

Juszczyk, of course, was joking. Well, sort of. The real answer to building a culture that can lead to sustained success in a league full of parity is far more complicated. It's an answer the 49ers are currently seeking under first-time head coach Kyle Shanahan and general manager John Lynch.

Believe it or not, Ferrell is part of the equation, and so are Jerry Rice and Drake. In San Francisco, it requires striking a balance between pulling from a rich tradition and finding ways to evolve.

For Shanahan, it also means mixing in various things he picked up during his years around his father, Mike, when Mike was the head coach of the Denver Broncos. Those are things Kyle carried through a collegiate playing career at Texas and through 13 seasons as an NFL assistant.

"I think the most important thing is getting the right people," Shanahan said. "Everyone can talk about the culture and what you're trying to build, but you have to get the right people who are capable of being a part of the culture that you want because it's got to be natural. It's got to be real. It can't be fake, so what we try so hard to do is get people in here where football means everything to them. It means just as much to them as it does to me and it does to everyone in this building, to where our No. 1 priority in everything we do is to win on Sunday."

Majoring in football

Sitting in his spacious office at the SAP training facility on a recent afternoon, Shanahan has his shoes off and feet up on the desk as he ponders the origins of his culture-building philosophy. It's clearly something he has thought about a lot.

When Shanahan says he wants people who care as much as he does, he offers examples. For instance, when he was playing at Cherry Creek (Colorado) High, anytime he suffered an injury, he ditched class so he could go to the Broncos training facility for treatment so he could play in the next game.

"I obviously grew up in a football house, and it's not like my dad told me to be that way," Shanahan said. "It's just playing high school football was the most important thing in my life, and when I got to college, playing college was, and then when I got into coaching the pros, being successful as a coach was the most important thing. Every decision I made was that way."

Take when Shanahan sat out his redshirt season at Texas after transferring from Duke. In December 2000, the Longhorns held a scrimmage for the redshirt players in the midst of bowl practices. In one of Shanahan's classes, the final was scheduled for the day of the scrimmage.

A seemingly meaningless practice or an important final? The decision for the seven teammates Shanahan had in the class was easy: take the final.

"I was the only guy who showed up to the scrimmage," Shanahan said. "They were like, 'Don't you have a final?' I was like, 'Yeah, I'll just take an F. I'm here for football, and there's no way I'm missing a



scrimmage to go to this class.' I had a B in the class, and I ended up getting a D-minus because I skipped a final. They thought I was crazy. I wasn't doing it to show off to the coaches. I was doing it because I came to Texas to play football. I'll be all right with my grades, but I came here because that was how my mindset was. That's how it is in coaching, and that's how I expect players to be."

Shanahan and Lynch have driven that message home from the day they arrived in the Bay Area in January. When the Niners approached free agency armed with nearly \$100 million in salary-cap space, they didn't intend to spend money for the sake of spending. Shanahan wanted players who wouldn't be changed by big paydays. He wanted players who would set examples for younger players about what is required of them if they want to get a big payday.

Much of that money was spent on players such as Pierre Garcon, who Shanahan already knew would be the same guy, regardless of the extra zeros on his check. Lynch dug deep to make sure players he had never coached had his same ethos, which they found in Juszczyk.

Niners CEO Jed York immediately was on the same page in that regard.

"I go back to something that Bill Parcels told me a long time ago. He said, 'Jed, this is kind of a cheat sheet for owners. If your coach can't explain how they're going to use a player, don't sign the check,'" York said. "I think that's so true. You look at some of the guys we brought in, and either they have a connection directly or indirectly in the past, and Kyle knows how he wants to use people. He knows what they do well. And when you have that mentality, it helps set that tone from the beginning. Right now we're trying to build a foundation, and that doesn't mean we're not trying to win, but you can't consistently win unless you have a strong foundation. If we can get that done, the sky is the limit. Whether it's this year or in the future, we want to make sure that we have that foundation built, and I think Kyle and John have done an unbelievable job of identifying, 'This is what we want 49ers football to be about, and we're going to find people to fit that mold.'"

'There's not a bear in the building'

Early in the Niners' first preseason game against Kansas City, Shanahan's first game as a head coach, cornerback Rashard Robinson was on the wrong end of a long completion to Chiefs receiver Tyreek Hill. Soon after, he missed a tackle that would have forced Kansas City to kick a field goal. Robinson was upset as he returned to the sideline, until he heard a familiar bit of 49ers' jargon.

"There's not a bear in the building," Juszczyk said. "It's an obscure reference, but it makes sense when it comes to football. Just summing it up, there's no need to panic out there. There's not a bear in the building. Jump offsides, you have a bad play, whatever happens out there, there's no need to panic. Nothing is worse than a bear actually being in the building. That's not what we're dealing with."

Even for the most fervent fans of Will Ferrell movies, the bear in the building might not immediately jump to mind. It's a reference to the 2008 movie "Semi-Pro," in which Ferrell plays an ABA basketball owner/coach/player named Jackie Moon. During one scene, Moon is forced to wrestle a bear, which eventually escapes into an arena full of people. Once the bear breaks free, Moon shouts into a microphone, "EVERYBODY PANIC!"

Early in his tenure as coach, Shanahan showed the clip to his team. It's one he picked up from Atlanta coach Dan Quinn when he was the Falcons' offensive coordinator. Quinn, whom Shanahan notes is a big proponent of culture, likes to find ways to keep it light while offering an important message.

Shanahan has also been known to make frequent references to the Catalina Wine Mixer, a fictional helicopter leasing event in the movie "Stepbrothers," again with a lesson for his players to not let a moment get the better of them.

"Some things you have to realize it's just not that big of a deal," defensive tackle Earl Mitchell said. "It's



not the Catalina Wine Mixer. Those are the two big messages: There's not a bear in the building, and it's not like we're at the Catalina Wine Mixer."

When the Niners turned the ball over five times in a preseason loss to Denver, both of those phrases were tossed around liberally on the Niners' sideline.

"You start fumbling, and guys are coming to the sideline, and everyone is freaking out," Shanahan said. "Everyone wants to freak out after the game, and like, 'We suck. We can't do anything,' and it's like, guys, there's not a f---ing bear in the building. We had five turnovers. They had zero. Go look at the stats. It's probably 0 percent win percentage. Let's not reinvent the wheel. Let's not panic. Let's learn how to not have five turnovers, and then we'll talk about how to play football after that. It kind of brings perspective to everybody."

'If Jerry Rice wants to practice, go ahead and practice'

For four straight years, Shanahan has made it a point to find a young running back and ask him if he knows who Marcus Allen is. He has yet to get a positive ID. As a lifelong student of the game, it drives Shanahan crazy.

So when Shanahan and Lynch took over the Niners, one of their top priorities was to make sure that every player on the roster knows about the franchise's storied past.

"I think of San Francisco like people think of the Yankees," Shanahan said. "Just me growing up, that's what the Niners were just throughout the '80s and early '90s. They were the team, and I know my generation saw them that way. I don't know how all the players now feel. Half these guys don't know a lot of players that would surprise the hell out of you if you ask them. You want people to understand the expectations of something like that and the standard that they set.

"You want players to understand that and respect it and grow from it. But that's about where it ends. You have to do everything else on your own. You just want people to understand the importance of where you're at."

Lest any of the Niners forget, Shanahan and Lynch have made sure that there are visual cues almost everywhere you look. Levi's Stadium now has banners of current and former stars, with other pieces recognizing great moments in team history. On the walk into the locker room, the wall to the right is adorned with a mural featuring Joe Montana, Ronnie Lott, Patrick Willis, Roger Craig and Steve Young, with the words "It won't be easy, but it will be worth it" underneath it. Shanahan also changed how the lockers are arranged, eschewing the usual position group formation and mixing players from all facets of the team.

Along with that, any time there's an opportunity to bring one of the franchise's legends into the building, the Niners haven't hesitated. Before one training camp practice, Young and Rice spoke to the team. During that day's workout, the 54-year-old Rice appeared in shorts, a T-shirt, cleats and receiver gloves and went through individual drills with the receivers. When team drills started, Rice lined up about 5 yards behind the play and ran through every rep, offering an example of what went into making him the most prolific receiver in league history.

"It's almost like a cheat sheet," Lynch said. "This is the way it should be. And these guys know when we walk by those Super Bowl trophies that they don't come free. You've got to go earn them, but why not take advantage of guys like that, and why not invite them? And if Jerry Rice wants to practice, go ahead and practice. That's good for us. And Steve Young up here, I've always respected Steve. The stories they told, I think, better than we ever could, they told them what the 49er way is, and it was awesome."

To be sure, Shanahan and Lynch are well-aware that they can't use the past as a crutch.

"Our past is something that we want to celebrate, but we can't rest on what people did in the past," York said. "We have to build our own present and make our own future, and I think that's what Kyle and John



understand. I think it's really important that those guys know this is what Bill Walsh was about, this is what the great 49er teams were about, and that's part of their fabric, but they've also made it their own. I think that's the thing that's important. You can't be Bill Walsh. You can't be George Seifert, you can't be somebody else, but that's a part of their fabric, and I think it makes it a lot easier for me to communicate with those guys because the 49ers run in their blood."

Age as an advantage

In addition to his duties as Shanahan's administrative assistant, Nick Kray is known as DJ Kray Kray, the man responsible for the practice music. Kray has his own pop-up tent near the practice field where he spins a variety of cuts -- mostly hip hop -- during every workout. Behind closed doors, Kray handles plenty of other daily tasks, including putting together the aforementioned video clips.

Kray's musical stylings aren't limited to the practice field, either. Before every team meeting, music is playing. The artist most often heard? Drake. More often than not, that comes at the request of Shanahan, not because he's actively trying to relate to his players but because he genuinely likes it.

"I play Drake because I like Drake," Shanahan said. "That's still what I listen to. I'm still close with the music. Now it's starting to be different, but I still know the main guys. I don't know some of the weird stuff. But Drake is what I would be playing because that's what I like."

At 37, Shanahan is older than every player on the Niners' roster, but he's close enough in age that it's not that difficult for him to relate to his team. Veterans such as Mitchell and center Daniel Kilgore emphasize that Shanahan sets a standard of what is expected of each player, and so long as those players meet that standard, there is time for fun.

But Shanahan has long viewed his relative youth as an advantage when it comes to connecting with players of all backgrounds. He is quick to point out that none of that matters unless he can first earn every player's respect as the coach. That's why he emphasized being able to provide answers to any and all questions. If not, players will pick up on it right away.

"I think that's been one of the first things that kind of jumped out to me is just, like, he understands the younger culture and the lingo," Juszczyk said. "I think he can use it to his advantage to be able to get the point across. It's not just the same old banter that you have earned from older coaches your whole career. He kind of puts it into our perspective and understands it a little bit better."

Plenty to prove

The idea of measuring culture is nearly impossible. For now, Shanahan will only allow that he is happy with his team's work ethic. The real tests will come after the Niners go through a losing streak. Shanahan knows that such tests are on the way.

For a team that was 2-14 a year ago, fixing everything in one offseason is almost impossible. These Niners still have plenty of holes, but there seems to be a genuine belief that things are headed in the right direction, especially once they get the right people in place.

"We want 53 guys who realize this is what I do to support my family, this is what I do for a living, and this will come over everything -- except, obviously, your family and life-and-death decisions," Shanahan said. "But [otherwise] this is the No. 1 important thing in my life."

In other words, 53 players who are willing to skip the final.



'I could feel the pole coming out of my leg': Freak injury sped up Shanahan's career

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Kyle Shanahan's dog needed to go to the bathroom. It altered the trajectory of his career.

It was about 5 p.m. on a summer day in 2001. Shanahan was a 21-year-old receiver at the time, one day from joining his University of Texas teammates for the upcoming season. He was at his parents' house in Denver when he took his dog out in the backyard and went to jump over a four-foot-high fence with decorative, iron prongs at the top.

Shanahan, 6-3 and 185 pounds, had been training furiously all year and was in prime physical condition. He'd leaped the fence hundreds of times. But this time, his hand slipped as he went to propel himself and he came crashing down.

"I thought I was going to hit my head on the ground and I just stopped," Shanahan recalled. He found himself dangling upside down, his left thigh impaled on one of the fence's spear points. His father, Mike, was the Denver Broncos' head coach at the time and already was at the team's training camp in Greeley, Colo. His mother wasn't home.

"No one was out there," he said. "So I had to reach to the ground and push myself off it. It was nasty. I could feel the pole coming out of my leg. And I was so upset because I knew right then, 'Man, I've just messed this up for myself.' Because I was going to training camp the next day."

In 2008, Shanahan became the youngest coordinator in the NFL at age 28 when he was picked to run the Houston Texans' offense. In February, at age 37, the 49ers made him the NFL's second-youngest head coach behind the Los Angeles Rams' Sean McVay. Everything about him and San Francisco's new regime smacks of energy and youth.

But he never would have gotten such a quick start at coaching if his hand hadn't slipped that summer afternoon.

Shanahan's dream at the time was to play in the NFL and it was realistic. A strong spring earned Shanahan the role of No. 3 receiver on a loaded Texas squad that featured Roy Williams and B.J. Johnson at receiver, Major Applewhite and Chris Simms at quarterback and Cedric Benson at tailback.

"I've never seen a guy work as hard as he did to prepare himself," said Darryl Drake, Texas' wide receivers coach at the time who now has the same job with the Arizona Cardinals.

"He wasn't the fastest guy in the world, he wasn't the most gifted guy, but he understood the game," Drake said. "He had a great feel for the position. He was a guy that I was counting on – and we were counting on – to have a big-time role."

Shanahan said when he removed himself from the fence he found he couldn't walk. So he crawled to the back door.

"And I promise, it didn't hurt that bad," he said. "It was like the worst deep thigh bruise you could ever have. There wasn't a lot of blood, but I could see my muscle. And I could see it twitch."

He got a friend to drive him to the hospital. His initial instinct was to have it stitched up and to play through any pain. But it quickly became clear that the wound was too deep, too ripe for an infection – there were paint chips from the fence inside – and that he needed to have surgery.

He called the Broncos' team doctors and soon underwent a two-hour procedure that required three layers of 21 staples to close. Shanahan has a white, nine-inch scar to remind him of the event.



Today he freely talks about the incident and even offers to reenact how it happened using a chair in a Levi's Stadium office as a prop. When it's suggested to him that he has the same proud wound an ancient Greek warrior might have picked up in battle, he frowns.

"It's not really bad-ass," he said. "I was walking my dog. But it was gruesome."

At the time, he was crushed.

Doctors told Shanahan he wouldn't play that season. They were wrong. He missed only one game and was back on the field in 18 days. But he lost his prime spot in the rotation, never regained his former speed or quickness and finished the year with seven catches.

Drake says he doesn't know where Shanahan ultimately would have been drafted but that he had the ability to play in the NFL.

"It was devastating," he said. "Not only for him but for me personally because he's a guy that I loved dearly and wanted to see him go out and show what I knew he was capable he was doing."

Shanahan had an invitation to the scouting combine after his senior season but didn't go. He stopped lifting weights. His NFL aspirations slipped away.

"I went through depression for a while over it," he admits. "My whole life, my whole world was playing (football). It was tough on me. It took me a long time to get over it."

A few months into 2003, he got a job on UCLA's coaching staff. Six months later, he was hired by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He's been in the NFL since.

"I always knew I would eventually coach," he said. "But the work I put into the scholarship to Texas – I lived and died for playing at the time. I had aspirations to try to play in the NFL. I knew when it was all done and I'd made my run – whenever that was – that I would coach. But I always joke with players; I say it sarcastically: 'If I never had this injury I'd probably taking one of your guys' job.' Then they all laugh at me. Because obviously I wouldn't have."



Brandon Aiyuk

Jerry Rice expects 'big things' from 49ers rookie Brandon Aiyuk

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A little more than halfway through his rookie season, San Francisco 49ers receiver Brandon Aiyuk has flashed plenty of potential even if it hasn't always showed up in the numbers.

With the Niners ravaged by injuries, especially at the skill positions, there's plenty of reason to believe Aiyuk will be one of the top reasons to watch the 49ers over the final seven games. Don't believe it? Take it from legendary wide receiver Jerry Rice.

"He's going to get much better," Rice told ESPN. "I think, as he gets older, he's going to continue to develop, and I'm expecting big things from him, to be honest with you. Because I think he has everything where he's got the route running, where he's got the hands, that awareness on the football field, and he's one of those guys that he knows he's a playmaker and that he could put points on the board at any time."

That's high praise from perhaps the greatest to ever do it. Thus far, Aiyuk has appeared in seven of nine games, missing one with a lingering hamstring injury and one because of close contact with wideout Kendrick Bourne, who had tested positive for COVID-19.

Aiyuk has 28 receptions for 371 yards and two touchdowns in addition to four carries for 69 yards and two more scores. With Deebo Samuel working his way back from a hamstring injury and tight end George Kittle out for about eight weeks with a fractured foot, all eyes turn to Aiyuk to pick up the slack.

In his two most recent games, he was up to the task, ringing up 14 catches for 206 yards and a score. That left coach Kyle Shanahan impressed and ready to put more on Aiyuk's plate. In fact, before Aiyuk was added to the reserve/COVID-19 list last week, he was in line to be prominently featured in the offense against Green Bay.

Those opportunities eventually went to Richie James, who finished with career highs in catches (nine) and receiving yards (184) to go with a touchdown. It's not hard to envision Aiyuk having numbers every bit as good or better had he been able to play.

"I've been very proud of Brandon these last few weeks," Shanahan said. "Just like we did to Deebo his rookie year, we're putting a little bit more pressure on him earlier than I would like to. You don't like to put all that on a guy coming in and especially a guy who missed most of training camp and didn't have an offseason. What I've loved about him is the pressure that he's had, you don't get to learn, you think you do good from, the standard of your whole life and then you get into a meeting with us on Monday and you have no idea how we see it. A lot of guys don't react totally the right way. Just us challenging Brandon and putting that pressure on him, I see a guy who's responded in the right way."

Despite not having a full offseason program and training camp to get acclimated because of the COVID-19 pandemic and then a hamstring injury, Aiyuk has taken to Shanahan's playbook quicker than expected. He has also endeared himself to veteran teammates through his attention to detail and willingness to learn.

Recounting a recent chat with Aiyuk, quarterback Nick Mullens said the rookie wideout has grown and adapted as the season has gone along. Mullens said Aiyuk has begun to understand what it means to be a pro.

"It's a funny conversation," Mullens said. "He was telling me about how in college you kind of know what opponent you're going to get that week so you might not have to practice as hard because you already know that you're better than them. But, once you get to the NFL, you realize any team can beat any team



at any week. And so, he's starting to figure that out, figuring out that the way you practice is the way that you play each and every single week. And so, he's balling out in the games, but he's balling out in practice too. And that just comes with rookie maturation, and it's really cool to watch."

For Aiyuk, that maturation includes a better understanding of how to take care of his body, especially when things like treatment aren't on the team's schedule. In the classroom, Aiyuk has also taken to the lessons of receivers coach Wes Welker, who hammers home the idea of going into every game with a plan.

Early in the season, Aiyuk said he would go into a game and get caught up in what the route or his job was on certain plays. He didn't pay much attention to what the defense was doing and didn't understand how to attack it.

Now, Aiyuk said things have slowed down.

"When I'm lined up where I'm supposed to be and in the right spots, I think it just plays out a lot better that way," Aiyuk said.

With so many injuries around him, it's reasonable to expect Aiyuk's role will continue to grow. Which means more opportunities to get involved in the offense in unique ways and set himself up to be an offensive centerpiece for years to come.

"You can tell he's really starting to come in into his own," Rice said. "I'm expecting big things from him -- he's going to continue to grow and get better."



49ers believe they have another Emmanuel Sanders in Brandon Aiyuk

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Seek out a scouting report on San Francisco 49ers wide receiver Brandon Aiyuk and you're likely to get a lot of similar descriptions.

Aiyuk's ability to gain yards after the catch is a staple, as are his wingspan and route running. But the biggest common denominator has to do with what he could become.

"I still feel like I haven't even scratched the surface of what I can do as a football player and at the receiver position," Aiyuk said. "I just think that for me, the ceiling is limitless. I don't think there's a ceiling to my game."

The 49ers fell in love with Aiyuk during the pre-draft process after a senior season at Arizona State in which he posted 1,192 receiving yards, averaged 31.8 yards per kickoff return and averaged a whopping 10.5 yards per reception after the catch.

That home run ability caused Niners coach Kyle Shanahan to view Aiyuk as one of the two best receivers in the draft, along with Oklahoma's CeeDee Lamb. In fact, San Francisco liked Aiyuk so much it considered taking him with the No. 13 overall pick. That choice was eventually traded for No. 14 and became defensive tackle Javon Kinlaw.

But as Aiyuk continued to slip closer to the Niners' second first-round pick at No. 31, they decided to get aggressive. They moved up in a trade with the Minnesota Vikings and selected Aiyuk at No. 25, the highest pick they've used on a wideout since Michael Crabtree in 2009. The idea is to pair Aiyuk with emerging star wideout Deebo Samuel, who, like Aiyuk, is known for his ability to evade and run through tacklers.

In Aiyuk, Shanahan sees a player who can help fill the void left by Emmanuel Sanders, the veteran wideout acquired in the middle of last season who departed for the New Orleans Saints in free agency. Although Aiyuk specializes in taking short passes and turning them into long gains, Shanahan said he believes Aiyuk can play any of the team's receiver positions and, like Sanders, has the ability to be a threat at all levels of the field.

"It didn't matter where you put him and it didn't matter what the play was, and that's what we got a little bit with Emmanuel when we traded for him, and that's what I think we're getting with Brandon," Shanahan said.

"This guy wants to be great. I want someone like that. And I think he has the tools to be great. I think he has the mindset to be great, and I promise you schematically we're going to give him every chance to do that."

Aiyuk's journey to the 49ers as a first-round pick was far from traditional. Coming out of McQueen High School in Reno, Nevada, Aiyuk had played all over the field, including running back, but most of his film was of him playing cornerback. In 2016, Aiyuk landed at Sierra College in Rocklin, California, the former home of the 49ers' training camp.

There, Sierra coach Ben Noonan recognized Aiyuk's potential as a wide receiver, even though he was mostly recruited as a defensive back. Noonan said it seemed like every time Aiyuk got his hands on the football, whether that was as a returner or on defense, he managed to turn it into a touchdown.

"It's like the dude always ended up in the end zone," Noonan said. "It's just like we have got to get the ball in this guy's hands a lot."



It wasn't until the fourth game of his freshman year that Aiyuk broke into the starting lineup, but by the final game of the season, he had emerged as a star. In that last game, Aiyuk started at wide receiver and cornerback -- assigned to cover the opponent's top receiver. Aiyuk finished with six catches for 121 yards and two touchdowns and, according to Noonan, held his man to one catch for 20 yards.

That performance jump-started an offseason in which Noonan saw Aiyuk devote himself to football. Noonan found Aiyuk in the weight room constantly, improving his squat from 275 pounds coming out of high school to 500 pounds by May 2017. That work ethic carried over to the practice field, where Aiyuk routinely stayed for 30 minutes after every practice working on routes in the Rocklin heat.

"It gets up to a good 110 degrees, and then he's out there until the daylight is gone with the quarterbacks after a four-hour day," Noonan said. "And demanding that the quarterbacks stay, you know, whether their arm was falling off or not. And then the other thing that gives you perspective on his personality and work-ethic type of kid he was: He insisted on being on special teams."

In a game against Santa Rosa College during his sophomore season, Aiyuk showed off his special-teams abilities with a 76-yard kickoff return for a touchdown and four punt returns for 110 yards (with a pair of touchdowns called back for penalties) to go with six catches for 82 yards and two more touchdowns.

"It was the most dominant junior college game I'd ever seen by anybody," Noonan said.

By that point, Aiyuk began drawing attention from top programs, including Arizona State. Herm Edwards had just taken over as the Sun Devils coach and needed a wideout with some experience. Aiyuk spent his first year in Tempe biding his time behind N'Keal Harry, whom the New England Patriots selected with the 32nd pick of the 2019 NFL draft.

While Aiyuk's production was limited to 33 catches for 474 yards and three touchdowns as a junior, Edwards saw his NFL potential and physical gifts. Aiyuk has almost 10-inch hands and an 81-inch wingspan, which is almost unheard of for a player who's 6 feet tall. For the sake of comparison, former Detroit Lions wideout Calvin Johnson had an 82-inch wingspan and was 6-foot-5.

"All those things were, you check the boxes, and then I just think his competitive attitude," Edwards said. "He loves to compete, you know. I mean, everything is about trying to compete and win. I mean he's about that. That's his DNA."

Replacing Sanders from a production and leadership standpoint is probably too big of an ask for Aiyuk as a rookie, but Edwards believes he can be a difference-maker as a returner or a wideout with a limited route tree. The lack of a full offseason to get acclimated won't help Aiyuk's cause, but Edwards has faith.

"He never stops learning, and that's the one thing that good football players understand," Edwards said. "No coach in the history of coaches has ever given a player talent. They give them information. He's an information gatherer. He's not naive, by any stretch of the imagination."

"You have to be very disciplined and very focused, and he understands those things."



Arik Armstead

Arik Armstead, fueled by family, has silenced critics as the 49ers enter another NFC title game

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It was all on the line, and it was the defensive line's time.

Green Bay, leading the 49ers by a touchdown, faced third-and-8 with just over five minutes to play. Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers was gunning to convert a first down that could begin salting the snowy game away.

Arik Armstead had other ideas. So did 49ers defensive coordinator DeMeco Ryans, who dialed up a safety blitz with the hopes of briefly discombobulating Green Bay's offensive line.

Confusion only lasted for a second, but Armstead has the burst to exploit even the smallest of openings. All 290 pounds of the defensive lineman ripped through the front. His 6-foot-7 strides corralled Rodgers, whose attempt to shuffle away was futile, a mere 2.6 seconds after the snap.

The sack was an excellent example of proactive coaching on Ryans' part and an awesome display of athleticism from Armstead — all rolled into one destructive burst. It set up The Block, which came on the next play as the 49ers preyed on the Packers' punt and scored the game-tying touchdown.

The 49ers' furious endgame sequence was suddenly in full swing, and Armstead's family went wild up above frigid Lambeau Field.

"We were in a heated suite, with Green Bay people," Guss Armstead, Arik's father, said in a phone interview this week. "That's Arik, always thinking about others, he made sure we were taken care of. So we were with all these Packer people, going crazy."

It was Armstead's second sack of the game and third of this postseason, which the 49ers hope is only at its halfway point. Just like Armstead's sack dance, which comes with a roar and a hearty rub of the belly, their team — and especially its D-line — seems hungry for more.

The next chance to eat comes in Sunday's NFC Championship Game against the Rams, a team that the 49ers defeated just over two weeks ago on the fuel of five sacks and 14 QB hits. Armstead also delivered a huge chunk of that production in that one, racking up 2 1/2 sacks and hitting L.A. quarterback Matthew Stafford three times.

With six sacks this month, the 28-year-old lineman is on perhaps the most productive tear of his career. It's extended into this string of elimination games, and that seems to be generating a newfound sense of outside appreciation for Armstead's play.

The lineman has long been a popular target for detractors, so his family has certainly appreciated the recent upturn in positive recognition.

"Sometimes, people don't understand and see what's going on in football," said Guss, who works training professional basketball players (Arik played both football and basketball in college at Oregon).

"Everybody gets caught up in sacks. In basketball, everybody is into 3-pointers, everybody is into scoring. But the guys that are doing all the work don't get the credit.

"Arik has a basketball background, and he's always been like that. It's just something he has to deal with. He gets doubled by 350-pound guys and then someone makes a play, but no one gave him credit for that."



Until now, since those sacks are rolling in just when the 49ers need them most.

To fully appreciate what Armstead is doing now, it's necessary to understand the trajectory of his seven-year career. It certainly hasn't been linear.

Previous 49ers general manager Trent Baalke took Armstead with the 17th pick in the 2015 draft. Armstead spent his first two seasons as a third-down pass-rushing specialist on a bad team, but a torn labrum ended his 2016 campaign. Then, in 2017, the current 49ers regime helmed by coach Kyle Shanahan and GM John Lynch implemented a 4-3 defensive scheme under new defensive coordinator Robert Saleh and asked Armstead to cut weight for a move to the speed-rushing LEO position — but his season again ended prematurely, this time with a broken hand.

In 2018, the 49ers took a beefed-up Armstead and experimented with him at several spots. He posted a good year, but an earnest breakout didn't come for the first-rounder until D-line coach Kris Kocurek came aboard in 2019.

"I think Arik was penalized because he is so versatile," Guss Armstead said. "So they weren't able to figure out what to do with him. That's why I really value the guys that came in, Saleh and Kris. They were able to get a read on the two things that Arik really does well."

Kocurek was quick to declare Armstead's two strong suits: anchoring the strong-side defensive end position with stout run defense on base downs and working from an interior tackle alignment to pass rush against guards in nickel spots.

"I remember meeting with him on Day 1," Armstead said of Kocurek during his breakout, 10-sack season in 2019. "He said, 'I believe in you. You're a dominant player. This year is going to be your best year yet. I truly believe that.'"

"Everything he said has been consistent. He's been pushing me to be better. Working hard in practice, cutting it loose and playing free. You play like that when you have a coach that believes in you and believes in your abilities."

Armstead signed a lucrative five-year, \$85 million contract extension shortly thereafter. The 49ers clearly valued him, and it appeared that his early-career struggles to earn a strong foothold in the court of public opinion had faded to the past.

But just two days after Armstead signed that deal, the 49ers traded defensive tackle DeForest Buckner to the Colts. This was jarring, perception-shattering news. Though the move was part of a complex salary-cap shuffle that the team deemed necessary for longer-term financial stability, critics characterized it differently.

They claimed the 49ers chose Armstead over Buckner. Those assertions, regardless of their accuracy, pressurized the subsequent 2020 season for Armstead.

The fact that Buckner logged 9 1/2 sacks and earned first-team All-Pro honors for playoff qualifier Indianapolis while Armstead managed only three sacks for the 6-10 49ers in 2020 made for poor optics. Matters further devolved early this season, hitting a nadir when Buckner delivered a sack on the final play of the Colts' Week 7 win over the 49ers.

Armstead, meanwhile, had only one sack on the season at that point. The 49ers were 2-4. Detractors lambasted the front office. Many of them re-solidified their pre-2019 takes on Armstead, with "overpaid" replacing "draft bust" as the chief pejorative.

For Armstead's family, the onslaught was a callback to earlier days, when Armstead so often found himself in the crosshairs of criticism.



"I think that there were times that just because of his stature, people have always taken shots at him, and this goes back a long way," Guss Armstead said. "Arik was 6-8, 300 pounds — he was literally that big in high school. People would say, 'oh, he's not that good, he's just big.'

"And then moving to the NFL, that's the kind of stuff that's always been a part of it. Professional athletes, it's very frustrating, so you have to try to separate yourself from it and remind yourself that the people who really make the decisions — John and Jed (York) and those people — I think they value Arik. "We live in a negative world where everybody is always taking shots."

Armstead has spoken of how he deals with some of the toxicity. He hasn't been shy about occasionally firing back at critics on social media or even reposting denigrating talk about him that didn't age well. But Armstead has often repeated that, above all else, he's intrinsically motivated. Family drives him.

Armstead and his wife, Mindy, welcomed a baby girl last year. His first child is his central anchor point. According to Guss, his son's sense of ingrained drive stretches to childhood. He remembers Arik, even at a young age, waking up and insisting on joining dad's early-morning training sessions for NBA players in Sacramento.

"I thought he'd want to sleep in," Guss said. "But he wanted to go. So he saw Matt Barnes, Bobby Jackson and Mike Wilks, all these guys that I trained. He saw them every day as they trained." Wilks even lived at the Armstead's house while he was training with Guss.

"So Arik actually got to see a pro guy in his house that was dialed into working hard and being humble," Guss said. "So Mike was like Arik's bonus brother. He got to see all of that. It makes it easier when you have that blueprint. You can see that this is possible."

Arik's actual brother is Armond Armstead, who played defensive line at USC before playing one year for the CFL's Toronto Argonauts. Armond is three years older than Arik, was roughly the same size during his playing career (6-5, 305 pounds) and played a similar mix of D-line positions as his younger sibling does now.

"Armond showed Arik that he could do it," Guss said. "And he took it and ran with it."

As Armstead rose through the ranks, first at the Sacramento area's Pleasant Grove High School and then in college at Oregon, Guss reminded him to stay grounded — especially in the event that he ever run into criticism that he deemed unfair.

"For us, it was always — that's always going to happen to you," Guss said. "Consider the critic, first of all. Because a lot of people have a lot of stuff to say, but they may not necessarily know what they're talking about.

"You take the good with the bad. You get a lot of praise, you stay at one level, and you get a lot of the negativity, and you've gotta still stay at that level. And when you're compensated well, people start taking shots at you for that — that's all part of it."

It's certainly been a backdrop this season, but Armstead did manage to keep an even keel through 2021's low point, and that made him a central point of the 49ers' turnaround.

Following that Week 7 loss to Buckner and the Colts, during which Indianapolis rushed for 148 yards on 4.5 yards per carry, Ryans and Kocurek made a big adjustment. They moved Armstead to defensive tackle on more than just a situational rushing basis. He played inside for the majority of the game.

That shift to tackle paired Armstead with 49ers nose tackle D.J. Jones, and the two have since developed into perhaps the best interior run-stopping tandem in the league. Jones and Armstead finished the regular season ranked Nos. 1 and 3, respectively, of all defensive tackles in ESPN's run-stop win rate.



“He’s the most important piece on this team to me,” Jones said after the 49ers’ wild-card round win over Dallas. “Arik Armstead is a force. He can play outside, inside, 3-technique, 2i. He’s a Swiss Army knife, and I love it when he’s inside with me.”

Collectively, per EPA and DVOA numbers, the 49ers’ run defense has been the league’s best since Armstead’s move. The 49ers have allowed only 3.1 yards per carry over the past three games against potent Rams, Cowboys and Packers offenses, and that’s been the defense’s key ingredient toward earning pass-rushing opportunities.

In that way, Armstead has benefited through sack opportunities from the run-stopping that he’s helped provide.

“I think our run defense improved drastically because of the unselfish play by Arik Armstead,” Ryans said last week. “I think people forget we lost our starter in (Javon) Kinlaw early in the year, and we were trying to figure that out inside. When you want to play good run defense, you have to have two really good interior defensive linemen. And Arik unselfishly moving inside helped, and D.J. Jones has been outstanding all year.”

Armstead and Jones, teammates since the 49ers drafted the latter player in 2017, have become even closer friends this season after assuming the role of run-stopping pillars in the defense’s middle.

Jones, along with linebacker Fred Warner and Armstead’s family, was on hand to surprise Armstead and inform him that he was the 49ers’ Walter Payton Man of the Year nominee for the second straight season in December.

That honor came as a result of Armstead’s continually diligent community work in both his native Sacramento and the Bay Area. It shined a light on another aspect of Armstead’s unselfish nature, which the 49ers value greatly.

“That’s just my parents, growing up in my family,” Armond Armstead said in a phone interview this week. “There’s four of us. My mom and my dad made it work for us, being sacrificial. Arik just loves serving. It’s a big motivator for him. Our family cultivated a culture of unselfishness.”

Armond has been particularly excited about the pairing of Arik’s 6-7 frame with Jones, who’s 6 feet and 305 pounds, since it reminds him of his own college playing days. At USC, he was paired with future NFL Pro Bowler Jurrell Casey — a 6-1, 305-pounder — on the inside.

“It creates a unique matchup ability,” Armond said. “And that’s what you want. When I played with Jurrell, we’d ask each other, ‘how’d you do that?’ Because he’s 6-foot. ‘How’d you get that leverage? I’m 6-5. How you doing that?’

“So when the 49ers have a combination of someone like D.J., with his acceleration and strength, and Arik, it’s tough. Everyone has their strengths and weaknesses. Some guy who matches up with Arik might match up better with D.J. But when you’ve gotta go against both of them, then you switch ‘em out, one time it’s D.J., one time it’s Nick (Bosa), one time it’s Arden (Key), it’s tough, man. It gives them unique matchup abilities.”

Those advantages, so many of them unlocked by Armstead’s athletic versatility, have been on increasingly clear display lately. While Armstead’s second sack at Green Bay was impressive due to his raw explosiveness, his first one — which also came on a critical third down and held the Packers to a field goal — showcased pure power.

Armstead drove straight through Green Bay right guard Lucas Patrick into Rodgers. That sight of such a tall D-lineman overpowering such a relatively compact guard made Armond smile, because he remembers how Arik developed the unique skill set that he’s now consistently showcasing.



“Arik has a natural gift of people-moving, and a lot of the movement skills go back to training basketball,” Armond said. “If you’re playing on the post, you can’t back a guy down standing straight up. You can’t box out for a rebound standing straight up. Long levers make strong levers, but if you’re not taking the right levers, you’re not using your length to your advantage and you’re not going to be able to create that push.”

That, of course, hasn’t been a problem for Arik Armstead. He’s unleashed the full potential of his physical gifts. Opposing run games are hitting brick walls as a result. Sacks are pouring in.

And all that criticism that seemed to pervade the first several years of Armstead’s career, even if it might not have been fair? It seems far back in the rearview mirror now, both for Armstead and for his 49ers’ D-line, which enters this NFC Championship Game again surging as one of the league’s best fronts.

“(Kocurek’s) getting it out of them boys,” Armond said. “It felt like a lot of the year, they were still jelling. Guys would run into each other, but by the time they got to the end of the year, they were really jelling. Teammates were learning how to work together. Now, things are firing on all cylinders. They’re executing.”

And Armstead’s family, of course, is cheering.

“What can you say?” Armond said. “For Arik: keep going.”



Community work of San Francisco 49ers' Arik Armstead an 'inspiration'

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On a recent fall day, San Francisco 49ers defensive lineman Arik Armstead was penciled in for a quick visit to Sunnydale, one of San Francisco's largest housing projects.

Ashlei Hurst, the director of resident services at Mercy Housing and a longtime friend of the Armstead family, invited Armstead to tour Sunnydale, which was built in 1940.

What he saw was what he now calls a "lack thereof," a place full of people in buildings that weren't suitable for living. He saw police cars driving past with four officers inside armed with shotguns hanging out the window as they cruised the neighborhood.

Armstead was only supposed to stay for about 30 minutes, but he couldn't just make a cameo appearance. For two and a half hours, Armstead walked around the neighborhood, speaking to residents, business owners and local leaders about what they need and asked how he could help. Quietly, Armstead listened and absorbed his surroundings. He could see the struggle and hear the desperation.

"I saw a community that just has been kind of thrown off by the wayside and kind of a place that's been forgotten and hasn't been nourished," Armstead said. "It was real eye-opening for me. ... I don't know if a lot of people really know about Sunnydale and what's going on up there. Just seeing the conditions that people are living in and just the lack of a lot. That always inspires me and keeps me going knowing that there's a lot of work."

Indeed, for Armstead the work that needs to be done never truly ends. In fact, it's only beginning. That applies to what he's doing on the field as one of the Niners' starting defensive tackles, but there are plenty of significant projects to do off the field as well.

He has the means to help. Armstead is in the second year of a five-year, \$85 million contract, and as a former first-round pick (No. 17 overall in 2015), he's earned a little more than \$46 million in his career so far.

For Armstead, making the world a better place starts in his home community of Sacramento and extends to the Bay Area.

What started as the inaugural (and free) Arik Armstead Football Camp for kids back in 2015 has grown into the establishment of the Arik Armstead Academy in September, which came with his \$250,000 donation to Mercy Housing California. The Armstead Academy serves more than 400 students in the Sacramento City Unified School District, offering academic support, after-school programming and career exploration opportunities.

At 6-foot-7, 290 pounds, Armstead cuts an imposing figure that belies his soft-spoken nature. His passion for helping others has led him to a second consecutive Walter Payton Man of the Year Award nomination and, more importantly, left a lasting impact on those who have witnessed his evolution as a philanthropist and how that has mirrored his growth as a man.

"In terms of what he does off the field, for his community, for our community, it's insane," 49ers linebacker Fred Warner said. "It's an inspiration to not only me but the entire team. All of us see it. It makes me only want to work harder at being better for the community and doing stuff for other people."

'He didn't forget'

Armstead's own inspiration comes from a combination of conversations, life experiences, reading and studying the world around him.



Over the past few years, those factors have led Armstead to make childhood education and social justice his primary focus. That wasn't necessarily how he always planned it, but the more he read and heard and reflected on his own experiences, the more it made sense.

Armstead remembers being in second or third grade and struggling with his reading, specifically when reading aloud. He still remembers arriving at school an hour early to work on it.

Armstead eventually got the hang of it thanks in part to teachers and family who were willing to help. Christa Armstead, Arik's mother, would even take him to pick out something from Dollar Tree in exchange for doing well in class that week.

Nearly two decades later, it's not lost on Armstead that many kids don't have that same support system to keep them from falling behind.

"I'm sure he can relate, and when you can relate, it makes you relatable, and I think that's why he's so great at what he does -- the work he's doing today with kids because he can relate," Christa Armstead said. "He didn't forget that he was a kid once upon a time and he had some struggles and he had a lot of support to help him overcome any obstacle he would have in life. And he realizes not every kid has that. So, his work today is to somehow try to level that out."

Given that, it's no surprise that one of Armstead's primary initiatives is called "Storytime with Arik Armstead," a project that allows Armstead to visit schools in person and via Zoom and read to classrooms of various ages.

Armstead has distributed books emphasizing the importance of diversity and inclusion to more than 2,000 students in the San Francisco Unified School District and another 2,000 plus members of the Boys & Girls Club. Since May 2020, Armstead has reached kids from first to fifth grade via 25 virtual classrooms in 21 school districts from his hometown of Sacramento all the way to Qatar. Each book has a message, covering topics such as equality, Black history and sustainability.

"I think back like 'Another kid in that situation might lose his confidence and be like I'm not reading; I'm not even going to try it,'" Arik Armstead said. "And then they're behind and they continue to fall behind. Because if you can't read, how are you going to read your math problem? Or your history lesson? It's just a spiral effect."

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit in 2020 and virtual learning became the norm, Hurst received a call from Armstead asking what was needed to bridge the digital divide for kids who didn't have the devices or internet access to learn remotely.

Armstead donated \$50,000, the beginning of the growing partnership between Armstead and Mercy Housing, which develops and operates low-income housing all over California and offers resources that range from basic needs like food and clothing to academic support. Armstead himself delivered Chromebooks and paid Wi-Fi hotspots to the Upper Land Park neighborhood of Sacramento.

"Often people who want to give come with a directive of like, 'I want to do this, I'm going to give money to you to do this,'" Hurst said. "He came to me saying 'What do you need?' And he was able to be open and say, 'This is the need, I'll get to that need.' Versus coming in with his agenda. He said 'Oh, kids need laptops, Chromebooks, that makes sense, I got it.'"

A 'fabric woven' throughout his life

For Armstead and his three siblings, the idea of helping others was never far from their minds. Christa and Guss Armstead ran a tight but encouraging household, reminding their children that even though they weren't the wealthiest family around, they were more fortunate than many kids.



Guss Armstead, a former college basketball player and well-known trainer for athletes in the Sacramento area, helped spur Arik's sports career. Christa pushed education, often reminding her children that all things were possible through school. It's something she learned from her own mother, who used to take her grandchildren to visit the USC campus and remind them that maybe one day they, too, could go to school at a place like that.

Armstead's siblings set a similar example. His older brother Armond was an accomplished football player whom Arik badly wanted to emulate. And his sister Alexis has been instrumental in having deep, meaningful conversations with her brother about the importance of childhood education and how it ties directly into the justice system.

"We tried to teach them, 'Don't take this for granted,'" Christa Armstead said. "And it's something I think you instill in kids when they're young but when they become adults, when they go to college, their eyes kind of come open. ... So, education and [helping others] have been kind of the fabric woven throughout their lives."

Through it all, Armstead has never lost sight of where he came from. He remembers all the people who helped him get to where he is, including Hurst, who first met the Armstead family 14 years ago at Midtown Church in Sacramento. She now counts Christa Armstead as a mentor and Arik Armstead as a valued partner in helping to make change in the Sacramento area.

That Armstead was drafted by the 49ers -- the team closest on a map to Sacramento -- almost feels preordained, as though he was put here in part so he could pay back the place that raised him through his own philanthropy.

It's why Armstead still makes his offseason home in Sacramento and why it's not unusual for him to pop back into town for meetings with Mayor Darrell Steinberg to lobby for more support for his various projects or pitch new ideas.

"God always works in mysterious ways and has a plan and a purpose for everything," Armstead said. "I think in a lot of ways I was meant to be here and meant to create change where I'm from."

'Prayers answered'

Arik Armstead has made reading to children a priority, whether that's reading books in a virtual classroom as far away as Qatar or in person to kids just minutes from the 49ers' facility. San Francisco 49ers Much like chasing down a quarterback on his 25.5 career sacks, Armstead has no intention of slowing down his charitable pursuits. He and Hurst have a shared dream of opening a 10,000 square foot community center in Sacramento. They already have a building in mind complete with floor plans.

Armstead wants to turn it into a place for students to have tutoring and academic advisors as well as a STEM lab and a teaching kitchen for kids with an interest in culinary studies.

Armstead's future plans also involve his growing family. He married his wife Mindy in June 2020 and the couple welcomed daughter Amiri in February. Becoming a dad to a daughter has added even more layers to Armstead's ever-growing list of off-field pursuits.

To that end, Armstead has taken advantage of his proximity to Silicon Valley. He's working with humanly.io, which creates software to bring equity to the job hiring process, and Syndio, which creates software for companies to evaluate whether they're paying their employees equitably and not based on gender, race or age.

"I'm living for my child now and it gives me a new sense of purpose, a new sense of drive to create change for her," Armstead said. "She's going to be living in this world much longer than me hopefully, and how can I have impact and make her life better, not only through being her dad, but how can I create change to make the community better for her and create more opportunities for her?"



On Dec. 6, Armstead hosted a "Read for Justice" for third- through fifth-graders from the Boys & Girls Club of Silicon Valley. Sitting comfortably in front of about 50 kids, Armstead read the book "The Day You Begin," by Jacqueline Woodson. It's a story about children from different backgrounds finding the courage to connect by sharing their own stories.

As Armstead read the book aloud and led a discussion on diversity and inclusion, his mother looked on with the unmistakable feeling that her son, all grown up, was exactly where he was supposed to be, doing the exact thing he was supposed to be doing.

"I just think, 'Wow. Arik you're doing it. You're doing what I dreamed or prayed or hoped you'd do,'" Christa Armstead said. "But I'm actually seeing my prayers answered."



Elk Grove's 49er goes from a giant on the field to a giant in the Sacramento community

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Arik Armstead is one of the more unassuming giants. The 49ers defensive lineman doesn't have the audacious energy of his teammate George Kittle, the bellowing voice of Fred Warner, the movie-star looks of Jimmy Garoppolo or the mountainous biceps of Nick Bosa.

The Elk Grove native — who stands out at 6-foot-7 and nearly 300 pounds — is carefully quiet and observant. He's one of the longest-tenured players on the 49ers, yet his personality is mysterious to those who don't interact with him daily. He didn't reveal much in the often-awkward news conference settings with the media who would pry into matchups with Sunday opponents. The 2015 first-round draft pick — No. 17 overall — has never been considered a go-to for reporters looking for quotes that would define a game or stoke controversy.

That just wasn't his style as a young player. He wasn't after attention. He'd keep opinions largely to himself. But there's something that's become apparent about Armstead as he's grown into a man, an NFL veteran and a father. He lets his actions speak. With that comes a beneficiary: the Sacramento community he grew up in that he's working to help — continuously. "It's just always just a mindset of always striving to do more," Armstead said.

Doing more started by Armstead volunteering with members of his church when he was in high school at Pleasant Grove, then creating a free football camp for kids when he first broke into the NFL, to using social media to encourage people in Sacramento to keep restaurants afloat when COVID-19 hit, to creating a reading program for students, to donating \$50,000 to help kids buy computers for distance learning, leading to over \$200,000 raised by Bayside Church, where his mother, Christa, has been a worship leader.

Always striving for more is the genesis of Armstead's celebration every time he sacks a quarterback. He'll lean back and rub his stomach telling the world he's hungry for more. "It's kind of where 'stay hungry' comes from," Armstead said. "Just striving to be better and not being satisfied."

ARMSTEAD'S CHARITY WORK

The latest example coincides with big steps in Armstead's life. In the spring of 2020 he signed a five-year contract with the 49ers that could pay up to \$85 million. He got married that summer and welcomed his daughter, Amiri, earlier this year. On Tuesday, Armstead announced a \$250,000 pledge in conjunction with the Mercy Housing Project in Sacramento to bolster the Armstead Academy, created to help under served youth in the area with after school enrichment programs, tutoring and leadership coaching. That effort was applauded last week by the NFL Players' Association, which named him the community MVP of the week.

During the pandemic, when social justice issues were pushed back to the forefront following the police killing of George Floyd in 2020, Armstead used his virtual news conferences with reporters to address issues outside of football. He began by speaking out against hate crimes. Next he highlighted education inequality, noting schools with predominately Black and Latino students often received less funding than those that are predominately white. Education is a sticking point and focus of Armstead's philanthropy.

Roughly 37% of children raised in poverty in the United States don't finish high school, according to Child Fund, making them seven times more likely to remain poor as adults. And according to the National Center for Education Statistics in a 2019 study, 30% and 23% of Black and Hispanic families with children 18 or younger, respectively, live in poverty, compared to just 10% of white families. The San Francisco 49ers' Arik Armstead fist bumps Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg on Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021, after Armstead announced the launch of the Armstead Academy Project, his new partnership initiative with Mercy Housing California. Armstead presented a \$250,000 donation and unveiled plans for a wide range



of academic programming for K-12 students in his hometown of Sacramento as well as college trips and enrichment activities for youth in San Francisco.

"I feel education, in the way society is today, is a big determining factor for life trajectory," says Armstead, who played football at the University of Oregon. "Things are moving towards tech and services. Obviously, to get a good job, the standard is having a good education. So it really starts there for the masses of people. "Looking at that, I feel like a lot of people don't have opportunities and don't have really a chance to be as successful. That starts when they're young. A lot of things get decided for their life before they even know it. So that's why I wanted to have an impact in making sure that if society today, if that's how it operates, try to put young people in the best position to be successful in the future."

CHARITY FROM THE HEART

Armstead made the two-plus hour drive from his South Bay home last week to announce his quarter-million dollar investment in conjunction with Mercy Housing in Land Park, just south of downtown Sacramento. The event included a speech from Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg. "It makes me very proud and I don't take it for granted that this man who is a star and has a bit of celebrity is investing in the kids of Sacramento. That means everything," Steinberg told The Bee.

"There's some who do it out of some obligation because it looks good. Arik is the exact opposite of that. He does it from the right place, from the heart. And he's just starting, too, which is what's really exciting." Steinberg indicated the city plans to partner with Armstead on future philanthropic efforts. "I think the sky's the limit," Steinberg said. "We've been talking about bigger and broader things. ... I think he wants a long-term presence in the city."

What that is remains to be seen. Armstead said one of his biggest influences is NBA megastar LeBron James, who helped create the I Promise School, which opened in Akron, Ohio in 2018 to help at-risk children. Armstead's other influences: late rapper Nispey Hussle and former 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick, who became a pillar in philanthropy and the social justice movement for his protest of police brutality and racial injustice in 2016.

"They inspire me to continue do more and more," Armstead says. "Beyond that, my family and how I was raised (inspire me) and I owe a lot to my parents and my family instilling those characteristics in me." Eventually Armstead will pass along those characteristics to his daughter, who dramatically changed his worldview, his father Guss said. "I think it gave him a different perspective," Guss Armstead said. "I think he's seeing a whole other side of it, and I think he's embracing it. I see him smile a lot now. He's always smiling, but he was really smiling a lot with his daughter." Added Arik: "Everything I do, I work with kids, I support and help kids. There's going to be those things that I want for my daughter, I want for these kids as well."

ADDING TO THE CAUSES

Since Amiri was born, Armstead has added gender equity to his causes. He's become a board member for a startup, Syndio, that creates software for companies to evaluate their own employment practices and identify discrepancies in pay surrounding gender and race. "Having a daughter and thinking of working in a company that helps with women's rights and women's equity, is really cool for me too," he said. "I wasn't even necessarily thinking like that before having my daughter." Armstead was the 49ers' Walter Payton Man of the Year nominee for last season which recognizes players for their excellence in community service and play on the field. He should be the favorite to repeat as the nominee for 2021. Many of his teammates this week posted about his \$250,000 donation on their social media feeds.

"He for sure inspires me," Warner, the All-Pro linebacker, said. "He's just so consistent and diligent about wanting to give back and help in the community. He leads by action. ... That's why he is one of our captains and why we all look up to him so highly." Indeed, the once-unassuming Armstead has become a giant in the Sacramento community. And not because he stands 6-foot-7.



49ers' Arik Armstead seizing media platform in 2020 to spread word on social injustices

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Arik Armstead took a seat in front of a microphone after 49ers practice, advised reporters to hold tight and insisted on having the first word.

So Armstead launched into what he said will be a routine before his media sessions this season. He's reserving that time to speak out against social injustices and hopefully create unity through dialogue.

"We have to think about why this is happening and what biases and stereotypes are we continuing to allow to be a part of society," Armstead, a sixth-year defensive lineman said. "How can we stop spreading hate and start spreading love in a society where everything is divided black and white, rich and poor, gay/straight, immigrant/citizen?"

"How can we knock down those walls instead of dividing our people and bring people closer together?"

Friday's opening pitch was about America's rise in hate crimes, and Armstead cited the New York Times and FBI in stating that hate crimes were at its highest point in 16 years, such as those against Asians in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and against Latinos because of immigration strife.

"I challenge all of us to continue to spread love and understanding to people who don't look like us and maybe have a different language than us," Armstead said. "That's what I wanted to shed light on today. Let's talk football."

Armstead's ensuing media session did just stick to football, and the most relevant aspect of that end is his back feels fine and not so tight after missing the first four sessions of training camp.

"My plan throughout the season is to continue this and bring up different topics, new things each time, things I've been reading and educating myself on and try to create dialogue and educate people with this platform and opportunity."

Armstead was the 49ers' 2015 first-round draft pick, and, in the ensuing years, the Elk Grove native supported Colin Kaepernick and other teammates during protests against social inequality and police misconduct.

"I'm trying to find ways to push the needle and educate people with my platform," Armstead said. "That's my responsibility and my duty as a citizen, to be a better part of society, add value to society and the people around me."

"Playing in the NFL gives me a platform. People look up to me and care about what I say, so I decided to use that voice for good and positive things, and to continue to push that needle and try to educate people with my voice."

San Francisco 49ers defensive end Arik Armstead during the second half of an NFL football game against the Los Angeles Rams Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, in Los Angeles. (AP Photo/John Locher)
Richard Sherman, perhaps the most outspoken of all 49ers on myriad topics, is all in favor of Armstead's approach.

"It's one of the most important things in the world, especially during this time," Sherman said. "It's past due time to arrest Breonna Taylor's killers but that hasn't happened. It's time for everybody to speak up and put pressure on things they see is wrong. It's been too long of everyone casting a blind eye. "These are wild times," Sherman added, "and the more we can speak up and shed light on it, the better the world will be for our kids."



Armstead capped off his media session with advice on how to eliminate stereotypes and create a more harmonious society:

“It’s simple encounters you can have with people walking down a street, in a store, saying hi, going out your way to be polite and nice, knocking down that invisible wall that may be there when someone doesn’t know you,” Armstead said. “People can be pleasantly surprised. ‘That’s a nice person.’ Showing genuine care or want to learn about other people instead of being so self-absorbed. Try to show interest in other things you don’t have experience on.

“Those are simple ways you can knock down walls and create unity.”



Aaron Banks

How 49ers' Aaron Banks developed using hoops, jump rope and 'calcium cocktails'

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Aaron Banks weighed 188 pounds when he was in third grade, which meant the San Francisco 49ers left guard had to trek 30 miles from his home in Alameda to play in a no-weight-limit youth football league in Pleasanton.

The 8-year-old, of course, was bigger than the rest of his teammates. And opponents. And others.

"Aaron," said his mother, Teresa, "was bigger than the coach."

Banks was an anomaly on the field. But not at home. His older sister, Dalisia, 30, who is 5-foot-10, and his brothers, Lamont Jr., 27, and Franklin, 22, all grew up bigger than their peers.

And that inspired their parents, Lamont, who played high school football, and Teresa, a former bodybuilder, to ensure they stayed active and healthy.

Aaron, 25, now 6-5 and 325 pounds, smiled Wednesday in the 49ers' locker room as he recalled their before-bed routine: 150 made free throws and 2,000 jump-rope skips in their backyard. And Teresa said that was followed by vitamins and a blended "calcium cocktail": two cups of nonfat milk, four scoops of Ovaltine and six scoops of dry milk.

"We like food," Teresa said. "We like the way it tastes. We like to eat. And so it was, 'OK, you've got to stay in shape.'"

Seventeen years after Banks dwarfed his youth-football coach, he's standing tall in the NFL thanks to a body transformation — this one wasn't supervised by his parents — that has made him a key part of an offensive line that will face its toughest test Sunday in the NFC Championship Game in Philadelphia.

After a disappointing rookie season, Banks, a 2021 second-round pick who was an All-American at Notre Dame, has started 18 games (including playoffs) for an offense that allowed the NFL's sixth-fewest sacks and ranked eighth in rushing.

Now the 49ers' line will be tasked with handling its most formidable front.

The Eagles had an NFL-high 70 sacks, which was 15 more than any other team and matched the third most in NFL history. Philadelphia has four defensive tackles, Fletcher Cox, Javon Hargrave, Ndamukong Suh and Linval Joseph, who have combined for 16 Pro Bowl berths.

"They are very good across the board," Banks said. "They have depth on the interior. So it's not just the first two guys and you get past that and get some scrubs. It will be a big task for whoever is out there. But I think we're looking forward to it."

Banks will be out there a year after he was inactive for the 49ers' loss to the Rams in the NFC Championship Game.

That marked the end of a rookie season in which he played just five snaps. And it was the beginning of an offseason in which he trained at the team facility, lowered his body fat, increased his functional strength and sharpened his focus.



“There are no gimmes at this level,” Banks said. “There’s no, ‘Hey, you’re going to come in and be a starter.’ You’ve got to work for it. It definitely humbled me. I had to take a step back, look at myself and examine what I wasn’t doing right.”

Banks wasn’t the only lineman with plenty to prove. He is a member of an interior-line threesome — a group that includes center Jake Brendel and rookie guard Spencer Burford — that entered the season surrounded by skepticism.

Banks, Brendel and Burford had combined for three career starts, all by Brendel, 30, who wasn’t drafted and is with his fifth NFL team. Burford was a fourth-round pick from Texas-San Antonio and Banks spent his first year as a spectator.

It looked like a potential disaster. But offensive line coach Chris Foerster said enough talent was evident to provide belief.

“It wasn’t like we rolled it out there and said, ‘We hope,’” Foerster said. “We hoped, yes. But we also talked about they all had a skill set that said they could do it.”

Banks’ skill set includes nimble feet that he credits to his basketball background, a sport that was also played by his siblings. Teresa, despite never playing the sport, coached some of their teams: She laughed about placing a cover over her “Basketball for Dummies” book to conceal her initial lack of knowledge.

Banks, whose agility earned him the nickname “Dancing Bear” by one of his Notre Dame coaches, was part of part of a basketball program that won back-to-back North Coast Section titles at El Cerrito High. And his hoops helped develop some qualities that belie his size.

“It helped me with footwork, hand-eye coordination and understanding angles,” Banks said. “And ‘OK, I have something I need to protect. I need to protect the rim so how do I get in the way of you getting there?’ It just provided a real understanding of where I need to put my body to get in front of guys.”

Banks’ earliest basketball memories were in his backyard, before bed, when he and his siblings would launch their shots and skip rope. Teresa estimates Aaron was around 5 when he was gradually “grandfathered” into the family program he credits for much of his success.

“They both understood the body and how to build strength,” Banks said. “How to feed us as kids so we’d be big, but not so big that we couldn’t move. A lot of it is a testament to them for building that foundation.”



Basketball feet, football power: 49ers rookie Aaron Banks began his athletic rise on the El Cerrito hardwood

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East Bay native and Notre Dame product Aaron Banks picked up the phone on the second day of April's NFL Draft.

"Hey, this is John Lynch from the 49ers," the voice on the other end of the line said. "Are you ready to come back to the Bay Area, buddy?"

Celebratory yells and screams followed. For several seconds, Banks didn't have a chance to give Lynch an audible answer. That's how wildly the offensive lineman's extended network of family and friends, huddled around him at a house in Sonoma rented for the occasion, reacted the second Lynch's words crackled through the phone.

Kenny Kahn, Banks' football coach at El Cerrito High School for three years, was among the elated throng that was making all that noise.

"Aaron playing for the San Francisco 49ers is a dream come true," Kahn said in a phone interview last week. "I'm an '80s baby, so it's hard not to love Bay Area teams and what they did then, the A's, the 49ers. So to see Aaron, a Bay Area kid, wear the red and gold is something special.

"You have a kid who has a good head on his shoulders, great support. And people want to see him do well. Him coming home is one of the greatest things."

For Kahn, it's even better than the summer 2013 moment when he met Banks, who was an incoming freshman at El Cerrito playing on the school's summer basketball team.

And that was a good memory.

"Whenever a freshman kid first comes up to talk to me, it's always, 'Coach Kahn, I want to play football for the Gauchos,'" Kahn said. "And I see this 6-5, 330-pound specimen and I just can't make words come out of my mouth.

"I'm just giving him the eye test. I'm grabbing his arm. I kind of start grunting, and my assistant head coach Donny Davis was next to me and I literally started doing the Ric Flair 'woo!'"

Banks' father, Lamont, is a former football player, and his mother, Teresa, is a former bodybuilder. Even as a teenager who hadn't yet hit the gridiron, Banks looked the part.

Given his size, it didn't take Banks long to start dominating much smaller competition on the football field. But it was Banks' ability to move his massive frame that truly differentiated him. He fielded 30 college scholarship offers, eventually choosing a Notre Dame program that valued his spatial-blocking capabilities.

The 49ers, also enamored of Banks' dexterity, were willing to select him with a premium second-round pick — even though coach Kyle Shanahan's regime hadn't selected an offensive guard in four-plus drafts up until that point.

Banks' agility is rooted in his AAU background on the hardwood.

"A lot of people don't realize this, but when Aaron came to El Cerrito, he didn't play football," Michael Booker, Banks' high school basketball coach, said in a recent phone interview. "He was a basketball player. He was a big kid as a freshman, but his footwork was incredible. His skill on the basketball court



— he was cerebral, he knew where to be, he knew how to use his body, knew how to position it to be the scorer, to play defense.

“He wasn’t a dump truck. He had really quick feet. He was really agile, and he could really move. That was really surprising for a kid that big.”

Banks consistently scored in the double digits for El Cerrito. His top performances came against his best competition. Booker said Banks was one of the best big men at the Torrey Pines Holiday Classic basketball tournament in late 2015. El Cerrito knocked off host Torrey Pines, Lynch’s alma mater, in that tournament. The Gauchos advanced to the 2016 Northern California Division II championship game, where they lost narrowly to San Mateo’s Serra High.

In that contest, Banks more than held his own against Serra 7-footer Jack Wilson, who later played at Oregon State and Idaho.

“Aaron was just abusing him and going to work on him,” Booker said. “He was really intuitive in terms of playing the game. He knew where the other people should be. He knew all the positions, from the point guard to the five-spot. In fact, he would tell people where they should be. And defensively, he anchored us. So we could do a lot of things defensively that a lot of high school teams couldn’t do, because he could quarterback that.”

Banks’ mastery of nuances carried over to the football field, where the intricacies of timing and footwork are vital to the success of trench play — especially in the type of outside-zone system the 49ers run.

“Once he learned how to play offensive guard and tackle, he wanted to be a long snapper, he wanted to play defensive tackle and defensive end, he wanted to learn everything and play everything,” Kahn said.

“He always had a knack for learning and getting better. He’s a savant in that sense.”

When Banks first joined El Cerrito’s football team in 2013, the program was coming off an illustrious 2012 season that finished with a 13-1 record. The Gauchos’ only loss had come in their final game, a 31-28 defeat at the hands of Marin Catholic — led by future Cal and NFL quarterback Jared Goff — in the North Coast Section Division III title game.

A number of future college Division I players from that El Cerrito team, including defensive back Adarius Pickett (who’d play for UCLA and is now in the CFL), linebacker DJ Calhoun (who’d play for Arizona State) and receiver Marquis Pippins (who’d play for Weber State), remained with the Gauchos when Banks enrolled as a freshman.

“He got to come into that,” Kahn said. “I think with the basketball background and being able to step right in and play in football, he was learning with that baptism-by-fire mentality. He’s always shown he’s an incredible competitor. He looks at it as: The opponent helps facilitate your growth.”

Banks’ football highlight reel at El Cerrito showcases an early look at the skill set that would sell the 49ers several years later.

“We thought that this is a guy that was quick enough to attach to defenders on the second level,” 49ers offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel said earlier this month. “He had a lot of skills. And yeah, we like that he’s big. He’s just gonna have to run fast while being big and we felt like he was a candidate to do that.” Long before Shanahan’s staff nabbed him, Banks’ play in high school drew the hot pursuit of a former 49ers head coach.

Michigan coach Jim Harbaugh, two years after he finished his four-season stint with the 49ers, returned to the Bay Area to pursue two high-profile recruits in fall 2016. One was Antioch High running back Najee Harris, who went on to star at Alabama before the Steelers picked him in the first round of the 2021 draft. The other was Banks. Harbaugh made headlines by announcing Antioch’s homecoming queen at one of Harris’ games and by volunteering on the sidelines for one of Banks’ games.



“Those were two of your top Bay Area recruits,” Kahn said. “Harbaugh was working the chain gang at an El Cerrito football contest followed by him announcing homecoming royalty at Antioch football. I thought it was hilarious. It showed both humility and a great way to show I’m willing to do everything and anything so you’ll play for the Michigan Wolverines. And Michigan was a big option for Aaron at that point in time.”

Along with Oregon and Notre Dame, the Wolverines were one of three finalists in Banks’ recruitment. But the lineman ultimately opted to join the Irish. Banks entered as a freshman when 49ers right tackle Mike McGlinchey, his new teammate and likely neighbor on the right side of the 49ers’ front (Banks projects as the starter at right guard), was a senior at Notre Dame.

“The family, the faith and (former Irish offensive line) coach Harry Hiestand had a big impact on him at the time,” Kahn said.

Banks’ four seasons at Notre Dame set the table for this past April’s Bay Area homecoming — the joyous scene on the other end of the line of that draft-day phone call with Lynch.

The mass of family members and friends gathered at the draft house in Sonoma and bubbled with excitement, ready to explode whenever Banks was picked. They were eager to celebrate one of their own, who’d earned respect with the helpfulness and modesty he’d shown on his rise through the football ranks.

“If there was a freshman kid having a hard time, it was hard not to take Aaron’s help or listen to him,” Kahn said. “A lot of times in high school, you see kids who have that level of success start to big league people, but he was always humble, appreciative and supportive of other people. He was accessible.

“So to witness that, it couldn’t have happened to a better person. El Cerrito is like a small town with a big-city feel. That’s the beauty of the Bay Area, right?”

Of course, the fact the 49ers picked Banks only added to the electricity of the moment. With the ties between franchise fandom and the coaches who developed Banks — Booker’s family has even had 49ers season tickets since 1979, Bill Walsh’s first year as coach — this process culminated in fitting fashion.

Kahn couldn’t help but note the 49ers will wear jersey patches honoring their 75th anniversary this season, which he deems an apt coincidence. Kahn wore No. 75 when he played at El Cerrito High, as did the late George Austin, a longtime fixture around the school who coached Banks in his 2016 senior season before dying in summer 2017.

“You see Aaron’s phone light up, you start to see Roger Goodell do his slow walk to the podium, you hear Aaron talking to Lynch and Shanahan,” Kahn said. “It was that starstruck ‘my dreams are coming true’ moment. Just to see him wrapped around his family, close friends, high school football coaches. “It was a special moment. I’ve been joking that it was my Woodstock because you don’t see that happen every day. And I’ll never see it again, right?”



Meet Aaron Banks, the 49ers' hometown protector here to 'bully bullies'

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Sometimes your trip home lasts longer than you expect. That was the case for Aaron Banks.

Banks became the man after the man on April 30. Selected 48th overall, he followed the 49ers' slightly more high-profile pick, Trey Lance. He was brought in as one of the men who will be tasked with protecting that franchise-altering investment for the long haul.

The call

The whole Banks clan was on hand that Friday night in Napa, not too far from where Aaron had grown up, in El Cerrito. They'd rented a house to watch the draft, and Banks invited those closest to him and those who'd helped him get to that point; his immediate family, girlfriend, high school football coaches and close friends.

While the celebration wasn't expected to be abbreviated, there was an expectation that it would have to be cut short at some point. Banks had his bags packed in the garage for whichever team picked him and sent him flying to some new part of the country. He'd have to report to wherever that was within three days.

There were a couple of times when he thought he got the call, which instead turned out to be people figuring out how to get to the house. His heart raced, then dropped, and he got back to waiting.

"Please don't call," he texted back.

But eventually the call did come in. Suffice it to say, it wasn't welcomed with golf claps.

General manager John Lynch and head coach Kyle Shanahan both got a kick out of their struggle to hear Banks through the roar that came from a room full of overjoyed friends and family.

It's hard to ask people to contain themselves at a time like that; especially when most of the room, including the majority of Banks' old coaches, were 49ers fans.

"We tried our best to not just mess that up for him," Aaron's father, Lamont, told KNBR. "But once we were shut off... man."

Aaron being drafted by the 49ers meant those bags could stay packed. He popped a bottle of champagne in the backyard and had time to breathe with those who mattered most to him. A surprise bonus came from the owner of the home, who was watching the draft with his son — both 49ers fans — who realized that the Aaron Banks they just watched get drafted was the same Aaron Banks who was renting their house.

The owner called Lamont to ask if he could stop by and congratulate them. The homeowner and his son got some autographs and he gave the Banks family a wine tasting, donated some pork from his pork farm next door, and extended their stay for another three days to allow them to soak in the moment.

"It was like a once in a lifetime moment," Lamont said. "To see my family, and see my son just, in a pick, move to another level, to another high. His life is gonna change, and what a dude that deserves it."

Lamont was not a 49ers fan. He's trying to come around to it, though. When the pick came in, the lifelong Raiders fan said he said reached into his pocket for his Raiders mask and had a moment with it, briefly lamenting that his team, which had traded up five spots with the 49ers from 48 to 43, had wasted its chance to draft his son.



“Raiders, it was your pick, but I think I gotta put you back in my pocket,” he said.

Lamont says he’s softening his stance though, and always respected the success of the 49ers. He’s already bought a 49ers hat, and that’s a real step.

At a family birthday when Banks’ kids were younger, his older brother, Ronnie, brought a haul of 49ers gear to his house for a birthday party. Ronnie could stay, but Lamont said he told him, “the gear has to go.” That gear’s no longer off limits.

Homecoming

That return home can be tricky to navigate. Players who get drafted where they grew up have to face a layer of pressure that’s impossible to prepare for. It’s a burden of your newly-earned wealth being very public, and the inevitable ask for favors.

Aaron’s former and now current teammate Mike McGlinchey warned him.

“There’s a little pressure that comes with that and there’s a lot of people that you know that are still close to you and you gotta learn how to be a pro and manage all that,” McGlinchey said on KNBR on May 4. “I know for me, if it was me in Philadelphia, it’d be a whole different story. So it’s definitely something that’s a really cool blessing for him but it’s also something that’s going to present a challenge, and he’s gonna have to learn to be a pro and be a grown man pretty quick.”

Aaron, though, has said he’s not concerned about those potential distractions.

“I haven’t thought twice about it,” he said. “When I can help some of my family, I will, but if I can’t, I’m gonna say no. I don’t think that has been on my mind at all.”

Aaron is one of four kids: his older sister, Dalisia, 28, his older brother, Lamont Jr., 25, himself, 23, and his younger brother, Franklin, 20.

He has myriad people to thank for getting to this point; his parents, Lamont and Teresa, his high school football coach Kenny Kahn, his offensive line partners and offensive line coach at Notre Dame, Harry Hiestand — but in talking to Banks, his father and Kahn, it’s clear much of it comes back to his sister.

Anyone with sisters knows how tough they can be, and Dalisia reigned supreme over her younger three brothers. With both parents often busy, she was in charge. And she could hold her own.

“She was the alpha,” Aaron said. “Huge shout out to her. My parents were often pretty busy. Coming up, she did a great job of stepping in, taking care of us when she had to.”

“[She] ruled in my house until she was maybe 13, 14,” said Lamont. “It took three of them to take her down. She ruled, which was the best thing in the world for them because they were the boys that didn’t actually get into a whole lot of stuff because she was always on their butts. Plus, she’s heavy-handed.”

“She kind of instilled in them boys that they’re not going to be any punks. They were tough on each other, but being tough on each other made them stronger. And they felt that and they always had confidence because of it.”

Aaron was humbled early. His father, a former football player, and mother, a former bodybuilder, made sure their kids, who were extremely competitive with one another, were active. That meant literally 1,000-2,000 jump ropes and/or a couple hundred free throws every night before bed.

Get in trouble? You’d be jumping rope “for a while.”



Part of that routine came from the fact that the Banks children were so large for their age growing up that they weren't allowed to play in football until they got older. That's where basketball and jump rope came in, laying the groundwork for Aaron to be agile and crafty with his footwork.

Lamont described his kids as a goofy bunch. When he had to bring them with him to work on his contracting jobs, he'd leave them with masking paper and tape to come back to now-mummified children, wrapped up and sometimes sliding around the room in rolling chairs.

That dynamic set the foundation for Aaron. It was a competitive, but goofy family that prioritized work ethic.

Lamont said he rarely had to worry about his son. In high school, Aaron was proactively helping other students who found themselves in trouble. He was part of a program at El Cerrito called the Culture Keepers, which sought to provide help to students who were struggling, via mindfulness practices.

That allowed students to feel like they could get help and reach out to their peers without the fear or uncomfortability of talking to a school administrator. As his high school football coach Kahn — who will start as principal at Redwood High School next year in Castro Valley — put it, it was difficult not to accept help from Aaron.

"It's really hard [to say no] when the biggest, most physical athlete on campus is giving you that olive branch and saying, 'Hey, let's take a walk, let's talk about it, tell me what's going on. How are you feeling?'" Kahn said. "He's such a supportive person in so many capacities."

That continued at Notre Dame, where Lamont said his son quietly built a bond with a young, neuroatypical fan, spending time with him on the sidelines, giving him autographs, gloves and other memorabilia.

Kahn's bond with Banks continued while he was at college. His son, Theo, was the first baby Aaron — a bit hesitantly, asking Kahn, "you're trusting me with this?" — ever held. Whenever he got home from school, Kahn said Aaron always checked in with his family.

He said Aaron has a relationship with him and his wife, and that Theo, bless his heart, brags that Aaron is his best friend.

"He'd show up, grab some sandwiches, watch a movie or two," Kahn said. "I remember watching the women's NCAA tournament when Notre Dame went off a couple years back. It was just fun to have him at the house hanging out. He always wants to stay connected to the people who put on for him."

And as a protector, well, Kahn does not recommend poking the "Dancing Bear" — the nickname his college offensive coordinator Chip Long gave him. He took a page out of the Zach Randolph book.

"I wouldn't mess with his quarterback or his backfield," Kahn said. "Because, when I talk about him not being a bully, he'll bully bullies."

Room full of alphas

It was at Notre Dame where Lamont says his son became the man he is. He enters the NFL with a draft class of four other Notre Dame senior offensive linemen in Liam Eichenberg (Round 2, Pick 42 – Miami), Robert Hainsey (Round 3, Pick 95 – Tampa Bay) and Tommy Kraemer (undrafted free agent – signed with Detroit).

That group learned from McGlinchey's class as freshmen, and will be challenged to match what that group has already accomplished in the NFL. Banks came into Notre Dame under a group of seniors that were, as Long called them, "a group of alphas."



There was McGlinchey, Quenton Nelson (arguably the best interior offensive lineman in the NFL), Alex Bars (starting right guard for the Bears), Sam Mustipher (starting center for the Bears) and Hainsey, who was starting as a freshman.

All Aaron had to do was take over for Nelson, who, again, might be the best interior offensive lineman in the NFL. But he'd spent that first year being able to learn from Nelson and Bars, so, when Bars got injured against Stanford in Week 5 and his opportunity came, he wasn't harrowed by the pressure of slotting into a starting spot as a redshirt freshman on an undefeated team.

After a game during their freshman year, Lamont said he met Nelson and asked a favor of the now three-time All-Pro guard.

"I said man, would you please look out for my son?" Lamont said. "He says, 'Man, I'm gonna take him, and I'm going to show him as much as I can. And you can best believe' — and he put his arm around Aaron's shoulder — 'I got him.' And you know what? I knew that kid was telling me the truth. And he never failed him."

It's that part of Banks' experience that he, and everyone around him, could feel shaping him. Those offensive line rooms were especially close-knit, in part due to the culture of Notre Dame and the way Hiestand hand-picked his offensive linemen, but also because they all came in at the same time and grew together.

"Them dudes were down for each other and that's what makes the difference," said Lamont. "To me, that's why my son became the man that he is."

That's not a gimmick. As the 49ers went through the draft process, McGlinchey, who was one of the few 49ers players still around the team facility at that time, was stumping for his Notre Dame teammates.

Kyle Shanahan said McGlinchey begged the 49ers to grab another golden domer, and was understandably ecstatic to see that come to fruition. Asked if he was really campaigning for his teammates to the extent Shanahan said he was, McGlinchey told KNBR: "Absolutely."

"It wasn't just Banks, it was the rest of the Notre Dame haul, too," McGlinchey said. "I was excited about all four of those guys with Liam Eichenberg, Tommy Kramer and Rob Hainsey. The four of those guys, I played with, I knew them, I know what is coached at that school, I know what they look like, I know who they are as workers, I know who they are as teammates. And I think the sky's the limit for all of them and especially for Aaron. And so I made sure that we were going to get one of them."

Not the right fit? 'That criticism is crazy to me'

That's all well and good. Aaron Banks, the local kid, comes home and gets to play with his former Notre Dame teammate on a team that's ready to compete now and for the future. Everything looks bright.

But it's all got to happen on the field, and there has already been some criticism of Banks, or at the least, his fit with the 49ers. That criticism seems only slightly insane given that he hasn't even had a day of training camp under his belt, but hey, if you don't get your takes in early, you can't claim you were right later.

The criticism of Banks is that he isn't a good zone blocking fit, and would fit better in a power or gap system. Again, he's yet to start training camp, let alone play a preseason snap, let alone play in a regular season game.

Those critiques seem tethered more to the fact that the 49ers have had Mike Person and Daniel Brunskill at right guard, who weren't as massive as Banks, and had solid short-area quickness in zone runs. Basically, the criticism goes, Banks, at 6'6" and a listed 325 pounds, is very large, and very large guys tend to not move as well as smaller guys.



Some of that, too, is based on scheme. Notre Dame started to run more zone blocking runs under under offensive coordinator Tommy Rees in 2020 than under Long. Long said he thinks some of the criticism may stem simply from the fact that Banks was asked to gap block often in his offense.

But you don't get the nickname "Dancing Bear" for being heavy on you feet. Long gave him the nickname in practice one day as a compliment to his agility for his size and flexibility. At that time, Banks was playing tackle, too, and proficiently.

It is patently impossible to watch Banks' tape and come to the conclusion that he doesn't move well, or is incapable of fitting into a zone system.

If you have questions about Banks' athleticism, let's amend that. He was a back-to-back North Coast Section champion at El Cerrito in basketball, and helped El Cerrito to its first-ever NCS football championship in 2013, too. You see him in the clips below working in the post, showing off baby hooks with either hand, up-and-unders, spinning out of the low block, facilitating off the dribble, and blocking a couple of shots.

When you see his high school football tape, you feel simultaneously awed and bad for the kids he was facing. He played both offensive and defensive tackle, and it's on the defensive side where you really see that explosiveness and short area quickness.

But there are a couple plays on this reel at offensive tackle that are pure bulldozer material. In the first clip, he sends a kid to his back with ease, and that kid stays there for... a while.

The second play is etched in Lamont Banks' mind. As he remembered it, his son drove another player for about 25 yards, but it was a fuzzier memory for Aaron.

When draft day rolled around and media were looking for tape of Aaron in high school, Kahn obliged. And there it was, just as Lamont remembered it; Aaron Banks literally driving another player straight back from his own 38-yard-line to the other team's 42. Only a mere 20 yards (0:48 mark in the video below).

Still, there's that criticism out there, and even if Banks is perfect from the moment he sets foot on the field, there will be new critics with new criticism. It's the name of the game when you're playing professional sports.

McGlinchey was criticized as harshly as anyone last season, and acknowledged his role in that, in what was an immensely difficult season for the 49ers behind the scenes.

But criticizing a player who has yet to take the field? McGlinchey said he can't understand that especially for a guy he described as a "nasty player," who has obvious, above average athleticism.

"Just because someone's size is what it is, doesn't mean he isn't a scheme fit," McGlinchey said. "Kyle Shanahan is as good — and so is John — at identifying talent and things that fit within our ballclub. If people truly believe that about Aaron Banks, they're obviously not watching film, they're obviously not watching football and they obviously don't really know what they're looking for because no matter how big he is, no matter how he looks, Aaron can move. Aaron is an exceptional athlete. You watch him in space, you watch him coming off the ball, he's a perfect fit for what we do and the more he's coached here and the better that he gets to unleash his athletic ability and fine tune that technique, he's going to be a force for us.

"To critique a guy and question an offensive coach who has proven time and time again that he's always right, is pretty astounding to me. I don't know how people could do that... That criticism is crazy to me."

One area that Aaron excelled at Notre Dame was as a blocker in the screen game. Long told KNBR that he would actively look for Banks in practices and games and try to run screens to his side.



“He’s one of the best screen offensive linemen I’ve ever seen, being able to get out in space and stay on defenders and he’s just so massive and so talented, with his athleticism,” Long said. “Every time I’d try to run a screen I’d always go, ‘Where’s Banks? Run it to him,’ because he’d always be able to get it going.”

To some extent, Aaron said he understands the criticism. People who haven’t seen him play will see his size and assume, as a bigger player, that he won’t move as well.

He shot back at that criticism, but made clear he’s not concerned with those opinions.

“Obviously coach Shanahan had a vision and saw something he liked and I hate to say it like this, but sometimes people who write these articles haven’t played the game, and aren’t in and out of the facility every day to see what these coaches see,” Banks said. “I don’t give a damn what these people say, if they’re talking bad or talking good. If it’s not going to make me better, or help me be a better player, or do whatever I need to do on the field, then it doesn’t matter.”

We’re still about three months away from the start of the NFL season and Banks’ debut, but Kahn said his growth as a person and player, and homecoming is already meaningful to other kids growing up in the Bay.

“It’s awesome to see in the Bay Area so many Black and brown men continuing to grow,” Kahn said. “Because I think that’s a hard narrative sometimes that we have to push and so to see Aaron on the platform that he is now, I think, is a message to so many young Black and brown kids that hard work, potential, taking in advice, coaching and mentorship, actualizing potential, anyone can do it... it’s different for every person, but he’s such a beacon of light.”



Nick Bosa

49ers star Nick Bosa has a burst fueled by sweat, sacrifice and a personal chef

By Matt Barrows
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Once upon a time, Nick Bosa ate like a college guy.

He subsisted on Chipotle during the day. When the bars closed in the wee hours, he and his crew hit McDonald's. His go-to order: a McGriddle, 550 calories of sausage, egg, American cheese and gooey goodness.

When he went home to South Florida, Sunday dinners consisted of penne, gravy, short ribs and meatballs. Absolutely scrumptious, but ...

"If there was one place where there was a weakness, it was my diet," the 49ers star said.

Not anymore.

Chipotle is out and ceviche is in. Short ribs have been replaced by tuna poke. And early morning McGriddles have been washed away by freshly squeezed fruit juices — lots and lots of fruit juices.

"You should see my kitchen on juice(-making) days," Bosa said. "It's like the produce section of a grocery store."

The results are written all over his face. His cheeks are leaner than when he entered the league in 2019. And his abs? You could do a few baskets of laundry on his washboard, which was on full display during summer practices. Bosa said he's dropped to around 9 percent body fat, one of the lowest on the team.

Most significant, he's shaved fractions of seconds from the time it takes him to fire out of a three-point stance and crash into the pocket.

"I make my money in 10-yard bursts, for sure," the 49ers defensive end said.

Those 10-yard bursts are interesting. Before he was drafted, Bosa's 10-yard split was 1.55 seconds, a strong time for a 266-pounder like him. This offseason, his splits were routinely below 1.5 seconds, which is squarely in the oh crap range if you're an NFL quarterback.

Just how absurd are those times for someone of Bosa's size? According to The Athletic's Dane Brugler, only eight cornerbacks had sub-1.5-second splits prior to the most recent draft and just one pass rusher, 249-pound Amare Barno, was under that mark with a 1.49-second split.

And Bosa's have been faster than that.

"My starts — if I'm not under a 1.50 on my 10-yard starts, then my nervous system probably isn't on it that day," Bosa said. "I'm in the 1.4 range every time."

Tackle Mike McGlinchey can give a first-person account of Bosa's annual progress. He recalled his initial pass-protection snap of the summer when No. 97 zipped by like a blur.

"It was like, 'Oh, he got even faster,'" McGlinchey said. "I don't know what's in the water down in South Florida with him and his brother. But the two of them, they're so meticulous, they're so professional. They understand training and nutrition and all that kind of stuff better than just about anybody I've ever been around."



When players skip OTAs and other non-mandatory workouts, NFL teams often react like they've gone AWOL. When Bosa's not around in the spring, the 49ers merely shrug and know what he's doing off-site is extremely valuable.

"You see it in his work, in how he looks, in how he plays," McGlinchey said. "He maximizes everything about himself. And it's the reason he gets better every single year he goes home."

The two major changes in Bosa's training methods have been born of big injuries. The first occurred in 2018 after a core muscle tear ended his final season at Ohio State. He went to live in Southern California with his older brother, Chargers pass rusher Joey Bosa, who got Nick working with his personal trainer, Todd Rice.

Two years earlier, Rice had been part of the Chargers strength and conditioning staff and had given a presentation to the team's rookies on the importance of flexibility. Rice had studied Olympic weightlifters in Sweden, Poland and Bulgaria and had marveled at their scientific approach to training.

"It was, what makes Olympic lifters stay healthy even though they're lifting, minimally, 2 1/2 times their body weight in a clean and jerk?" Rice said in a phone interview. "And yet they don't have the injuries that a lot of college and NFL athletes have."

The difference was their pliability, which was what Rice explained to the Chargers rookies following a hot practice in Southern California. He wasn't sure if any had paid attention until Joey approached him afterward and said he'd been having pain in his knees, back and hamstrings. He thought Rice's half-hour stretching routine might help.

"And Joey came in and did it later that day," Rice recalled. "And it was not easy. We evaluated his flexibility, which was not good. And definitely not where it needed to be."

Rice said most football players would rather concentrate on the bodybuilding aspect of training, the one in which you pump yourself up and then preen in front of the mirror. Flexibility? It's boring. It takes time and concentration. Many players come in for an initial session and never come back.

Joey, however, didn't just stick with the routine. When the season ended, he hired Rice to be his year-round private trainer. After all, his knee and back pain had gone away and suddenly the stiff-legged edge rusher was bending like a ballerina. Joey can lie on his back and bring his legs as far back as his head. Little brother Nick has quadriceps like oak stumps, but he can reach 10 inches past his toes with his legs locked in a sitting position.

Today, Nick is just as big a convert as his brother. He likes to torment Rice by sending video clips of college weight room scenes where a player squeezes out a personal best in, say, the squat and then is mobbed by frenzied teammates. The joke, of course, is that the lifts aren't technically correct, that the flexibility needed to do them safely and productively is missing. The college guys are lifting like meatheads when they should be doing it like eggheads.

"I have a library of all the videos Nick and Joey have sent me knowing that it makes my stomach turn," Rice said with a laugh. "Nicky sends 'em to me all the time. Then again, it kind of makes me smile because it tells me they know what's not right."

It's easy to see why the Bosas speak about Rice's routine with near-religious zeal. The brothers are the type of people who want to know the science behind what they're doing, and Rice gives them plenty of material. Everything they do in South Florida from February to July is timed or measured, even the warmups. That's allowed Nick to keep track of his progress. He's gotten quicker every offseason — even last year when he was recovering from an ACL tear. The most recent offseason has been the best yet, which makes you wonder how high his sack total might soar in 2022.

"I've upped my maxes in squats and benches this past year pretty substantially," he said. "My sprinting numbers are better than they've ever been. My agility drill numbers are better than they've ever been."



The 2022 offseason also included a twist to the routine in the form of a 4,000-square-foot warehouse that Joey bought and converted into a private gym. How private? There are two members: him and Nick.

Training got tricky in recent years because of COVID-19. The new gym essentially makes their sessions pandemic-proof and was custom built with a full kitchen, hot and cold therapy sections and a basketball court-like suspended floor that's easier on the joints.

Nick said the one-time warehouse is in a nondescript commercial area and there's a mechanics shop next door.

"They're definitely confused, I think, when they see us pull up in our Teslas and walk out," he said. "And they're all working on cars. There's no signs or anything. We just keep it low-key."

The final piece of Bosa's training regimen also followed an injury, a 2020 ACL reconstruction that included a torn MCL and torn lateral meniscus.

During his rehabilitation, he reasoned that he already had a workout routine that was rigid and science-based and that his diet ought to match. So he hired a chef, Ana Machado, who's been executive chef at restaurants and taught culinary arts at local universities and who immediately began drawing up a menu for a defensive end who devours quarterbacks.

Bosa grew up in an Italian American household, loved pasta — the richer, the better — and equated carbohydrates with energy. Suddenly those were out, largely replaced by fish that Machado finds at a market near his Fort Lauderdale house.

"It's a ton of raw fish," he said. "Raw salmon and tuna. She does a ceviche with grouper and sea bass, which is unreal. And then a chef's salad. She makes a ton of variety. It never really gets boring. It's tasty. It's not a chore."

Bosa said he starts the day with a green juice. Machado will come in one day with bags full of fruits and vegetables, which she chops, slices, squeezes and turns into six big containers that go into his refrigerator. He'll wake up, drink one of those and go for a run.

For breakfast, it's egg-white frittatas with ground bison — "Bison is leaner," he says — with turkey bacon, chorizo and a pile of spinach, peppers and onions.

Then it's another meal every three hours or so, perhaps a ceviche at 1 p.m. followed by a salmon crudo at 4 p.m. and tuna poke for the last big meal of the day.

"I think there was kind of an adaptation period for my body," he said. "But now my body operates better and I don't really need as much. I'm never feeling overly full. And I feel plenty of energy during my workouts."

The 49ers defensive end wants everyone to know he's not completely monastic.

He'll have a glass of wine on Saturday nights during the offseason. Everyone celebrated Joey's 27th birthday in July at a fancy restaurant and Nick admits he indulged in a dessert. His cheat meal no longer is a McGriddle, but it's not exactly health food, either.

"It's a steak, like a fatty steak," he said. "On the weekends I'll have a ribeye. Because when I do fatty things, it doesn't affect me nearly as bad as eating a pizza."

But sodas and sugars are either out or are extreme rarities. His beloved pastas are, too. And now he feels quicker, stronger — better — than he's ever felt.

"I've had a few injuries," he says, letting that statement sink in. "I know that football is what I want to do for a long time. So I felt like I have to maximize everything."



49ers' Nick Bosa, after emerging from 'dark places,' aiming for Week 1 return

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Nick Bosa noted Thursday he has felt “on the top of the world” and his mind also has traveled to “some dark places” in his brief NFL career.

The question that’s crucial to the 49ers’ season: How is the Pro Bowl defensive end currently feeling?

“Right now,” Bosa said, “I’m feeling pretty close.”

Bosa, speaking publicly for the first time since he suffered a torn ACL in his left knee in September that included cartilage damage — a “big injury,” he acknowledged — struck mostly positive notes as he discussed his current rehab and his ability to play in the season opener Sept. 12 at Detroit.

“Everything right now is trending toward that,” Bosa said. “So I’m hoping to ramp it up as I go and be ready to give it all I’ve got Week 1.”

However, Bosa, 23, also provided details that help explain why the 49ers are bringing him along slowly this summer. Bosa will participate only in individual drills for at least the first week of training camp. After suffering his injury more than 10 months ago, Bosa said he was still experiencing knee soreness after workouts before camp, but he has emerged from his first two practices feeling better than expected. Bosa has appeared explosive during drills and the only noticeable sign of his injury is a black sleeve that has covered his left knee.

“Since I’ve been out here, it’s responded amazing,” Bosa said. “We’re going to take it slow. But I’m very encouraged.”

The anticipated quarterback competition between Jimmy Garoppolo and rookie Trey Lance is the biggest story of the season. But Bosa’s ability to return from his injury ranks second. In 2019, the rookie No. 2 pick resembled a generational talent as he was named the NFL’s Defensive Rookie of the Year and became the 49ers’ first rookie since Patrick Willis to be voted to a Pro Bowl. Bosa was a two-time NFL Defensive Player of the Week and his four postseason sacks rank second among rookies in NFL history.

His dominant start, however, was followed by his devastating injury in the first quarter of a Week 2 win against the Jets on Sept. 20.

“You come off 2019 and you’re on top of the world and then start off well in your next season and it’s all taken away really quick,” Bosa said. “And it was tough. Mentally, it’s really rough. When your body feels terrible, your mind kind of goes to that place.”

But “as my body started to feel better, my mind followed. And then once you’re walking around, working out — I mean, all I really know how to do is work hard. So once you get (through) the initial pain of it, then there’s really no other option than to come back better.”

Instead of living in relative isolation in Santa Clara during the middle of the pandemic, Bosa spent the rest of the 2020 season in Southern California with his older brother and best friend, Joey, the Chargers’ Pro Bowl pass rusher. Nick Bosa also cited the support he received from his mom, Cheryl, as he dealt with the biggest physical setback of his football career. Bosa tore his ACL as a senior in high school and had surgery for a core-muscle injury in his final year at Ohio State.

“My mind did go to some dark places — especially when football’s a really big part of your life,” Bosa said. “And now it just makes you appreciate your family more. I have a girlfriend now. So she definitely occupies my mind a lot, which kind of helped me through this year.”



The next step for Bosa will come when he joins team drills and lines up against Pro Bowl left tackle Trent Williams. Their head-to-head tussles last year were the highlight of training camp.

“You won’t really know how it responds until you take a real rep and have a big offensive lineman pushing on you and all of that stuff,” Bosa said. “We’re trying to simulate it as much as possible right now. My body’s responding really well, so once I get out there and go against Trent a few times, I think it’ll be a pretty quick confidence boost.”



How Nick Bosa went from 'one of the darkest moments' of his life to a top NFL prospect

By Chris Biderman
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Nick Bosa's junior season with Ohio State was off to a promising start.

The talented defensive end logged four sacks in his first three games of 2018 as he hoped to solidify himself as the best defensive player in the country. Doing that, of course, would also help cement his future in the NFL, when he was widely expected to be the first prospect drafted in 2019 even before the season began.

But then on the third play of the second half against TCU in September, Bosa felt a sharp pain in his abdomen and hit the deck, requiring attention from the medical staff. It didn't take long for him to realize his college career might be over sooner than expected.

"I knew my season was in jeopardy and I had a doctor confirm that. It was tough, but it had to be done," Bosa told reporters at the NFL scouting combine Saturday in Indianapolis.

He required months of rehab in order to rejoin his teammates and complete a bid for the College Football Playoff. But Bosa roughly a month later elected to sit the remainder of the season out in order to focus on preparing for the NFL draft when his professional future, and millions of dollars, would be on the line.

"When it happened, when I got home from that TCU game I was lying in bed, I could barely get it. It was one of the darkest moments of my life so far," Bosa said. "For me to talk to my family and let them bring me up and let me know that my life is still good and I still have amazing blessings and a bright future, that's what helped me get through it."

The story of the combine from the 49ers' perspective has been the rise of Oklahoma quarterback Kyler Murray, whose height was questioned heading into the week despite having supreme athleticism that help him win the Heisman Trophy last season.

Murray was measured at 5-foot-10 1/8, 207 pounds and 9 1/2-inch hands. Those marks are widely considered strong enough to clear the thresholds for quarterbacks, and the buzz has been increasing that Murray will be the first player taken in the draft April 25 either by the Arizona Cardinals or a team they trade the top pick to.

Of course, that scenario means the best defensive player could fall to the second pick owned by San Francisco. And it's widely believed that Bosa would be the selection to help solve the team's longstanding issues at defensive end.

Bosa – who measured at nearly 6-foot-4, 266 pounds and had 29 reps on the bench press – is headlining a talented group of defensive-line prospects which could allow the 49ers to trade down to acquire a different pass rusher while accumulating more draft picks.

"I would tell you that it's a great year to be looking for D-linemen in general," general manager John Lynch said this week. "This is as strong of a class as the last eight years at the defensive line."

Bosa is planning to be a full participant in combine workouts Sunday despite only recently getting back to top capacity. He told reporters he had scheduled meetings with the teams holding the top eight picks of the first round, including Arizona.

"I've been training at full speed for a couple months, but actually feeling like myself, not feeling soreness after, probably a few weeks," he said. "The toughest part is the beginning. It's such a unique injury in that it's literally the muscle used to breathe, to cough, to go to the bathroom. It's your core muscle, it's



something different than I've dealt with before. It's really gradual, small steps. Once you get through it, I'm feeling better than I've ever felt right now."

Bosa logged 17 1/2 sacks and 29 tackles for loss over three seasons at Ohio State. He's a stout, powerful prospect and a mirror image of his brother, Joey, who has 28.5 sacks in 33 games since being taken with the No. 3 pick by the Chargers in 2016.

Nick Bosa was widely expected to be a top NFL prospect dating to his high school days. But the groin injury, on top of a partially torn ACL that ended his high school career early, might cause concerns about his durability.

Injuries have been such a pressing issue for 49ers coach Kyle Shanahan and Lynch over the past two seasons that the club fired its head athletic trainer Jeff Ferguson and strength coach Ray Wright. The 49ers recently hired Ben Peterson run the club's medical and training staffs under one title in order to create more continuity than the previous staffers. Peterson's evaluation of Bosa could wind up deciding if Bosa wears a 49ers helmet next fall.

Injuries aside, Shanahan said this week he's had trouble in the past identifying defensive linemen in the past (which includes 2017 first-round pick Solomon Thomas, who hasn't become a difference-making player with San Francisco during his two seasons).

"I've asked some of the best D-line coaches that I could ever imagine, and they say he's a slam dunk, and he doesn't make it," Shanahan said. "And then it's got another direction, too. Every story can contradict anything you say is the right answer ... That's why we over talk it, over think it, over do everything because you have to because there are so many variables."

Other pass rushers – such as Josh Allen (Kentucky), Brian Burns (Florida State), Montez Sweat (Mississippi State) and Clelin Ferrell (Clemson) – could fill San Francisco's needs.

Allen is widely considered a top-five prospect and is expected to test extremely well Sunday. He measured 6-foot-4 7/8 and 262 pounds with 33 1/2-inch arms, half an inch longer than Bosa's. Allen logged 17 1/2 sacks last season for the Wildcats despite spending more time in coverage as a linebacker.

Still, most evaluators believe there's a sizable talent gap between Bosa and Allen – and perhaps Bosa will tap into his disappointment from last fall to motivate him to make his mark early on in the pros.

"(My season) just got torn away from me," he said. "It's something that I'll always think back to."



OL Jake Brendel

After six-year wait, 49ers center Jake Brendel finally gets the call to start

By Eric Branch
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San Francisco 49ers center Jake Brendel was certain he would be selected during the final two days of the 2016 NFL draft.

Several teams told his agent, Ryan Downey, they had interest in taking his client in the middle rounds. In fact, the Colts mentioned using a third-round pick on Brendel, who was a four-year starter and three-time co-captain at UCLA.

However, Indianapolis instead used its first-round pick on Alabama center Ryan Kelly. And then six other centers were drafted in the final two days, while Brendel kept waiting for a call that never came.

“Draft weekend,” Brendel said, “was a little bit of a surprise for me.”

It was also a little bit of foreshadowing. Brendel has spent most of the six years since that draft weekend waiting for an opportunity that would not materialize. Until now.

In a career that has included five teams, three starts and 250 offensive snaps, Brendel, who will turn 30 on Saturday, will serve as the 49ers’ starting center when they open the season Sunday in Chicago. The 49ers’ first play will mark Brendel’s seventh offensive snap since Dec. 2, 2018, when he made the last of three fill-in starts with the Dolphins.

Brendel has learned patience, which wasn’t required in college: He owns UCLA’s record with 52 career starts.

“I’ve appreciated every single year in this league as just a steppingstone towards my goal, which is to sign a multi-year contract,” Brendel said. “Going in here as an undrafted guy, you kind of do have to fight for everything you get, which is fine. I’ve been doing it forever. So it’s really, just make the best of the opportunity that you have.”

Brendel’s opportunity finally arrived when Pro Bowl center Alex Mack retired in the offseason and the 49ers ultimately decided the best candidate to replace him was in-house.

Their bet on Brendel isn’t unique. He will likely be flanked by rookie right guard Spencer Burford and left guard Aaron Banks (zero starts). The unproven threesome makes the interior line the 49ers’ biggest question mark, just ahead of Trey Lance, the 22-year-old quarterback they are charged with protecting.

Offensive line coach Chris Foerster expects Brendel to reward the faith placed in him. And that’s not surprising: Foerster has advocated for Brendel since they connected with the Dolphins in 2016, their first of two seasons together.

Foerster was quickly struck by Brendel’s smarts. Brendel had a 4.0 GPA at Plano East (Texas) High School and was an economics major who graduated with a 3.49 GPA at UCLA. And his facility with numbers translated to Xs-and-Os as he easily picked up Miami’s system.

Brendel wasn’t a starting option with the Dolphins, who had Pro Bowl center Mike Pouncey. But Foerster was intrigued by Brendel’s potential. Foerster is the reason the 49ers signed Brendel in 2020, a year in which he opted out due to the pandemic, and why Brendel returned to the team as Mack’s backup last season.



Brendel, 6-foot-4 and 299 pounds, doesn't overwhelm defensive linemen with size or power, which helps explain his journeyman resume. But his acumen and athleticism are must-have qualities in head coach Kyle Shanahan's zone-based schemes, which require linemen with strong movement skills.

Foerster noted Brendel's testing numbers from the 2016 combine are comparable to those of Chiefs center Creed Humphrey, a second-round pick last year who had an impressive rookie season.

"The measurables with Jake aren't that different," Foerster said. "... And I'm not putting him in that category today. But I'm just saying that you can see the measurables and say, 'Wow, this guy has these traits.'"

Added Foerster: "Everything translates to him being able to do it. But you've got to do it ... The skill set and the person (he is) say this guy should be able to play."

Brendel is confident he's ready to play, partly because of the players he learned from throughout his career. Before he spent a season with Mack and two seasons with Pouncey, he began his career in 2016 with the Cowboys, who had Pro Bowl center Travis Frederick.

"So year after year after year after year I'm kind of looking at the difference between the starter that I'm backing up and me," Brendel said. "How big of a difference is that?"

The 49ers hope the drop-off from Mack is negligible or nonexistent. That's a high bar for Brendel, but the 49ers are encouraged after he had a strong training camp. And that came after his 2021 performance in the shadows: Brendel, the scout-team center, battled in practice against players from one of the NFL's best defensive lines.

In late April, after the final round of the NFL draft, general manager John Lynch offered the first public sign that the undrafted, unproven Brendel was a legitimate starting candidate.

He's "not a household name," Lynch said. "But we have a lot of confidence in his ability."

For his part, Brendel is ready to answer the call, six years after waiting for a call that never came.

"It means a lot for the front office, for coach Shanahan and Foerster to have the confidence in me to give me that shot and not look outside the building for a replacement for Alex," Brendel said. "It's a great opportunity to do what I was doing all last season. And now do it Sundays this season."



How Brendel defied odds to earn expected starting center job

By Matt Maiocco
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The preseason had unceremoniously come to a conclusion on Thursday night in Houston.

Jake Brendel stood in front of his locker, fully clothed, roller bag at his side, and ready to get on the bus to the airport. He was stopped for what might have been his first media interview since his arrival with the 49ers in February 2020.

He did not hesitate when asked if he is expecting to line up Sept. 11 as the 49ers' starting center for the regular-season opener against the Chicago Bears.

"Yes, I am. For sure," Brendel answered. "We'll see how that goes and make the best of it."

Brendel turns 30 years old on Sept. 10. The next day, he could very well establish himself as a full-time starter for the first time in his NFL career.

He has been given an opportunity this summer after the retirement of veteran center Alex Mack. And, thus far, Brendel has made the best of it.

It has been quite a journey for Brendel. He entered the NFL as an undrafted rookie with the Dallas Cowboys in 2016. He appeared in 37 games, mostly on special teams, over the past six years with the Miami Dolphins and 49ers. He also had opportunities with the Denver Broncos and Baltimore Ravens but failed to catch on.

"Anyone in my inner circle probably three years ago never would've thought I'd be here," Brendel said. "So it's honestly a blessing. I take every single day as that and try to make the best of it."

In early August 2020, Brendel decided to opt out of the season due to concerns — and uncertainty — related to COVID-19. For a player struggling to find some semblance of stability in the NFL, it easily could have ended his career.

"After the COVID opt-out, I think a lot of people thought I'd be done," Brendel said. "But I didn't take a day off. I stayed in the weight room and stayed out on the field, and I made sure I was in the best shape of my life coming off that year.

"Really, I think a lot of people wrote me off at that point, but I didn't allow it to happen."

Brendel said his sister was one of the first individuals in the United States to get COVID-19. Back when tests were not precise, she tested positive for three months, he said. When teams reported to training camp in 2020, the NFL presented players with the option of sitting out the season.

Brendel had to make a quick decision. Then, he said he did not look back.

He returned to the 49ers last season, and won the backup job.

Now, he appears to be in line for the first NFL starting role of his career.

Brendel has been reunited with offensive line coach Chris Foerster. They were together with the Dolphins in 2016. Foerster remembers being immediately impressed with Brendel after seeing him on the field.

"This guy has some quickness and balance and strength, and he started a ton games at UCLA," Foerster said. "Then, I met the kid, and really liked him. He's very serious-minded, hard-working, played with good strength. He's a player."



He lacked in height (6-foot-3, weight (286 pounds) coming out of college, which were the reasons he went undrafted after starting a school-record 52 games.

But he makes up for it with his athleticism and smarts. He earned the nickname “Coach Jake” at UCLA, and he rated highly among all offensive linemen at the NFL Scouting Combine in the 40-yard dash (5.01 seconds), 20-yard shuttle (4.27) and three-cone drill (7.31).

Brendel is a good fit for the 49ers’ system, which counts on its offensive linemen to explode out of their stances and create running lanes with their outside zone concepts.

The 49ers open the season with uncertainty at their interior offensive line positions in front of first-year starting quarterback Trey Lance.

Second-year left guard Aaron Banks and rookie right guard Spencer Burford are going through the ups and downs of learning on the job.

Brendel has three starts in his career.

Daniel Brunskill started every game for the 49ers over the past two seasons. He has the versatility to play any of those three positions. Brunskill has been out since Aug. 12 with a hamstring injury.

Right now, Brendel appears to be the most steady option among that group.

“This offense really needs three athletic offensive linemen,” Brendel said. “A lot of people would think I’m a little bit undersized for center. Really, that’s my strong suit. I can get to the second level pretty quickly and use my athleticism to my advantage. So that’s really why I fit this offense.”



Ji' Ayir Brown

Why do the 49ers think Ji' Ayir Brown could be the future? Check out his past

By Eric Branch
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Shortly after he was hired as the head football coach at Trenton (N.J.) Central High School in 2017, Greg Hyslop was given a tour of the facilities.

It was June. The end of the school year. Classes were done for the day and Hyslop wasn't expecting to meet his new players as the school's athletic director showed him around the quiet, empty campus.

But the football field wasn't deserted. It was dotted by about 30 teenagers being led in workouts by a junior with a megawatt smile who immediately approached Hyslop, introduced himself and firmly grasped his hand.

Hyslop had yet to see Ji' Ayir Brown play a snap. But he was convinced within seconds that the young man who had been serving as his new team's unofficial interim coach was special.

"You could tell right away that he was the man among boys," Hyslop said. "He spoke and those guys followed."

Six years later, Brown, the San Francisco 49ers' rookie safety, still doesn't require much time to make an arresting initial impression.

Last month, the 49ers made their only in-draft trade in the past two years — moving up 15 spots in the third round to get Brown — because they were bullish on the Penn State safety as a player and blown away by him as a person.

Brown moved up the 49ers' board after he came to Santa Clara for a pre-draft visit and wowed coaches and executives with his magnetic personality, passion and positivity. Brown's position coach at Penn State, Anthony Poindexter, heard from a few members of the franchise who had the same question after the Nittany Lions former team captain returned to New Jersey.

"They couldn't believe it," Poindexter said. "It was like, 'Is this kid really like this?'"

General manager John Lynch said that after Brown's visit "everyone in the building wanted that guy." And perhaps no one was more smitten than defensive coordinator Steve Wilks.

Moments after Brown was selected with the 49ers' first pick, No. 87 overall, the team website captured his you've-been-drafted phone call that included Wilks discussing the "instant connection" he felt with his new pupil.

"We saw everything we needed to see on tape," Wilks told Brown. "But just having the opportunity to be able to talk to you and meet you in person, you sold me, bro. You sold me."

Brown was available 24 picks into the third round because he has a solid bio that doesn't scream NFL stardom. He was a third-team All-Big 10 pick in each of his two seasons as a Penn State starter and ran a below-average 40-yard dash (4.65 seconds) for a player at his position.

But earlier this month, Wilks said Brown "can be the future for us," which seems a bit hyperbolic for the just-arrived rookie who was the 44th defensive player drafted.



Lackawanna (Pa.) College head coach Mark Duda gets it. When Brown was a just-arrived freshman in 2018, Duda, 62, a defensive lineman who played five seasons with the St. Louis Cardinals, recognized elite NFL intangibles in the lightly recruited defensive back.

Brown attacked Tuesday practices like Saturday games. And his perma-grin didn't fade as he logged endless hours lifting weights and devouring film.

Duda knows football, which can exact a severe physical and mental toll, isn't for everyone. Plenty of his NFL teammates dispassionately endured it because it could provide fat contracts and fame. But Brown arrived at Lackawanna and acted as if all aspects of the sport were part of an all-expenses-paid vacation.

"I've been here for 31 years and every once in a while you'll come across a player who is super positive all the time," Duda said. "Not fake positive. But is a positive human being. He wakes up in the morning and just loves being part of a football program. That kid loves football. That sounds kind of cliché, but it's not. Because there are guys in that league who don't love football. That is not given. So if you paid him money to play, or you didn't pay him money to play, he'd play.

"Let's put it this way: If we had 60 of him attitude-wise, we'd have nothing to do. We could take up golf. Because we'd have no problems in the dorm. We'd have no preparation problems. We'd have no motivation-for-practice problems. These kinds of kids just don't come around that often."

Duda recalls Brown making multiple one-handed interceptions in his two seasons at Lackawanna. But the coach's favorite memory is an all-out effort play that demonstrated Brown's desire: In 2018, in a game against ASA Brooklyn, he improbably prevented a long touchdown run with a length-of-the-field sprint that turned out to be a game-saver.

The memory Lackawanna defensive coordinator Bill Reiss chooses when asked for a moment that captures Brown? He once approached Reiss during a blowout win over the New Jersey Warriors, a team composed of post-graduate players, looking despondent due to the lack of competition.

"He asked me, 'Man, can we just go home and practice?'" Reiss said. "He was upset. 'I can get great work in practice, but it's not happening here.'"

Duda invokes two Hall-of-Fame players when detailing Brown's level of preparation and depth of passion: His former teammate, Cardinals offensive lineman Dan Dierdorf, and a contemporary, 49ers safety Ronnie Lott.

"There are no sure-fire guys in the league," Duda said. "So he may come in and — knock on wood, God bless him — maybe there's an injury or whatever. But, in general, this kid is NFL ready. Not only on the field. But off it. And that's the key to all this."

At Penn State, Brown had 10 interceptions in his final two seasons and was at his best in the biggest games. Last season, he was named the Defensive MVP of the Rose Bowl, a year after he had two interceptions in the Outback Bowl.

But Poindexter raved about how he still shined when the bright lights flipped off.

"He wanted to go as hard as he could in practice and he wouldn't stop," Poindexter said. "On game days, he'd be playing in front of 107,000 people, but he was acting like he was playing on his Pop Warner team. He has a very kid-like love for the game."

Brown, who began his college career at Lackawanna due to poor grades, pointed to his difficult childhood when asked about the origins of that love.

Brown and his three siblings were raised by a single mother, Joy Ingram, in the Donnelly Homes projects in the north section of Trenton, a particularly dangerous area of the gritty city.

"It wasn't the best life," Brown said. "But it was good enough."



And his mother's devotion and football allowed him to endure. Brown had 10 cousins in the area and many began playing in Trenton's Pop Warner league around ages 7 or 8. Family members filled the stands during their games and those memories provide a warm glow. Brown acknowledged that football is dangerous, but he always has associated it with safety and love.

"We were all playing together on the field as a family," Brown said. "That sparked my love for football. Just being out there with family, surrounded by family, trying to be the best person you can be, just to make the family smile. I do have a different love for football. But I think I have more love for the people I play with."

Hyslop quickly sensed special qualities in Brown six years ago. But after they spent his senior season together, he had a better appreciation for what made him unique.

Before Brown inspired an NFL team to trade up for him, Hyslop says the man among boys inspired his teammates to rise above their circumstances, providing leadership marked by love.

"Trenton is not the easiest place to be," Hyslop said. "There's a lot going on besides getting to school and getting to practice and all that. And I'll say this, for all those other guys on our team, he gave them that structure. He wasn't their father. Not a father figure. But that was another male for them to look up to that was chasing something good."



Jack Colletto

49ers' Jack Colletto couldn't cut it at QB, so he crafted a unique role

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Jack Colletto's improbable journey from benchwarmer to award winner began four years ago with a conversation in the office of Oregon State head coach Jonathan Smith.

Colletto, a deep-on-the-depth-chart quarterback desperate to get on the field, made a rarely heard request: Could he ditch football's glamour position to play one of the sport's grittiest, inside linebacker?

Smith raised an eyebrow. And here's how Colletto recalls their back-and-forth that followed:

"Have you even played linebacker?"

"No, but I played safety in high school."

Smith, initially skeptical, signed off. And Colletto's career took off — in unimaginable ways.

Colletto, the San Francisco 49ers' unique undrafted rookie, morphed from little-used QB to an invaluable utility player during a career in which he earned cult hero status and a nickname — "the Jackhammer" — that led to his website (jackhammercolletto.com).

Last season, after Colletto made just three starts but took snaps at linebacker, fullback, tight end and QB while playing on all four special-teams units, he earned the Paul Hornung Award given to the nation's most versatile player.

Near the end of last month's draft, 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan, who prizes offensive versatility but rarely recruits undrafted rookies, got on the phone to sell Colletto on signing a free-agent deal with the 49ers.

The pitch was effective. And Colletto joined a roster that includes a wide receiver who moonlights at running back (Deebo Samuel), an aligned-everywhere fullback (Kyle Juszczyk) and do-it-all running back Christian McCaffrey, the 2015 winner of the Hornung Award.

"I thought whoever got him — however they got him — was going to get a steal because of all he can do," Oregon State defensive coordinator Trent Bray said. "But it was going to take a team that used some guys in different ways, a little unconventional compared to most NFL teams, to find real value in him."

The odds that any NFL team would see value in Colletto appeared infinitesimal four years ago when he was struggling to keep his grip on the Beavers' third-string QB job. In 2018, his first season at OSU, he completed fewer than half his passes (23 of 47) and threw three interceptions and no touchdowns. And he'd arrived after transferring from Arizona Western College, where he was a backup who threw 67 passes in his lone season.

But the going-nowhere QB created an avenue to the NFL by making his odd request, which led him down paths he didn't envision. Colletto's career included 50 passes, 425 rushing yards, 50 tackles, four catches, two forced fumbles, an interception and 22 touchdowns rushing and one receiving.

"What the hell kind of quarterback goes into the head coach's office and says, 'Hey, I want to go play linebacker,'" Colletto said, laughing. "I was initially thinking (just) inside linebacker. But then it gets brought up, 'Well, you still add value to the offense. Will you do this? (How about) this?' It was always, 'Yeah, sure.' I'm not going to say no. So it blew up from there."



What position will he play with the 49ers? Colletto, 6-foot-3 and 237 pounds, is listed as a fullback, but he figures to play primarily on special teams if he makes the 53-man roster. He hopes to channel his college career by gradually adding more roles, which he was able to do at Oregon State because he had a mind to match his athleticism.

Colletto, the Gatorade Player of the Year as a dual-threat QB at Camas (Wash.) High School, was a mechanical engineering major who had a minor in business administration. He had a 3.8 GPA and was named a semifinalist last year for the Campbell Trophy, often referred to as the Academic Heisman.

His background suggests he'll be able to handle advanced-level NFL coursework, if necessary. Juszczuk, a college tight end, was an economics major at Harvard.

"Jack's just such a smart football player," Bray said. "Not only could he handle both playbooks, offense and defense, he could articulate both sides of the ball to you."

Colletto's dad, Bert, admits he's biased while suggesting his son could have eventually succeeded at QB partly due to his "off-the-charts" football IQ. However, it was Bert who discouraged his son from transferring after his first season at Oregon State.

It was Colletto's dream to become a starting QB at a Power 5 school. It's why he declined scholarship offers from schools such as Idaho State out of high school and began at Arizona Western in Yuma.

It appeared Colletto's dream might die at Oregon State. Still, Bert, a construction manager, counseled him to stick it out and find a way to get on the field.

"When you want to transfer when the coach who recruited you leaves, or you're a sixth-year senior, I get that," Bert said. "But just because as an athlete things aren't quite going your way, well, welcome to life. You're going to be working for the next 40 years. ... That's what I tried to instill in him. You've got to grind every day. And he kind of ran with it."

Colletto also tackled, caught and still threw an occasional pass, a jack-of-all-trades role that created a one-of-a-kind bio.

In 2021, in a win at USC, he became the first FBS player since 2004 to have two rushing touchdowns and an interception in a game. Last year, he rushed for 41 yards and added three tackles and a fumble recovery against Boise State. And he had a fitting finale in December when he ran 11 yards with a fake punt, blocked a punt and collected four tackles in a win against Florida in the Las Vegas Bowl.

That capped a career marked by versatility. And it was made possible, Bray believes, by Colletto's humility.

"He was honest with himself and wasn't blinded by his own ego," Bray said. "He had the self-awareness to recognize that he wasn't a Power 5 quarterback. But he knew he could play this level in some fashion and find a way to get himself on the field. And he did that for us. In a lot of different ways."



How Jack Colletto became Mr. Versatility and why the 49ers were the right fit

By Matt Barrows
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The first question Jack Colletto fielded when he met the media earlier this month: “So ... what position are you?”

The answer: fullback — but with an asterisk. In fact, with several asterisks.

Because though some players are best known for speed, a powerful arm or an ability to lead, Colletto’s calling card is versatility.

“He embraces it,” Oregon State coach Jonathan Smith said. “He sees his value as bringing his team flexibility.”

The three-game stretch that closed the Beavers’ 2022 season illustrates that nicely.

Against Cal on Nov. 12, Colletto entered as a quarterback on a fourth-and-2 play. When Cal, expecting a Wildcat keeper from the hard-running Colletto, crowded the line of scrimmage, he took two steps back and delivered a 37-yard pass that set up the game’s first touchdown.

A week later against Oregon, he had four tackles as a linebacker in the Beavers’ win. He had another four stops in the Las Vegas Bowl against Florida to go along with a blocked punt and an 11-yard gain on a fake punt.

He also lined up at fullback and tailback in 2022. And when the season ended, he learned how to play tight end by working with one-time 49ers tight end Logan Paulsen. He wasn’t perfect when he unveiled his latest position at the East-West Shrine practices in January.

“But he didn’t look like a fish out of water, either,” said 49ers assistant general manager Adam Peters, who hustled to sign Colletto when the draft ended. “He went out there and competed. And he wasn’t scared to do it. I think that speaks to what type of person he is. He’s not scared that he’s not going to look good. He’s just going to go out there and play.”

Asked how his pupil was able to mentally juggle so many duties, Smith noted Colletto already has graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering, which tells you something about how his brain is wired. And he said Colletto arrived at Oregon State as a quarterback, which meant he already had a good understanding of what the other 21 players on the field were doing at a given moment.

He started one game at that spot in 2018, a 41-34 win over Colorado in which he completed 6 of 14 passes, threw an interception and ran for two scores. After surveying his competition the next season, however, Colletto realized his chances of becoming a full-time quarterback were thin and started looking at other ways to get on the field. He set his sights on linebacker.

“He came into my office one day to talk to me about it,” Smith said. “And at first I was like, ‘Eh, I don’t know. It’s gonna be different.’ But then at the same time, he was 6-2 and 245 (pounds) and could run.”

Colletto spent the 2019 season learning linebacker and ended up playing in 31 games at that spot from 2020 to 2022. But his quarterback duties never fully went away as coaches regularly sent him in for goal-line and short-yardage duties. Oregon State also used him as a lead blocker, taking advantage of college defenses unaccustomed to fullbacks. He got some snaps as a tailback, too, and finished the 2021 season with nine touchdowns, the second most on the team.



By his final season, practices were a busy but well-choreographed affair. Colletto was like a stage actor with multiple roles in the same play. Someone was always whispering lines in his ear and he had to make a number of costume changes throughout the performance.

Before team meetings began, for example, he'd meet with the coordinator, tight ends coach and offensive line coach to go over the offensive plays that week. Then he'd sit in on all of the special teams meetings. Once they were over he'd hurry to join the defensive players in their meetings.

During practice, he'd don whatever color jersey the defense was wearing that week. When it was time to practice offensive plays, he'd run over to the tight ends coach who was waiting to help him into a different-colored pullover.

Games were tougher. While the defense huddled on the sideline to make adjustments, Colletto might be on the field playing fullback and vice versa.

"Even the plays that transition from offense to defense — special teams — were difficult," Smith said. "Because he was on all four of them."

Oregon State solved the issue by assigning a graduate assistant specifically to Colletto. As soon as he came off the field on offense, the assistant would be at his side to go over the adjustments they'd made on defense. After his snaps at linebacker, it was the opposite.

"He'd always be around me and follow me and basically just fill me in what was said and the adjustments that were made," Colletto said. "It worked out pretty smoothly."

"He worked at it," Smith said. "He spent extra time with coaches before and after practice, before and after meetings. He had the mental capacity to handle all of that."

Colletto might be listed as a fullback on the 49ers' roster, but if he makes the 2023 squad his main role will be on special teams. In the run-up to the draft, San Francisco's special teams coaches liked him so much, they listed him as the top special teams prospect at linebacker, fullback, tight end and several other spots. That is, they stuffed the ballot box for him.

"Our special teams coaches loved him — loved him," Peters said.

At Oregon State, Colletto was the lead blocker on kickoff returns and a good tackler on kickoff coverage. He could block punts like he did against Florida at the Gators' 5-yard line last season. Smith said he was particularly good on his team's punting unit because he was a strong protector who could get down the field as fast as anyone.

"And we ran fake punts with him because he was always a threat," Smith said.

The Seahawks, in fact, wanted to sign Colletto after the draft because they saw him as the second coming of Nick Bellore, a fullback/linebacker who made the Pro Bowl as a special teamer in 2020 and who's been Seattle's special teams captain the last two seasons.

It was one of the six strong pitches Colletto received as the draft was winding down. The Broncos and new coach Sean Payton envisioned him as Denver's version of Taysom Hill, a quarterback/tight end/special teams ace Payton adored when he coached the Saints. Another AFC West team, the Chiefs, also were interested in adding Colletto to their already formidable offense.

Meanwhile, the Dolphins and Jets, both of which are coached by former 49ers assistants, wanted Colletto to be their version of Kyle Juszczyk, San Francisco's seven-time Pro Bowler.

Which begs the question: With so many worthy suitors, why did Colletto ultimately choose the 49ers, who already have a Juszczyk, the Juszczyk, on the roster? The 32-year-old veteran is signed through the 2025 season.



Colletto said it had everything to do with Kyle Shanahan's philosophy and his track record of using players like Juszczyk, Deebo Samuel, Christian McCaffrey and George Kittle in various roles throughout a game. Shanahan is creative and embraces versatility like no other coach, Colletto said, which made San Francisco the perfect spot for someone like him.

"I believe that's something that speaks to me and it's something I can be a part of and develop in," he said.



Tyrion Davis-Price

In Tyrion Davis-Price, 49ers found a RB hungry for carries: 'You can feed him'

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The video was recorded nearly a decade ago. At the six-minute mark you see 12-year-old Tyrion Davis-Price stepping off the school bus into ... well, there's a look in his vibrant, hazel eyes that says he's not sure what he's stepping into. All of the boys seem apprehensive.

And for good reason. An hour earlier, they said goodbye to their moms in Baton Rouge, La., handed over their cell phones and took a ride east to the tiny town of Amite City, La. For the next three days, they were put through the paces by their coach, Aaron Sutton, a former Marine who brought a distinct boot-camp flavor to the outing.

"We've got a long day ahead of us, fellas," he barks as the boys struggle to hold down-dog poses, the first of a series of sweaty drills that includes burpees, sand workouts, pushing ancient, creaky blocking sleds and running up the side of levees.

By the end of the three-day camp, one of the boys falls asleep while eating dinner. The excursion was stern, grueling, relentless and, as it turned out, good preparation for the type of camps Davis-Price and several others would experience through college.

"When he got to LSU, he was laughing at the type of stuff they did there," Sutton said of the 49ers' third-round draft pick. "It was, 'Man, I've been doing this since I was a little bitty kid.'"

The experience provides a peek at the seriousness of youth football in Baton Rouge. Parents don't chit-chat from lawn chairs scattered along the sideline. No, not there. Davis-Price's youth team, the South Baton Rouge Jaguars, filled their stadium and made it shake.

The squad had four different uniforms and three different helmets. Each year, they set aside their most special combination for their rivalry game against the South Baton Rouge Rams — yes, Davis-Price has been battling the Rams since he was in second grade — a matchup that would begin with hours of tailgating and end with a heartstopper that usually was decided by a touchdown or less.

"Have you ever been to a 7-year-old's football game and you see well over a thousand people in attendance?" Sutton asked. "This is what you would see on any given Saturday."

The crowd knew there was talent on the field.

One of Davis-Price's Jaguars teammates, linebacker Damone Clark, was drafted by the Cowboys in the fifth round two months ago. A South Baton Rouge Rams rival, linebacker Christian Harris, was taken 75th by the Texans. Another who played in their youth league, Derek Stingley Jr., went No. 3 to the Texans. Another, linebacker Chris Allen, was signed by the Broncos after the draft.

Then there was Davis-Price, who was running with a ball in his hands almost as soon as he could stand.

"His favorite words were ball and juice," his father, Tyquincy, said in a phone interview.

His mother, Stacie, said her sister-in-law started calling the boy "Tiger" when he was 18 months.

"He was just so much bigger than the other kids at that time," she said. "And he would be aggressive. A lot of people thought he was older than he was."



It turned out to be an appropriate nickname for someone who grew up less than a mile from Tiger Stadium.

Tyquincy said he never liked LSU game days. The streets would fill up, the traffic would be unbearable and there'd be noise all day long. His son, however, heard the marching band in the distance, saw his neighborhood lit up by the massive stadium and at age 6 announced that he was going to play there one day.

He was right, although there were some bumps initially.

Davis-Price always been a running back. As a little boy, he had no issue with the other boys trying to catch him and bring him to the ground. But lowering his shoulder and knocking his friends down? That just didn't seem right.

Tyquincy: "He felt like if he hit 'em, he would hurt 'em."

Stacie: "Because he was so strong."

Tyquincy: "And that's when we really started his training. I said, 'Look, Ty, this is football. This is what you have to do.' And once I got out there with him and showed him and then showed him again, he fell in love with it."

Then there was the time Davis-Price, who doubled as a linebacker on his youth team, scooped up a fumble and took off toward the end zone. The problem: It was the wrong end zone.

"Everyone in the stands was standing up screaming, 'Go the other way!'" Tyquincy said. "He was so excited to have that ball."

Said Sutton: "He ran the opposite way with the ball. Everybody was like, 'Nooooooo!'"

Yes, Davis-Price ended up scoring two points for the opponent. But the larger takeaway was that no one could catch him, a theme throughout his youth. Davis-Price also served as his team's kicker back then. On kickoffs, he'd boot the ball, then invariably outrace his teammates to make the tackle.

At the same time, he took up football he started running track. He never lost his speed even after a ninth-grade growth spurt sent him zooming past the 200-pound mark. Wasp-waisted sprinters might have watched the brawny, big-boned kid settle into the blocks beside them and figure they'd have an easy heat. A few seconds later, the gun would go off and they'd be staring at his backside as he motored away for the win.

Davis-Price said his personal best in the 100 meters was 10.6 seconds and that he ran it when he was more than 230 pounds.

"If you ever watch him run, his knees are naturally very high," said Sutton, who said Davis-Price reminds him of one-time 49ers runners Roger Craig and Ricky Watters. "There's not a lot of juking. He's never been trained to do that. He just accelerates. It's, 'I'm not going to hesitate, I'll outrun you.' He has no trouble trusting his speed."

The 49ers saw that zip on film, particularly during LSU's game against Alabama on Nov. 6. On the 63rd play, Davis-Price broke across the line of scrimmage and within 15 yards hit his highest speed of the season, which according to the 49ers, was among the top five speeds of any of the runners in the draft.

The burst caught their attention.

"A lot of times, guys reach higher speeds because they have the opportunity," assistant general manager Adam Peters said. "They maybe aren't as fast as other guys, but because they have the opportunity to



run 60 yards in a straight line they reach a high speed. (Davis-Price) reaching his top speed in a short amount of space is more impressive.”

The 49ers also liked that the play occurred midway through the fourth quarter. Since Kyle Shanahan arrived in 2017, the 49ers’ running back rooms has had plenty of speed and it’s had stretches of brilliance. But it’s lacked staying power. Injuries have bitten deeply into the group in each of those five seasons and the hope is that a bigger-bodied runner like Davis-Price will bring some old-fashioned thud and resilience to the mix.

That’s what he showed in his most famous game to date, a 49-42 win over then-No. 20 Florida on Oct. 16. By game’s end, LSU literally had handed the offense to Davis-Price and the offensive line, running the ball on 23 of the final 25 offensive snaps. He responded with touchdown runs of 18, 40 and 25 yards and set a school record with 287 yards on 36 carries.

Sutton and Davis-Price’s parents said the running back was made for exactly that type of feast.

Said Sutton: “It was: feed the beast, feed the beast. It was the Tyrion Davis show that day.”

Said Tyquincy: “He’s the type of player who needs snaps. I’ll be honest with you, the more he plays the better he’s going to be.”

Said Stacie: “You can feed him. He’s a running back.”

Davis-Price, meanwhile, said that the linebackers and defensive backs who seemed eager to take on a big back like him in the first quarter never seemed quite as excited by the fourth.

“I love bringing the contact to them so that they don’t want to tackle you,” he said. “In the first, second quarter they might take it a little bit, but eventually they don’t want anymore of it. That’s always my mindset: to go and attack the defender and wear them out, make them quit.”



Joey Fisher

Scouting Joey Fisher, the new 49ers O-lineman from Shepherd University

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It's been a busy but successful time for Shepherd University coach Ernie McCook. His Rams — based in West Virginia right across the Potomac River from Maryland — are coming off a 13-2 season that earned a drove of NFL scouting attention.

Four Shepherd players signed professional contracts following this past weekend's draft. That was a record for the Division II program.

Quarterback Tyson Bagent joined the Bears. Running back Ronnie Brown signed with the Buccaneers. Tight end Brian Walker is with the Ravens. And offensive lineman Joey Fisher agreed to terms with the 49ers.

McCook is still surprised that neither Fisher nor Bagent, in particular, was drafted. He thought that, at the very least, NFL teams would pounce on those two prospects. But running back Wayne Wilson, a 12th-round pick of the Houston Oilers in 1979, remains the only Shepherd player drafted into the NFL.

The four undrafted Rams, though, will still have shots at making their marks on the league. And the most promising opportunity might belong to Fisher, whose contract with the 49ers features \$130,000 guaranteed — a hefty sum for a rookie free agent.

The 6-foot-4, 296-pounder, who started for Shepherd at right tackle from 2019 to 2022, delivered monstrous results on the pre-draft testing circuit. Fisher cranked out 40 repetitions on the 225-pound bench press, the most of any O-line prospect this season. He also posted a 4.97 40-yard dash with a 1.72-second 10-yard split, both of which were among the fastest times among linemen.

Fisher's performance at the NFLPA Collegiate Bowl earned him an invitation to the Senior Bowl, but since he broke a bone on the top of his hand on the second snap of that NFLPA game, the subsequent part of his offseason was limited. The broken hand, though, made Fisher's 40 bench-press reps all the more impressive.

Why wasn't Fisher drafted and what can the 49ers expect out of their new lineman? McCook, who coaches Shepherd's O-line on top of his head-coaching duties, shared thoughts about both of those questions and much more in a phone conversation Monday afternoon. The chat below has been lightly edited for brevity.

Why do you think that Fisher and Bagent, in particular, weren't drafted?

When I look back at their high school careers, they were both good, Division I-type players, but our quarterback came from a small (high) school in West Virginia — so the bigger schools didn't pull the trigger on him. Joey came from a really small school in western Maryland, and the coach that jumped up on the table for him (Randy Edsall at the University of Maryland) got fired, and there was nobody to jump up on the table for him with the new staff.

I just think he was a victim of coming from a really small school and it was easy for them to move away from him. And I think the same thing has happened with both of these guys with the NFL Draft. I just don't think that anybody in the NFL wanted to take a shot on a Division II player like these two guys. I'm shocked that Joey did not get drafted. I'm absolutely shocked. I don't know of any other way to put it.

After Fisher left Maryland's program, he worked for two years as a locksmith under his dad. Then, he joined your team at Shepherd in 2019. How quickly were you able to work him into the mix?



We brought him in as a tight end first. Then we thought a move to offensive or defensive line would be best. This was during spring practice. We had 10 practices left. So we sat down and talked about moving to D-line or O-line. He really saw himself as a good defensive lineman, which I believe he could have been, too. But I told him: “If you really want to be different, you should really give offensive line a shot. I think you’ll increase your chances to play at the next level.”

So we decided to do five practices on offense and five on defense — wherever you’re going to help the team out the best is where we’ll keep you. I said to him: “The only thing is, Joey, I don’t want you to do defense first and then offense. Because I don’t want everyone to think that the last stop before the bus station is where you got off.”

So we did offensive line first, and it was like a fish in the water. Really natural position for him. He really took to it and never did anything on the D-line.

I think that he still has a lot of things to grow with. And I really believe that he has a lot of growth potential ahead of him. I can criticize our O-line coach here because it’s me. I really think when he gets a chance to get coached by an NFL-level offensive coach, he’s going to learn. Because I think he has a great ability to learn. He has a great desire to learn. And I think the 49ers are going to get a great football player.

Is there anything on Fisher’s tape that he does particularly well that might directly translate to the 49ers offense?

We run a pin-and-pull play and San Francisco runs that, as well. He would be the backside tackle that would pull and lead around the left side. There were different looks on which we would give him the green light to pull and he would actually get out in front of that.

As a coach, I really admire what the 49ers do on offense. I really think that coach (Kyle) Shanahan is one of the best, if not the best, in the NFL. And I really think what they do with their offense, I think Joey can fit a lot of the things they ask their offensive linemen to do.

So the speed testing stuff — the 4.97 40, the 1.72-second 10-yard split — that translates to his play style?

He’s very athletic. He can bend. He’s got great hip flexion. He can run really well as you can see in the 40 time, but he can also run laterally well. So he does a great job pulling, but he’s also very powerful. He’s got a lot of the tools.

He does things that I wouldn’t ask any of our other O-linemen to do, but I feel confident that he can do them. I’ve never coached a lineman like him that has the athleticism, power and flexibility. He’s a really good athlete.

I can’t wait. Just like signing free agents is like recruiting at the college level, you can’t wait until that guy that you stuck your neck out for really blossoms and pays off. And I think that whoever jumped on the table for Joey with the 49ers, my bet is that they’re going to look pretty good within the next few years with how he’ll progress.

Fisher played right tackle for you, but the scouting community seems to believe that he’ll be a guard at the NFL level because of his 32-inch arm length, which is shorter than average for pro tackles. Where do you think he’ll play in the league?

I see what the NFL scouts and evaluations were saying — that he should move inside because of his arm length. This is just my speculation, but I think that he becomes one of those guys that, when you can only dress seven offensive linemen and you have a guy that can play center, guard or tackle in an emergency, I think Joey becomes that guy.



Because he'll have a lot of positional flexibility. Because even though he's got short arms as far as the NFL is concerned, he's pretty athletic and powerful to play at least in an emergency setup.

How well do you know Fisher and his family on a personal level?

Absolutely wonderful person. Great human being. Great teammate. Really close-knit family. He's engaged. His fiancée is super supportive. He and his family breed Rottweilers, and I actually have one of the puppies. So I'm connected to the Fisher family in a lot more ways than just their coach.

His brother, Dustin, is a tight end in our program and has a chance to be a really good player for us. He's got a younger sister who's a really good athlete, as well.

Did you have any advice for Fisher after he signed with the 49ers?

What they do offensively is really exciting. I think it's a tremendous opportunity for him. But I also have to give the 49ers credit for taking a shot on him. Because they were aggressive with him in the free agency part of it. They were talking to him before the end of the draft. Now he's going to have a chance to win the Super Bowl with them.

I told every scout when they came in for Joey, for our quarterback: "When they come, when they show up, they're going to be working their butts off. They're not looking to sightsee or where the next party is. They're going to be focused on football."

And I told Joey: "You just want a key to the building, man. Let 'em let you into the gate, let you walk into the building and you have a great shot. It really doesn't matter now (that you weren't drafted), right?"



Danny Gray

49ers' Danny Gray received a boost when his father figures sprang into action

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Scott Nady, the director of recruiting at SMU, is eager to explain just how immensely popular youth football is in Southeast Dallas. He gives an example.

Every Thursday before SMU home games, he walks around and hands out tickets. He hits barber shops and barbecue joints, street corners and Boys & Girls Clubs. One day he was at the opening of a boxing gym on South Second Avenue and started telling one of the trainers about an exciting new recruit SMU had on the line, a guy who'd played youth football in that part of town.

"I said, 'Hey, I think Danny Gray's going to come to our place,'" Nady recalled.

As soon as the name left his lips the rattle and hum inside the gym came to a halt.

"This old guy was probably 5, 6 feet away sitting at a table talking to a bunch of other old guys," Nady said. "And he turned his chair all the way around and his eyes were as big as saucers: 'You guys are about to get Danny Gray?' I said, 'Yeah, I think so.' And he said, 'Man, y'all gonna win some games.'"

It turned out the old-timer had been watching Gray, whom the 49ers drafted in the third round in April, for the past decade. The receiver, after all, is a favorite son. Nobody in Southeast Dallas was faster. He's been challenged to races since he was 7 years old and hasn't lost one yet. His nickname back then was "missile."

"He was a really quiet kid," one of Gray's youth coaches, Keldrick Barron, said. "Really quiet — until he got on the field. And then he was like a bomb just going off."

What set him apart from the other speedsters who've come from that part of the city, Barron and others said, is that he wasn't afraid to mix it up in the trenches, either. They'd put him at running back, linebacker, safety, cornerback. It didn't matter. Wherever he lined up, Gray made an impression.

"I've been in this city for a long, long time," Nady said. "If your name comes out of that part of town, then you're legit. Danny is kind of a Southeast Dallas legend."

What makes Gray's legend more compelling is that it went silent for a stretch.

When what should have been Gray's freshman year of high school began, he wasn't in school and he wasn't on the field. Track season came around and he wasn't there, either. No one knew what had happened. It was as if he'd vanished.

The mystery was solved one August day when another youth coach, Willie Lawrence, got a phone call. It was Gray, and he began to share where he'd been. His mother was a nurse working 16-hour shifts. There were seven others in the house, including two young siblings. Gray's father wasn't around and, well, Danny had been home taking care of the kids. He was a 14-year-old stay-at-home brother.

"He had to grow up a little bit faster than everyone else," Lawrence said.

Gray essentially told his former coach he felt his future was slipping away. He wanted to get back into school and back on the field. He had dreams of playing in college. He needed help.



The first thing Lawrence did was call the other youth coach, Barron. The two discussed the situation, spoke with the boy's mother and picked him up the next day. Lawrence bought him clothes, shoes, supplies — everything else he needed for school. Barron opened the door to his home.

"Me and my wife, we had him enrolled the next day," Barron said.

Neither Barron, 42, nor Lawrence, 47, is related to Gray. Both have large families of their own. In fact, the Barrons had five other kids ranging from 2 to 13 years old when Gray moved in. Gray, however, refers to both men as uncle — Barron is "Uncle Kel" and Lawrence is "Big Unc" — and you'd never be able to convince him they aren't family.

"I've got a lot of love for them," Gray said this week. "I'd do anything for them."

Both men brush off what they did. Lawrence notes that Gray wasn't the first or the last child they took in in that way. He sees it as part of his duty as a youth coach.

"We help kids," he said. "That's what we do."

Barron agreed the decision to take in Gray was easy. He noted that when Gray first joined the youth league he and some of the other boys would stay over at the Barrons' house on Friday nights.

"That way we could make sure that we could get 'em to the game on Saturday," he said with a laugh. "So when he moved in in the ninth grade it was just a continuation of the relationship. Only now it was every day."

Others are quick to point out just how critical their save was.

"You don't know what Danny's life would look like if those guys hadn't gotten involved," SMU head coach Sonny Dykes said. "It would look a lot different than it does now. Kel came in and gave him a stable home life and gave him some resources and just gave him a place to lay his head every night. I think that relationship really gave Danny a chance to become what he is."

Of course, adjustments had to be made as Gray got ready for his freshman year. To that point he had been, at best, an indifferent student. The first thing Barron told him was that there were rules he'd have to follow, the biggest of which was making the B honor roll.

"Because my wife doesn't care about football as much as she does grades," Barron said. "And if you don't make the B honor roll, then we'll take football away from you. And it was a challenge, man."

In recent years one of the inside jokes between Gray and Barron has become the phrase "Have I lied to you yet?" When he first moved in, it was a way of building trust. If you study like we want you to, you will graduate high school. Trust me on this. Have I lied to you yet?

Barron also told Gray that playing football collegiately ought to be a bare-minimum goal. If he added hard work — staying after practice, studying film, etc. — to his considerable physical gifts, he could make it to the NFL.

When Gray heard his name called at the end of the third round, he immediately turned to Uncle Kel. The older man's response: tears, a big smile, a shoulder shrug and, "Have I lied to you yet?"

The house rules on academics had a similar conclusion. Gray's delayed start to high school meant he couldn't take part in sports as a senior. He'd been the fastest high schooler in Texas as a junior, running the 100 meters in 10.7 seconds. He'd been eager to defend his title and, of course, badly wanted to play football. When he couldn't, he was devastated.

Barron's response? He told Gray that if he diverted his energy to academics he could make the A honor roll. He did. In fact, he came in with the highest GPA in the house that year, right around 3.9.



“He just needed something else to compete in,” Barron said.

Nobody thinks Gray is a finished product, not even close.

Dykes noted that the same delayed start to high school that affected his senior season also scuttled Gray’s initial acceptance to Missouri and forced him to spend the 2018-19 seasons at Blinn Community College.

“We only had him for two years at SMU and he’s just scratching the surface,” he said. “He can become a much better player than he was for us.”

Nady estimates that Gray is 55 percent of what he’ll become.

“The instruction he’ll get — it’s like you’re pouring water on a seed in very fertile soil,” he said. “It’s going to be crazy to see.”

He and the others envision not just ultimate success, but also brilliance, from the receiver from Southeast Dallas. His combination of speed and toughness is unique. His grit and perseverance are what will set him apart.

“Typically those speed guys have a different route,” Dykes said. “They’re very coveted at a very young age. And the result of that (is) sometimes they become a little bit — a little soft, I think. And Danny is exactly the opposite. He’s had to fight for everything. He’s one of those kids who realizes that no one’s going to get you anything in life. You’ve got to go earn it and take it. He’s got that mentality.”

Barron, meanwhile, isn’t content that the boy he took in at age 14 has made it into the NFL. He’s still delivering the same messages — get into your playbook, catch 100 balls after practice, be available — he’s doled out since he coached Gray in the youth league. He saw greatness on the field back then. He sees more in the future.

“I’ve always told him, ‘You’re going to be a much better pro receiver than you were a college receiver,’” Barron said.

He hasn’t lied to him yet.



Dre Greenlaw

His group home was closing, so they stepped in: 49ers rookie Dre Greenlaw's story will break your heart and fill it with love

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You can call it luck or fate or divine intervention or anything you want. But there seemed to be something nudging Dre Greenlaw and the Early family together in Fayetteville, Ark., in the fall of 2011.

Greenlaw, the inside linebacker the 49ers selected in the fifth round last month, was 14 at the time and playing cornerback and running back for the local junior high team. Brian Early was a defensive coach at Fayetteville High. There was no reason for them to cross paths at that point.

Except Greenlaw was experiencing back spasms one day and because the junior high had no training staff, he and another player were sent to the high school for treatment. Early usually would have been teaching class at the time that Greenlaw stopped by. On that particular day he wasn't. He was hanging out at the training facility where he ran into the boys.

He asked them the standard questions: Where do you go to school? Where are you from?

Greenlaw's answers, however, weren't typical. He told Early he lived at the Methodist Family Boys Home. In fact, he had been living in group homes and shelters across the state — one after another — since his mother lost custody of him when he was 8 years old.

"He asked me why I was there," Greenlaw, who turns 22 later this month, recalled in a recent interview with The Athletic. "And I kind of said, 'It's because I don't have anywhere to go right now.' When we were talking — it was kind of weird. He had never met me. I had never met him. But you could just tell when we were talking that he was really interested in me and the whole group home deal."

"I realized how good of a dude he was," Greenlaw continued. "I could really talk to him, talk to him like any other guy. He was young, I think in his mid-30s. He just understood. I've never met somebody where it felt so right, so perfect at the moment. I could really talk to him."

Early had the same connection. There was something about the 14-year-old — a warmth, a brightness, a magnetism, a shine — that drew him in.

After Greenlaw was drafted, a man named Gerry Daly took to Twitter to tell a story about how Greenlaw had helped his daughter when they were freshmen attending a keg party at a fraternity at the University of Arkansas.

Somebody had spiked the woman's drink with a date-rape drug. When Greenlaw — he had gone to high school with her — realized she was acting strangely and being ushered out the door by an aggressive male student, he stopped them from leaving and helped her find her friends.

"I didn't ever tell this story," Daly wrote on April 27, "because maybe someone would say, 'Oh, he shouldn't have been at that party.' Maybe not. But he had my daughter's back, and for that I will always owe him. So, do me a favor. Root for Dre. He's a good kid with a good heart."

Brian's wife, Nanci, said she'd never heard about the episode until Daly tweeted about it. But she wasn't surprised.

"He's a real good friend," she said. "But not just that. He would have done that for anybody. That was absolutely, 100 percent his personality to do that for somebody. No, I'm not surprised at all."



Back in 2011, Brian Early figured he'd serve as Greenlaw's mentor. He attended one of the boy's junior high games, then brought him to a football game at the University of Arkansas. The family — Nanci and Brian had 7- and 3-year-old daughters — took him to church one Sunday, to dinner at P.F. Chang's on another occasion and to the mall. They bought him a couple of shirts and some jeans at American Eagle.

Nanci admits now that the idea of adopting Greenlaw crept into her mind during these brief outings. But the Earlys didn't seriously consider it until they dropped the teenager off at the group home one day and a worker there pulled them aside to tell them the Fayetteville facility would be closing. The boys would be sent to another group home in Alma, Ark., 50 miles away.

"I probably had thought about it and talked myself out of it many times," Nanci said. "Just saying, 'He's fine. We'll mentor him and take him to church and buy him clothes and that'll be good. We've got these two little girls. We can't do that.'

"But when the boys home came and said, 'We're shutting down,' to me that was God saying, 'You're not doing enough. He's not OK. He's going to move again. He's going to change schools again.'"

No one else seemed to think adopting Greenlaw was a good idea. Like everywhere else in the nation, babies and young children in Arkansas are far more likely to be adopted or taken in by foster families than teenagers, who rarely thrive as adults. Nationally, as many as 20 percent of teens who age out of the system become homeless at some point. They are more likely to struggle with substance abuse, commit a crime and become incarcerated. Only a small percentage go on to earn four-year college degrees, according to national studies.

"I can remember having a conversation with our pastor and saying, 'We felt like we're being called to help this kid,'" Brian said. "But we'd been advised, with young daughters, to be careful with that — bringing a teenage boy into the house. And we kind of got (the pastor's) thoughts on the situation. And he discouraged it. And he said, 'I'm not discouraging you from helping the kid. Let's see if we can't help him find another home somewhere else.' And I remember him saying, 'Brian, I don't think it's a good idea that you guys adopt him.'"

Did the pastor have a point?

It wasn't as if the Earlys had known Greenlaw all his life, after all. Their relationship spanned only a few months and there had been just a handful of interactions. Nanci said that one day Brian suggested they take Dre to dinner but thought that his last name was Green.

"He said, 'How about the Earlys and the Greens go eat?'" she recalled. "And I said, 'Who's Green?!'"

That's how little they knew about the boy.

Greenlaw doesn't want to over-dramatize what life was like in the boys home in Fayetteville. In some ways, it was the best place he had been up to that point. He learned to love football when he was living there and he made lifelong friends at school. Three of the boys on his junior high team played alongside him in high school and later at Arkansas.

Still, it wasn't easy and it certainly wasn't carefree.

Something as simple as a bowl of cereal had to be precisely measured out at every sitting. Boys received a single allotment of food for each meal, and that was it. If you were an athlete who craved extra calories, you had to sneak your snacks from the kitchen to your room.

"I definitely learned how to do that," he said with a grin.

Greenlaw's modest haul from American Eagle also caused problems when another boy tried to take his clothes. At the boys home, jeans came from Walmart and the boys didn't get to pick them out. When Greenlaw returned one day with fancier-than-normal pants, it triggered a fight.



“He hit me three times,” Greenlaw said. “And finally, I hit him back, so he stopped when he took that punch. There was nothing else after that.”

Greenlaw stayed at the facility, which housed boys aged 10-18, for about a year. One day, one of the boys threw a brick through a car window. On other occasions, a boy tried to run away. Whenever that happened, the police were called and the home essentially went on lockdown.

The Earlys twice stopped by to pick up Greenlaw for an outing but couldn't because none of the boys were allowed to leave. How could he flourish in that environment? What would happen to him after he turned 18? Every instinct they had told them he needed more — more stability, more care, more love.

“It's just something you felt from him,” Brian said. “You felt like he wanted a family. He wanted to be a part of a family and have people that loved him and looked out for him and give him warmth. He found that with us.”

So against the advice of their pastor, and contrary to the statistics, the Earlys decided to make Greenlaw their son. They began taking the necessary classes and initiated the proceedings.

Even though their minds already were committed to it, Nanci said she and Brian wanted their daughters to be part of the decision. After dropping Greenlaw off at the boys home one day, they discussed the proposition on the drive back to their home. AJ is their oldest daughter. Camryn — “She's the sassy one,” Nanci said — is the youngest.

“We talked about it with them and said, ‘We just really feel like Dre needs a family and that he needs a mom and a dad and he needs sisters and we just really feel like God is wanting him to come live with us,’” Nanci said of their conversation. “And we got in the car the next day. We were picking them up from school. And my 7-year-old is like — this is AJ — she said, ‘Mom, I've been thinking about it. And God's been speaking to my heart and he wants Dre to come live with us.’ And I said, ‘AJ! That makes me feel so good!’ And I'm kind of looking in the rear-view mirror and I look at Cam in her car seat and she says, ‘Don't look at me. God's not been speaking to my heart.’”

It didn't take her long to warm up to her new big brother.

Greenlaw moved in with the Earlys a few days before Christmas that year. Nanci said they knew their first night together would be awkward for everyone, so they decided to make popcorn and watch a movie so no one would feel obligated to make conversation.

“And I look over, and my 3-year-old has her arm around him and was touching his hair because she had never touched a black kid's hair before,” Nanci said. “And I said, ‘Cam! What are you doing?!’ And we all just busted out laughing.”

Said Greenlaw: “All I remember is laughing because my little sister, Camryn, she didn't say nothing to me for a couple of days. Didn't look at me. But she'd sit there and rub my head like this (rubs the top of his head). And I told them, ‘You need to bring her around more black people!’ Because she's like, ‘Why's his hair like this?’ And I'm thinking, ‘Oh my God!’ while she's rubbing my head. But it was a real family thing and real funny. Everyone was laughing.”

Greenlaw's story is no fairytale.

The Arkansas Department of Human Services said it could not disclose why he was taken away from his mother, but a story last year in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette cited drug use in the family and a prison sentence for a family member.

Greenlaw lived for a short time with his biological father. His stepmother already had children of her own, however, and they ultimately did not keep him. He has at least eight half-siblings and is particularly close



to two of his younger brothers. Brian says that all of the siblings were taken in by a relative when they were growing up; Dre was the only one who wasn't.

But he never became embittered, never resentful that he'd been abandoned. He never shut down. Instead he maintained the openness and optimism that initially drew the Earlys toward him and continues to impress them. Nanci said that each time her girls turned 8 she was struck that it was the same age at which Greenlaw became a ward of the state.

"And I'm thinking, 'At 8! I'm still rinsing shampoo out of my girls' hair at 8. How did he survive this and still have this attitude?'" she said. "He has done it and he has done it with the most amazing attitude. It's crazy. Because so many kids would have been bitter or hurt or feel like they're owed something. And that's just not him at all. That's not his personality. Somehow his ordeal didn't steal that from him. And we are awed by that."

After their movie-night icebreaker, Greenlaw quickly and easily became a member of the family, so much so that the Earlys — eight years later — say they can't imagine what their lives would be like without him.

The 14-year-old Greenlaw was like any other teenage boy. He aggravated his mother by watching television with the volume on full blast. Nanci said that there were worries when they first took him in that he would be listening to loud music with cuss words in earshot of the girls. The TV indeed was loud, but Greenlaw's favorite shows were Disney flicks and "Hannah Montana" — to the delight of his little sisters.

Before he started living with the Earlys, Greenlaw communicated with them by logging onto Facebook on a school computer. On their first Christmas morning together, he was given his first cell phone. Greenlaw was ecstatic when he was drafted last month. His reaction to getting his own phone was nearly as emotional.

It turned out to be a gift for Nanci as well.

Like a lot of young men, Greenlaw wasn't great at sharing his feelings with his mom in face-to-face chats. Instead, his deepest thoughts and most heartfelt words have come via text, often from an adjoining room.

Nanci said she received one in the wee hours after the 49ers had selected Greenlaw in the fifth round. They had had a celebration that day, invited friends and family members. The house had finally grown quiet when her phone buzzed on her bedside table.

"I can't explain how much ya'll mean to me," the text read. "I love you all so much. I don't think anyone has a more caring and loving support system than I have. I just want you to know how much I appreciate you."



Javon Hargrave

How 49ers' prize free agent Javon Hargrave went from hoops prodigy to NFL stardom

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There was a time when Javon Hargrave envisioned himself dominating the paint like Charles Barkley instead of sacking quarterbacks like Charles Haley.

Everything changed when Hargrave, playing on the junior varsity at North Rowan High in Spencer, N.C., in 2007, had an epiphany borne of performance.

"I didn't really care for football," Hargrave said Friday morning in a phone interview following a workout. "Basketball was my way. But I had like five or six sacks in my first game and it just came kind of natural to me. I had a few bad games in basketball – sometimes against taller people. In football, in high school, I didn't have many bad games."

Given that Hargrave was a conference player of the year in basketball as a junior and helped lead North Rowan to the Division I (small school) state title as a senior, it wasn't as if bad games came with regularity.

Andrew Mitchell, Hargrave's high school basketball coach, gave the following scouting report:

"He was hard-nosed, a bruiser, but had a nice, soft touch and great feet," Mitchell said. "Once he realized when he put his big body on people there was nothing they could do, he became a force. We won a state title because of Javon."

Mitchell realized Hargrave's basketball days were numbered the first time he saw him play football.

"He made a tackle, the ball hit the ground, and he picked it up with one hand and ran it all the way into the end zone for a touchdown," Mitchell said.

Hargrave, 30, is the 49ers' prize free agent, a defensive tackle whose speed and athleticism have never computed with his build whether it was as a youth, in high school, college or the NFL.

"I was trying to race all the small kids, and most of the time I could beat 'em," Hargrave said.

A dominant career at South Carolina State led to Hargrave being a third-round pick by the Pittsburgh Steelers, which begat a three-year, \$39 million contract with the Philadelphia Eagles and finally a four-year deal worth a maximum of \$84 million with \$40 million guaranteed from the 49ers.

The contract validated what anyone who has tried to block Hargrave already knew – he has few peers as an interior game-wrecker at 6-foot-2, 305 pounds. The burst and athletic ability that were apparent early have been refined every year through diet and training.

It was the latest example of the 49ers going all-in when it comes to big-time talent, something they did when making trades for tackle Trent Williams and running back Christian McCaffrey. Like both men, Hargrave considers himself an ascending player and still a work in progress despite an 11-sack season for the NFC champion Eagles.

"This league is not based on what you did last year," Hargrave said. "It's more like 'what have you done for me lately?' I challenged myself to make the most out of my career. That's my big goal – to see if I can get better every year and really make the most of it."



Jalen “Scoot” Simmons, a former teammate at South Carolina State and one of Hargrave’s closest friends, believes the best is yet to come.

“That’s his personality,” Simmons said. “He thinks he can get better and he’s the most humble person I know. He’s just scratching the surface in my eyes.”

While Hargrave dominated in high school and in his first two seasons at South Carolina State, it wasn’t until a six-sack game against Bethune-Cookman as a junior that he realized he had a real shot.

“That’s when I started hearing the whispers,” Hargrave said. “It dawned on me – I’ve got a chance to do this thing.”

South Carolina State is a historically Black university in Orangeville, S.C., with a football history that includes Hall of Famers such as New York Giants linebacker Harry Carson and Rams defensive end Deacon Jones. Given North Rowan’s status as a low-enrollment Division I high school combined with Hargrave not having a qualifying ACT score, the Bulldogs were the only team to school to offer him a scholarship.

As a freshman, Hargrave entered mid-year after successfully earning his qualifying score and subsequently went into his first spring practice out of shape.

David Blanchard, the defensive line coach at South Carolina State, watched a winded Hargrave fail to make it through his first conditioning drill.

“He ran extremely well, but he couldn’t run for long,” Blanchard said. “He couldn’t finish, but you could see the burst he had. You could see him jump. He was just an unbelievable athlete to be that size.”

South Carolina State defensive coordinator Mike Adams, now an assistant at Mercer College in Macon, Ga., said Hargrave got in shape by doing everything that was asked and then taking on even more.

“He’s out there at 5:30 in the morning doing these circuits,” Adams said. “He made himself finish those drills. Besides all his skills, my first impression was this kid has actually got something to him in terms of making himself physically better.”

Hargrave has no fond memories of the experience but understands the impact was profound in that he’s remained in shape ever since.

“That was a rough time for me,” Hargrave said. “It was the first time I’d been off so long, six months at home, eating, gaining a lot of weight. I didn’t see the light at the end of the tunnel. I think it just woke me up. Never wanted to feel like that again. Never.”

Hargrave, then and now, is good-natured and low-key. Other than an instance where Mitchell thought his power forward was being too nice in a regional playoff game, Hargrave hasn’t needed a lot in the way of motivation.

Mitchell was a college roommate of Tim Bates, Hargrave’s father. Bates was a North Rowan assistant coach and Hargrave’s brother, T.J. Bates, was the point guard.

North Rowan was being dominated by Monroe, the defending state champ whose star player was Jamison Crowder, now an NFL wide receiver. Crowder had his way in the first half and then Mitchell laid into Hargrave.

“He cussed me out pretty bad and it really made me mad, but I think that helped get me going,” Hargrave said. “I ended up having a big second half and we won.”

Mitchell, now an assistant women’s coach at Winston-Salem State, said teammates liked Hargrave because he didn’t draw attention to himself despite superior physical gifts.



“The guys love him. He’s a gentle giant,” Mitchell said. “He’s humble – but he can be a character – funny in his own little way. He was a true leader.”

Behind closed doors, Hargrave would occasionally display an edge, like the time he failed to make the All-Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference team despite a solid sophomore year.

“He was so mad. That ate him up, and that pushed him to conditioning himself even more and he absolutely destroyed the league from that point on,” Blanchard said.

Adams, who bestowed the name “Gravedigger” on Hargrave based on former Packers nose tackle Gilbert Brown as well as his last name, said he saw a big change as a sophomore.

“His first year, he was kind of wildly moving around and he was so athletic at that weight, he could outmaneuver people, but it wasn’t until his second year you started to see his true in-gap power and ability to just wreck the interior of an entire offensive line.

“We knew he was good, but I don’t know if we ever saw this, where he’s widely considered maybe the best interior defensive lineman in the world,” Adams said. “That’s insane.”

Hargrave credits his father, who is a pastor, and his mother for keeping him grounded and focused on improvement even as he has become wealthy beyond his wildest dreams.

“It’s never been the easiest road for me, like I was this five-star athlete or big-time guy,” Hargrave said. “Everything I had to get I had to work for, so to keep getting the things I want, I’ve got to work at it. I’m not happy just because I’ve got the money. I actually love football and make the most out of it for me and my family.”

Mitchell joked that Hargrave is so frugal “he’ll probably still have \$80 million of the \$84 million when he retires.” That prompted a laugh from Hargrave, who said “I spend a little more now, but I’m not about to go crazy.”

In the next breath, Hargrave said he was dreading the tax rate in California as well as apartment prices in San Francisco.

The beginning of those riches became possible after 29 ½ sacks in his last two seasons at South Carolina State and a 4.93 time in the 40-yard dash at the NFL scouting combine. Still, Hargrave lasted until the third round, with Pittsburgh taking him at No. 89 overall.

Four solid years in a read-and-react scheme led to a three-year, \$39 million deal with the Eagles, who turned him loose more often, and then to the 49ers, where Hargrave will disrupt at will and look to expand his game.

“He’s not ready to pat himself on the back. That’s not him,” Blanchard said. “When I reach him, it’s always, ‘I’ve got to work out. I’ve got to get a massage.’ That’s his deal. He has a home here in the Carolinas but his home is really where his workout facility is.”

Simmons, a college teammate and running back who spent three NFL seasons as a practice squad player with Arizona and the New York Giants, sees no difference in terms of personality from the guy he first met at the South Carolina State dorms.

“He’s loyal, he’s giving, and he always wants the best for people around him, especially his family and friends,” Simmons said. “He’s still the same guy, man, the same ol’ Hargrave to me.”



Talanoa Hufanga

The 49ers' breakthrough revelation of 2022? Talanoa Hufanga

By Mike Silver
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He is becoming a star before our eyes, a second-year sensation who seemed to materialize out of thin air. San Francisco 49ers safety Talanoa Hufanga has been one of the NFL's most prolific playmakers during the first half of 2022, a conspicuous presence on a talent-rich defense that is the league's stingiest. Simply put, he has been a revelation.

The 23-year-old is seemingly headed for the stratosphere — and not merely because the Niners practiced this week at a field that sits 6,700-plus feet above sea level, part of a plan to get Hufanga and his teammates acclimated to the altitude for Monday night's game against the Arizona Cardinals in Mexico City. And yet, for all his sudden success, there's little concern that the first-year starter's head is in the clouds.

"I don't think I've arrived yet," Hufanga said Thursday after the Niners' practice at the Air Force Academy. "It'll probably be 12 years down the line — God willing, if I can play that long — before I even say it. And, really, you can never have that mind-set that you have arrived."

Hufanga's humility runs deep, a product of the mentorship he has received from Hall of Fame safety Troy Polamalu, and from the way he was raised. He grew up on a farm outside Corvallis, Ore., doing many of the same chores that had been assigned to his father, Tevita, who spent his first 18 years in a Tongan village.

"Being raised with a pops that grew up on dirt floors, it really makes me appreciate the little things in life — hot water, electricity, having a roof over your head," said Hufanga, who fiercely values his Polynesian heritage. "I was fortunate to go back (as a teenager) and see where he grew up; he would do chores and farm work all day. I definitely understand what it takes to have a work ethic like that, regardless of what you have."

At times, he learned the hard way. As a freshman in high school, Hufanga was handed back a math exam that didn't pass the smell test — and, shortly thereafter, neither did he.

"I didn't pass a math test, and my dad picked me up from football practice, after I'd changed back into my school clothes," Hufanga recalled. "When we got home he sent me straight into the barn to clean it out. I had to do it in my school shoes; he wouldn't let me change.

"I had a shovel and a wheelbarrow, and it was pitch black, and I had to clean out the whole barn. Because if this was how I was gonna act with my grades, those were the consequences."

Hufanga had to throw away his shoes, but the stench of misplaced priorities lingered.

"I never failed a math test after that," he said, smiling.

As a high school senior, Hufanga passed another test: convincing Polamalu to guide him on his journey to potential football greatness. After committing to play at USC, Polamalu's alma mater, Hufanga was connected with the former Pittsburgh Steelers great by another former NFL player, Vai Sikahema. Hufanga was on his way back from Hawaii, where he'd just played in the Polynesian Bowl, when he called the number Sikahema had given him.

Polamalu "answered right away," Hufanga recalled. "I was starstruck. We talked about a bunch of different things that we needed to handle in order for me to be successful on the field and off the field.



And later, when I followed through with them, I (called back) and told him I'd done everything he asked, and he decided to work with me."

When Hufanga arrived at Polamalu's house in San Diego for their first training session, he was greeted by another reality check.

"We started warming up, and three hours later we're finishing up and I'm like, 'Man, that was a good workout,'" Hufanga recalled. "And Troy was like, 'That was just the warm-up. And then we went to work. That was a lesson for me.'"

The learning curve continued for Hufanga when he got to USC. "My freshman year in college, I was a fifth-string safety before I ended up starting," he said. "I really didn't understand defenses, 'cause I came from a defense in high school where they just let me roam and just find the ball. So, that's where my very instinctual feel of the game comes from. But I really didn't understand defenses."

He wasn't handed anything in the NFL, either. Partly because of a relatively slow 40-yard dash (4.64 seconds), and partly because of the slew of injuries during his first two seasons with the Trojans (two broken collarbones, a shoulder sprain and a concussion), Hufanga wasn't drafted until the fifth round.

As a rookie, he didn't make a ton of noise in the regular season during three fill-in starts. However, Hufanga announced his presence resoundingly in January in the Niners' 13-10 divisional-round playoff upset of the Packers at Lambeau Field, scooping teammate Jordan Willis' blocked punt out of the snowy darkness and racing into the end zone for a game-turning touchdown with 4:41 remaining.

Coach Kyle Shanahan has since told reporters, "We should have played (Hufanga) a lot more last year." Hufanga, however, didn't mind his apprenticeship, saying, "I definitely needed to be on the sideline and see it from a different perspective, 'cause I needed that time to grow and mature. There was a lot of growth from Year 1 to Year 2."

After the season, the 49ers made no attempt to re-sign starting strong safety Jaquiski Tartt, whose dropped interception in the fourth quarter of the NFC Championship Game defeat to the Rams shall live in infamy. Hufanga seized the starting job — and, once the games began, has gotten his hands on just about everything.

Simply put, he has been a revelation.

"You could see flashes of it" last year, Pro Bowl linebacker Fred Warner said. "But he's putting it together now. Consistency is the truest measure of performance."

Hufanga has four of the 49ers' seven interceptions, including his 52-yard pick-six of a Matthew Stafford-to-Cooper Kupp screen in the Niners' 24-9 victory over the Rams in early October, and his diving interception of a Justin Herbert pass to clinch last Sunday's 22-16 victory over the Chargers.

He also has seven passes defended and, according to NextGen stats, ranks first among all NFL safeties in three metrics. For the analytics crowd, those metrics are Ball-Hawk Rate (35.0), Receptions Over Expected (minus-5.5) and Target Expected Points Added (minus-19.5) — and please don't make me clean out the barn in my school shoes if I can't provide any additional explanation.

Be it against the run or pass, Hufanga — like Don Henley's protagonist in the Eagles' "Life in the Fast Lane" — seems to be everywhere, all the time. He's third on the 49ers with 36 tackles, behind linebackers Warner and Dre Greenlaw; among those are five tackles for loss — a product of his exquisitely timed run blitzes — tied for second among NFL safeties. He also has a sack, and he and veteran Tashaun Gipson have formed a seamless partnership on the back end.

On a defense full of decorated disruptors, including Warner, edge rusher Nick Bosa (a defensive player of the year candidate) and cornerback Charvarius "Mooney" Ward, Hufanga has proved he belongs. He's having a Pro Bowl-type season — at least — and he isn't close to satisfied.



“The standard is set,” he said. “It’s a high level. We swarm. We love it. And if you’re under that standard, you won’t be playing. You might not even be on this team.”

Hufanga, by his own standard, might not have arrived — but he isn’t going anywhere. In his eyes, this is just the warm-up. For that, the Niners are profoundly grateful.



The key to 49ers' Hufanga's early success? Getting answers before the test

By Eric Branch
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It's common for college football coaches to rave about former players, but the men who mentored Talanoa Hufanga at USC are particularly passionate about the San Francisco 49ers' strong safety.

Craig Naivar, Hufanga's position coach in his final season at USC, tweaked a cliché about players with impeccable character to illustrate his affection.

"He's a young man that if my daughter said she was going to date him," Naivar said, "I would tell my daughter: 'You better not screw it up.'"

Clancy Pendergast, a 32-year coaching veteran who was Hufanga's defensive coordinator in his first two seasons at USC, termed him one of his "all-time favorite guys" and fondly recalled how he fell for him immediately: His recruiting visit at Hufanga's home in Corvallis, Ore., was perhaps the best in his 14 college seasons.

Ronnie Bradford, Hufanga's position coach when he was a USC freshman, said his instincts and physicality are reminiscent of 49ers general manager John Lynch, a Hall of Fame safety whom Bradford coached with the Broncos.

"But he's a better person than he is a football player," Bradford said. "He's such a good, good, good kid, man."

How impressive has Hufanga been early in his first season as a starter? So good that Naivar, Pendergast and Bradford have been joined by thousands on the 2021 fifth-round pick's suddenly stuffed bandwagon.

On a team dotted with A-listers, defensive coordinator DeMeco Ryans said Hufanga was "probably everybody's favorite player" based on his electric and effective playing style.

After three games, Hufanga ranks second on the 49ers in tackles (21), shares team-high honors in tackles for loss (four) and pass breakups (three), has an interception and might unofficially lead the NFL in exquisitely timed run blitzes.

Last week, in an 11-10 loss in Denver, Hufanga nearly took the handoff from quarterback Russell Wilson before dropping running back Melvin Gordon for a 6-yard loss.

"Well, it's only about the 50th time I've seen it so far," NBC's Cris Collinsworth said after Hufanga's latest backfield raid. "You would think someone would account for him."

The hair-on-fire Hufanga, hailed by his USC coaches for his passion, work ethic and drive, is a reason that last season's third-ranked defense has been slightly more suffocating in 2022. The 49ers entered Week 4 ranked second in total defense and had allowed the fewest yards per play and fewest first downs in the NFL.

Still, they are 1-2 due to an offense that has scored 10 points in each of their losses. And with quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo discussing the lack of offensive rhythm after he didn't practice until late August, the 49ers might need to lean on their defense to steady their season when they host the Rams on Monday night.

The 49ers kick-started 2021 after a 3-5 start with a 31-10 prime-time romp over the Rams at Levi's Stadium, when Hufanga made the last of three fill-in rookie starts. This past week, head coach Kyle Shanahan reviewed that game and noticed Hufanga played a key role in a defense that limited the Rams to 278 yards, their second-lowest total of the season.



Said Shanahan: “We should have played (Hufanga) a lot more last year.”

His college coaches would echo that.

Hufanga fell to the fifth round partly due to a medical file that included two broken collarbones. But his lack of speed was the biggest reason he wasn’t more coveted after he was a first-team All-American and the Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year in his COVID-shortened final season.

It appears NFL evaluators didn’t give enough consideration to Hufanga’s other qualities — harder to measure than his 40-yard dash (4.64 seconds) — that have allowed him to flourish at every level.

“That’s what people don’t realize about this kid,” Bradford said. “If he has any deficiencies, he’s going to work as hard as he can to fill those, to make sure they became strengths.”

Hufanga’s instincts, which help compensate for his so-so wheels, are primarily a product of maniacal preparation.

A linebacker, wide receiver and wildcat quarterback in high school, Hufanga wore out his coaches when he arrived at USC with endless questions about his new position.

He began his freshman season as a fifth-stringer. But injuries, along with his classroom work, allowed him to enter the starting lineup by the Trojans’ fourth game.

Spotlight on QB Jimmy Garoppolo: A week removed from resembling an off-the-bench savior, he returned to being a polarizing figure after he was the leader of an abysmal offensive performance in Denver. He has spent a week being scrutinized by social-media lip readers, questioned about his accountability and even being criticized for smiling while greeting an old Patriots teammate following the defeat to the Broncos. Garoppolo has typically responded well to adversity during his 49ers’ tenure. He’s 11-3 after losses, the only defeats coming during last season’s four-game losing streak.

Injury notes: 49ers - WR Danny Gray (hip) is doubtful; DTs Javon Kinlaw (knee) and Arik Armstead (foot) are questionable. Rams - C Brian Allen (knee) and G David Edwards (illness) are out.

THREE THINGS TO WATCH

- Rams WR Cooper Kupp had 29 catches (34 targets) for 382 yards and 3 TDs in three games against the 49ers last season. The rest of the Rams: 50 catches (85 targets), 438 yards and 3 TDs.
- The 49ers have scored one offensive touchdown in the fourth quarter of their past six games dating to last season’s playoffs. The TD came on Garoppolo’s 1-yard QB sneak in a Week 2 win against Seattle.
- The 49ers averaged 3.6 yards per carry in their three games against the Rams in 2021. They averaged 4.4 yards per carry in their other 17 games.

- Eric Branch

“If he had free time, he was in the building studying,” Pendergast said. “That separated him from a lot of people. I used to joke with him: ‘No questions on game day. You ask so many questions. Let’s just get to the game and just let it go from there, you know?’”

“There would be times he would be walking towards me and I would say, ‘Nope, nope, nope.’ And we would just start laughing.”

Said Hufanga, smiling: “It was a joke because all the seniors on the team would be like, ‘Talanoa has all these questions. Does he know what he’s doing?’”



Naivar arrived in 2020, Hufanga's final season, and became accustomed to his pupil quizzing him about the opponent's potential counter moves. What if they do this? Or that? Or ...

"Sometimes," Naivar said, "it would be like, 'Talanoa, there's no way they are going to do that.' ... But that was him. No stone unturned. He's everything you want in a football player. If there were 84 more of him at USC, (fired coach) Clay Helton would still be there right now."

It was telling that Naivar, now at SMU, Pendergast at UCLA and Bradford at Montana, quickly granted interview requests to discuss Hufanga in the middle of their seasons.

Bradford was on the phone less than two hours after Montana's sports information director was contacted. And Pendergast made time Friday afternoon, about five hours before UCLA's game against Washington.

Meanwhile, Ryans, a Pro Bowl linebacker, has been similarly eager to gush about Hufanga. His praise is unusual considering Hufanga is a 23-year-old with six career starts. His words, however, are familiar.

"He's always asking questions, trying to figure out just how many nuggets can he get to get another step to see what the offense is doing," Ryans said. "When you see guys show up on Sundays, it's because of the preparation that they're doing behind the scenes. And Huf is one of the best guys at prepping throughout the week that I've been around."



“The perfect pupil”’: 49ers’ Talanoa Hufanga is learning at the foot of Troy Polamalu, his Hall of Fame idol

By Jerry McDonald
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Ryan Clark has heard the buzz about 49ers safety Talanoa Hufanga and watched the film with interest.

NBC analyst Cris Collinsworth invoked the name of Hall of Fame safety “Troy Polamalu” more than once during the Sunday Night Football broadcast in Denver. Charles Woodson and Richard Sherman made the comparison on Twitter, as did former 49ers defensive back and Hall of Famer Ronnie Lott on a local radio station.

Clark, an NFL analyst for ESPN, played free safety for the Pittsburgh Steelers for eight seasons, all with Polamalu at strong safety. The two are so close that when Clark flew to California this weekend to watch his son play for Arizona State against USC, he stayed at Polamalu’s home.

When the conversation turned to football Thursday night, Polamalu brought up Hufanga’s name unprompted.

“Troy’s words to me last night were, ‘He’s the perfect pupil,’ ” Clark said in a phone interview. “He does everything right. Anything you tell him that can make him better, he implements it, whether it’s the amount of sleep he gets, the amount of film he watches, the workouts he does, what he eats and the way he takes care of his body.

“Literally everything I’ve told him to do that could make him better, he’s been willing to put 100 percent effort into it.”

Comparisons between Hufanga and Polamalu were inevitable. They both have long-flowing hair and are of Polynesian descent. Hufanga is Tongan, Polamalu’s family is from American Samoa. They each went to high school in Oregon before playing collegiately at USC.

“I can’t call it a lazy comparison, because it all fits,” Clark said.

Hufanga has been mentored by Polamalu since college. The two train together in the offseason, and Polamalu offers advice and critiques after every game.

“It’s an honor for me just to be able to train with Troy,” Hufanga said. “It makes sense that I play like I do because I train with him. You try to mimic someone’s game as much as you can, and you hope to see the results. By no means am I comfortable where I’m at. I’ve got a lot of room to grow and have to continue to grind. I’m very blessed to be around him.”

Off the field, Hufanga is like Polamalu in that he’s earnest, soft-spoken and humble. But there’s a passion underneath the surface that is unleashed on game days. Hufanga’s 21 tackles are second to Dre Greenlaw (23) on the team, and he leads the 49ers in solo stops with 17, is tied with Nick Bosa with four tackles for loss and has three passes-defensed and an interception.

Not that Polamalu, inducted into the Hall of Fame on the first ballot in 2020, is delving deeply into stats with his protege.

“He critiques everything, and is a harsh critic,” Hufanga said. “He sees the game from a different perspective and he’s never really satisfied with my performances. Training with him is very different. A lot of it has to do with your mind. He’s a different cat, for sure. He not only understands the game, but what life is all about.”

Hufanga, Clark believes, is impacted by Polamalu’s sincerity.



"If you're around Troy, you understand how passionate he is about the game," Clark said. "Talanoa knows Troy does not need to be doing this with his life. This is not something he charges for. The respect level and the way he understands what he's being told and who is telling him is one reason there is such a level of maturity in him."

With Pittsburgh, Polamalu did the requisite studying of tendencies and scheme while at the same time letting his instinct and passion take over. He rarely does interviews, as is noted on his foundation website, but gave a glimpse into his soul during his Hall of Fame induction speech.

"I come from a culture where discipline, humility, and respect are not only the foundation to our survival, but the key to our existence," Polamalu said.

Lott, another USC product, invoked the Polamalu name and raved about Hufanga's play in an interview with KNBR.

"What's great is that here's a guy that looks like he's moving faster than everyone else," Lott said. "And what I mean by that is his anticipation of understanding the moment."

A sixth-round draft pick, Hufanga's big moment as a rookie was a scoop-and-score touchdown with a blocked punt in a playoff win over Green Bay. Looking back on last season, coach Kyle Shanahan said Hufanga may have been short-changed by starting only three times in 15 games.

"We should have played him a lot more last year," Shanahan said.

DeMeco Ryans, the 49ers' defensive coordinator, said Hufanga is serious about the mental game.

"He asks questions and I'm like, bring it on," Ryans said. "You want guys who want to know why. Like, 'Why are we doing this?' instead of 'I'm doing something just because the coach told me to do it.' That's what separates Huf and why he's sticking out amongst everybody because he's asking those questions."

There's a delicate balance between playing the position by the book and going off script as Polamalu did so often to make a play on instinct enhanced by preparation.

"He's a guy that played 12 years," Hufanga said of Polamalu. "I'm only in Year 2, and I've got a lot of room for improvement. There are some risks you take within the game. You've got to see the game. But you've got to do your job. You do that, and you'll help other guys make plays as well."

While Clark is reluctant to compare Hufanga with a first-ballot Hall of Fame player in terms of pure talent, he has watched film of all three 49ers games so far and came away impressed.

"He's getting his hands on footballs, making plays behind the line of scrimmage and making impact plays," Clark said. "This is a production-based business and right now he's producing at a high level."



Drake Jackson

Drake Jackson's 49ers journey began with the tutelage of his father, Dennis

By David Lombardi
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The year was 2001. Dennis Jackson filled out his newborn son's birth certificate. Without hesitation, he made the name a loaded one.

"Drake Jackson, University of Southern California, outside linebacker, 260 pounds," the document read.

Dennis, an avid USC fan, handed the birth certificate to nurses at the hospital in Los Angeles. In a phone interview last week, he remembered their reaction to the name.

"They said it was too long," Jackson said.

So Dennis settled on a shortened version for his son's name. Now, over two decades later, the original version of that birth certificate is merely a story of the past — but a notably prophetic one. Drake Jackson, after all, would indeed go on to play outside linebacker for USC at around 260 pounds.

What's happened after might've strayed from Dennis Jackson's script, though.

The 49ers drafted Jackson — whom they see as an edge-rushing complement to star defensive end Nick Bosa — with their top 2022 pick, No. 61, last month.

But unlike USC football, the 49ers aren't dad's team.

"Dennis is a diehard Raider fan," Matt Logan, Drake's former coach at Centennial High (Corona, Calif.), said in a phone interview last week. "We were teasing him before the draft: 'What happens if Drake doesn't go to the Raiders? Will you get a jersey?' He goes, 'Nope, I'm gonna wear the Raider jersey.'

"I think there's no way. So, we'll see if he gets a 49er jersey."

Drake Jackson's NFL journey began this past weekend at the 49ers' rookie minicamp. He and undrafted signee Kevin Atkins were the only two defensive linemen partaking in practice. That meant especially focused attention from fiery 49ers D-line coach Kris Kocurek, who's now tasked with helping Jackson realize his potential.

There seems to be an immense amount of it, and the 49ers — when considering Jackson's modest total of 12 1/2 sacks through his three seasons at USC — believe that it's relatively untapped.

"I'd say he's incredibly disruptive," general manager John Lynch said after the draft. "He played in a bunch of different schemes and they moved him around a lot, so we think his best football is in front of him. But things such as quick disruption — something we study a lot — he was tops in the country. We liked the film."

The 49ers were enamored with Jackson's springy bend. He can land a standing backflip at 275 pounds, and his broad jump (127 inches) and vertical leap (92 inches) both rank well above the 90th percentile for defensive linemen.

The 49ers also believe that Jackson will fit well into their locker room.

"He can be a senator or a congressman," Logan said. "He's such an outgoing personality, always has a smile on his face. Everybody in the building likes him. That's just the way he is."



Kocurek should have moldable clay to work with as he takes over the job of developing Drake Jackson, the project that Dennis Jackson started so many years ago.

“He’s the best in the league,” the elder Jackson said of Kocurek. “I’m a D-line coach, too, so I follow a lot of these D-line coaches. I’ve always taught Drake to be like a sponge and be able to absorb everybody. I think he’ll be a sponge and soak up what they have to offer.”

Dennis Jackson played defensive end for Missouri Western State University and even got a tryout with — you may have guessed it — the Raiders.

So Dennis isn’t a small man, and that’s why a 10-year-old Drake astounded him with precocious strength.

“I remember to this day, we were in my room and we were going over some D-line drills,” Dennis said. “And I was just showing him how you flip your hips, and he pushed me in the chest and he pushed me into the back of the bed. And I was like, ‘Oh my gosh, if you push anybody like that, you’ll never have a problem in football, ever.’”

“And from there on, he was a monster.”

Drake had been training under Dennis’ guidance from a young age. He’d been lifting weights since age 4 and doing agility drills since age 7.

“Dennis has been a huge influence,” Logan said. “He’s offered that not only to Drake but to a lot of kids. A lot of kids will go lift over there and train with Dennis. All out of the goodness of his heart. He’s not the guy who’s out there trying to seek money and telling kids a bunch of BS. He’s training kids to help them with their future because a junior college coach saw him on campus one day and said, ‘Hey, why aren’t you playing football?’ Brought him to the weight room and it totally changed his life.

“I think that’s what he feels like is his way of giving back.”

Drake started his first game at Centennial as a sophomore against IMG Academy, the preparatory boarding school based in Florida that churns out Division I football talent. The 2016 IMG offensive line featured tackles Evan Neal, who’d go on to Alabama and be drafted No. 7 by the Giants this year, and Daniel Faalele, who played college ball for Minnesota and was a fourth-round pick to the Ravens.

“Everybody on their O-line is 6-3 and above and 300-something pounds,” Dennis said. “In the first half, Drake’s getting dominated. I think it was a mentality thing. I told him, ‘I’m telling the coaches to take you off.’ He said, ‘No, Dad — I can do this, just give me a chance.’ He wanted to impress me.

“And in the second half, he really took it to another level. Once I saw that, I knew he could play with the best. I knew at that point he could play at SC.”

No opponent came within single digits of undefeated IMG that season except for Centennial, which nearly overcame a two-touchdown halftime deficit that night in a wild 50-49 loss.

It proved to be a turbocharger for Jackson’s football career.

“Drake really started to turn it on his sophomore year,” Logan said. “At first, he was a little unsure of himself in situations. Then he really started to light it up.”

Jackson’s blossoming athleticism commanded attention. He lit up a summer passing league session when Logan, indulging the D-lineman’s wishes, allowed him to line up at wide receiver for a snap.

That’s around when Jackson’s backflipping hobby began taking full flight. As he progressed through high school, what had started as a fun stunt on trampolines moved to the beach, where the sand’s incline from the water gave Jackson extra landing space.



Eventually, Jackson overcame the final mental barrier and began backflipping without fear on the practice field.

"I think his freakiness started to come around eighth grade," Dennis said. "Then, in high school, he started doing freakier stuff. He would do these flips, about 10 in a row and he was 270 at the time. Somebody was like, 'Who taught him that?' I was like, 'I didn't.'"

Jackson splashed onto the scene as a freshman at USC in 2019, leading the Trojans with 11 1/2 tackles for loss and earning freshman All-America honors. He played a standard defensive end position at around 275 pounds.

But USC fired defensive coordinator Clancy Pendergast after that season, and his replacement Todd Orlando had different plans for Jackson, especially after a pair of injuries had thinned USC's defense on the second level. Orlando wanted Jackson to play a hybrid outside linebacker role that featured pass coverage responsibilities. That called for a significantly lighter playing weight of only about 250 pounds.

Dennis says that USC's staff did give Jackson the choice to stay at defensive end, but his son made the position switch anyway. He cut the 20 or so pounds that the move required in 2020. So after playing stout football at over 270 pounds as a freshman, Jackson was noticeably weaker at the point of attack in the subsequent two seasons.

"I said, 'Son, you need to stay at defensive end instead of linebacker. Defensive ends make a lot more money than linebackers. If you go from (Nos.) 1 to 10 (in the draft), you'll make \$20-40 million,'" Dennis said. "He goes, 'Dad, I don't need that much money. ... I want to help my team out.'"

Said Lynch: "Once you kind of get his story, he was only doing what the coaches at that time were asking of him."

Said Drake Jackson: "Everything was for the team when I did that. We had gotten a new coaching staff as well. They told me to lose weight so I could run around a little more, so I said, 'All right coach, let's get it.' I'll do anything for the team. As long as we win, that's all that matters."

The Trojans did initially win. They went 5-1 in 2020's abbreviated season, but fell to 4-8 in 2021. USC fired head coach Clay Helton after Week 2. Jackson, meanwhile, continued playing at that lighter weight (he'd also dropped a few more pounds due to a preseason illness) and through a lower leg injury.

Jackson still managed to lead USC with eight tackles for loss in 2021, but all the turmoil undoubtedly hurt his draft stock. In fact, The Athletic's Dane Brugler had actually projected Jackson would be the No. 7 pick in his early mock draft immediately following the 2021 draft. But once this year rolled around, it was clear that Jackson stood very little chance of being drafted that high.

Jackson's tumble was costly. For reference, the No. 7 pick is slotted for a fully-guaranteed contract worth more than \$28 million with a \$17.7 million signing bonus. But since he was taken at No. 61, Jackson's rookie deal is set to be worth just \$6.2 million over four years — and only a \$1.7 million signing bonus is guaranteed.

Jackson will truly have to earn his keep at the NFL level. But a story that Dennis shared from Drake's teenage years suggests that the 49ers rookie has the mentality to embrace his current situation.

"He said, 'Dad, can you give me some money to go to the movies?'" Dennis said. "So I give him \$30 and he goes to the movies and comes back and hands me \$30. And I go, 'I thought you went to the movies.' He said, 'I did, but one of my friends paid for it.' And I said, 'Well, keep the money.' And he said, 'Aw, no Dad, you got it.'"

"He's just that type of kid."



Jackson's agent, Drew Rosenhaus, called Drake and Dennis around 6 a.m. on the morning of the draft. Rosenhaus told the family that the 49ers were hoping to pick Jackson. The caveat, of course, was that the 49ers didn't own a pick until No. 61, which was late in the second round — and Rosenhaus also predicted that Jackson would be a surprise first-round pick.

The first round came and went without a selection of Jackson, so anxious times carried over into the second day of the draft.

"The whole time, it was really nerve-wracking," Dennis said. "The Texans said they were gonna pick him, the Minnesota Vikings said they were gonna pick him. (Both Houston and Minnesota ended up making two second-round picks each). So when it got to the 49ers, all these other teams have passed."

When Jackson fell to them, the 49ers kept their word and nabbed him.

"Didn't think he'd be there at 61," Lynch said. "And he came there, so we were happy to grab him and make him a part of the Niners."

Dennis remembers the minutes before his son was drafted.

"My daughter made a bet, she said, 'Dad, you're gonna cry,'" Dennis said. "I said, 'I'm not gonna cry, I promise you.' Drake gets the call and my daughter goes, 'Dad, let me see your eyes.' And she looks at my eyes and she goes, 'OK.'"

"As soon as Arik Armstead comes up and says, 'With the 61st pick, the 49ers select Drake Jackson,' I couldn't control it. Emotions just spilled. Me and him crying like babies. We got the hug, got the embrace. We hugged for a minute. It was an amazing, unbelievable feeling. I've never felt this way before."

The waterworks continued in grand fashion minutes later, when Drake planted one of his signature backflips into the pool. Dennis was the first of many partygoers to also hop into the water, as evidenced by the video below.

After he dried off, Drake was still beaming as he spoke to the Bay Area media for the first time via Zoom. Jackson wore a chain that featured a replica of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum — his home stadium at USC — as he answered questions. Jackson was so excited that he even expressed audible disappointment when the 49ers' PR staff wrapped up the interview session.

"Ah, man," Jackson said.

Over the next several hours, Jackson would field phone calls from several of his new 49ers teammates. Bosa, Armstead and Trey Lance were among the players who reached out.

"Watching the whole D-line, I cannot wait to get out there with those guys and just turn up with them," Jackson said. "I wanted to text (Bosa) that night and pretty much figure out the answers to the test."

Less than two weeks later, Jackson's turn to be a sponge at the NFL level began in earnest. As he soaked up that first visit to the 49ers' facility during rookie minicamp, he reached out to Dennis.

"I was just walking through the halls and I had to call my dad," Jackson said. "It's crazy to just be standing here in this spot. I can't explain, it's just a blessed feeling."

There's just the final issue of Dennis' allegiance to the Raiders, but the entire Jackson family is laughing about it now.

"We've all been saying 'Bang Bang Niner Gang,'" Drake said, smiling. "It's the song by E-40, 'Bang Bang Niner Gang.' That's (my dad's) favorite song. He probably won't switch over fully, but we got him."



There is an inflection point to force a firm decision from Dennis now on the calendar. The 49ers are scheduled to play the Raiders in Las Vegas on New Year's Day. Dennis has yet to miss a single game at any level of Drake's football career, and he'll certainly be in attendance for that one.

So, what about the 49ers jersey that Dennis insisted that he'd never purchase?

It turns out that there's been a reversal on that front. Dennis has indeed purchased a 49ers jersey, with the realization of his son's NFL dream being the impetus.

"I have one coming," Dennis said. "Jan. 1 will be very hard for me. I guess I'll have two teams until that day."



What skill makes 49ers top pick Drake 'The Freak' Jackson so unique?

By Eric Branch
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Like many of the top pass rushers in last week's NFL draft, Drake Jackson can burst off the line and bend around the edge en route to blasting quarterbacks.

But how many of those defensive ends can perform backflips? Standing backflips. For perspective: Jackson stands 6-foot-3 and weighs 270 pounds.

"That was always one of the coolest things to me when I was a kid: flipping," Jackson said. "I was always interested in gymnastics-type of things and that was probably as close as I got to it. I've always been able to do it."

Jackson, dubbed "The Freak" by his USC teammates, celebrated being drafted in the second round by the San Francisco 49ers on Friday with the same move he often used to punctuate the Trojans' wins. With his back to the water, he flipped and landed feet-first in the backyard pool at the house he rented with friends and family in Las Vegas, the site of the draft.

Tariq Ahmad, the 49ers' director of college scouting, didn't spend a second studying Jackson's ability to channel Simone Biles before the 49ers selected him with the No. 61 pick. But the skill speaks to the lower-body burst Jackson possesses that belies his size.

"That's just a cool way he can show everyone how explosive he is," Ahmad said. "But we see that on his get-off (from the line). He's a highly talented mover with special length for someone who is 6-3, and he can do all this at 270-plus pounds. So it's all very exciting."

The 49ers are thrilled about pairing Jackson, 21, blessed with raw ability, with defensive line coach Kris Kocurek, who has worked wonders with lesser talents in his three-year tenure.

But perhaps no one is more enthused than Jackson. During a phone interview Wednesday, he laughed about comparing notes with his college teammate, cornerback Chris Steele, who signed with the Steelers as an undrafted free agent.

Steele was giddy about defensive end T.J. Watt, the NFL's reigning Defensive Player of the Year, being his teammate. Jackson was equally excited that another Pro Bowl pass rusher, Nick Bosa, was now on his side.

Jackson noted he was interested last month when he heard about 49ers wide receiver Deebo Samuel's trade request. Now? He's invested.

"I'm telling (Steele), 'Man, we need Deebo back,'" Jackson said. "A couple (of weeks) ago, I would have been like, 'Dang, Deebo wants to leave the 49ers.' That's crazy. Now, it's like, 'That my teammate.' So it's like, 'C'mon, Deebo. C'mon back.' ... It's just crazy how life changes."

Jackson's physical ability is part of package that includes 34-inch arms and a wingspan of 82 $\frac{5}{8}$ inches. Jackson has a larger wingspan than all but one of the 10 pass rushers drafted ahead of him, falling short of Georgia's Travon Walker (84 $\frac{1}{4}$), the No. 1 overall pick. Only Walker (35 $\frac{1}{2}$) and Penn State's Arnold Ebiketie (34 $\frac{1}{8}$), selected 38th overall, have longer arms.

Jackson's college production was relatively puny: He had 12.5 sacks and 25 tackles behind the line of scrimmage in his three-season, 28-game career.

Part of that was tied to his fluctuating weight and positions. In his first season, when he weighed 275 pounds, he played defensive end, had career highs in sacks (5.5) and tackles for losses (11.5) and was



named a Freshman All-American. In his second season, under a new defensive coordinator, he also played outside linebacker and weighed around 265 pounds.

Then, before his final season, Jackson's weight plummeted to 218 pounds after a series of medical issues: He tested positive for the coronavirus, had a tonsillectomy and also underwent turbinate reduction surgery, a procedure in which nose cartilage is removed to improve breathing.

After playing at 245 pounds last year, he's now around his freshman weight. And he's poised to play his freshman position, defensive end in a 4-3 defense, with the 49ers.

Jackson will arrive at next week's rookie minicamp unpolished, but his high-end draft status makes him unlike most of the edge rushers Kocurek has coached since he was hired in 2019. Bosa, the No. 2 pick in 2019, is the only other edge rusher the 49ers have selected among their 30 picks in the past four drafts.

"We have the best D-line coach in the NFL," Ahmad said. "So if you give him someone who has that type of explosiveness, movement and lower-body looseness, it's going to be fun to watch."

Jackson admits he didn't have fun watching the start of the draft, when his hopes of being selected in Thursday's first round were extinguished. And his mood didn't improve when he wasn't among the first 28 picks of Friday's second round.

But then the 49ers ended his wait, setting off a celebration that included his flip and series of congratulatory texts that included a message from one of his new teammates, Bosa.

"That was wild right there," Jackson said. "I almost jumped back in the pool after that one."



Kyle Juszczyk

Why fullback Kyle Juszczyk says 'there's no better fit' for him than the 49ers

By Chris Biderman
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Many NFL players dream of hitting free agency. It's a chance to test the open market and have multiple teams bid for your services. It can often drive up a player's price, which is welcome news to the player and his bank account. Just ask left tackle Trent Williams, who early Wednesday morning landed a six-year, \$138 million deal with the 49ers as multiple teams coveted him.

But San Francisco's fullback Kyle Juszczyk didn't need to hit the open market. The unrestricted free agent knew where he wanted to land from the outset. So he agreed to a new five-year deal with San Francisco on Sunday evening, hours before the league's negotiating window opened Monday morning. It would have allowed Juszczyk to field offers from other teams like the New York Jets, who hired San Francisco's former passing game specialist Mike LaFleur as offensive coordinator, and potentially drive up his asking price from the 49ers.

"Honestly, there's no better fit in the league for me than San Francisco, just to be completely honest," Juszczyk said on a Zoom call Wednesday. "Kyle (Shanahan) ... he puts together the perfect system for me to play in. And for me to go anywhere else, have to uproot my life, really, sell my house in California, find a new spot, have all new teammates, (and) begin the whole process over again ... this late in my career, there was a certain part of me that didn't want to do that. And so if I could get that number I was happy with in San Francisco, I was just going to roll with it and just continue in a place that I'm so happy to be in."

The number was a five-year contract worth up to \$27 million with \$10 million in guarantees. It made Juszczyk, who turns 30 in April, the highest paid fullback in history for the second time since 2017. If he plays out the life of his deal, the five-time Pro Bowler will have made \$50.5 million over his 13-year career.

Paying a fullback that kind of money is a complicated decision that not many agree with. A number of teams have axed the position altogether, and some would prefer only to have fullbacks signing minimal contracts and not getting eight figures guaranteed.

Shanahan, of course, is an exception. He made adding Juszczyk a priority when he first got hired in 2017 by making him a key member of the team's first free agent class weeks after he was hired. Four years later, that belief hasn't changed.

Juszczyk's versatility makes him emblematic of Shanahan's offense. He can line up outside, catch deep passes downfield, play in the slot, rove as an H-back and line up in the backfield as a traditional fullback. For a team that wants to run the ball effectively as the foundation of its scheme, to set up play action and make things easier on the quarterback, Shanahan has come to view Juszczyk as an essential piece.

"I don't think it's a secret. I think we use the fullback more than anyone in the league," Shanahan said at the 2019 owners meetings in Phoenix. "I'm always going to use the fullback. I believe in it strongly."

Shanahan is considered one of the game's premier offensive minds. But he has zagged against the trend of a league becoming more pass happy. He had no problem calling just eight pass attempts, and 42 runs, during the 37-20 thumping of the Green Bay Packers in the NFC Championship Game after the 2019 season. The 49ers went to the Super Bowl that year running the ball at the second-highest clip in the league, only behind the Baltimore Ravens, who ran quarterback Lamar Jackson 176 times.

For Shanahan, using a fullback is all about dictating things to the defense.



“If you put three receivers out there, then (the defense) can run certain blitzes and stunts where you cannot run the ball,” Shanahan said. “And they can force you to pass and they can force you to do things. When you have a fullback out there, it doesn’t matter how many guys they have in the box, which is nice because if they put a lot of guys in the box it makes it easier to throw.”

The agreement of Juszczyk’s new contract was finalized Sunday, but the parameters came together Saturday, when 49ers CEO Jed York was celebrating his 40th birthday with a party attended by general manager John Lynch and Shanahan, which led to a series of Tweets indicating alcohol might have been flowing.

FaceTime calls were made, of which Juszczyk wasn’t willing to share too many details from out of respect for his bosses. But he said the celebratory mood was emblematic of the reasons he wanted to stay with the 49ers.

“They were very stoked, I was stoked,” Juszczyk said. “They were at Jed York’s 40th birthday party, so the phone got passed around, a lot of congratulations, a lot of cheers, and all those sort of things.

“Honestly, it’s so cool to be a part of that, to get FaceTimes from your owner and your GM and your head coach, and speak with their families and be comfortable. It’s like I’m speaking to my own family, you know? It’s not one of those awkward conversations that’s just, ‘Yes, sir. Yes, sir. We’re going to do great.’ It’s just real conversations and real genuine joy. That’s why I feel so connected to this program.”



49ers fullback Kyle Juszczyk runs on 'drive from within'

By Matt Kawahara
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When 49ers fullback Kyle Juszczyk was a sophomore at Cloverleaf High in northeast Ohio, former teacher and coach Dave Ward said his player would arrive for football film sessions, quietly reach into his gym bag and take out a stack of notecards.

“He was taking notes on every player that would affect his play the next night,” Ward said. “He was making notes about steps they’d take, tendencies they had, tells they had.”

When Juszczyk was a senior, the team held a banquet. And Juszczyk, former Cloverleaf coach Kevin Gault recalled, showed up carrying a full filing cabinet drawer.

“He’d taken notes on every player he’d played against,” Gault said, “and he passed them down to the underclassmen. They were better than the scouting reports we had.”

Now in the NFL, Juszczyk’s cerebral approach is a gift that keeps giving — allowing the 49ers to use the versatile so-called “offensive weapon” in a variety of alignments and formations as a linchpin of the running game that has helped carry them to the Super Bowl on Sunday.

How extensive are Juszczyk’s responsibilities in the offense from week to week? Before the NFC Championship Game against the Packers, 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan said coaches need to be mindful at times of not overloading Juszczyk in the game plan.

“We put a lot on him — and we haven’t put too much on him yet,” Shanahan said. “He’s been able to handle it each time. I’ll say that’s because of his Harvard education. But he’s a hell of a football player who doesn’t get nervous about anything. And he works very hard throughout the week to understand everything.”

Juszczyk’s contributions aren’t exactly unsung — he was voted to the Pro Bowl for the fourth time this season — but they can go unquantified. Juszczyk does not have a rushing attempt or a catch in these playoffs. This season, he totaled three carries for 7 yards and 20 receptions for 239 yards.

Given the 49ers’ affinity for two-back sets, though, Juszczyk has been on the field for 90 of 126 offensive snaps in the postseason. And he has often been lead blocker for a rushing attack that gained 471 yards in wins over the Vikings and Packers.

Last week, Juszczyk, a former high school wildcat quarterback who had 22 touchdown catches at Harvard, was asked if he ever feels unfulfilled playing 50 snaps in a game without touching the ball.

“No,” Juszczyk said. “Because usually we’ve won that game.”

Those who knew a younger Juszczyk might recognize the resolve.

Gault met Juszczyk long before coaching him. As a third-grader, Juszczyk began showing up to Cloverleaf practices “every day” to watch his older brother. So Gault made him a manager.

“He wasn’t like a normal third-grader,” Gault said. “He was just such a mature kid.”

When Juszczyk reached high school, Gault said, Cloverleaf football would hold training sessions at 6 a.m., five days a week, in the offseason. Juszczyk also played basketball and was a thrower in track and field. But he didn’t skip the early morning workouts.

Basketball “game day or not, he was there at 6 o’clock in the morning,” Gault said.



Ward taught Juszczyk at age 12 and describes him as having “a sense of determined purpose.” A few years later, Ward said, Juszczyk visited his classroom carrying several early college recruiting letters.

“He said, ‘Hey Coach, you got a minute? I got some stuff in the mail and I’m not sure exactly how we should go with this.’”

Ward, an influential figure for Juszczyk who officiated the fullback’s wedding last summer, said that began a custom of weekly visits while Juszczyk was at Cloverleaf that expanded into “just talking about life stuff.”

“He was already there so this has nothing to do with me, but we’d talk about integrity, what it means to be a man as far as being a husband and a father, what your word means, those kinds of things,” Ward said.

By his senior year, Juszczyk had grown from a 135-pound freshman to nearer his current listed size (6-foot-1, 235 pounds) and was playing multiple positions on offense as well as linebacker. Going into that year, Cloverleaf had never made the playoffs. In its regular-season finale, Cloverleaf faced undefeated Highland High with a playoff spot on the line.

In double overtime, with Cloverleaf in position to try a game-winning field goal, Gault called a direct snap to Juszczyk to place the ball in the middle of the field.

“He says, ‘I’m going to score, coach,’” Gault said. “We said, ‘No you’re not.’”

Juszczyk took the snap and ran for the winning 16-yard touchdown.

“I shook my head and said, ‘I’ll be damned, he’s going to succeed no matter what,’” Gault said.

In a bit of foreshadowing, Juszczyk’s versatility caught the eye of Harvard head football coach Tim Murphy, who works with the program’s tight ends and H-backs.

“You could see his physicality, you could see his athleticism,” Murphy said. “You could envision he would make a sort of perfect H-back for us.”

Juszczyk received few Division I offers and said other schools wanted him to play linebacker. At Harvard, Juszczyk moved around the offense, lining up as an in-line tight end, a fullback, in the slot and out wide. Murphy said players who fill that role at Harvard often don’t grasp the full skill set until their junior season.

“He took to it right away,” Murphy said. “He was such a perfectionist — a tough, physical kid, but also a perfectionist — that he mastered all of those positions for us at a very young age.”

While Juszczyk spent his first four NFL seasons with Baltimore, the lineage to the 49ers is clear. According to Sharp Football Stats, the 49ers this season used a fullback on 26 percent of their offensive snaps, most in the NFL. But Juszczyk played nearly 37 percent of the offensive snaps and said he views his hybrid capacity with the 49ers as “the same thing I really did in college.”

Juszczyk said Shanahan’s game plans “count on me to make a lot of adjustments,” and acknowledged “there are tougher weeks than others.”

“But after a day or two of getting to absorb it, usually I don’t have a problem with it,” he said.

In attending Harvard, where he majored in economics, and adopting a fullback position that has phased out of many NFL offenses, Juszczyk said he “actually did” see a route to an NFL career.

“I wasn’t going to tell people that early on,” Juszczyk said. “I just wanted to get my foot in the door in any way possible. ... I (thought), as long as I can get eyes on me, I know that I can show something that someone in the NFL is going to say, ‘This guy can be valuable for us.’”



Those words would likely resonate with Ward, who will be on hand in Miami on Sunday to see Juszczyk play in his first Super Bowl.

“Kyle’s drive from within was what set him apart from a lot of people,” Ward said.

“I always thought he had a vision in his head that maybe only he could see at that point. And he was always working toward that, quietly.”



Javon Kinlaw

49ers' Kinlaw, big man with small ego, good-naturedly explains growing pains

By Eric Branch
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Ask the 49ers for their initial impressions of rookie defensive tackle Javon Kinlaw and a theme emerges.

Let's see if you can pick up on it.

"Oh, man, he's just a specimen," guard Laken Tomlinson said.

Pass rusher Nick Bosa: "He's one of the biggest humans I've ever seen in person."

And running back Jerick McKinnon: "He has a big upper body. Big lower body. Big quads. Everything on him is just big."

Kinlaw, the No. 14 overall pick, is listed at 6-foot-5 and 319 pounds on the 49ers' roster, but maybe they are using his measurements from middle school?

Kinlaw should be measured in square feet. He weighed 10 pounds, 8 ounces at birth and noted Tuesday that's he always been bigger than his peers. However, the man with gas-hose arms (34 $\frac{7}{8}$ inches) and oil-drum thighs figured he'd finally blend in when he met his NFL teammates at training camp last month.

"Honestly, coming in, I thought I was going to be like another guy," Kinlaw said. "But I'm coming in and I'm looking like, 'OK, dang, I'm the biggest guy.' But just because I'm big that doesn't always mean (much) because everyone is strong. Everybody is big. It's all about technique."

As Kinlaw hinted, he has yet to have an outsized performance during the first four practices of training camp. He hasn't consistently flashed while working with the second team, although there have been moments when it's clear why the 49ers coveted him.

On Tuesday, for example, he twice faced Tomlinson, the 315-pounder who's one of the 49ers' strongest players, in a one-on-one pass-rushing drill. The result, which probably registered on the Richter scale, had Tomlinson giving up significant ground against Kinlaw's bull-rush.

Right guard Daniel Brunskill has likened blocking Kinlaw to "hitting a wall." However, Kinlaw also has hit a wall during steamy practices against an offense that stretches out defenses with outside-zone runs.

"Like every rookie, it's just a different feel when you get on the practice field, especially when you go against an offense like ours who moves at such a fast pace, who make you run as a defensive line," defensive coordinator Robert Saleh said. "It's not a power game that you've got to play. It's more of a speed game. For him, he's like every rookie. It's the fourth day of camp. Legs are probably getting a little bit heavier. But we're excited to have him."

Kinlaw's assessment of his performance?

"I'd be lying if I thought it was good," he said. "But I'm making improvements. That's the main thing."

Say this: Kinlaw has made great strides as an interview subject.

On Tuesday, his first meeting with the media since his buttoned-up Q&A session on his draft night in April, Kinlaw was funny, engaging and displayed a humility not often displayed by college All-Americans and first-round picks.



His thoughts on facing Tomlinson?

"I'll tell you what, the other day he wore me out," Kinlaw said. "I'm used to playing bully ball in college, but it's like everyone here is strong. And then they're playing with good pad level. ... (I'm going after Tomlinson) and his head is below my sternum."

When asked if defensive line coach Kris Kocurek has eased him in by limiting him in individual drills, Kinlaw laughed: "Coach put me in the fire off the rip. He threw me in the fire since Day 1. ... It isn't a limiting thing."

And his impressions of the profane and high-decibel Kocurek? "He's a mad man," Kinlaw said, smiling.



George Kittle

Me and my robot: George Kittle and his unique offseason training partner

By Matt Barrows
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George Kittle has a sweet, new, 75-acre spread outside of Nashville that will have a little bit of everything: A weight room, an indoor field, an outdoor field and a recovery room. Oh, and a football-throwing robot.

He's actually been working with that last item for a while. The 49ers tight end first came across the device, called the Seeker and produced by Monarc Sport, when he was a junior at Iowa and the machine was in its infant stages. Back then, there were wires and motors hanging off of it, and the interface was through a laptop computer.

Today, it's portable and sleek, there's a touchscreen and GPS-like tracking, and it can throw — including some wicked fastballs — to all corners of a football field. Kittle liked it so much, he became an investor. Perhaps it's no coincidence that a handful of NFL tight ends, including the Chargers' Hunter Henry, the Steelers' Eric Ebron and the Lions' T.J. Hockenson are among the early adopters. Hockenson, who also played at Iowa, will be training with Kittle in Nashville this offseason.

"I don't have to drive somewhere," Kittle said during a call from his new offseason home. "I don't have to wait on a quarterback to show up and get warmed up. I can get out of bed and go downstairs and just turn it on. And I can catch 150 footballs before breakfast."

Kittle initially got a Seeker to augment his training. But it became essential when the pandemic hit last year. Gyms closed, local fields were off limits, social distancing was encouraged. Kittle was living in a neighborhood home in Nashville at the time with his wife, Claire, his parents and his sister. He lifted weights in a makeshift gym in the garage and caught passes in the backyard.

Kittle made the throwing sessions a family affair. Unlike a traditional JUGS machine, which is fed footballs one at a time, the Seeker can fire six in one clip and discharge them in 10 seconds. But the balls still must be loaded into the magazine, which is where Kittle's family came in. It was as if the Kittles were manning the cannons on the side of the frigate during the Napoleonic Wars.

"We got pretty efficient at it," he said. "We got 150 footballs in under 30 minutes a couple of times. We were flying. And that was really fun."

Kittle said his favorite program is called the gauntlet, one in which he's standing still and the Seeker fires passes to various points on his body.

"It's randomized," he said. "I'm in a stationary spot, but I can get a ball that's three feet above my head and a ball that's on my toes, a ball that's on the right side of my knee, a ball that's in my stomach, that's at my face. It's just an entire array."

His new home will give him the space to experiment with other features, including a route-running mode. If the 49ers tight end wants to work on breaking to the outside and catching passes just before the sideline, the Seeker can handle that, too.

During the 2011 scouting combine, soon-to-be 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick edged out Cam Newton by throwing a football 59 mph. Now and then, strong-armed NFL passers like Patrick Mahomes and Aaron Rodgers might launch passes that exceed 60 mph.

The Seeker is capable of producing 100 mph passes, although Monarc Sport co-founder Igor Karlicic said the company has dialed back the maximum speed to 75 mph for safety's sake.



“We were actually training with Danny Amendola one day in Austin and he was asking to receive passes at 61 (mph),” Karlicic said. “And 61 is terrifying. If you’re standing right in front of it 30 yards away and you’re anticipating a 61 mph, it’s sensational. And Danny wanted it in stride, in a route at 61 mph and it was really next level. We’re in awe of what these athletes are doing and we’re trying to enable what their unique minds come up with.”

Kittle said his Seeker is usually throwing passes at 50 to 55 mph, but he’ll crank it up past 60 mph before he calls it quits for the day.

“And that’s for hand strength right at the end,” he said. “The 60-plus (mph) is very seldom. But it’s fun sometimes just to see who can do it.”

Both Karlicic and Kittle said the goal isn’t to replace the quarterback. Kittle, after all, is best friends with fellow Nashville area resident C.J. Beathard, and the ultra-gregarious tight end always prefers to train with others. Beathard, in fact, also was an early investor in the device.

But Kittle also noted that human quarterbacks aren’t always available on a whim and that their arms will get tired over time. If Kittle is working out on his new outdoor field with buddies like Hockenson, 49ers tight end Charlie Woerner and Packers tight end Robert Tonyan, it might be tough for any flesh-and-blood quarterback to deliver the 150 passes that Kittle tries to get in a day.

The Seeker also enables a second person to determine the placement of the throws, a function that allows Kittle to engage the prankster side of his personality.

“It’s fun,” he said. “If I want to mess with my boy Rob Tonyan, I can throw at his feet four times in a row, then two at his face and just have a good time with it.”

The Saints recently became the first NFL team to get a Seeker and the company last week delivered one to Northwestern, the alma mater of Karlicic and co-founder Bhargav Maganti. Iowa, SMU, Oklahoma, LSU and Virginia are among the other programs that have one. Some of these teams have agreements with Monarc. Otherwise, the device costs \$62,500.

Karlicic noted that the Seeker can produce left- and right-handed passes, can launch a ball end over end and, with the velocity up to 75 mph, can mimic punts and kickoffs. There’s a video of receiver Mohamed Sanu, who was briefly with the 49ers in 2020, setting up his Seeker in his front yard so he can catch punts in his backyard.

What it can’t do is feather passes between linebackers and defensive backs, put nuance into the spiral or perfectly mimic the characteristics of specific quarterbacks. Well, it can’t do those things yet. Developing a robotic Tom Brady or Russell Wilson is the ultimate goal, Karlicic said.

“That’s the dream, right?” he said. “If you’re somewhere down the roster on the Seahawks, how valuable would it be to immediately be able to emulate that chemistry with Russell Wilson, your starting quarterback? To be able to get those reps when Russell himself isn’t going to be wanting to throw them? Absolutely. That’s really what we’re trying to do.”



How George Kittle transformed from 200-pound Iowa tweener to All-Pro tight end

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Once a year, usually when the leaves turn colors and the temperatures fall, the Krieger family gathers at a log cabin in southeast Iowa and its number of attendees approach the population of many nearby communities.

Bub and Lucky Krieger had 10 daughters — no sons — and almost all of them and their children return to a site called “Kamp Krieger” every year for a day of fellowship. For Bub and Lucky’s grandchildren, Kamp Krieger often was filled with day-long battles of whiffle ball that included some of the region’s best athletes.

Among the cousins smacking the plastic ball include San Francisco 49ers tight end George Kittle and former Los Angeles Rams tight end Henry Krieger-Coble. They were Iowa football teammates for four seasons. There’s Brad Carlson, who is the University of Iowa’s career leader in home runs and former all-state baseball brothers Jesse and Levi Ney. Older than all of them is Jess Settles, the Big Ten freshman of the year in 1994, who scored 1,611 points in his Iowa men’s basketball career.

“They just love it, and they play it every time they get together,” said Settles, now a basketball analyst with Big Ten Network. “And they talk a lot of trash. They just smash the ball around.”

“At the last one, they got the H-O-R-S-E game going and the shooting competitions, and I had to humble all of them in that. The old gray mare isn’t what she used to be, but she’s still got it.”

Settles brought that up on Twitter in the spring, and immediately Kittle, his younger cousin by 20 years, responded.

“Jess I’m pretty sure you won the first game and lost the next four,” Kittle wrote. He ended his tweet with a pair of laughing emojis.

It’s a tight-knit extended family despite its size held together by the patriarch and matriarch. Bub Krieger, who died in 2011, gave up a pro football career with the Chicago Cardinals in 1940s to run his 160-acre family farm near Mount Union, Iowa. Lucky Krieger, now 97, still lives on the farm. They empowered their daughters to succeed in all facets and definitely in sports.

Kittle’s mother, Jan, was an All-American basketball player at Drake, where she also played softball. Krieger-Coble’s mother, Amy, played softball at Iowa. Every sporting event became a family reunion of sorts when the grandchildren had games. Settles coached Krieger-Coble’s high school basketball team in Mount Pleasant. The family traveled to watch Kittle’s older sister, Emma, play volleyball in high school and college at Iowa and Oklahoma.

It was the same way for a while with Kittle, the San Francisco 49ers’ charismatic All-Pro tight end. As an eighth-grader, his middle school football team played at Mount Pleasant. And the Krieger caravan came to watch him.

“He was just lanky and not a lot of muscle on him,” Settles said. “But he had good hands, he had good quickness. It was just kind of fun to sitting there in the bleachers with Henry and the family, because we basically show up to any event in the area if one of 150 family members is playing in it. It’s kind of a family tradition.”

Family matters to the Krieger family, of which Kittle is a product. So does Iowa, a place where Kittle partially grew up as a youth and then as a man in college. His path to NFL fame wasn’t easy. He was a low-level recruit who wasn’t offered a Division I scholarship until Iowa’s Kirk Ferentz offered him on signing day in 2012.



It took a lifestyle change to elevate Kittle from a mid-level college player three years into his Iowa career to set him on an NFL course. Yet he remained true to himself and those around him to become the star he is today.

“One of my greatest joys as a coach is seeing George be himself and having fun living life and having fun playing football,” said Iowa assistant LeVar Woods, who served as tight ends coach for Kittle’s final two seasons.

Family, football and fun

One constant in Kittle’s five years at Iowa, was his devotion to his family. Before every home game, Kittle would leave one of the Iowa team buses and immediately search for his parents. Once he found them, he gave Jan and Bruce a hug and kiss before tapping the 12-foot bronze Nile Kinnick statue on the way into the stadium.

Also apparent was Kittle’s attraction to fun. One summer day, he was eating in downtown Iowa City when he noticed a wedding party taking pictures.

“Someone screamed at me, ‘Hey Kittle, come take a photo with us for our wedding,’” Kittle said. “So I was in between a bunch of bridesmaids. I enjoyed it. I had no idea who any of them were, but it was fun.”

Kittle was into traditional golf and frisbee golf, often shot pool in the colder months and tried to bowl but was terrible at it. During his junior year, former teammate and current pro wrestler Steve Manders (aka “The Cornbelt Cowboy”) turned Kittle into a WWE fan. Just hours after the Hawkeyes’ Outback Bowl appearance on Jan. 1, 2017, Kittle attended a WWE event in Tampa, Fla., that night.

No matter the environment, Kittle was friendly and outgoing. Settles — and others — have called Kittle “the life of the party.” It didn’t matter if it was a family reunion or an upscale greeting, Kittle was comfortable in any environment. That included dinner with his coaches.

“One of the first times I had the tight ends over when I became tight ends coach, my wife left saying, ‘Who is that skinny kid? He’s a really nice kid. He kept talking to me the whole time. Who is that guy?’” Woods said. “‘That’s George Kittle.’ And the rest is history.”

“Now I think everyone sees how he’s able to connect with people and talk with people and leave people with a great impression. Whereas other guys are a little bit more quiet when they’d come over to the coach’s house, a little bit more reserved. George was not that way.”

Kittle’s outgoing personality also was on display his first fall at Iowa. As he approached Hillcrest dormitory where the majority of freshman athletes reside, he saw women’s basketball player Claire Till climb on her moped. She was tall, wore long, black hair and flashed a smile that stopped Kittle at the moped rack.

“She had a helmet and a pink Hawkeye on the front of her moped,” said Claire’s mother, Shelley Till, who is a women’s basketball analyst with Big Ten Network. “And he was giving her crap and said, ‘Oh, hey, nice helmet.’ And she just kind of looked back at him and said, ‘Thanks,’ and made a smirk and drove away.”

“According to him, he was really interested in her the moment he saw her, and she wanted nothing to do with him. He will laugh and say that he was in the friend zone for a good eight months.”

They became friends and Kittle regularly asked her out. Claire always shot him down. Finally, on Feb. 3, 2013, a few hours after the women’s basketball team lost a two-point home heartbreaker, they reached a crossroads moment.

“She knew he liked her,” Shelley said. “It’s Super Bowl Sunday and the 49ers are in the Super Bowl, not that he was a 49ers fan at the time, but it’s just the irony of the story. So he’s texting her and so she’s like, ‘Fine, I’m hungry. If you want to take me out for sushi.’”



“So, he left from watching the Super Bowl and took her out downtown in Iowa City to dinner on Super Bowl Sunday. That was kind of their first official going out together/doing something together where she finally said, ‘Yeah, OK. I’ll let you take me out to dinner.’ It just happened to be she pulled him away from the Super Bowl. So that must mean he really liked her.”

Throughout Kittle’s Iowa tenure, the university ranked either No. 1 or No. 2 in Princeton Review’s annual party school rankings. Kittle helped enhance those rankings. He was active in the Iowa City party scene and it impacted his football trajectory. He wasn’t completely immersed in Iowa’s rigorous offseason training, and it prevented him from seeing the field.

“I think this is well-documented, and George would say all these things to your face, that he struggled early on just adapting to college and college life,” Woods said. “The aspect of being a Big Ten football player he struggled with early on and the kind of the commitment it takes off the field to do that.”

“There’s a turning point. He documents it as a conversation he had with (former Iowa linebacker) Pat Angerer as a time when he made a decision, and I think it’s kind of a perfect storm for him.”

Angerer and Kittle are two of Iowa’s biggest personalities over Ferentz’s tenure. Both are engaging and personable. Their college career paths followed a similar wavelength. Angerer was a well-known partier and barely saw the field in his first three seasons at Iowa. In his final two seasons, Angerer developed into an on-field ass-kicker and second-team All-American in 2009, a year when Iowa finished 11-2.

Kittle, a lifelong Iowa fan, knew of Angerer’s exploits and also was aware the linebacker considered quitting midway through his career. Angerer told him the difference was he cut down on the partying and threw his life into football. At the time, Kittle saw his career circling the drain and heeded Angerer’s advice.

“After my freshman year, I got up to about 225 pounds and I got stuck there,” Kittle said. “Leading up to the TaxSlayer Bowl, the HawkSlayer Bowl (a 45-28 loss to Tennessee on Jan. 2, 2015), I got stuck about 225. That was the offseason where I just figured some stuff out.”

Wheel routes

In a family filled with well-known and successful athletes, Kittle had one trait none of his cousins did. “We were all fortunate to have good hands,” Settles said. “We had a passion. Good work ethic. We had that motor that you can’t really teach. But we always came up short for probably one main reason and George finally got it, which is world-class speed. That blows my mind because we don’t have the speed gene in our family.”

When Kittle arrived at Iowa, he weighed 200 pounds and looked like a wide receiver. Ferentz wasn’t sure exactly which position Kittle would play. Defense was a possibility, but the plan was set for him to grow as a tight end.

“George was incredibly fast,” said Woods, who coached linebackers when Kittle arrived before shifting to tight ends coach in 2015. “I remember telling staff on defense, and I kind of got laughed at a little bit by one of the coaches when I said that George Kittle might be one of the top five fastest guys on this football team. Because he would run down on scout kickoff to service that kick return team, and we couldn’t block the guy. He was certainly skinny and wiry like everyone talks about but he was incredibly fast, incredibly athletic and explosive.”

Kittle was fifth on the depth chart as a redshirt freshman in 2013, yet his speed allowed him to reach the field for a few offensive plays per game. He grabbed five passes for 108 yards running one primary pattern, and the defense quickly caught up.

“It’s, ‘46 is in. He’s running a wheel route,’” Kittle said. “And I ran a wheel route every time.”

“It was always funny,” Iowa tight end Jake Duzey said. “They probably knew what was coming but George was faster than the guy anyway.”



Through the end of 2014, Kittle played sparingly but brought a new dedication to the field for 2015 spring practice. Krieger-Coble, his cousin, was ahead of him, as was Duzey, both of whom had pro potential. Woods' shift to tight ends allowed Kittle to hear a fresh perspective and a new voice. But the challenge remained the same. It started with run blocking, which former strength coach Chris Doyle impressed upon him on his first day at Iowa.

"I'll never forget it," Kittle said. "It just kind of changed my mindset on the whole thing. I was not a physical player coming into college at all. It's hard to be a good run blocker if you're not physical. When he said that, it kind of changed my whole mindset."

Still, he had to prove it.

"From a run-blocking standpoint, I don't know if a lot of guys really respected George coming off the ball at the time," Woods said. "Whether we're talking about defensive ends or linebackers, I think everyone kind of viewed George as not dominant. Some of that had to do with (the fact) he's a little bit light and then also some of it had to do with maybe not finishing his blocks as much. But I think that changed that spring going into his junior season."

Kittle's fundamentals, along with his growing size and strength, led to dramatic improvement. His explosiveness off the ball coupled with his ability to bring his elbows and knees to drive defenders became apparent. And he put it on full display against stalwart defensive end Drew Ott.

"That spring, going into his junior year, there were a couple of pictures I have burned in my brain of George Kittle," Woods said. "As an offensive staff, we were watching and we were rewinding it. And no one could quite believe it. He was going up against Drew Ott in a 9-on-7 inside run drill, and George comes rolling off the ball and basically — he didn't put Drew on his back — but put Drew off the field. And then he came back and did another one in the same practice. I think that sort of let everyone know this is real, what we're seeing out of George Kittle."

It wasn't an aberration. In his first game against Illinois State, Kittle earned his first pancake block when he drove a defender more than 10 yards off the ball. He did that consistently over his next two seasons, including to his teammates, too.

"I was on scout team and I had to go against George," said current Iowa defensive end Chauncey Golston. "I would try to go as hard as I possibly could and I would just see my cleats. I could just feel my cleats like just sliding in the ground going back."

In 2015, Iowa won its first 12 games, and Kittle caught a team-high six touchdown passes. Krieger-Coble and Kittle combined for 55 catches that year. On Krieger-Coble's senior day, each scored a touchdown. Kittle said playing alongside his first cousin "is still the most fun I've had in football."

"Henry Krieger-Coble has some of the best hands I've ever seen in my life at any level," Woods said. "George is a little bit different in the fact that he could frickin' fly, and he's a matchup nightmare. Some of the things that George has learned and refined, I think more so came with improving his hands, and his hand-eye coordination. He had the physical tools to run and separate from defenders, but just refining some of those things."

Entering his senior season, Pro Football Focus named Kittle, standing 6-foot-4, as college football's best tight end. He maintained his speed and he carried his weight well. In the seventh game that year, a midfoot sprain cost Kittle two games and rendered him ineffective for most of the rest. He struggled to walk but he refused to sit out of the regular-season finale against Nebraska. Kittle caught two touchdown passes that day.

Kittle finished with 47 catches for 737 yards and 10 touchdowns at Iowa. He started 18 games and played in 49.

'He made Claire laugh'



From their Super Bowl sushi dinner onward, Kittle and Claire began to date. They endured one big breakup that coincided with Kittle's major party phase. They reconciled when Kittle became more serious with football and in life. He may have changed his lifestyle but not his personality.

Kittle and a few football friends traveled to Claire's home in Dubuque, Iowa and ate the family completely out of food during one Independence Day weekend. During Claire's final three years of college, she traveled with Kittle to his parents' condo on South Padre Island every May.

"I saw right away that he just he made Claire laugh," Shelley said. "To me, the greatest thing that I noticed right away is they did start out as friends first. And quite frankly, that's why she didn't want to date him because they were such good friends. She didn't want to mess that up.

"I definitely knew she was smitten. But she tried to fight it for a while. But that's good. You've got to make him earn it."

Claire graduated three months after her basketball career concluded prematurely because of knee surgery. She opted to remain in Iowa City for fall 2016 as Kittle finished his final season with the football program. They grew closer.

For the 2017 NFL Draft, Claire's parents joined Kittle's parents and several family members at the Kittles' Coralville home. The 49ers selected Kittle in the fifth round, and Claire moved to California a few months later.

On an off day during training camp in 2018, Kittle and Claire walked down the Twin Lakes State Beach outside of Santa Cruz, Calif. He knelt on the beach. She gasped. Kittle proposed. They married on April 10, 2019, in a small family ceremony.

"If I would put it in a sentence, they make each other better," Shelley said.

Finishing strong

Just 25 miles from Settles' hometown in the mid-1990s, requests often would flood sporting goods stores for his No. 4 Iowa basketball jersey. Settles was a Big Ten star before a back injury derailed two of his seasons and ended his NBA hopes. At the time, Settles' fans would ask for any Iowa basketball artifact just so they could tie themselves to the affable local hero.

Fast forward 25 years. At a mall in Coralville, Iowa, Settles walked in one of the state's largest sporting goods stores and saw a rack full of Kittle jerseys and T-shirts.

"I thought, I've got a couple of my nephews. I've got my daughter," Settles said. "They might not have them back in (stock). I don't want to bother Jan with it. I bought the whole rack.

"I take, let's say, 15 of them up to the cash register. And the lady goes, 'Oh, you're getting some gifts for some people?' I typically don't do this, but I said, 'Yeah, George is my cousin, I want to take care of the family with these.' And man, her face lit up like you wouldn't believe.

"Then the kid next door came over and said George is the starting tight end on his fantasy team. We have this 10-minute conversation about George. So that's kind of what it's become with this celebrity that he has now."

Kittle remains the toast of Iowa City. He has returned on bye weeks to watch games from the sidelines. He recorded a football hype video that resembled a WWE promotion. He watched Claire's younger brother, Riley Till, play basketball at Iowa and received standing ovations from the crowd.

When the 49ers played at Seattle in last year's regular-season finale, Kittle invited Woods and his son, Mason, to join him on the sidelines just two days after Iowa's Holiday Bowl victory in San Diego. Kittle still



sends texts to Iowa City-based reporters and treats his extended family members as he did during their whiffle ball tournaments.

“Nothing has changed,” Settles said. “You’re just one of the crew.”

Amid his status as one of the nation’s most interesting and energetic pro athletes, Kittle provides plenty of lessons from his Iowa days. He grew as a player and a person. His persistence was rewarded. He didn’t let adversity hold him back. All of those intangibles resonate.

“George Kittle loves life, and George Kittle loves football,” Woods said. “Those are the things that I think you take away from George. It’s not how you start; it’s how you finish. And it doesn’t necessarily matter where you come from, but it’s what you end up doing with it.”



Free beer, wrestling and Super Bowl memories: Inside George Kittle's garage

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Inside the bright sunlit garage of George Kittle's offseason Nashville home is a makeshift gym comprising the usual suspects: a bench in the center, plates, bands and mirrors strung up against the walls.

The interior of his garage -- Kittle's personal air-conditioned bubble, perfect for pandemic social distancing -- is adorned with flags from the University of Iowa, the 2019 Pro Bowl and the United States of America. They're an expression of who the San Francisco 49ers tight end is.

Then, there's the unmistakable crown jewel:

"I've got a StairMaster if you wanna work out," Kittle says, not kidding.

Mixed in with dozens of bottles of Gatorade in the corner of the garage is the occasional Bud Light or Bud Light Seltzer box. And there are plenty more throughout the house.

"You guys want a beer to take home or anything?" Kittle asks the masked and gloved members of the camera crew who have arrived to film the interview. "You guys like seltzer? I get it for free."

That's George Kittle. He is incredibly authentic while simultaneously generous with his time, and with his stuff. Like everyone else, he's just trying to stay safe and keep busy during the pandemic while also, in his case, maintaining his mantra on the field: *cero miedo*.

Wrestling and the Super Bowl

Underneath the rack station in the corner of the garage are folding chairs from WrestleMania 35 -- literally, Kittle's actual seats from the event -- which he attended in New York last year. On the cushions are collages of the faces of some of its stars, like Ronda Rousey and Dave Bautista.

It's a nod to Kittle's love of WWE, one he professes regularly on Twitter. But one wrestler is missing, the one who inspired Kittle's mantra and his first-down celebration: Mexican superstar luchador, Pentagon.

The gesture is simple, and Kittle encourages everyone in the room to try it: Extend your arm and put three fingers in the air -- your middle finger, ring finger and pinkie -- form an "O" with a closed circle of your thumb and pointer finger. Then swing it down.

If it seems familiar, that's because, of Kittle's 85 catches last season, 53 of them went for first downs. Sitting in the garage and shaking out his first haircut of the pandemic, Kittle recalls exchanging gifts and mutual respect with Pentagon at WrestleMania 34 in New Orleans.

When asked about his gift from Pentagon, Kittle jumps out of his chair quickly to go get it. Two minutes later, he returns to the garage with a bright red and gold luchador mask.

"This is his mask, but he customized it," said Kittle, who gave Pentagon a jersey. "There's a dragon on the side. It's in the 49ers colors. He threw up the number 85 on there for me. It's definitely one of my favorite items that I own."

"Don't ask my wife, but I definitely walk around the house in this thing."

For Kittle, *cero miedo* -- "zero fear" in English -- isn't just a flashy gesture to annoy his opponents after a first down. It's his attitude. It's an audacious mindset that enables Kittle to see only the positive, especially in how his 2019 campaign ended: the 49ers 31-20 loss to the Chiefs in Super Bowl LIV. A loss, he says, that could be considered the "lowest of lows."



Still for Kittle, there's always an upside.

"The fact that I got to meet The Rock was pretty special," he says.

The pregame introductions for Super Bowl LIV had The Rock, former WWE superstar Dwayne Johnson, introducing players to the crowd and the TV audience with some swagger and some trash talk -- WWE style.

"Straight from the People's Champion himself," Johnson began, while gesturing for Kittle to join him on stage, "allow me to introduce you ... to the People's Tight End."

Kittle pauses to remove the hair tie from the man bun that's been sitting on top of his head, and shakes out his hair again.

"I felt like a little kid meeting a superhero," he says. "That was one of the coolest things about the whole Super Bowl. I took his one bottle of tequila that he had. It was delicious."

The season ahead

George Kittle demonstrates the "cero miedo" sign from his garage in Nashville. Justin Fredericks/ESPN
This offseason hasn't been the best of times for anyone, but Kittle's personal gym -- StairMaster included -- has been a haven during quarantine, his own bubble of safety and isolation where he immunized his body and his mind for the field.

It's a big year for Kittle, who, after back-to-back seasons of 1,000-plus receiving yards, is due for a new contract in the spring.

This week, as he finds himself more than 2,000 miles away in Santa Clara, contemplating what could be a complicated football future, he's already prepared to face whatever comes next.

"When you're playing football, you have to have that zero fear," Kittle says. "Because if you're scared, you're going to maybe not reach out for a ball, because there's a safety in the middle of the field. Or you might not want to make a play because you're going to be hit really hard."

"You have to have zero fear."



The Secret to George Kittle's Creative Destruction

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George Kittle decided to be a badass one day and never stopped. It happened in the summer of 2017 when his tight ends coach, Jon Embree, told him to stop getting tackled. Everyone agreed this was ludicrous, including 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan. “He’d say, ‘You can’t go out of bounds there, they can’t tackle you.’ And I’d say, ‘OK, Jon, we get it, but this is kind of ridiculous. You’re going to lose him if you keep saying that when it’s impossible.’”

Embree did not relent. Kittle was, at best, skeptical. “One of the first things he said was never run out of bounds. ‘Turn upfield. They will get out of your way. If they don’t get out of your way, run them over,’” Kittle said. “So I said to him, ‘Well’—he paused—“they are going to tackle me?” But Embree persisted. Again, everyone was quite confused.

“Jon never wavered, because he was doing it to the right guy,” Shanahan said. “George, at some point, thought, ‘You’re right, they can’t tackle me.’”

That “some point” has an exact date: August 19, 2017, in a preseason game against the Denver Broncos. “I turn upfield, and there’s a guy standing there. I said, ‘Screw it, I’m just gonna run,’ and the guy just kind of fell over,” Kittle said. “I ended up in the end zone, and I probably should have been pushed out of bounds. So I thought, ‘Wow, I get it. If you just run at people they just kinda tend to get out of your way.’”

The NFL is one of the most competitive places in human history. Each of its teams is worth a billion dollars. Coaches spend hundreds of hours each week looking for an edge. No sport is as scrutinized or overanalyzed. And sometimes, the league changes when a fifth-round draft pick from Iowa says, “Screw it, I’m just gonna run.”

The guy standing in Kittle’s way in that Broncos game was cornerback Chris Lewis-Harris, whom Kittle trucked right before brushing off a shove from safety Orion Stewart. The names and numbers of the players keep changing, but the play is usually the same: Kittle charging straight ahead and a defender failing to reckon with this fact. I explain that this moment in August 2017 sounds a bit like a superhero origin story. “Learning how it all works,” Kittle said. “Like Spider-Man jumping off a building.”

“Yeah. It does,” Kittle continues as he nods. “And it clicked even more my second year. They do get out of your way. It’s pretty fun.”

It’s outrageous to think that Kittle decided to start breaking tackles and then became the best at it. It’s as if Steph Curry had decided to start launching 3-pointers only a few years ago because a coach told him he might be good at it. Kittle is not only good at avoiding tackles—he is the absolute best in the NFL.

Kittle plays with a frantic energy that has made him the league’s best tight end. Last season, he set an NFL record for receiving yards by a tight end. He blends athleticism and destruction so seamlessly that he’s earned comparisons to Rob Gronkowski, including from the man himself. This year, Kittle is a major part of the offensive engine of the 11-3 Niners, one of the best teams in the league. It is a triumph of self-belief and also a triumph of being 250 pounds, 6-foot-4, and running over 20 mph.

“George, at some point, thought, ‘You’re right, they can’t tackle me.’” —Kyle Shanahan

“I just had the sense that people were going to struggle to tackle him,” Embree said. “There is something in him that makes people not want to tackle him.” Well, he was right: According to Pro Football Focus, Kittle had more yards after the catch last season than any wide receiver or tight end the site has ever tracked. In the past two seasons, Kittle has averaged 8.8 yards after the catch per reception. This is not only the most—it’s 1.6 yards per play more than anyone else. Since Kittle entered the league in 2017, no player has more yards after the catch above expectation, according to Next Gen Stats.



“His mind-set is not, ‘I’m going to score,’ or, ‘I want to get as many yards as possible.’ It is, ‘I want to destroy whoever is in front of me,’” receiver Dante Pettis said. “That’s why he stiff-arms and runs people over. He wants to destroy whoever is in the path.”

Niners tackle Mike McGlinchey can speak for everyone: “I have never seen anything like it.”

Kittle can make defenders look like they’ve never attempted a tackle before. When they miss, they sometimes react as if it is the most frustrating thing in the world—perhaps because it is. The last decade of football has featured smaller defensive players, adjusting to faster, spread offenses. Strict limits on tackling in practice, and practice time, has led to, at least anecdotally, worse tackling. Kittle has taken these trends and run them over. He said he wants to run in a way that forces defensive backs into “creative angles.” This is code for an angle in which Kittle will destroy them.

Creative angles led Kittle to a 2018 game against the Broncos. “All of their DBs took creative angles. I don’t think I really got hit at all, and I had like 200 yards,” he explains. Kittle talks about owning defenders in a nonchalant tone, the way most people describe ordering something from Amazon. “You can tell if a guy is running full speed at you at a downhill angle. Yeah, he’s going to bring it on me, and I’ll lower my shoulder, and we’ll see who wins,” Kittle said. But the Broncos, despite being dunked on twice already in this story, are not Kittle’s Washington Generals. He does this to everyone. This brings him to this season’s Saints game in Week 14, which has become his most famous moment on the field. “In the Saints game, I caught the ball, turn upfield. I run at the guy, and he slowed down instead of coming at me. So I knew he was just going to try to push me out of bounds and not be very physical at it. So you run at him and then just kinda run past him. He’s lucky he got my face mask.”

McGlinchey said that Saints game was “Peak George.” If Kittle’s broken-tackle story started against Denver in 2017, it was perfected in New Orleans. On a fourth-and-2, with 39 seconds left and the Niners scrambling to get in position for a game-winning field goal attempt, Kittle not only converted the first down but gained 39 yards, most of which came after the catch. Kittle said he knew the Niners still had timeouts, so he could stay in bounds—that, of course, is all he needed to know. “[The safety] slowed down, and I knew I was going to bring some pain.” He was such a force on the play that Saints safety Marcus Williams grabbed Kittle’s face mask in a bid to bring him down, leading to a 15-yard penalty. The Niners calmly kicked a field goal to win 48-46 in one of the best games of the year.

“He got lucky he held on,” Kittle said of Williams. “Cause I was going to throw him to the ground.”

Watching the play from the backfield was quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo. “Once I saw he had about 2 yards on the guy, it was over, so I just wanted to get him the ball as fast as possible,” he said. “I literally saw him turn it up the field, and I know it sounds crazy, but in my head, I said, ‘Oh, that’s game.’”

On September 22, 2007, Iowa lost 17-13 at Wisconsin. Pat Angerer, a sophomore linebacker, didn’t play despite a long list of Hawkeyes injuries. The coaches burned a freshman’s redshirt instead of playing Angerer. He was devastated. “The next day, I looked in the mirror and said, ‘It’s not their fault, it’s not his fault, it’s your fucking fault.’ I took ownership of where I was at in life and on the field,” said Angerer, who eventually developed into an All-Big Ten selection and a second-round pick in 2010. This game—played by a forgettable Hawkeyes team five years before Kittle even stepped foot on campus—helped change the course of the NFL in 2019.

In 2015, Angerer was back at Iowa working out in the Hawkeyes weight room when Kittle, then a junior, approached him. Even though he played a different position, Kittle was in the same scenario that Angerer had been in. The Hawkeyes had played Tennessee in a bowl game a few months prior, and younger players got reps ahead of Kittle. He felt uncertain about his career and asked Angerer what changed for him. “I stopped being an asshole,” Angerer told him. “I quit getting drunk and getting in fights downtown. I made Iowa football the most important thing in my life.” Kittle said that was the moment when he started to focus on football. “Whether it was the partying stuff, or whatever, just chilled out on that,” he said.

Embree said he likes players who have been on a “journey.” If they’ve struggled or failed at some point in their careers, they can handle his coaching style. “And the pressure of trying to not get cut,” Embree said,



which he finds crucial to motivating players. Kittle has been on a journey. I asked him what he considers to be the biggest moments in that journey, and he pointed to Angerer's advice, Embree's directive, and his first day on Iowa's campus, when strength coach Chris Doyle told him that if he couldn't run-block, he would never play at Iowa.

"I didn't see this as a seminal moment," Doyle told me. "It was just, 'Hey, George, you're going to have to be a better run blocker if you're going to be a tight end, like the guys who came before you. Dallas Clark, C.J. Fiedorowicz. I don't think he quite understood what it was going to take.'"

Doyle said he'll never forget Kittle's weigh-in as a freshman on June 8, 2012. "He was 200 pounds," Doyle said. "When he left, he was 6-4, 250." Doyle said Kittle was offered a scholarship to play at Iowa based on his potential—he was undersized, and his high school didn't feature him a lot in the passing game. Kittle's father, Bruce, is a former Iowa captain who taught George at an early age how to block and worked in pads with George as early as elementary school. But it wasn't until Iowa that it all came together. Once Kittle became an adept run blocker, and after the conversation with Angerer, he finally learned to love contact. "I used to be so soft in high school. I avoided contact. I played free safety in a Cover-1 and was back all the time. It was my decision to change that," Kittle said. "I realized if I kept playing soft, I was never going to see the field. I have choice words for my 18-year-old self."

In his first start in 2015, against Illinois State, he started hitting people. And he loved it. "I had a base block of a guy who was an [FCS] All-American the year before. I drove him 15 yards back and planted him on his back, and I said, 'Well, I'm just going to do that every single time now.'" He learned at that moment how much he enjoyed inflicting damage. He thought that very few players played physically for the entire game, and there was an inefficiency that he could exploit.

"I might get got once or twice. But you're going to get got the whole game," Kittle said.

Embree said Kittle loves wrestling, and Embree previously coached a wrestling fan in Browns tight end Gary Barnidge. "If you like wrestling, you like contact and physical things, and I wanted to play into that," Embree said. "If you're saying, 'Hey, this is cool, this [wrestler] flipping,' then it's about unleashing that. Unleashing the wrestler and bringing it out on the field. You have to give guys the latitude to be who they are. When you see George with the ball, he's being who he is."

Embree thinks three plays describe Kittle: Denver in 2017, the Saints catch from this season, and a 2018 Rams game in which Kittle briefly carried one Ram on his back and stiff-armed cornerback Marcus Peters. "Now, I think, 'Just run through them, and they'll avoid you.' It's OK. They don't have to tackle me," Kittle said. "I'm going to make them tackle me, and if they want to tackle me, I'm going to make it as hard as I possibly can on them to see if they want to keep tackling me." 49ers fullback Kyle Juszczyk said he marvels at how often Kittle approaches what appears to be a "nice collision" and keeps running without receiving much of a hit. And when there is contact, he's OK with that.

"There are times when a receiver flinches before he's about to be hit. George never does that," said tight end Garrett Celek. "He never flinches. He's never afraid to put himself in a vulnerable position to make a play. George is a savage."

Bruce Kittle, a former assistant at Oklahoma, told me he did not see his son progressing this quickly. "He's almost a completely different guy from OTAs in 2017 until now. No one saw this coming." I heard George's mom, Jan, through the phone, so Bruce corrected his previous statement that no one saw this coming. "Except his mom," Bruce said.

You'll often hear about Kittle's relentless positivity. It's mostly true, except I did see him get upset once in our limited time together, when a 49ers employee brought up Game of Thrones, a show he adores. "I completely ignore Season 8 ever happened—worst season in the history of television. That was awful," Kittle said. He said he was pissed off just talking about it.

Kittle has a lot of takes. "I'm a Lord of the Rings junkie. Sam and Frodo are the two best, their whole journey, everything they go through. Love Aragorn. I just like the mystical part of it—the huge battles,"



said Kittle, whose father read him the books at least three times. “I’m a diehard Harry Potter guy. Not really the movies. The books are the best.”

Kittle’s wife, Claire, loves *Madam Secretary*, but he doesn’t. After a back-and-forth about popular television shows, we get to *Homeland*. “Oh, *Homeland*,” Kittle said, exasperated. He brings up the show’s main character, a CIA agent named Carrie Mathison, played by Claire Danes. “Everytime I watch an episode I say, ‘OK, she should be fired. I can’t get through it.’”

Given Kittle’s strong opinions about television, it should not be much of a surprise that Garoppolo said Kittle often says things that have nothing to do with football on the sideline. “There are times I say, ‘What the hell?’” Garoppolo said with a smile. Fellow tight end Ross Dwelley said Kittle could not stop speaking in a faux-Canadian accent on the sideline for a time because of his love of a viral YouTube video from *Pardon My Take*. “He does it a lot. He really thinks he’s Canadian,” Dwelley said.

Kittle has a massive tattoo of Heath Ledger’s Joker on his arm. (He loved the most recent Joker starring Joaquin Phoenix. “Super dark and depressing. I don’t know if I can ever watch it again, but it was incredible.” He says he thinks Mark Hamill was a great Joker, and he stores the classic Batman cartoons on his phone for road trips.) He slaps the tattoo when he’s on the field to get focused. He plans to get an even bigger, Halo-themed tattoo on his back in 2020. He’s become fanatical, he said, about his routine in the past few years and has to spend his nights on Friday and Saturday flipping a switch to get focused for the game. “I headbutt a wall, I puke, and the Joker tattoo is kind of a switch for me. I slap it before plays. I’m big into the visual parts,” Kittle said.

At Iowa, he used to put a piece of red tape on his arm as a “reset” button that he’d hit after a mistake. He thinks that football is 90 percent mental and that everyone who makes the league is talented, so the difference between greatness and mediocrity is in a lot of small edges, most of them mental. He spends three hours by himself the night before games. He meditates, he takes a salt bath, and he visualizes—his father, Bruce, said George has been doing that since about fifth grade. Bruce said it’s easier to, say, go into New Orleans in front of a loud crowd and dominate if you’ve already been there in your head.

Some marriages seem to be created in the football heavens. It seems impossible for anyone but Andy Reid to coach Patrick Mahomes and that perfectly designed Chiefs offense. It boggles the mind that Drew Brees was ever coached by someone other than Sean Payton, who masterfully maps out the Saints’ efficient offense. Kittle and Shanahan are in that category: No one creates space like Shanahan, and no one does more with space than Kittle. Shanahan uses play-action effectively, and Kittle is open on a surprisingly regular basis for such a dominant player.

“I always mess with him that he can improve so much more on his routes, and he can, but most of the time, it doesn’t matter with George,” Shanahan told me. “He’s proven me wrong on that. It’s like, ‘Yeah, I could run a better route here, but just give me the ball in my hands because I care what happens after the catch.’ A lot of times, that doesn’t work out, but with George, it does. He’s willed his way into a lot of situations. The harder it gets, the more clutch he ends up being.”

Shanahan was looking for a pass-catching tight end in 2017 when he saw Kittle on tape. “He didn’t do that a lot in college, but he looked good when he did,” Shanahan said. “We couldn’t believe how good of a run blocker he was. Then we realized that everyone was calling him a run blocker because he didn’t have the passing stats. We were impressed with how all-around he was.”

“He’s willed his way into a lot of situations. The harder it gets, the more clutch he ends up being.” —Kyle Shanahan

Kittle, Shanahan said, “allows us to do stuff in the run game we haven’t done before because of how much he can handle on his own, whether it’s gap schemes or outside zone schemes.”

Having a huge person running very fast on the field is not an accident for the Niners. They have exploited a trend: As the league has gotten smaller, they’ve emphasized size.

“Defenses are always trying to compensate for the offenses, which means smaller, faster linebackers. There are three-receiver sets; teams are spreading the ball out. We put two running backs out there a



ton, 22 personnel, two tight ends. Those linebackers have to match up with us in smaller spaces, and we feel like that gives us an advantage to push us around,” the team’s fullback, Juszczuk, said. “As the game progresses, I think it wears teams down. With George, it’s basically pick your poison. Guys good at the run game and blocking like that usually can’t run routes like that.” The Niners proved their commitment to size when they signed Juszczuk to the biggest-ever deal for a fullback in March 2017.

This dovetails nicely with the Kittle family’s size and offensive line background. Bruce said he was influenced, in part, by his former Hawkeyes coach Kirk Ferentz’s mentor, longtime offensive line coach Joe Moore. Bruce cites Moore’s famous quote: “There is no greater joy in life than moving a man from point A to point B against his will.”

This, of course, has shown up in George. I asked him the best he’s ever felt on a football field. “My senior year against Nebraska,” Kittle said. (He tells me that he has “choice words” for Nebraska football in general, but did not expand.) “We were winning 33-10, all the seniors on the field. We ran eight plays, ran [two tight ends, two running backs] and we ran 23 breeze—which is an inside run zone—toward me eight plays in a row, down the field, at 8 yards a pop, through their face. And on play nine, we ran power load, and I pancaked two guys on the play. That was one of the most satisfying moments for me. We completely physically broke them the entire game. One of my favorite parts was that their defensive end had a big curly mustache, because he thought he was really cool, and I put him on his back like three times. So that was very fun for me.

“I enjoy football,” he said. He talked a bit about the lessons his dad taught him about enjoying the game. Bruce, George said, taught him that “football is its own living, breathing organism. You don’t cut corners and you don’t cheat football, because it will always come and get you. Football is the ultimate truth.”

We know that George does not cut corners to get where he is going. He runs directly through people.”



Does George Kittle ever have a bad day?

By Nick Wagoner
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It takes George Kittle a full 14 seconds to answer what seems like an easy question.

Two days before the 49ers would end their offseason program this spring, the tight end is lounging in a sleeveless hoodie and athletic shorts, his feet propped on the desk of a PR staffer. One of the breakout stars of the 2018 NFL season has been riffing about his whirlwind rise to fame, his love of professional wrestling, his recent wedding and an upcoming trip to the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach.

Then, a simple question brings him to a screeching halt: Have you ever had a bad day?

Kittle takes his feet off the desk, leans down and thinks about it longer than you'd expect. Finally, he looks up and says, simply: "No."

Sure, he acknowledges, there's been the occasional disappointment, a minor injury here or there, but nothing reaching the level of a full-fledged bad day. In the end? "I'm just grateful I get to play football every single day of my life," Kittle says. "So I'm never really in a bad mood."

Go ahead and groan. The notion of a Ripken-like streak of non-bad days -- that'd be 9,000 and counting for the 25-year-old -- seems impossible. But Kittle might be one of the few who can say it and mean it. Those closest to him struggle to answer the same question. His dad, Bruce, can't remember even one ... maybe that time a girl didn't like him back early in elementary school? Mom Jan says George was disappointed to miss Iowa's 2016 game against Michigan with an injury ... but stops short because the Hawkeyes won, leaving George feeling just fine. Kittle's wife, Claire, draws a blank. College coaches such as Iowa's Kirk Ferentz and Chris Doyle and high school coach Greg Nation? Stumped, stumped and more stumped.

Only close friend and former Iowa teammate Steve Manders manages anything close to a real answer. He points to a rough spring practice between Kittle's sophomore and junior years, when the Iowa coaching staff laid into Kittle for not being serious enough about football. Manders tried telling him later that anybody can have a bad practice, but Kittle jumped out of his chair and vowed to cut back on the partying and go all-in on football. "The lightbulb kind of hit on, and ever since then it just took off and he never looked back," Manders says. "He just kind of created his own destiny."

Now, entering his third season in professional football, Kittle has become one of the league's most unlikely rising stars. The 2017 fifth-round pick had 48 catches in four years at Iowa -- then last year exploded for 88 receptions and 1,377 yards, an NFL record for receiving yards by a tight end in a season. It also included 855 yards after the catch, the most of any player since ESPN started tracking the stat in 2006. Combine that game-breaking ability with a fun-loving, larger-than-life personality and it's little wonder Kittle is already drawing comparisons to another exuberant tight end: Rob Gronkowski.

Like Gronk, Kittle enjoyed every second of his breakout season, which included wearing a Deion Sanders Falcons jersey for a postgame interview with Prime Time himself, crushing the local Panda Express every Monday with receiver Trent Taylor and safety Adrian Colbert (he ordered the same thing every time: orange chicken, chow mein, fried rice and crab Rangoon, unless the honey walnut shrimp looked strong that day -- "when it's good, it's really good"), and the week he finally followed through on a promise to Claire to dress nicer on game days ... by switching from wrestling T-shirts to a Hawaiian shirt adorned with toucans.

49ers quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo had a locker near Gronkowski in New England and now finds himself in the line of vision of the Stone Cold Steve Austin figure that sits atop Kittle's locker. He doesn't shy away from the idea that Kittle has some Gronk-like traits.



"It's one of those things that's contagious," he says. "Both of them are the guy in the room that is picking everyone up, getting everyone laughing and feeling good and everything. I'm glad we've got a guy like that."

EVERY SATURDAY DURING the season, a letter for George Kittle arrives at 49ers headquarters. The next day, Kittle makes reading it his top priority. The letters are from his father, usually three or four pages long with a mix of notes about the upcoming opponent, observations from the previous week's game, a photo or two and what Bruce calls "significant" (and often vulgar) trash-talk. The letters are themed-things like staying focused on the moment and savoring the opportunity to play football -- and usually feature a cameo from comic book heroes like Batman or Spider-Man.

"That dude is Ric Flair on the football field. When the lights come on and he comes out of the locker room, he flips that switch and he's in that same place until the end of the game. And then he goes back to being George Kittle."

On the team bus, George works his way through the week's letter, feeding off every word. Bruce, a big proponent of sports psychology, has taught George the importance of having an alter ego. There's George, and then there's Football George, agent of on-field chaos -- and the bus ride gets him where he needs to go in more ways than one. "That's kind of like the first step to my switch," Kittle says. "I read that and I know, 'Hey, it's game day, lock in.'"

George has kept every letter since his father began writing them eight years ago, storing them in his nightstand. His favorite came last season before a Thursday night game against the Raiders. That letter emphasized the importance of ending the Bay Area rivalry on a high note before the Raiders move to Las Vegas. Kittle finished with four catches for 108 yards and a TD, including a one-handed grab, in a blowout win.

Bruce's letters began as a somber remembrance of former Oklahoma linebacker Austin Box. In 2011, Bruce was Oklahoma's tight ends and tackles coach when Box died of a painkiller overdose. In the aftermath, Bruce found out that Box's dad had written his son a letter before every game since Austin was in seventh grade. He decided to do the same for George. George calls Bruce his best friend, and the letters remain integral in keeping them connected when distance gets in the way.

On the way to the field, Kittle puts his helmet on, delivers a head-butt to a wall -- no, really -- and the transformation is complete. George is a die-hard Batman fan but considers his game-day self to be more like the Dark Knight's archenemy. "I don't try to channel all the Joker, obviously, because he has some issues," Kittle says, unleashing a diabolical laugh of his own. "Creating a little bit of chaos is just kind of what I try to do. I'm just trying to be the most outgoing, craziest person on the field."

In an October loss to Green Bay, Kittle delivered a crushing block on a rushing play, planting a Packers defender on the ground. When he got back to the huddle, he was laughing so maniacally that center Weston Richburg turned to him and asked, "What the f--- is wrong with you, dude?"

Kittle says his favorite thing to do in football is move a man from point A to point B against his will. "That dude is Ric Flair on the football field," says Nation, his high school coach. "When the lights come on and he comes out of the locker room, he flips that switch and he's in that same place until the end of the game. And then he goes back to being George Kittle."

KITTLE'S STARDOM HAS always felt like a genetic fait accompli; sports are woven into the Kittle fabric. Bruce played at Iowa and was a co-captain of the 1981 squad that went to the Rose Bowl. Jan was a standout basketball player at Drake who was also on the softball team. Sister Emma played volleyball at Iowa and Oklahoma. Cousins Jess Settles, Henry Krieger-Coble and Brad Carlson are, respectively, one of the top 10 scorers in Hawkeyes basketball history; a standout tight end at Iowa who has spent time in the NFL; and Iowa's career home run king.

That tight family bond is also at the heart of Kittle's unrelenting loyalty to the many friends he considers family. Kittle's first move after he received his signing bonus in 2017 was to pay for the medical expenses



of a friend's mother in Oklahoma. More recently, Kittle sent a signed Pro Bowl jersey to his tight ends coach at Iowa, LeVar Woods, thanking him for his help.

In the offseason, Bruce, Jan and Emma all moved from Iowa to Nashville to be close to George and Claire's offseason home. The move was hard on Jan because it meant leaving their farm and many family members behind. "He called me and he goes, 'Mom, you have always told us that wherever we are together as a family, that's what home is, and we're all gonna be together, so it's going to be OK,'" Jan says. "He always sees the positive. Sometimes you want to say, 'Come on, George,' but he really does."

Before their departure, the Krieger family reunion took place with 113 of a possible 128 relatives attending. And after the extended Kittle family arrived in Nashville, George and Claire threw an impromptu housewarming party to celebrate the move. On short notice, 70 people from all over the country showed up, including current and former NFL players, as well as friends from as far back as George's ninth-grade basketball team in Iowa.

"We're all just hanging out, like very low-key in our backyard," Claire says. "And he's hopping around to everybody, talking to them, laughing. It's just everybody has a good time when he's around, honestly."

FOR A GUY who has never had a bad day, Kittle's offseason contained a bunch of very good ones. From his first Pro Bowl to the Super Bowl -- he was a pitchman for a credit card company -- to the U.S. Open to his honeymoon, Kittle lived the fantasy offseason of a 20-something NFL player, with a truly epic week sandwiched in the middle of it all.

It started with WrestleMania -- his second straight year attending; Kittle is a huge wrestling fan -- and ended with his wedding, which he calls the best day of his life.

Kittle and Claire met in 2012 as freshmen at Iowa. Claire was on the basketball team and one day was getting ready to hop on her moped to head across campus. She had just pulled on her bright pink helmet when Kittle walked up and said, "Nice helmet." A few months later, Kittle and Claire were inseparable; by last year, they were engaged and Claire was planning a 2020 wedding, before they made a very George Kittle decision: Why wait?

Just two days after George, Bruce and Manders got back from WrestleMania in New York City, the Kittle and Till families pulled together the type of intimate, family-only wedding Claire had often dreamed about. They reserved space at M.C. Ginsberg, a custom jewelry store in Iowa City owned by some of Claire's family friends. A local florist came through with a small bouquet; Bruce, an ordained minister, would marry the happy couple; and Jan, a photographer, would handle photos and videos. The day before the wedding, however, a little bit of Football George spilled into Everyday George.

Kittle had been wanting to get a tattoo of his alter ego -- the Heath Ledger version of the Joker -- and he wanted to do it at Neon Dragon Tattoo in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, his preferred purveyor of ink. With scheduling conflicts both ways, the day before the biggest day of his life was the only option.

While Claire's brother Riley and Bruce were in favor, Claire, Jan and Emma hated the idea. But Kittle was insistent, and he spent seven hours in the chair while the Joker, complete with bold, red lips, took over most of the inside of his left forearm.

The next morning, surrounded by their inner circle -- just seven other people attended -- Claire married George with his left forearm covered in saran wrap under his long-sleeved white shirt to prevent the tat from bleeding through.

"He's so goofy," Claire says. "At first, I thought he was joking -- he has a lot of ideas that are out there and he doesn't actually go through with them. So at first, I was like, 'Oh my gosh, that's the worst idea you've ever had. I hate that.'"

"But then after he had explained to me all of the meaning behind it and then seeing it in person, it's actually really cool. So I do really like it now. That's just George."



How 49ers' George Kittle will benefit from offseason yoga sessions with sister

By Jennifer Lee Chan
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Along with speed and strength training, 49ers tight end George Kittle practiced yoga with his sister, Emma, as part of his offseason workout program in Nashville, Tenn.

"I actually hit about three straight weeks of yoga, which was really fun," Kittle said this week as 49ers training camp opened. "Slightly more flexible. Can't you tell I'm limber now?"

Kittle believes that increased flexibility could help as a preventative measure in regards to injuries during the season.

"[It's better] the more flexible you can get, because sometimes when you get tackled, you land in awkward positions and stuff like that," Kittle said. "I have learned that when you're more flexible, stuff like that doesn't happen sometimes, where you just kind of tweak something. Hopefully, that will help me to stay healthy."

While yoga was a new addition to Kittle's offseason program, he has practiced with his sister for a few years.

"It's just something that I've done in the past that I feel has worked for me," Kittle said. "My sister is a yoga teacher, so it makes it pretty easy for me. It's in house."

"I wanted to add something. I don't like to do the same thing over and over. If you stay the same, you're not getting better. So I just tried to add something in, and I think that helped me out a little bit."

"We've been doing yoga together since he was a senior at Iowa," Emma said. "At this point, it's pretty easy to see what's going on with his body. Based off how he is feeling in a particular day, we modify our sessions accordingly."

Emma worked alongside Josh Cuthbert, her brother's strength coach, and Jeremy Holt, who worked on his speed. With the combined regimen, Emma noticed that after a few weeks, her brother's flexibility had increased.

"I definitely saw a change in George's body over our time together in Nashville," Emma said. "Three weeks is kind of quick to notice a big change in flexibility, but he left for camp saying he felt better than he ever had before."

"George's strength and speed coaches were great about including me in their workouts. George's entire training process was coordinated between the three of us to make sure we maximized our time with him."

Emma teaches a sports performance variation of yoga, but the challenges for many of her clients are still about them taking their speed down several notches.

"George's biggest challenge in his yoga practice is probably the same as every other athlete I work with — making time to slow down and be in a relaxed environment," Emma said. "But one of his skills is being present in everything he does. He's a pro, so he is always locked in."

"There are so many benefits for any athlete who incorporates yoga to their training routine. Finding ease in stressful situations is what I focused on with George. We did a lot of breathwork and long prop supported holds. Slowing down movements is a great way to enhance mobility and also target core strength and stability."



It all sounds like serious work, but the two still enjoyed their time training together. “He’s still my little brother, so we laugh a lot during our sessions,” Emma said.



49ers' George Kittle might have surprised observers, but not his family

By Eric Branch
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George Kittle's parents, Bruce and Jan, both two-sport Division I athletes, quickly realized their oldest child had athletic gifts.

Based on his memories of touch-football games, Bruce recalled the kid "had nice hands. Could run a pretty good route. Wasn't afraid to mix it up."

That scouting report isn't surprising, considering the youngster grew up to be the 49ers' Pro Bowl tight end, right? But here's the thing: Bruce was describing his daughter, Emma, George's older sister, his first opponent and one of an endless parade of accomplished athletes in their family.

"Back in the day, I was able to kind of dominate George," said Emma, a former volleyball player at Iowa and Oklahoma who is three years older than her only sibling. "I was taller, way faster and just reached above him. It was great."

George evidently learned from those beatdowns: In 2018, Emma's little brother often has treated linebackers and safeties in the same way his sister used to abuse him.

Kittle, 25, set the NFL record for most receiving yards by a tight end, finishing with 1,377. He needed 100 yards Sunday to break the league record set by New England's Rob Gronkowski in 2011 and finished with 149 to pass not only Gronkowski, but Kansas City's Travis Kelce who had 62 against the Raiders and finished with 1,336.

Few saw this coming.

Crowds arrive early on opening day of the Golden Gate International Exposition. Feb. 18, 1939.
Kittle was the seventh tight end on the depth chart early in his career at Iowa. He was a fifth-round pick in 2017 after he had just 48 catches in college. And he had a rookie season (43 catches, 515 yards) that didn't suggest second-year stardom.

But George's family is accustomed to seeing him rapidly ascend great heights. They have bonded over the years on summer trips from Iowa to Colorado, where they have scaled some of the more than 50 mountains in the state that are at least 14,000 feet.

One of those, Quandary Peak, was no problem for George.

"I've seen George do the craziest stuff with his body: I have this vivid memory of George running up a mountain and running down it," said Emma, who sprained both ankles trying to catch him. "When I think about those memories I'm like, 'Oh, my God, you're such a freak.' He's just built to perform."

"So, yes, some of (this season) has been surreal. But at the same time, we've been waiting for him to do it. We've been waiting for other people to see it."

The belief George would have huge success was rooted in the history of a family used to making history.

Bruce was a wrestler and offensive tackle at Iowa, where he was a co-captain on their 1981 team that reached the program's first Rose Bowl in 25 years. Jan is a member of the Iowa High School Sports Hall of Fame in basketball and softball. She played both sports at Drake, where the basketball team reached the Elite 8 of the NCAA Tournament in 1982.

Spotlight on: WR Kendrick Bourne. Who guessed that the 2017 undrafted free agent would lead 49ers receivers in catches this season? Correct answer: no one. Bourne's 37 catches are a nod to his



development, but also a reflection of injuries to Pierre Garcon, Dante Pettis and Marquise Goodwin, none of whom will play against the Rams. Bourne figures to have a role in 2019, but a strong performance in a leading role will further cement his status.

Injuries: 49ers — TE Garrett Celek (concussion) is out. Rams — RB Todd Gurley (knee) is out.

Things to watch

Rams DT Aaron Donald needs 3.5 sacks to break Michael Strahan's record set of 22.5 in 2001. Donald had four sacks in a 39-10 win over the 49ers on Oct. 21.

The 49ers have a league-low seven takeaways and are poised to break the record of 11 held by three teams. Their two interceptions are two fewer than the league record held by the 2009 Lions.

The 49ers promoted DL Ryan Delaire and WR Max McCaffrey from the practice squad to the 53-man roster Saturday. They placed Pettis (knee) and RB Matt Breida (ankle) on injured reserve.

Jan is one of 10 sisters, seven of whom played a college sport. One sister, Barbara, was a basketball player who was the first female to receive a full athletic scholarship at Indiana.

George's cousin, Jess Settles, was an Iowa Mr. Basketball who was the Big Ten Freshman of the Year at Iowa. Another cousin, Brad Carlson, is Iowa's career home run leader.

On Sunday, George will reunite with his cousin, Henry Krieger-Coble, a tight end on the Rams' practice squad.

There is more. Plenty more. In fact, the family has so many big-time athletes that George can't keep track of some details. He recently couldn't recall how he was related to Xavier Nady, a Cal alum who had a 12-year major-league career (Nady is a second cousin).

George played several sports growing up, but football was the passion he shared with his dad, who was also an assistant coach at Iowa (1982-1985) and Oklahoma (2010-2012). They packed a football for every family vacation.

"We'd be on the roadside for an hour playing football," Bruce said, "and would forget about the trip."

George didn't just get his dad's genetics. He got his time.

Bruce, a criminal defense lawyer, worked for a firm in Madison, Wis., when George was born. But he switched to careers that were less demanding — and less lucrative — to spend time with his children.

He earned a master's in divinity at Chicago Theological Seminary and worked as a pastor. He was an assistant law professor and later used his degree at several nonprofits: He provided legal services to inmates in state prisons and served as a mediator between criminals and the victims of their crimes.

"Sometimes he was making almost no money," George said. "But he said, I'd rather hang out with you guys than make a bunch of money. That's one of the biggest things I learned from him: Family is more important than really anything else."

Bruce's career change allowed him to coach his children in youth sports, with Jan also leading many of Emma's teams.

At Northwest Junior High in Iowa City, Bruce led an undefeated team that allowed six points during George's seventh- and eighth-grade years (Bruce terms these the "dynasty years").



George laughed when recalling his dad's video sessions and their middle linebacker, who wore a wristband covered with play calls. Bruce adds the Vikings also had playbooks, which, he notes, his wife thought was "a little over the top."

"We had four different (defensive) fronts," Bruce said. "We played three different coverages. We did go man-free if we needed to. We played a three-deep (zone) and a two-deep and had a pretty good blitz package, as well. (Opponents) didn't have any idea what was happening."

Years later, the same has appeared true of teams trying to cover Kittle. He's been wide open on the two longest touchdowns by a tight end in franchise history, 82- and 85-yard scores he finished by outracing the secondary.

His long catches have led to his glamour-guy numbers this season. But he's also hailed as a hard-nosed blocker, a reflection of the old-school education he received from his dad.

Bruce, who coached tackles and tight ends at Oklahoma, doesn't discuss catches or touchdowns when talking about his son's achievements. In college, Bruce was proudest of the fact that George never missed a workout, allowing him to add about 60 pounds of bulk. This season, he's proudest that his son was voted a captain by his teammates.

George has strayed in one area: Bruce jokes about his son recently purchasing a Gucci backpack. But that horror has been offset by the lunch-pail mentality George still packs despite his newfound fame.

49ers' Joe Staley in no hurry to leave — or retire

"In run blocking, when he climbs to the second level, that's hard," Bruce said. "People don't appreciate the level of athleticism it takes to keep your hips down and hit a Mike 'backer coming over."

Bruce's career change led to more family time — and plenty of moving vans. George has lived in three states, six towns in Iowa and he attended three high schools as a sophomore.

The myriad moves helped foster the Kittles' closeness. They banded together navigating new experiences, and their bond is symbolized on their bodies: They each have a tattoo of a bear paw.

"It's about our tribe," Bruce said.

It's also a nod to their outdoor activities, which include their regular treks up 14,000-foot mountains.

The rocky terrain is hard on feet and ankles. And that's why George, now a professional athlete, will join his family in Colorado this summer but won't sprint up Quandary Peak.

He'll rejoin them at the summits when his career is over, after he's done adding to the family legacy by reaching great heights.



'He acts like a WWE wrestler': 49ers' George Kittle has gone into second season as if sprung from the top rope

By Matt Barrows
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George Kittle's week of preparation at Iowa began with a trip to the local arts and crafts store. As a redshirt freshman and a member of the scout team, his job was to mimic the upcoming opponent during practice. Kittle, however, took the role a step further by taking markers and colored tape from his shopping bag and altering his all-black practice helmet so that it looked like that of the next foe. Consider it the gridiron version of method acting.

"Nebraska was my favorite because I did my whole helmet in white duct tape," Kittle said of his various masterpieces. "I was going to do my face mask in red duct tape but it was a little too much."

The elaborate process speaks to the mundane life of a redshirt freshman. Kittle didn't get to play in games or even travel with the team that year. There was plenty of toil but no glory.

"The week of practice was like my game," he said. "I got — what? — three and a half practices a week where it was really high effort, high intensity. It was fun for me."

It also says plenty about what's percolating inside the 49ers' tight end. Kittle was colorful as a rookie last year but his personality — gregarious, brash, mischievous and most of all BOLD — has come alive even more in Year 2.

"It's a personality now where I say, 'Oh, that's just George,'" said long-time friend C.J. Beathard, who also was a member of that Iowa scout team. "It's like he's got his own category of personality. There's 'happy' and then there's 'George.' He's like a kid in a grown man's body."

Said Kyle Shanahan: "He acts like a WWE wrestler and I don't think that's an act. I think that's who he is 24-7, which is fun to watch. But you've always got to watch out for him. He's pretty rowdy all the time." Kittle indeed has entered his second NFL season as if sprung from the top rope. He entered Monday's Week 6 game against the Packers with the third-most receiving yards among the league's tight ends and his 82-yard catch-and-run touchdown in Week 4 remains the longest offensive play in the NFL this season.

His blocking, a sacrosanct discipline at Iowa, has been just as conspicuous. In last week's game against the Cardinals, for example, he engaged a defender at the Arizona 13-yard line and didn't stop churning his legs until they were in the end zone, at which point Kittle drove him into the turf.

"My favorite quote ever was, 'Moving a man from Point A to Point B against his will is the greatest feeling to ever feel,'" Kittle said last year. "And so I take that to heart. Just being able to do that and bury somebody is a pretty good feeling."

It wasn't always like that.

Kittle played wide receiver in high school in a system that didn't even utilize a tight end. He arrived at Iowa in 2012 with the necessary height for his new position, but he weighed about 200 pounds. That put him at an 80-pound deficit against some of the senior defensive linemen he'd try to block in practice.

"He would jump in there and get his tail handed to him," Greg Davis, the team's offensive coordinator at the time, recalled in a recent phone interview.

No one seemed too worried about the mismatch.



“Over years of doing this, you always find yourself having to look around and ask players, ‘Hey, have you gotten your reps?’” Davis said. “That wasn’t George. He never hid. He was right back up (saying), ‘Give me another chance! Give me another go!’ He was that kind of guy.”

Kittle remembers the daily battles a little differently. Yes, there were plays that ended with him on the ground, he said. But the roughest moments came when he got the better of his older, established teammates.

“It was fun going against those guys every day,” Kittle said. “And whenever you put a good block on them they’d swing on you and try to fight you and tell you not to go so hard and stuff like that.”

Kittle may not have had the size and strength to be a dominant blocker at that age, but he already was well-versed in technique. After all, he and his sister grew up with blocking sleds in their backyard.

Their father, Bruce, is a former Iowa offensive lineman who was co-captain of Iowa’s 1982 Rose Bowl team and who also coached offensive linemen at Oklahoma.

He was George’s childhood coach and had him working on sleds and blocking dummies when he was 10 years old. Bruce Kittle wanted his son to be an offensive lineman the way mothers dream about their kids becoming doctors.

“On the first day of practice my dad convinced — true story — convinced the kids that offensive line was the best position on the football field,” George said of his fifth-grade team. “And so he had little kids fighting over the positions. All of them wanted to play offensive line.”

All except George.

He liked having the ball in his hands and always was faster than the boys on his team. He played running back that year.

Another roadblock to his dad’s dream: George’s physique looked nothing like an offensive lineman’s. At first he was small. Then in high school he grew tall and skinny. When he went off to college, no one would have guessed he’d be a future NFL draft pick.

“He was real long, kind of gangly,” Bruce said by phone of his son. “He had big hips but he didn’t have very much meat on him. He was pretty scrawny looking when you saw him.”

There also was the matter of George’s energy and enthusiasm.

He loved practice. He loved his teammates. He loved to stick it to the upperclassmen during the week. And he loved college life, perhaps a little too much.

“He really enjoyed his redshirt year to the point where, somewhere around the building, he was classified as a social butterfly. You know, life of the party,” Davis said. “To the point where I called him in and I said, ‘George, you really have a gift. You can really run, you’ll be a matchup nightmare and you are tough. But are you really serious about being a great football player?’”

There was nothing too troubling in the reports Davis heard. It was typical college-guy stuff. But there was a concern that so much of the young tight end’s energy — as abundant as it was — was being spent off the practice field. After their meeting, it never became an issue again.

“But I don’t know if he ever changed,” Davis said. “I think he just kept it off my desk.”

Later in the season, Kittle had another meeting with an Iowa coach about his energy. This time head coach Kirk Ferentz wanted to tap into it.

Iowa had lost four games in a row and hated rival Michigan was next on the schedule.



Ferentz wanted more intensity in practice that week and called on Kittle, Beathard and the rest of the scout-team players to provide it. He showed them film clips of previous squads that had doctored their helmets and asked if the current group could do the same.

Kittle and the others took the assignment and ran with it, not just re-creating Michigan's unique helmet with rolls of maize and blue duct tape but altering the jerseys and pants as well. To the Iowa starters, it was like waving a red cape in the face of a bull.

"It was really fun," Kittle recalled. "We definitely got in a lot more fights that week with the defense. We talked a lot of smack the whole time."

Did Iowa beat Michigan that week? No, they lost 42-17. But the practice was as rowdy and electric as Ferentz was hoping for and everyone has fond memories of that season's makeshift fashion shows. Well, maybe everyone but the Iowa equipment staff.

"They hated it," Kittle said. "Because the tape wouldn't come off. They were like, 'Hey, we're not doing this anymore. You have to take it off yourselves because we're not going to do it anymore.'"



Christian McCaffrey

Christian McCaffrey turned the 49ers' season around. Here's where he got his football 'obsession'

By Jerry McDonald
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Christian McCaffrey was 7 years old, deep enough into his first season of tackle football that he knew how to put on his equipment.

The Parker Hawks faced the Cherry Creek Bruins in Colorado's Arapahoe Youth League, and to McCaffrey, the game held an importance he didn't understand until it was over.

"We had lost bad earlier in the year to Cherry Creek in what we called the Super Bowl," McCaffrey told this news organization in a recent exclusive interview. "In my head, it's a big game. It's like a blizzard, with just parents on the sideline. My dad was coaching my older brother on another field.

"I remember my mom was there. Long story short, it comes down to the end and I tip the ball away on defense to win the game. I started crying. I'd never had an emotion like that in my life. I was 7 years old. I didn't even know what emotions were yet. Joy to the extent of crying? I just knew right then I wanted to do this for my life."

Nineteen years later, the real Super Bowl beckons on Feb. 12 with McCaffrey as the versatile offensive star for the 49ers. The road to Super Bowl LVII begins Saturday when the 49ers (13-4) host the Seattle Seahawks (9-8) at Levi's Stadium at 1:30 p.m.

A lot of things have gone right for the 49ers to run the table on the regular season after a 3-4 start, but none are bigger than the Oct. 20 trade with the Carolina Panthers that brought the former Stanford star back to the Bay Area.

Coach Kyle Shanahan and general manager John Lynch served notice they were all-in for a run at the title when they shipped a sizable chunk of draft capital (second-, third- and fourth-round picks in 2023 and a fifth-round pick in 2024) to Carolina in exchange for McCaffrey.

After playing a bit part in a 44-23 loss to the Chiefs two days after arriving, McCaffrey became a featured back the following week against the Los Angeles Rams. He rushed for 94 yards on 18 carries and a touchdown, caught eight passes for 55 yards and a touchdown and even threw a 34-yard touchdown pass to Brandon Aiyuk.

The 49ers haven't lost since.

McCaffrey has scored 10 touchdowns during the 10-game win streak, rushed for 749 yards on 159 carries and caught 52 passes for 464 yards with the 49ers. When you add in his pre-trade Carolina numbers, he's having one of his best seasons since being the No. 8 pick in the 2017 NFL Draft.

Given McCaffrey's injury history — he missed 22 games in the 2020 and 2021 seasons after heavy use in 2018-19 — there wasn't anything close to acclamation for the 49ers' deal when it was made.

There was never doubt, however, about McCaffrey's willingness to work and prepare. Teammates at every stop consider it legendary — traits born of an emphasis on school and multiple sports with four boys who all went on to play college football.

Ed McCaffrey played at Stanford and 12 years in the NFL with the Giants, 49ers and Broncos. Lisa McCaffrey, Ed's wife, was a soccer player at Stanford. Her father was an Olympic sprinter.



Lynch, a teammate of Ed McCaffrey at Stanford, saw the dynamic up close when he and his family were invited to a McCaffrey barbecue after he joined the Denver Broncos in 2004. The McCaffrey boys – Max, Christian, Dylan and Luke ranged in age from 10 to 5. They were well-mannered but also hyper-competitive.

Lynch's son Jake, who later played football at Stanford, grew up with three sisters and was in no way prepared for the McCaffrey experience during playtime.

"When it was time for dinner, Eddie and I went to get them, and Jake looked like he had seen a ghost," Lynch said. "I said, 'Jake, what's going on buddy?' He said, 'Dad, they're killing each other!' It was dog-eat-dog."

Christian went on to be one of the most celebrated high school athletes in the Denver area at Valor Christian in nearby Highlands Ranch and accepted a scholarship to Stanford like his father. David Shaw, the Stanford coach and a teammate of both Ed McCaffrey and Lynch at the school, learned quickly that McCaffrey's special gifts included rocket fuel in terms of competitive nature.

When Stanford assistant Tavita Pritchard went on a recruiting visit for a Valor game, he called Shaw and told him he'd just seen a player who got mad every time he was tackled.

"He didn't think anyone should be able to tackle him," Shaw said. "His parents taught the kids to be the best kids they could be, to do well in school and compete like crazy. It's a competitive family. But there's also some nature in there. This guy's a killer. He's not faking it. He's not putting it on. It's just who he is."

While Christian jokes "we were bred to play football," in reality the boys were urged to play all sports growing up.

"He played football, basketball, baseball and lacrosse. He ran track. Played soccer at a real young age. Lisa was his coach when he was 3, 4 and 5," Ed McCaffrey said in a phone interview. "He would fall in love with whatever sport he was playing at the time, but I think football was always his true love."

But while Christian had varied interests, he wasn't always open to new ideas.

"When Christian loves something, he's all-in. That's true in sports, it's true in the classroom, it's true in life," Ed McCaffrey said. "But if he's not interested in something, it's like pulling teeth to get him to participate. He knew we wouldn't allow him to play sports if he didn't do well in the classroom, but he was miserable if it was a topic he didn't care about."

As a youth, Christian began piano lessons and was having none of it. The idea was aborted. But lo and behold, when a neighbor Christian's age moved in and played the piano, his interest was piqued.

Maybe it was, as Christian later said, he was told "piano players get the girls." Or that he realized he could play without the tedium of learning to read music. Either way, McCaffrey was hooked.

"He became obsessed with the piano," Ed McCaffrey said.

"I started to develop a realization that piano is a lot like running back in a way," McCaffrey said. "I can't read music, so I just kind of listen to the sound and there's a lot of synching and coordination with your brain and your body and reacting to noises the same way as a running back. You're reacting constantly."

The piano McCaffrey purchased remains behind in his Charlotte home and he said he doesn't have a keyboard in his Bay Area residence. He's all-in on football, every minute of every day. He has a famous girlfriend, Olivia Culpo, who is a former Miss USA, but even that is kept, as Lynch said, "low key."

Besides the physical gifts, it is McCaffrey's total immersion into football that makes him special.



“You look at the top golfers, the top tennis players, they’re all people who didn’t just start doing it in high school,” Shanahan said. “They’re usually guys who have been obsessed with it at a young age.”

Shanahan said McCaffrey and Nick Bosa, the 49ers star defensive end, are similar in the way they basically set up their life to maximize their ability to play football and achieve greatness.

“I’ve never been around a guy who cares more about performing,” Bosa said. “It’s literally his livelihood, and adding a guy like that to the team, especially at a position that is super important in Kyle’s offense, was a very important addition.”

When McCaffrey arrived in Santa Clara and needed to learn the offense as soon as possible, he was set up with quarterback Brock Purdy, at the time the backup to Jimmy Garoppolo.

“He wanted me to read every single play. He would say where he’s lining up, what he’s doing, his assignment,” Purdy said. “To see how fast he learned when he got here and how fast he knew our playbook was crazy to see. He’s so serious with everything he does. I’m thinking, ‘Man, this is what greatness looks like. This is why he is the way he is.’”

Yet McCaffrey has gradually shown his humorous side as he’s gotten to know his teammates, zinging fullback and Harvard grad Kyle Juszczyk last week.

“It is wild to have a Stanford guy and a Harvard guy in the backfield at the same time, I don’t know if that’s ever happened before,” McCaffrey said. “I have to talk slow.”

McCaffrey displays virtually no pretense or sense of celebrity, to which he credits a home life that wouldn’t allow it and brought a sense of perspective to go with his football obsession.

“I’ve never looked at anyone as more important than anyone else,” McCaffrey said. “I come from a family that if you were to do that, they’ll humble you pretty quick. Plus this game is very humbling. It takes constant work to be great and you never have it all figured out.

“I mean, we play football for a living. If I go into a quantum physics class, I’m no longer the celebrity there. I’m an idiot.”



Colton McKivitz

Interior decorator: 49ers' Colton McKivitz aiming to enhance offensive line

By Eric Branch
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Colton McKivitz has had to carry shoulder pads, pick up sandwiches and order pizzas as part of his duties as the lone rookie offensive lineman on the 49ers' roster.

Last month, the fifth-round pick was given his most daunting task when his position mates explained his latest assignment: Decorate their spacious meeting room extravagantly for Halloween.

"I haven't been tied to a field-goal post," McKivitz said, laughing. "So I'll take decorating all day long."

Indeed, the right guard has had a mild first-year initiation from his teammates that pales in comparison to what his coaches have asked him to do: Play a foreign position in a complex offense after an abbreviated offseason that didn't include OTA practices.

How McKivitz handles that challenge makes him one of the young players to closely watch as the 49ers (4-6) finish a season that's unlikely to end in the playoffs. As attention figures to turn increasingly to 2021, McKivitz's performance in the final six regular-season games will help determine how much the 49ers will need to invest in a problem area — their interior offensive line — in the offseason.

McKivitz, who had played only offensive tackle since high school, has been eased into action to see if he could be an answer. He's played his first meaningful offensive snaps in the past two games when he has rotated at right guard with Tom Compton, 31, a ninth-year veteran who has started the past two contests.

McKivitz has played 44 snaps in losses to the Packers and Saints, 40 fewer than Compton.

"We'll see how this year keeps going with both of them," head coach Kyle Shanahan said. "They've been competing really well and we'll see if one gets ahead of the other. But I've been happy with their progress."

Given his youth and their draft-pick investment, the 49ers are hoping McKivitz emerges as the winner.

They drafted McKivitz, 6-foot-6 and 301 pounds, after a senior season at West Virginia in which he was named the Big 12's Co-Offensive Lineman of the Year and a third-team Associated Press All-American as a left tackle.

The 49ers were attracted to his grit — NFL.com's scouting profile on McKivitz labeled him a "bonafide dirt dog with a chippy demeanor" — and the intangibles of a player who made 49 straight starts in college.

McKivitz was a team captain, a member of the school's academic honor roll and was a three-time winner of the "Iron Mountaineer" award for his excellence and dedication in the weight room.

The 49ers gave McKivitz a "gold helmet" designation, given to only a handful of their draft prospects each year.

"The gold helmet is essentially, 'This is the ideal 49ers person and player that we want to bring in,'" director of college scouting Ethan Waugh said. "He fits exactly what we're looking for demeanor-wise and on the offensive line."

McKivitz is unusual among NFL rookies, who are understandably eager to prove themselves, in that he's refreshingly candid about his first-year growing pains.



For example, he was largely pleased with his 23-snap performance against the Saints, but he didn't hesitate to volunteer this: He missed a block on one of the game's biggest plays, a 4th-and-1 attempt in which running back Jerick McKinnon was dropped for a 2-yard loss in the second quarter.

And McKivitz didn't hide what happened when asked about his welcome-to-the-NFL moment — he was bulldozed by rookie defensive tackle Javon Kinlaw in training camp — or when queried about his first offensive snap in the NFL, which came near the end of a blowout win over the Jets in Week 2.

"I think it was inside zone left and I kind of let my guy get off late and he made the tackle," McKivitz said. "And we probably would have had a 30-yard gain. I got a little earful on the sideline. But it still felt good to get out there and be playing in the NFL."

McKivitz's willingness to share his lows suggests he's confident those moments don't define him.

His more memorable moments have inspired some of that belief. In his first extended action, against the Packers, he successfully pulled off a difficult run block against Pro Bowl defensive tackle Kenny Clark.

"I think that was kind of the moment where it was, 'OK this is just football,'" McKivitz said. "And it's back to the basics and just having fun out there. That was one play that just solidified that, 'Hey, you're meant to be here. And this is what you can do.'"

McKivitz is excited about the chance to play after logging just 14 snaps in the first eight games. And, off the field, things also are looking up.

McKivitz noted the NFL's recently mandated intensive COVID-19 protocols mean the offensive linemen won't be using their meeting room as all such interactions will be done virtually for the rest of the season.

The result: McKivitz didn't have to shop for Thanksgiving decor and Christmas isn't a concern.

"That," McKivitz said, "will save me some money."



49ers rookie Colton McKivitz is a Renaissance man with a country spirit

By Matt Barrows
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Colton McKivitz, the offensive lineman the 49ers drafted in the fifth round, is the type of guy who hits the golf course with a 12-gauge instead of a 9-iron. After all, the fairway ponds are positively lousy with corn-fed Canada geese in the winter and the course managers don't mind one bit if a few go missing.

He has eight white-tailed deer, including the 160-pounder he bagged when he was 6 years old, mounted on the wall of his bedroom in Southeast Ohio. When he'd head back on the 90-minute drive to the University of West Virginia his mom would send him off with hugs and kisses while his dad would send him off with huge Ziploc bags bursting with goose jerky.

"He'd take them down to Morgantown and give them to all the trainers and athletes," his father said. "Some of the football players never tasted it before. And they loved it. They just begged and begged for more of it."

If you're picturing a mountain man with an unruly beard and a raccoon cap, well, you're close. That's a dead-on description of Matt McKivitz, Colton's dad. He became a bit of a celebrity at his son's games because of the homemade raccoon hats — every now and then he'd switch it up with a coyote chapeau — he wore in the stands. Matt is an avid hunter, a skilled taxidermist and he can turn anything he shoots, snares or hooks into a tasty meal.

"If the big one drops and you're out in the woods, you want Matt McKivitz around you," said Brion Schiappa, Colton's first offensive line coach and a close friend of the family. "He'd keep you alive for a long time."

Colton definitely is his father's son. He caught his first fish — a bluegill — at age 3. Three years after that, Matt was strapping him into a tree stand for his first deer hunt. Their preferred quarry in recent years is ducks and geese, which descend on their area in the fall and stay through the winter.

During the football season, Colton would play for the Mountaineers on Saturday afternoon, drive to his family home in Centerville, Ohio, that evening, get up before dawn for a duck hunt with dad and be back at school Sunday afternoon for treatment and meetings.

"It wasn't like he was going out to party after games," his mom, Wendy, said during a phone interview. "He was driving home to get ready to go sit with his dad and the duck blind. I think that was important to him because he would spend so much time away with football."

"I think he liked being able to talk — the camaraderie," adds Matt, who was on the same call. "Because (with) deer hunting, you've gotta be real quiet."

The 49ers' fifth-round pick is a country kid through and through, but the team believes they've landed a bit of a Renaissance man. Last month vice president of player personnel Adam Peters revealed that the 49ers had given McKivitz a "gold helmet" designation heading into the draft, something only 15 or so of the hundreds of draft prospects earn each year.

To get it, you have to meet an array of criteria, from durability to leadership to character to intelligence. General manager John Lynch and coach Kyle Shanahan are adamant about creating a specific culture on their team and in their locker room, and McKivitz seems to embody what they're looking for.

"Gold helmet is not something we give out a lot," Peters said. "The person really has to be exemplary, really has to stand out."

In talking to those who know McKivitz best, you start to understand why the 49ers think so highly of him. He was a National Honor Society student in high school who went on to become a team captain at West



Virginia. He started 49 straight games for the Mountaineers — some while playing hurt — and last year, with a new coaching staff taking over, he acted as somewhat of a player-coach on an otherwise young offensive line.

He doesn't drink. He doesn't party. Schiappa, the family friend, said he's the type of guy any father would want his daughter to marry.

"You're not going to find a better human being as far as moral conduct is concerned," he said. "He will never embarrass the 49ers. Ever."

Smart guy, devoted son, avid outdoorsman. That's all great. But does he have the requisite nastiness to grapple with Aaron Donald and Jarran Reed in the NFL trenches? Asked about that, Schiappa recalls a game against Kansas State last season. At one point, he saw one of Kansas State's linebackers, No. 58, hit McKivitz across the side of the helmet. A little later he did it again.

"The third time it happened, Colton drilled the guy into the ground," Schiappa said with a laugh. "It was such a great block. And that's the last we saw of 58. There's a lot of fire inside that guy. A lot of fire. You wouldn't want to piss him off."

Schiappa first encountered McKivitz before his sophomore year of high school. McKivitz had been a baseball and basketball player, and he stood out in both sports. He threw a no-hitter as a freshman. At 6-foot-6, he could dominate the paint in basketball.

Schiappa immediately was impressed by the boy's size and didn't bother with pleasantries. Instead, he went straight to the point, fixing his eyes on McKivitz's and telling the high schooler that he could get a college scholarship if he decided to play football, which McKivitz never had done up to that point.

"I didn't tell him my name and I don't know if I even asked him his name," Schiappa said. "I just walked up to him (and said): 'You can have the big house on the hill. You can name your college. You can have it all. You just focus on this game.'"

That's exactly what McKivitz did. Four years later, he was suiting up for his first game at West Virginia. He had redshirted the previous season, adding 45 pounds of bulk to what had long been a basketball player's taut frame. The opening game that year was against Missouri, and McKivitz was told he'd get a few snaps at right tackle to spell his teammate.

He ended up getting a lot more work than that when the starting left tackle went down with a torn ACL early in the second quarter. The injury meant McKivitz would face defensive end Charles Harris for the rest of the contest. Harris finished with nine sacks that season and later would be drafted by the Miami Dolphins in the first round. But he didn't get any against McKivitz, who put a big block on Harris on the game's opening touchdown run and who never left the lineup from that point on.

That was the start of McKivitz's career at West Virginia. His biggest jump may have come at the end.

The Mountaineers not only brought in a new coaching staff for 2019, but many of the upperclassmen had also moved on after the 2018 season. They would be a young team learning new schemes. In other words, they wouldn't be very good. McKivitz considered skipping his senior season and entering the draft. The new coaches convinced him to stay, and both parties were glad he did.

Until that point, McKivitz had been a hard-working, dependable overachiever. But he wasn't overly athletic, he didn't have the long arms NFL teams prefer and, aside from his redshirt freshman season, he'd mostly played right tackle. If he had tried to make the leap to the NFL last year, he might have gone undrafted.

The incoming offensive line coach, Matt Moore, switched him to left tackle, which signaled to NFL teams he was versatile. Moore and the rest of the West Virginia staff also asked him to play with more of an edge on the field and to become a more vocal and visible leader off of it.



Moore knew McKivitz had taken the challenge seriously when he arrived for an offensive line meeting one day to find that the senior left tackle already was conducting one with all of his younger teammates studiously taking notes. The players-only meetings became routine.

“He’d get the running backs in there. He’d get the rest of the O-linemen,” Moore recalled. “And I’d slide in there to get ready for my meeting and he’d be quizzing them on, ‘All right, who’s the Mike (linebacker), who’s the blitz?’ all of that stuff. When you’re teaching other people, you’ve taken your football knowledge to another level. And that’s what he did that year.”

After his junior season, McKivitz didn’t collect many accolades. Following his senior year, he was named the Big 12 conference’s co-offensive lineman of the year, made the Associated Press’ All-America third team and was given an invitation to the Senior Bowl.

“And I see him continuing to develop,” Moore said. “He is not tapped out. He’s one of those guys who is just now hitting his stride.”

While the 49ers have their “gold helmet” guys and other team awards, the Mountaineers’ version is something they call the “boss man.” It pays tribute to the state’s coal-mining roots. At a mine, the boss man is the one who has worked his way up through the ranks, who has done everything right and who gets to be in charge. He’s part of the management, but in spirit he’s still one of the crew. McKivitz was named boss man in each of the last three years.

“It’s part of the school’s identity and the history of West Virginia in general,” the school’s longtime strength coach, Mike Joseph, said. “And it’s a mentality that we as a team try to maintain — that blue-collar mentality. And he really embraced that.”

After all, it’s an ethos McKivitz instantly recognized. The Southeast Ohio region where he grew up used to be coal-mining country and Matt McKivitz spent nine years as a miner. He doesn’t do it anymore: Gas and oil have taken over as the main industries in recent years. But the coal-mining work ethic is ingrained in the region. The landscape bears its marks, too. The ponds and small lakes where the McKivitzes fish and hunt mallards are the remnants of the strip mining that occurred in that region.

Colton McKivitz could tell you all about the ecology. Staying for his senior season also allowed him to get his degree in wildlife and fisheries resources, which he plans to use when his football career is over.

Some former players try to get into broadcasting. Some become coaches. McKivitz’s dream is to buy a ranch or maybe a lodge and offer a guide service on the property. He’s already figured out what crops he’d plant and which fish he’d stock in the lake. He also knows the approximate location — somewhere west of his home region so that he’s a little closer to main waterfowl flyways.

“Colton is a man with a plan. He’s always planning,” Wendy said. “He’s been thinking about this for a long time. He’s already looking at properties — dreaming and planning.”

The one thing he couldn’t plan: Which team would take him in the draft. The 49ers spoke with him at the Senior Bowl in January, but that was it. Other teams were calling him in the run-up to the draft and throughout the three-day process. The 49ers weren’t one of them. Shanahan, Lynch and Peters were laying so low in the weeds that it was a complete surprise to McKivitz when they bagged him in the fifth round.

Is he worried about being out of his element in the Bay Area?

Not at all. His parents note he’s been training with former NFL offensive lineman LeCharles Bentley in Chandler, Ariz., since the winter and has been staying at a Residence Inn in the area. The hotel is surrounded by a shallow pond and, well, McKivitz has discovered that it’s full of fish.

“If there’s a way to fish, he will find it,” Wendy said.



Added Matt McKivitz: "The first words out of his mouth when he was drafted were: 'I'm going to go out there, and the first thing I'm going to do is catch a great white.'"



Elijah Mitchell

49ers' Elijah Mitchell, the 'big brother' of Erath, shaped by his tiny hometown

By Connor Letourneau
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As 49ers running back Elijah Mitchell appeared on the TV, Nathan Granger leaned forward in his seat: Is that what I think it is? Could it be?

There, wrapped around Mitchell's right wrist, was a blue band with "Team Ross" in white letters. Granger fought back tears. Eight months earlier, after going to the 49ers in the sixth round of the NFL draft, Mitchell asked Granger for one of those wristbands so he could honor Granger's late son, Ross, who died in 2016 from brain cancer. He was 19.

Granger couldn't have known that Mitchell, Ross' close friend and high school teammate, would wear the band during the NFC divisional round. As Granger watched from his Erath, La., home Saturday as Mitchell warmed up on Lambeau Field, he reflected — if only for a moment or two — on all Mitchell means to a one-stoptlight town of 1,983.

The rookie's rise from late-round afterthought to the 49ers' featured running back has been a major source of pride for Erath. As Mitchell prepares to start against the Rams in the NFC Championship Game on Sunday, loved ones, friends and acquaintances back home are brainstorming new ways to celebrate him.

An electronic sign outside Champagne's Supermarket, Erath's only grocery store, proclaims Mitchell as a "Hometown Hero." Posters emblazoned with his likeness sit in families' front yards. On Friday, students at the local elementary, middle and high schools will swap their usual uniforms for 49ers gear.

"It's the reason why I do what I do," said Mitchell, who flew back to Erath during the bye week in October to serve as grand marshal of the town's homecoming parade. "Just being from a small town and to have all that support, it's just amazing to me. They just make me who I am, really."

Erath's adoration for Mitchell goes well beyond the fact that he's its first NFL player. In Mitchell, locals see the ideal person to represent this tight-knit community, 140 miles west of New Orleans, on a national scale.

Many Erath residents still remember him as the polite, friendly teenager who defied the "jock" stereotype. As an all-state running back at Erath High, Mitchell spent his free time with students from every clique: athletes, goths, brainiacs.

When addressing teachers, coaches or parents, he said "sir" or "ma'am." Seldom, if ever, did Mitchell discuss his NFL aspirations. Often when his Erath High team was close to the end zone, he switched places with the fullback unbeknownst to his coaches so his less-touted teammate could score the touchdown.

"With a lot of high school kids nowadays, it's all about them," said David Comeaux, Mitchell's head football coach at Erath High. "But Elijah was so humble that, seeing him walk around campus and interact with his fellow students, you would never know how gifted of a player he was. He was like a big brother to people."

No one felt that more than Eddie Armond, a classmate of Mitchell's with Down syndrome. Mitchell, like many Erath High students, came to appreciate Armond's reliably amiable spirit.



On numerous occasions, Mitchell sought out Armond on the sideline after scoring a touchdown. For several minutes, Mitchell detailed how the play had unfolded, taking Armond through the nuances of run-blocking schemes or defensive coverages.

The chats helped Armond feel more connected to the team. Still not fully satisfied, Mitchell found more ways to give Armond a normal high school experience.

In the fall of his senior year, after his classmates elected him “Powder Puff King,” Mitchell handed his crown to Armond and told him, “This belongs to you.” For the rest of the night, Armond, grinning, shouted again and again, “I’m the Erath King!”

“It’s something that you hope happens for your child with special needs,” said Dawn Armond, Eddie’s mother. “But when it actually does happen, there are no words. It’s a moment we’ll never forget.”

Less than a week later, Dawn received a call from a school official. The Erath High football team had crafted a plan to ensure that Eddie experienced the thrill of scoring a touchdown. That Friday’s opponent, Patterson High, had agreed to play along.

When Dawn expressed safety concerns, the school official eased her worries with eight words: “Elijah will be with him the whole time.” Eddie was given a helmet and a uniform. When the time was right, Mitchell showed his friend where to line up. Then, as the crowd roared, Mitchell guided Eddie 20 yards into the end zone.

The ensuing scene — Eddie yelling in jubilation as players from both teams congratulated him — remains more vivid in many Erath residents’ memories than any touchdown Mitchell scored. In that moment, Mitchell and his teammates had epitomized the type of family-oriented atmosphere Erath tries to foster.

This is a place where people don’t just know almost everyone; they know their birthdays, too. Erath’s crime rate is less than half of the national average. Thanks in large part to hands-on faculty and parents, Erath High (enrollment: 572) ranks among Louisiana’s top high schools annually.

“You know that old saying, ‘It takes a village to raise a kid?’” Erath High principal Marc Turner said. “Well, that’s really true here. And I think that’s why Elijah’s success means so much. In a community like ours, everyone knows him on a personal level. Everyone played some part in him getting to this point, so there’s a collective pride.”

Mitchell’s humility traces back to his upbringing in a modest home surrounded by sugarcane fields. Penny Mitchell, a cosmetologist, raised five sons with her husband, Milton Mitchell, a welder, on a one-acre plot of land on the outskirts of Erath.

While playing pickup basketball at a young age, Elijah — already the best athlete in the family — was often selected for a team before his older brothers. When he asked his dad why he was routinely picked first, Milton told him, “You’re good, but don’t brag. Treat everyone like a friend.”

The message resonated. As Mitchell blossomed into a standout running back, he was sometimes uncomfortable with all the newfound attention. Erath, like many small towns, revolves around the athletic exploits of the local high school. And on fall Fridays for four years, local businesses shuttered as fans packed the Erath High stands to watch Mitchell break records for the Bobcats.

Many in the area had never seen a homegrown player with such speed and power. Until recently, the most famous athlete from Erath was 1980s and ’90s horse-racing jockey Randy Romero, whose name can be found on a highway sign welcoming visitors to town.

But what most impressed former NFL quarterback Jake Delhomme, who sometimes made the 30-mile drive from his Breaux Bridge, La., home to see the local high school sensation, was how Mitchell comported himself. After Bobcats games, Delhomme remarked to friends how rare it was for a teen to hand the ball back to the referees after every touchdown.



To help Mitchell stay focused, his dad attended many of his high school practices and met often with his teachers. Turner knew to expect a call from Milton if Elijah scored poorly on a test. On multiple occasions, Milton threatened to keep Elijah home for games if his grades didn't improve. They always did.

In the summers, Mitchell spent many days dragging a huge steel sled back and forth across 50 yards of grass near the family house. His dad had welded it together to help his son train for college football.

At the time, Mitchell was a two-star recruit with only one FBS offer, from nearby Louisiana-Lafayette. Some in town encouraged him to wait on interest from bigger schools. But when Ragin' Cajuns head coach Mark Hudspeth made a home visit to Erath in a helicopter the summer before Mitchell's senior year, he committed that day.

As he rushed for 2,900 yards and 41 touchdowns during his final season with the Bobcats, Mitchell received a defensive-back offer from LSU and a running-back offer from Missouri. No matter. Those SEC programs, with their state-of-the-art facilities and lucrative TV contracts, couldn't compete with Louisiana-Lafayette's best asset: It was only 21 miles from Erath.

"He wanted to make sure everyone in town could see him play in college," Milton said. "Going anywhere else wouldn't have felt right."

After the 49ers took him with the 194th pick of May's NFL draft, Mitchell moved away from south central Louisiana for the first time. He had just turned 23 years old. Accompanying Mitchell were his fiancée and high school sweetheart, Jasmine LeJeune, and their two young sons.

As injuries to other running backs hastened Mitchell's rise up the depth chart, his iPhone flooded with texts from old teammates, coaches and teachers back home expressing how proud Erath was of him. Such messages only continued as Mitchell cemented himself as the 49ers' top ball-carrier.

With 963 rushing yards this season, he shattered the rookie franchise record of 811 set by Vic Washington in 1971. That Mitchell did it in just 11 games only adds to his burgeoning lore.

But almost every time someone in Erath tells him all he means to a rural outpost just north of Vermilion Bay, Mitchell is quick to remind them: "Erath has done more for me than I could ever do for it." Without his support system there, he wouldn't be one win away from the Super Bowl.

When Nathan Granger saw Mitchell wearing his "Team Ross" wristband during the NFC divisional round, he recognized it for what it was: a sign that he hasn't forgotten where he came from.

On the night of Nov. 11, 2016, Erath High chased its first playoff win in 12 years. Miles away, surrounded by friends and loved ones, Ross neared the end of a lengthy battle with brain cancer. Realizing that his childhood friend might not have much more time, Mitchell — then a senior — played inspired, breaking tackle after tackle. Early in the second half, Nathan informed the team that Ross had died.

Those who witnessed what happened next recall Mitchell running with a passion that felt almost spiritual, on his way to 331 rushing yards. After the final whistle sounded on the Bobcats' blowout win over the favored Eunice High, Mitchell embraced his quarterback, Ross' little brother, Mason.

"To this day, Elijah and I talk pretty regularly," Nathan said. "Just the other night, he told me, 'I'm so blessed to be in this position I've been put in.'"

"That's the person he is. I pray that he remains that way, but I know he will."



49ers' country boy' Elijah Mitchell is a product of his Southern Louisiana environment

By Jerry McDonald
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Life may be slower in his hometown of Erath, Louisiana, but that hasn't prevented Elijah Mitchell from getting places in a hurry.

Mitchell has rushed for more yards than any rookie in the history of the 49ers, all the while adhering to the values instilled by his parents in what his high school coach calls "a one-stop-light" town with a population of just over 2,000 in Southern Louisiana.

Milton and Penny Mitchell raised five sons in a home surrounded by sugarcane fields.

"My mom and dad, they raised me right," Mitchell said Thursday in a phone interview. "They taught me right from wrong and I never had a problem getting in trouble. They were definitely strict on me — if I wanted to go somewhere, they were going to meet who I was going with and their parents."

With 878 yards rushing, Mitchell, 23, broke the franchise record of 811 set by Vic Washington in 1971. He did it in just 10 games, and his per-game rushing average of 87.8 trails only veteran established backs Derrick Henry (117.1), Johnathan Taylor (108.4), Nick Chubb (92.4) and Dalvin Cook (90.0) in the NFL. Mitchell returned to action in a 23-7 win over Houston, gaining 119 yards on 21 carries.

It was Mitchell's fifth game of more than 100 yards rushing after being a sixth-round draft pick out of Louisiana, where he had 3,267 career rushing yards and 41 touchdowns. That came after three seasons at Erath High School (pronounced EE-rath) where Mitchell rushed for 4,045 yards and 50 touchdowns in three seasons, averaging 8.9 yards per carry and a touchdown on every ninth attempt.

Although Mitchell may have been the big man on campus at a school with an enrollment of about 500, he never acted like it.

"I've coached for 27 years and Elijah did some amazing things," former Erath coach David Comeaux said in a recent phone interview. "But beyond that, Elijah was just the kind of kid that took care of everybody. Of all the players I've ever coached, he's the most humble. No doubt."

The play that sticks with Comeaux more than any other didn't even count. Mitchell befriended Eddie Armond, a student with Down syndrome, and helped stage a play where Armond was able to score a touchdown of his own.

The opponent, Patterson High, agreed to play along. Eddie was fitted with a helmet and a jersey the day before the game and ran the play at practice. When the big moment came, Mitchell showed Eddie where to stand, then led him 20 yards into the end zone for a "touchdown" as the crowd cheered. Both teams met Eddie in the end zone to congratulate him.

"Here is Elijah, guiding this kid to a touchdown," Comeaux said. "It was pretty special stuff."

The week before, after Mitchell had been elected "Powder Puff King" by his senior classmates, he handed Eddie his crown.

"Eddie was beyond ecstatic," said his mother, Dawn Armond. "He called himself the Erath king. Elijah was his best friend."

During games, Eddie would join the Erath team on the bench, with Dawn close by to make sure he stayed out of harm's way.



“When we were on the sidelines and Elijah made a play, he’d look for Eddie and say, ‘Eddie, did you see that?’” Dawn said. “And he would explain the play to Eddie. He would include him in the game to make sure he knew what was going on. I enjoyed that. When Elijah sat down, Eddie would sit with him. They just kind of blended.”

Mitchell was drawn to Eddie’s innocence and outlook.

“Eddie was always a happy person, his personality is just awesome,” Mitchell said. “As a team we just wanted to see him have that moment, and I think it was the best day of his life. It was awesome.”

Recruited by mostly Sun Belt schools, LSU was interested in Mitchell but as a defensive back. He instead stayed close to home and accepted a scholarship to Louisiana in Lafayette, just 21 miles from home.

Billy Napier, the head coach at Louisiana who recently took over the program at Florida, believes family and community are at the core of what Mitchell is all about.

“You go back to how he was raised, the community,” Napier said in a phone interview. “Just a terrific family. They know who they are and know what they believe in with conviction. There is something about that part of the country and the Cajun culture that is unique. It’s hospitality, caring for other people, service and a lot of pride in doing things the right way. There’s a give-the-shirt-off-your-back mentality there. I think Eli reflects that with how he’s lived his life for sure.”

Mitchell played in a three-back system at Louisiana along with Trey Ragas and Raymond Calais and never uttered a word of complaint.

“He embodied everything we tried to build our culture around when it comes to being selfless, accepting their role,” Napier said. “We knew he was gifted. I thought the 49ers got a steal relative to where they got him in the draft.”

Mitchell missed some training camp time with an adductor injury, but quickly passed third-round draft pick Trey Sermon of Ohio State on the depth chart. When Jeff Wilson Jr. and Raheem Mostert were injured, Mitchell showed the power, speed and ability to finish runs which meshed perfectly with the 49ers’ outside zone run scheme. He gained 104 yards on 19 carries in his first NFL game, a season-opening win against Detroit.

Listed at 5-foot-10 and 200 pounds, Mitchell’s power shocked 49ers left tackle Trent Williams. Mitchell once ran into Williams’ back, and the Pro Bowl left tackle said the only time he was hit so hard with friendly fire was playing with perennial Pro Bowler Adrian Peterson in Washington. Coach Kyle Shanahan said Mitchell often left him believing he was facing a challenging down-and-distance, only to be informed by coaches in the press box Mitchell had made something out of nothing.

Napier knows the feeling.

“He’ll make you a better coach,” Napier said. “He’s an offensive line coach’s dream and best friend. He’s going to make your team better. Not only with his ability but his approach as a person.”

Quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo said Mitchell has come out of his shell somewhat but has retained the same core values.

“E was very quiet when he got here. He was humble, hard-working,” Garoppolo said. “He’s become more open and talkative, but as far as the humble and hard-working stuff, that hasn’t changed a bit. For a rookie to have as much success as he’s had and still remain the same, that’s a rare combo right there. That’s why you love him as a teammate, love him as a friend. He’s everything you could want.”

Mitchell, a self-described “country boy” who went through high school and college in the same area, conceded moving to California was a culture shock.



“But I grew into it, and it’s going well,” Mitchell said.

Mitchell’s values are ingrained to the point where his parents don’t need to warn him against getting a big head with all the recent success.

“They don’t really tell me that because they already know how I’ve always been,” Mitchell said. “I always think about how things can be taken away so fast. I’ve always been a humble guy and I’m going to stay that way for the rest of my life.”



Brock Purdy

Who is San Francisco 49ers rookie quarterback Brock Purdy?

By Nick Wagoner
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To understand why nobody in his orbit is surprised that Brock Purdy has quickly ascended from the final pick in the 2022 NFL draft to the starting quarterback of the San Francisco 49ers, you have to know two stories: the one about mono, and the other about the saguaro cactus.

The tales are separate but linked in that they were the biggest obstacles in Purdy's early football career. He contracted mononucleosis entering his junior year of high school in 2016 and was on the losing end of a hand fight with a cactus playing paintball with his teammates and coaches the following year.

Those events didn't completely prevent colleges from noticing Purdy, but they made it difficult for him to get scholarship offers, despite a prolific high school career. That is until the NCAA, for the first time, instituted an early signing day in December. That created a frenetic late market for Purdy before the traditional February signing period, as coaches who didn't sign a quarterback early flocked to him to prevent being shut out at the position.

Purdy was arguably the most desirable quarterback in the country between Dec. 2017 and Feb. 2018, with offers from Boise State, Alabama, Illinois and Texas A&M before choosing Iowa State. It was the first time he had quickly jumped from something of an afterthought to center stage.

It also set him on a path to where he is now, preparing to start Sunday for the 8-4 49ers against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and legendary quarterback Tom Brady (4:25 p.m. ET, Levi's Stadium, Fox), becoming the first 'Mr. Irrelevant' (the final pick in the NFL draft) to start a regular-season game at quarterback.

"I think there's always been an edge to myself," said Purdy, the ninth quarterback picked in the 2022 draft. "I've always believed that I don't care what slot, what round, what pick that I get picked or if I was undrafted, my whole thing was I just want to go out and prove to myself that I can play at this level. And so that's always been my mentality."

Purdy's rise to 49ers' starting quarterback has also been the result of unfortunate circumstances, namely injuries to quarterbacks Trey Lance and Jimmy Garoppolo. But his relentless work habits have led him to this moment.

"He doesn't have to change much," coach Kyle Shanahan said. "He had to prepare a ton. It's real hard to do that week in and week out ... I couldn't imagine studying all week for a test and then not being allowed to take the test. Do it a few weeks in a row and some guys eventually roll the dice and they're like, 'all right, it's not happening' and then the first quarter it happens and then they can't handle it."

"Brock was ready."

AS THE HEAD varsity football coach at Perry (Arizona) High School, Preston Jones was aware of Purdy from his exploits on the freshman team before working in a quarterback timeshare as a sophomore. He was also the backup punt returner, and when Jones would have Purdy practice fielding punts, his job was to throw it back.

Jones would stand 35 to 40 yards away, with a hand near his ear or next to his hip, and ask Purdy to hit either target. According to Jones, nearly every throw would hit within six inches of Jones' hand.



Purdy was the unquestioned starter entering his junior year until he contracted mono about two weeks before the season. He lost 20 pounds and had zero physical activity for six weeks. Passes that used to hum out of his hand floated and wobbled.

When Purdy returned four weeks into the season, Jones planned to ease him in as part of a rotation. Purdy, nowhere near back to full strength, went in on the second series against O'Connor High and never exited, going 25-of-28 for 361 yards and five touchdown passes while running for another 45 yards on 10 carries.

"He was throwing these rainbow bloopers because he had nothing in the tank," Jones said. "He had no strength but he was the most accurate guy I've ever seen."

Purdy continued to pile up numbers, raising Perry from perennial playoff participant to legitimate state championship contender, but his recruitment didn't take off because of the floating, wobbly passes.

During the spring football period prior to his senior season, Purdy joined his fellow seniors and coaches on a retreat to play paintball. In a battle of seniors versus coaches, Purdy found what seemed to be a good hiding spot behind a cactus.

Upon taking evasive maneuvers, Purdy put his left hand up and a cactus spine went directly into it. He ended up in the emergency room and had to have the spine surgically removed. The injury cost him precious time on the spring ball circuit that could have helped with recruiting.

By the time his senior season rolled around, Purdy was finally back to full strength. His throws were up to normal velocity and he regained the weight he'd lost with mono.

Purdy averaged 314.6 passing yards and 72.6 rushing yards per game to go with 67 total passing and rushing touchdowns, leading Perry to within eight points of a state title.

"He was kind of like an old man in a kid's body," Jones said. "He kind of took it like he was playing in the NFL. He was extremely serious in his preparation."

FOR IOWA STATE coach Matt Campbell, the normal opening recruiting call lasts roughly 10 minutes. When Campbell talked to Purdy for the first time, the two chatted for about an hour.

When he ended the call, Campbell couldn't believe Purdy, who was in the throes of a suddenly intense recruiting battle, was so humble and mature. Pairing that with high school tape that reminded Campbell of Baker Mayfield only made Purdy more appealing.

Iowa State didn't have the glitz of some of the other schools recruiting him, but that was part of its appeal to Purdy, who viewed it as a place where he could build something.

Any doubt that Purdy could take the Cyclones to new heights was erased in his first extended playing time at Oklahoma State as a true freshman in 2018, when Purdy replaced starter Zeb Noland in the first quarter. After throwing an earlier touchdown pass, Purdy pulled the ball on a zone read and raced 29 yards for a score, ending with a mini high step as he crossed the goal line.

"At that moment, I'm like, 'Oh, buddy, everybody better get ready,'" Campbell said. "This guy's got a chance to be really special. And from that point forward, he was as big of a transformational figure in the history of Iowa State football as anybody that's ever played here."

And much like after his first post-mono high school performance, Purdy never again relinquished the job at Iowa State. He started 46 games and broke or tied 32 school records while winning more games than any Cyclones quarterback ever. He led Iowa State to its first-ever Big 12 championship game as a junior in 2020, a season in which it finished 9-3 and defeated Oregon in the Fiesta Bowl.



"I think his greatest toughness is his mental toughness," Campbell said. "This was a program that really had never had consistent success. ... From Day 1, I feel like this community and the people around this community put Brock on the pedestal. ... And I think how he handled himself through the journey of those highs and lows [was] really powerful."

LEADING UP TO the NFL draft in April, Purdy believed he could be picked as early as the fourth round or potentially go undrafted. He had all the intangibles, but there were questions about his size (6-foot-1, 220 pounds) and arm strength.

Those questions pushed Purdy to the last pick in the draft, a selection that comes with the "Mr. Irrelevant" title. The Niners loved Purdy's extensive college experience and were inundated with endorsements about his work ethic and moxie. They made the pick, with general manager John Lynch immediately noting Purdy was "relevant to us."

Make your picks throughout the playoffs and compete for \$48,500! Make Your Picks Each year, Mr. Irrelevant is welcomed to Newport Beach, California, for a week of activities he helps choose. Purdy wasn't too familiar with all the title entailed but, after some initial reticence, embraced the opportunity.

His week included a banquet -- where he was awarded the "Lowsman Trophy" instead of the Heisman -- surfing and sailing lessons, a trip to Knott's Berry Farm and comfort-food meals like fried chicken. The tradition, started by founder Paul Salata, a former NFL receiver, is meant to be celebratory and fun. But Purdy was once again a quick study, getting up on his surfboard and riding a wave and winning a race in his first sailing attempt.

More than anything, he earned a bunch of new fans in Melanie Fitch -- Salata's daughter and the CEO of Irrelevant Week -- and the many volunteers who make the week happen. There have been other Mr. Irrelevants, such as Bucs kicker Ryan Succop and New York Giants linebacker Tae Crowder, who have gone on to successful careers.

But there's never been a Mr. Irrelevant who suddenly became extremely relevant like Purdy.

"This is the story now," Fitch said. "He's the last guy drafted in the draft and he's playing, he's going to start. That's a long journey in the NFL because there's a lot of really good players that never do start or never really get to get in the game. We just want him to stay healthy, play well, stay poised and, well, be relevant."

AFTER THE 49ERS acquired running back Christian McCaffrey on Oct. 20, McCaffrey went through a crash course on the offense. Among his tutors were assistant coaches like Anthony Lynn and Bobby Turner. Perhaps the most unlikely resource, however, was Purdy.

Coming from the Carolina Panthers, McCaffrey knew little about Purdy, but it was the rookie quarterback who stepped up to help McCaffrey learn the offense. On Saturday nights before McCaffrey's first couple of games, the pair would sit down and recite the play sheet. It gave McCaffrey a chance to commit them to memory and helped Purdy practice verbalizing the plays like he would in a huddle.

They even went out to the field one Friday and did a walkthrough together.

"The first couple days I figured out a lot about him and his mentality and his work ethic and wanting to be great and wanting to help out," McCaffrey said. "He jumped at the opportunity and I really appreciate for it."

Similar stories popped up in San Francisco's locker room this week. Left tackle Trent Williams and tight end George Kittle compared Purdy to a 15-year veteran, noting his willingness to take control of a huddle and tell an unnamed teammate to be quiet when he's trying to call a play.



Linebacker Fred Warner and other defenders have raved about Purdy's willingness to take chances against their defense when running the scout team, with Warner citing the same "competitive excellence" Campbell saw in Purdy's high school tape.

Don't expect Purdy to put up the big numbers he did in high school and college. The 49ers won't ask him to. He has plenty of help, meaning his job is to take care of the ball and get it to the playmakers.

And Purdy hasn't deviated from what got him here. On road trips and other select nights, the Niners offensive linemen and tight ends get together for low-stakes poker games, buy-ins never exceeding \$100 a person. When Purdy plays, he doesn't let being relatively new to poker stop him from being aggressive. Guard Daniel Brunskill also knows better than to get his hopes up about Purdy joining when he extends the invite.

"He prepares all the time," Brunskill said. "Brock says 'No, I gotta go study.'"

After all, in staking their Super Bowl hopes on Purdy, the 49ers are placing the biggest bet of all.



The night Brock Purdy convinced the 49ers he could be their 2023 starter

By Matt Barrows, The Athletic

It was almost game time on a crisp, 39-degree night in Seattle. The San Francisco 49ers players were in the midst of a pregame prayer in the visitors locker room. And Kyle Shanahan was frantically changing his opening plays.

Just minutes earlier, Shanahan had been on the field to watch Brock Purdy warm up and, well, there hadn't been much to see. The rookie had attempted a couple of wobbly passes ahead of his first NFL road start. But he'd quickly shut it down — the pain from a broken rib on his left side was too intense.

The 49ers offensive coaches were watching. The Seattle Seahawks coaches were eyeballing him, too. "Brock goes to throw a ball and it's, 'Oh, s—!'" Shanahan recalled recently. "And then we go into the locker room where we have 15 minutes. I start looking at my openers. And no one's around, and I start changing the plays. Because I realize that Brock's not going to be able to do it."

In a normal situation, the 49ers would have turned to their backup long before pregame warmups. The Dec. 15 game in Seattle, however, was anything but normal. The only other healthy quarterback on the roster, Josh Johnson, had arrived just nine days earlier and wasn't well-versed in the offense. The 49ers were playing on a short week in which they'd had one walk-through practice. And they were playing on national television, in the NFL's loudest, most inhospitable stadium and with a division title on the line. Shanahan had resisted going with Johnson with the expectation that Purdy would start feeling better on the day of the game.

"Everyone acts like Josh had been in our system before," Shanahan said. "Josh had come in when we were in Arizona (in 2020) during COVID. He hadn't been in our system at all. ... We didn't really have a No. 2 (quarterback). And I don't mean that against Josh. It was that he had just got there."

Still, Shanahan felt like he had no choice but to go with Plan B. As his players were getting ready to spill onto the field, he was changing the plays to something Johnson could handle.

The ordeal had begun four days earlier in a home game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Purdy's first NFL start.

Most assume he was hurt on the opening snap, when Buccaneers safety Keanu Neal clobbered him for an 8-yard sack. It may have been Purdy's worst play of the season because he'd changed the call at the line of scrimmage — "Hey! Can! Can! Can!" — to something he shouldn't have. Shanahan remembers being both furious at the decision and panicked that he might have turned over his offense to a rookie who couldn't read the defense.

"I didn't see the hit, either," Shanahan said. "Once he changed the play, I'm looking down the field to see who he's going to throw to. I didn't know how hard he got hit. That's the worst part for a coach. I'm yelling in his headset, 'What did you just do?' I didn't know he's on the ground being murdered by somebody. I can't imagine how irritating that is as a player."

The injury happened on the next series on a third-and-11 play in which Purdy scrambled to his right. He's never been the type who safely slides for the first down. He's always dived.

"He did it all the time," said his father, Shawn, who was watching from the stands that day. "In fact, he would tell his brother (Nebraska quarterback Chubba Purdy), 'You need to dive — get that extra yard.' And then last year, his brother, in the Michigan game, sort of got caught in between a dive and a slide and broke his ankle."

Brock Purdy committed to a full dive against the Buccaneers, and it ended up costing him, too. Just as he extended his body at the sideline, Neal arrived and thumped him in the lower left side of his back. The blow left Purdy with a broken rib, though no one suspected it at the time, including Purdy.



The quarterback immediately popped up and pumped his fist because he thought he'd picked up a first down. (A holding penalty on Trent Williams wiped away the gain.) The 49ers coaches didn't know anything was amiss. Neither did Purdy's parents.

"I didn't see any body language that indicated that he was hurt," Shawn said.

Adrenaline masked the problem. Purdy quickly recovered from his first-snap lapse, and the 49ers jumped out to a 28-0 lead on Tom Brady and the Buccaneers. The halftime locker room was as elated as it had been all season. But as Purdy started to cool down during the intermission, he realized something was wrong.

"I could feel it getting a little tighter in the back," he said. "That's when the pain started kicking in."

He had a harder time loosening up for the second half, though it was still impossible to tell he was hurting because the 49ers were so comfortably ahead. He attempted just three passes after halftime before being relieved by newcomer Johnson midway through the fourth quarter.

At dinner that night, Purdy mentioned he was uncomfortable. But everyone was still buzzing about the big win, and the consensus was that it couldn't be a serious issue — he'd played so well, after all — and that the pain would start to fade the next day.

Instead, it got worse.

"I could tell when Brock came in on Monday and Tuesday he was shocked about how bad it hurt," Shanahan said. "I could tell how tough he was and how badly he wanted to play. But I could see in the back of his mind that he was thinking: 'Maybe this is going to hurt too much. And maybe I can't do it.'" Shawn Purdy said: "His agent called in the middle of the week and said, 'Hey, have you talked to Brock?' He said, 'We think he's got a broken rib.' ... That's how I found out. Because Brock doesn't race to tell us those things."

The 49ers held one practice that week, an evening session Tuesday under the lights of Levi's Stadium, and Purdy didn't attempt a pass. At that point, Shanahan began leaning on quarterbacks coach Brian Griese, who'd been quarterback for 11 seasons and had plenty of experience with playing with injuries. "You play long enough, you get hit enough times and you're going to have a lot of those situations," Griese said. "And probably most applicable, I've played in certain situations where maybe I shouldn't have played."

Griese wasn't sure how Purdy would react. After all, he'd started a single NFL game and was facing a blizzard of challenges as the team prepared for Seattle. He hadn't practiced and knew he wouldn't be 100 percent physically. He'd be playing on an artificial surface, on national television and in a rowdy stadium that had been a decade-long nightmare for the 49ers. On top of that, Purdy felt a heavy responsibility to veterans like Williams, George Kittle and Christian McCaffrey to continue the momentum the team had built in the second half of the season.

It was a daunting mix that would mentally test even a 10-year starter. Purdy was a seventh-round pick who was 12 days away from his 23rd birthday. How would he deal with that mountain of doubt? "For somebody — anybody — to be able to handle that situation, to be able to mentally put aside how you feel and to be able to focus amidst all of those swirling issues and doubts and fears — that's just not normal," Griese said.

Griese was trying to read his pupil throughout the week and up until game time. As Shanahan was scribbling plays for Johnson, a mix of adrenaline and pain-blocking medication took over, and Purdy told Griese he thought he'd be able to play.

"Right when I'm going out, Griese comes and tells me: 'He's feeling better. He thinks he can do it,'" Shanahan recalled. "But I don't believe it because he didn't feel this way 15 minutes ago. And I don't



know how this works, either. And Griese does because he has a history with it. So Griese's like: 'No, he thinks he can do it. Let's give it a shot.'"

So Shanahan went back to his original openers, albeit with all sorts of caveats and edits: Don't roll Purdy to the left; he can throw better to his right; keep everything short.

"I'm a rotational athlete," Purdy said. "The way I throw, you've got to use everything — left, right. You're doing everything. You can feel both sides. There were just some throws that if I got in a certain angle I could feel it more."

None of Purdy's first-quarter pass attempts traveled more than 12 yards. And he said he had to be careful not to fall on his left side, something that came into play when he was hit by a blitzing Seahawks safety following a quick toss to McCaffrey.

But the game ended up being the opposite of the one four days earlier in that Purdy began feeling looser and more confident as the contest wore on. Shanahan's play calls, in turn, grew more bold.

After the Seahawks cut San Francisco's lead to 21-13 late in the fourth quarter, the 49ers had to burn off the remaining 3 minutes, 35 seconds. Facing third-and-1, Shanahan knew Seattle would overload the line of scrimmage. So he called a play he wouldn't have considered at the start of the game, one that required Purdy to scramble to his right.

This time, Purdy didn't dive. He slid — inbounds, so that the clock kept running — while extending the ball just beyond the first-down marker.

"I was like, 'Slide!'" said Shawn Purdy, who was watching on television. "I was hoping he wouldn't dive. I was holding my breath on that one. And he sort of slid while holding the ball out to get that first down, which was smart."

Griese said: "I think (sliding) was on the forefront of his mind, to be honest with you. I think he learned his lesson."

The Seahawks used their final timeout to challenge whether Purdy had crossed the first-down marker on the play. He had, which meant the game essentially was over.

The quarterback's final numbers were modest. He was 17-of-26 for 216 yards and two touchdowns. But the outing turned Griese into a believer, and he suspects it had the same effect on Purdy's teammates, who donned red "Conquered the West" T-shirts in the raucous visiting locker room that night.

"To go out and perform the way that he did under all those stressors and all the unknowns — that was really eye-opening to me," Griese said. "I think the rest of the offense — and really the entire roster — kind of resonated around him that night, and it certainly helped him as the rest of the season went on, too. Because now the guys in the locker room know exactly what they're getting in him."

Shanahan said Purdy's first three games — relieving injured Jimmy Garoppolo against Miami, his first start against Tampa Bay and playing injured in Seattle — told him the rookie could lead the team to the playoffs. When he sat down in February and rewatched all of Purdy's starts, Shanahan was convinced he had his quarterback for the 2023 season.

For him, the game in Seattle wasn't just about grit or toughness. The situation also brought out Purdy's calm and maturity. He said a young quarterback might tell his head coach anything to get on the field. Purdy was straightforward throughout.

In short, there was a sense that those four grueling days in December revealed who Purdy was at his core.

"He talked to me the whole way through it and was accurate the whole time," Shanahan said. "And he didn't make excuses for himself, either. He did have bad plays in there and you never heard, 'Oh, it's because I'm hurting.' He wasn't that type of guy. And I think that's why the players really believed in him,



too. The poise, the competitor, everything. It was all real. To me, it was, 'All right, this dude you can trust.'"



Deebo Samuel

San Francisco 49ers' Deebo Samuel created his own position: 'Wide back'

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During a standard San Francisco 49ers practice, receiver Deebo Samuel has no shortage of things to do. With one notable exception.

Soon after the Niners wrap up stretching and transition to a special teams period, Samuel finds himself with the only opening in his daily practice schedule. With that time, Samuel sidles up to coach Kyle Shanahan for a chat.

It happens before every practice, and the topic of conversation ranges from how Samuel is feeling to the upcoming session to the next opponent. On a recent afternoon, Samuel brought up his son -- Tyshun Raequan Samuel Jr. -- who was born on Dec. 27 but is apparently already showing signs of following in his father's footsteps.

"He's 3 weeks old and he's already holding his bottle by himself," Shanahan said. "So, [Deebo] is just convinced that means he's going to be a top pick in the draft."

In those conversations, Shanahan and Samuel talk about, well, everything. Which is only fitting because everything is what Samuel does for the 49ers and it's also what he's meant to them this season.

In his third NFL season, Samuel has emerged as a supernova, forcefully inserting himself into a different discussion about the game's best offensive weapons. At times, he has also put the 49ers on his back, carrying them to the NFL divisional round of the playoffs against the Green Bay Packers on Saturday (8:15 p.m. ET, Fox).

The thing about Samuel isn't the amount of success he's had but the number of ways he's left opposing defenses in his cosmic dust.

While playing receiver, running back and, occasionally, quarterback, Samuel accounted for 15 total touchdowns on his way to earning first-team All-Pro honors for the first time. Samuel is aware of the unique job he has, even creating a name for it: wide back.

His 1,770 yards from scrimmage ranked third in the NFL.

He led the NFL in yards per reception (18.3) and was fourth in yards per rush (6.2) among players with at least 50 receptions or rushes.

His eight rushing touchdowns are the most by a receiver in a season since 1970, and he's the only receiver in the modern era to lead his team in rushing touchdowns.

He became one of four players -- alongside Roger Craig, Marshall Faulk and Christian McCaffrey -- to have at least 1,000 receiving yards and five rushing touchdowns in a season.

In a wild-card win over the Dallas Cowboys last week, Samuel set an NFL record for most rushing yards (72) by a primary receiver in a playoff game during the Super Bowl era, including his ninth rushing touchdown of the year.

Whenever the 49ers needed an offensive jolt, Samuel and his unique mix of hard-charging physicality and blazing speed provided it no matter how big the moment.



"That's just naturally who he is," Shanahan said. "He'll be asleep right before kickoff and he'll come out and not hesitate on the first play. When you're like that, it allows your heart rate to be level, your breath to be level, and you have a certain point to you, so you can kind of do the more instinctual stuff and yet still be violent enough to play at the level he does. It's not something you see in a lot of athletes."

'A natural football player'

During the 2021 regular season, Deebo Samuel caught 77 passes for 1,405 yards and six touchdowns. He also rushed 59 times for 365 yards and eight more scores. Tim Heitman/USA TODAY Sports
Before a pair of early-season games, Samuel was asked if the Rams' Odell Beckham Jr. or Seahawks' DK Metcalf were receivers he studied. Samuel shook his head and said no.

Samuel meant no disrespect. It's just that what he's asked to do on a weekly basis means there's only one wide receiver worth watching closely: himself.

"I know you can learn from other guys, but not if you're not kind of built like them," Samuel said. "For myself, it's to see how I come in and out of breaks, what a certain guy's matchup is or the things that guys like to do when they are facing guys like me even though there's not that many."

For most of his football-playing life, Samuel has played a hybrid role. He did it at Inman Chapman (South Carolina) High and again at the University of South Carolina.

Receiver has always been Samuel's primary position, but running back was not new to him when the Niners first started using him there as a rookie in 2019.

Still, most of Samuel's work during his first two seasons came as a receiver. In his first 22 games, Samuel had 22 carries. Of those, six came from a true running back position.

When the injury bug began to bite Niners running backs this year, Shanahan and offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel turned to Samuel to help pick up the slack. After gaining 22 rushing yards -- compared to 882 receiving yards -- in his first eight games this season, Samuel surged to 343 rushing yards and seven rushing touchdowns during his final eight regular-season contests.

Including the wild-card win in Dallas, Samuel has played in 17 games, rushing from a true running back position 64 times for 421 yards and nine touchdowns. On those nine touchdowns runs, Samuel has averaged 16.44 yards per carry, which is only slightly less than the average distance (16.76 yards) of the 840 receiving touchdowns in the NFL this season.

San Francisco is 7-0 when Samuel gets six-plus carries in a game.

Considering how complicated the Niners' outside-zone-heavy run scheme can be, it's fair to assume Samuel spent time in the meeting room with running backs coach Bobby Turner. That would be wrong.

"He spends almost no time with that," fullback Kyle Juszczyk said. "He's never in the running back room. That's what's so impressive is what a natural football player Deebo is."

Turner takes Samuel aside between practice periods, offers a few tips on the correct footwork, running path and timing, and Samuel picks it up.

In some cases, Samuel hasn't run a play at all during the week, but Turner will give instructions (the path, where to line up and where to aim, for example) in the walk-through the day before a game. Samuel takes care of the rest.

"You kind of know what running plays you're gonna get, so it's not too much stress," Samuel said. "At first it was kind of hard, but as time goes it just gets easier and easier."

Evolution of the 'wide back'



Against the Cowboys last week, Deebo Samuel set an NFL record for most rushing yards (72) by a primary receiver in a playoff game during the Super Bowl era. Richard Rodriguez/Getty Images
Percy Harvin last played in the NFL in 2016, but at 33 he feels like he still has some football in him. That belief bubbles to the surface when Harvin turns on games and sees more players doing many of the things he once did for the Vikings, Seahawks, Jets and Bills.

Looking back, Harvin says his football prime came too soon, as more all-purpose playmakers like him now dot the NFL landscape. He sees Tavon Austin in Jacksonville, Cordarrelle Patterson in Atlanta and, of course, Samuel.

Ask NFL evaluators for a comp for Samuel and Harvin's name comes up the most.

"I thought for a year or two, Tavon kind of kept it going and then Cord, but other than those two, I felt the position was going to kind of fall off until last year and the year before that," Harvin said. "It kind of picked back up with Deebo. I'm kind of like, 'OK, they realize you can really do some things if you've got a guy who can really do it and knows what he's doing.'"

The weekly toll of playing in the NFL is already high for receivers who are often asked to make catches over the middle and log multiple miles running and hoping for the ball to come their way.

What happens when you move to running back, one of the most physically demanding positions in sports? In addition to learning plays from a different spot on the field, running backs are subjected to more collisions than any other skill position.

For someone like Austin, who entered the league in 2013 at 5-foot-8 and 175 pounds, taking care of his body wasn't as much of a factor early in his career because he was so used to the dual role. He wouldn't even use the cold tub after games.

"With age I've got to spend a little bit more time on my body," Austin said. "I've always been a guy that takes care of my body, but now it's really to the extreme. I feel like when I do that, when I come out here, I see that I'm still running fast. So that's the most important thing."

For Patterson, the move has been more drastic. He played more snaps at running back (290) than receiver (150) in 2021. The Chicago Bears first asked Patterson to play running back in 2020. It took Patterson, who also entered the league in 2013 and had only done spot duty at running back, some time to get used to it.

"I was like, 'Oh Lord, this is different,'" Patterson said. "But at the end of the day, I just do whatever I can."

The one thing each hybrid player has in common: a level of physical and mental toughness that belies his size.

At 6 feet, 220 pounds, Samuel is built differently than many receivers. He views it as an advantage, and that mentality shows up often with his ability to plow through defenders. Samuel led all receivers in yards after catch per reception (10), with the closest wideout coming at 8.53.

"When he gets the ball in his hands, it's just different," tight end George Kittle said. "He has a different mindset -- he's trying to run people over, he's trying to knock mouthpieces out, he's trying to body guys. It's a physical game, and he's out there embarrassing fools."

'A good stress'

Considering what Samuel has done this season, the idea he could take his game to another level might seem surprising, but the 49ers believe his ceiling is limited by the depths of their imagination.



"It's something that you really dream of as a coach in terms of being able to utilize people in different ways to try to find advantageous looks for the offense in general," McDaniel said. "We challenge ourselves to open our mind and really see how we can do our best to stress a defense out, but don't get it twisted -- it's a good stress. Something that you're challenging yourself with because all he does is alleviate stress on game days for his teammates and coaches alike.

"It's a lot easier to figure stuff out on Monday and Tuesday when the problem that you're trying to solve is how do I get this guy the ball? And on game day, 'Hey, Deebo, here's the ball.' That's the best thing for a coach that you could possibly imagine."

For other coaches and personnel evaluators around the league, McDaniel's words should resonate. Perhaps the definition of what a No. 1 receiver looks like is changing. At minimum, the emergence of Samuel and his contemporaries should open some eyes to players who might otherwise fly under the radar.

Patterson would like to see the Pro Bowl add a spot for hybrid offensive players, noting "we're just trying to set trends."

After all, prototypical receivers have to rely on quarterbacks to get them the ball, and defenses can take them away with scheme. However, if the Niners want to put Samuel in the backfield and hand him the ball, there's nothing anybody can do.

"When you talk about touches and ways to affect the game where you don't have to get 10 catches as a receiver and you can go and still get touches out of the backfield, your chances of making a big play are high," Harvin said. "You can still affect the game in a big way."

Which is why in the ultimate copycat league, everybody is seeking a wide back of their own.

"Anytime people kind of approach some uncharted territory, it kind of opens people's minds," McDaniel said. "But if you've watched any of the draft coverage the last couple years, people have been trying to find the next Deebo. The problem is, there's one Deebo."

On the contrary, as Shanahan can attest, there actually is another Deebo. He's already holding a bottle on his own, but he won't be draft-eligible until about 2043.



How Deebo Samuel's Chosen Mother Saved His Life

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My stepmother Precious Martin, my biological mother Felicia Winn, and my grandmother Kathy Winn are the three main ladies of my life. When I was a child, Felicia kind of got into the street life. I'm not gonna go too deep on it, but it was clear that something had happened to her. She wasn't able to provide for us the same way anymore. Where we grew up in Spartanburg, South Carolina, wasn't the best. I lost a friend to guns when I was 11. My cousin, Amir, was shot last year, too.

Precious and my father Galen Samuel have been together since I was six or seven years old. As a kid, you aren't really thinking about the nuances of stepmom vs. mom. You just wanna play ball. You just wanna be a kid. But even though Precious had kids of her own, she made time for me and my older brother, Tyquan. She became the first person I call no matter what. And I began thinking of her as my mom.

At one point I was living with my grandmother, we call her Kat. Around the ninth grade, she started getting sick. At that moment, I had nowhere to live. Nowhere to go. No one, I felt like, I could turn to. But then there was Precious. She took me in. I moved with my dad to her house in Inman, South Carolina. Man, I'm gonna be honest: without her, I wouldn't have made it to college. My grades weren't the best, but she clamped down on me and forced me over the finish line. I really think she saved my life. Shit, she raised me.

I didn't really know what to do when I was younger, but I knew I wanted to change my circumstances. Times were rough, but I kept saying to myself, when I make it to the NFL, I'm gonna get my biological mom some help. When I got to that life, I sent Felicia to a rehab facility to get her mind straight. When she completed her stint there, I bought her a house. I got her up on her feet and now she's back, she's working at a regular restaurant, she's good. She's doing the things she's supposed to be doing.

And let me make something clear....that's my mom! That's my dawg! I could never resent her for the way our lives turned out. She's special to me. Just like Precious is. What's funny is those two are cool. They don't have a problem with each other. I love them both the same. Shit, sometimes, I feel like they both gave birth to me. Precious doesn't care if I call her "mom" or "stepmom" and neither does Felicia. They both just get along. Of course, I've shown Precious a similar level of appreciation that I showed Felicia. I won't say too much, because that'll stay between us.

I bought a house for my older brother Tyquan, too. He's like my role model. He taught me the ins and outs of the streets, school, sports, everything. I still remember how he'd always yell at me wherever we were, "I'm gonna turn you into an animal!" "I'm gonna turn you into a player nobody can stop!" We went out to the front yard of my grandmother's house one day. I'll never forget it. I put my pads on, I wasn't worried about nothing! Until he put his pads on, and he was knocking....my....head off! I'm talking about I was crying, screaming. My grandmother was upset!

Growing up, just like my momma, Tyquan was in the streets. In and out of jail. But without him, I wouldn't be the athlete I am today. And I'm not just saying this because he's my brother. Go to Spartanburg and ask anyone you see who the best athlete they've ever seen is. They'll all tell you the same thing, "It's a dude named Squirt." That's his nickname back home. He kept me out of the way of trouble, though. I was around him, of course, but he wasn't doing the shit he was doing when I was there. He was that big brother that you need.

I take pride in him for that. But when he went to jail, you can ask him, when he called from jail those first few times, I didn't answer the phone. Hearing him in there, it did something to me. It made me mad, upset. I couldn't bear it. He got out when I was already in college and started coming to my games at South Carolina. Then it was like nothing changed. There was my brother: My family. One of the only



things I really care about in this world. When it came to sports or being in the streets, he was still the guy that I leaned on. He tried to set a better example for me, because he saw something in me he didn't see in himself.

But Precious was the person who saved me. My real name isn't Deebo, it's Tyshun. They called me Deebo because when I was younger I used to always wreak havoc, bullying folks and stuff. And Precious, it's like she read a manual on the best punishments moms could give out. When I had to buckle down for school, she stopped me from going back to Spartanburg to see friends and family because there was only a lot of pain there. Her and Galen threatened to take ball away from me. Yo, I wasn't having that! Ever since then, I was on the up and up.

When I got to college, you get mentors, tutors, everything to help you succeed. Then, it was just the mental part. Coming out of high school, to be honest, I thought I was that guy! I had a rude awakening. I had to redshirt my freshman season. It took a massive toll on me. As college went on, I pulled both my hamstrings, broke my left ankle, broke my foot. Man, I wanted to quit. I couldn't do this anymore.

Precious changed from my tutor to my life coach. She wouldn't allow me to give up on everything I was fighting for. An injury couldn't prevent me from doing the thing I love when it was worse than this just trying to grow up. She would remind me that God put me in certain situations to test me, to see how strong I was and see how I overcome adversity in life. And it would just go up from there.

We went to the Super Bowl my rookie season in San Francisco. I had a great season and there was plenty of hoopla and success to go with it. Right before OTA's my second year, I broke my opposite foot. I thought I was past these injuries in college. And I remembered what Precious told me about adversity. This was just another test. It had to be. I called her as soon as I left the stadium that day, and we got through that test. Even now, I call her when I leave the stadium. I call her every day. It doesn't matter if she wants to talk to me, or I don't feel like being bothered, if she's sick, or I'm off, I'm gonna call her.

When my life was on the line, it was Precious who saved me. When I had nowhere to go, it was Precious who got me out of that dark place. She took me under her wing even though I wasn't her child. She pointed me in the right direction of life to get me where I am today. I thank God that He put her in my life and in my father's life, because she changed his life around, too. She refused to let me go back to what I grew up under.

I just applaud her for being the best mother figure I could imagine. When you're stuck in those circumstances, that endless spiral, thinking life will never get better, thinking that you're stuck forever, you stop believing that the sun will shine tomorrow. Unless you have someone like Precious that'll hold your hand as you walk through the storm.



Charvarius Ward

Charvarius Ward's journey from shy kid with engineering dreams to 49ers' star

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Long before Charvarius “Mooney” Ward landed a \$40 million contract, before he became the top cornerback on the NFL’s best defense and tangled with DK Metcalf on national television, Ward barely even dreamed of playing professional football.

He wanted to become an engineer, or pursue a career in computer science. Football was an afterthought into his teenage years, not an obsession.

Ward figured a non-sports path was his best way out of McComb, Miss. He didn’t play high school football until his senior year, partly because a childhood surgery left him shy and anxious around other kids. So he usually stayed home in his free time, reading books or hanging out with his mom, Tanya.

He spent two years at a community college, two years at a below-the-radar Division I program (Middle Tennessee State) and didn’t hear his name called in the 2018 NFL draft. Now, less than five years later, Ward counts as a big reason the San Francisco 49ers roll into the new year with an eight-game winning streak and Super Bowl ambitions.

His improbable journey includes a dad in prison and a single mom working diligently, mostly in factory jobs, to support her family. Ward also weathered an uncommon scare in second or third grade, when he jumped off a porch, landed awkwardly and complained of pain in his hip.

X-rays revealed a cyst, leading to surgery and a long recovery, including two to three months in a wheelchair and extended time on crutches.

“The doctors weren’t really sure — they said it could be nothing but they also said it might be cancer,” Tanya Ward said. “I was scared. They showed me the X-ray and his bone was paper-thin. He was very skinny.”

Charvarius Ward couldn’t play football, ride a bike or swim for more than a year, inactivity that helps explain why he became a homebody. That’s also when he grew “super tight” with his mom and grandma, who helped him with simple daily tasks such as taking a bath.

He wanted to repay them, fueling his simmering motivation for years to come. But the aftermath of Ward’s hip surgery also created imposing social obstacles.

“It kind of disconnected me from society,” he said Thursday in a Chronicle interview. “At 9 or 10 years old, that’s when you’re learning a lot of people skills. I was scared to be seen in a wheelchair and on crutches, so I never went outside. Once I got off crutches, I stayed in the house.”

Football would wait.

McComb, Miss., is a town of 12,000-plus people, about 80 miles south of the state capital in Jackson and 110 miles north of New Orleans. McComb’s history includes violence sparked by white supremacist groups during the civil rights movement in the 1960s, and a 1977 plane crash that killed members of the rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd. Also, singer Britney Spears was born in McComb.

Ward, 26, grew up in what his mom called the ghetto, known as Community Park Apartments. He sports an elaborate tattoo spread across his chest, depicting the apartment complex, his old street address of 120 Gillis Circle and a replica food stamp.



He wants to remember the hard times, when food was scarce and he didn't know what the future held. He sees how many people in McComb are satisfied simply to survive. Ward wanted more.

"I was going to find a way to make it," he said.

Ward — whose first name is a creative derivation of his dad's (Charles), though neither he nor his mom could recall the genesis of the "Mooney Man" nickname — figured his computer skills might help him make it. He excelled enough in school to skip 11th grade.

He was tall and lean and fast, but Ward didn't heed the call of football until the summer ahead of his senior year (he previously ran track). His older brother Charvoun had played well at McComb High, motivating Charvarius to follow suit.

On the second day of summer workouts, "Mooney" made his mark. Marquis McFarland, the wide receivers coach at the time, was supervising the ladder and cone drills on a muddy field drenched by rain.

Most players repeatedly slipped and fell, given the conditions. Ward, despite not having cleats, kept his footing and completed the drills like a seasoned veteran.

After practice, McFarland said, he went into the head coach's office and asked, "Who is this dude with the tennis shoes? He's got the best feet of anybody out here."

Ward pestered McFarland about playing wide receiver, but McComb was stacked at that position and short on cornerbacks. That's where Ward thrived in his lone high school season.

His late start in football dissuaded major-college recruiters, so he spent the next two seasons at Hinds Community College in Raymond, Miss. Dwiki Wilson, the secondary coach at Hinds during Ward's time there and now an assistant at South Alabama, recalled Ward's eagerness to learn the nuances of playing cornerback.

He approached Wilson at one point and bluntly said, "Coach me." That was not a common request among junior college players.

"He acted like a 40-year-old," Wilson said. "He was just an older soul, always on top of his business. He wasn't a needy kid."

Ward started to realize football could land him a college education, which still interested him more than the fantasy of reaching the NFL. But he also held his own against Hinds' collection of skilled wide receivers.

Larry Williams, then Hinds' defensive coordinator and now the school's head coach, remembered one game in which he flatly told Ward he needed his desire to catch up with his abundant athletic ability.

"He played hard, but his passion was really reading a lot and becoming an engineer," Williams said.

Still, the athletic ability — swift and strong, with long arms and huge hands on a 6-foot-1 frame — was tantalizing. Ward started to smother opposing wide receivers in his time at Hinds, sparking interest from TCU, Minnesota and Ohio University.

He eventually landed at Middle Tennessee State, a Conference USA program in Murfreesboro, Tenn. And there's a story behind the Blue Raiders' interest in Ward.

Then-defensive backs coach Steve Ellis went to McComb to recruit Ward, at the suggestion of two other McComb alums whom Ellis knew. They went to a local park to meet Ward and came upon him playing in a pickup basketball game.



Ellis watched in wonder as a shot caromed off the rim and one player — Ward, it turned out — jumped over two other players, caught the ball with one hand and slammed it home. The spectators went nuts.

Ellis was smitten.

“I swear he was in the air for two seconds,” he said. “That just shows you his leaping ability, his explosiveness, his hand-eye coordination. I fell in love with him playing basketball.”

Even so, Ellis also knew Ward needed some work. He arrived at Middle Tennessee State weighing no more than 170 pounds, so the coaches all but locked him in the weight room, fed him and watched him gain 20-plus pounds in a year.

They also watched him blossom into a lockdown cornerback, smart enough to study opposing offenses and now strong enough to handle big receivers. Head coach Rick Stockstill marveled at Ward’s work ethic and fearlessness.

He also showed off his hands, to the point where Ellis made an exception for him during the team’s end-of-practice Hail Mary drill. Ellis told other defensive backs to knock down passes during the drill.

He told Ward to try to catch the ball — and he once snatched a pass out of the air with one hand.

Fittingly, the final steps on Ward’s journey to NFL acclaim took time. He signed with the Cowboys as an undrafted free agent, was traded to the Chiefs and played sparingly as a rookie in 2018.

Then, after soaring to prominence in his three seasons as a full-time starter in Kansas City, the 49ers lured Ward away with a three-year, \$40.5 million free-agent contract, including more than \$26.6 million guaranteed.

He has given San Francisco’s defense exactly what it needed: a No. 1 cornerback equally adept in coverage and as a tackler. Ward typically lines up on the left side, though he shadowed Metcalf in the Dec. 15 win in Seattle — defiantly grappling with his fellow Mississippi native, even while giving up 3 inches and 40 pounds — and similarly could follow Davante Adams in Sunday’s game against the Raiders.

“Mooney brings confidence to our entire defense,” said defensive coordinator DeMeco Ryans. “When you have a guy who can match up against a top receiver in this league, like Metcalf, it’s just confidence for everyone.”

Ward, who was named a Pro Bowl alternate this season, carries himself with a quiet swagger. He embraces the responsibilities of being the team’s top cornerback, and the challenging matchups that title brings.

He also remains fully aware of how his journey shaped him. Ward mused about possibly playing 12 to 15 years in the NFL (this is his fifth season), because he saved wear and tear on his body by playing only one season in high school.

His journey also includes remembering his roots. Ward returned to McComb this fall, passing out turkeys ahead of Thanksgiving. Kids swarmed him, seeking autographs and photos. He received a key to the city on an earlier visit.

Ward already has one Super Bowl ring (with the Chiefs) and now is chasing another. He also has a massive contract, allowing him to buy a house for Tanya outside Dallas. So, yes, he’s come a long way from his days in McComb — even if he didn’t become an engineer.

“I’m motivating a lot of people back home,” Ward said, “because I really made it out.”



Fred Warner

What's a 49ers practice like? We followed Fred Warner during longest session of camp

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Early to bed, early to rise?

Well, that's half right for Fred Warner.

During training camp, the San Francisco 49ers linebacker is under the covers at the team hotel by 10 p.m. and tries to remain there until 7:30 the next morning.

"I'm huge on sleep," Warner said. "So I try to maximize the hours, especially during training camp."

Three hours after that, he's chasing down Christian McCaffrey, crashing into George Kittle and doing everything he can to antagonize his offensive teammates.

I thought it would be interesting to give readers a different view of a 49ers training camp session — a blow-by-blow of what occurs on a given day — by following one player from start to finish. I got lucky and picked Friday's practice, which turned out to be the most grueling of any so far this summer. It lasted more than two hours on a day when the temperature reached 82 degrees.

The focus of the reporting wasn't happenstance. Warner is the most consistently animated of all the 49ers, the guy who rallies teammates — and the fans — before, during and after practice. That is, if you want action, watch Warner.

The following is a tick-tock of what happened Friday. I interviewed Warner the following day after practice.

9:58: Warner walks onto the field for the first time, helmet in hand, and is immediately spotted by some of the three dozen Marines from Bridgeport Marine Corps base who are seated in the bleachers.

"There's Fred! Fred! Freeeeeee!"

That will be a refrain throughout the morning. Deebo Samuel, Kittle, McCaffrey and Warner seem to be the most popular 49ers, and there is more than one "All-Pro Fred!" shoutout while Warner kneels on the sideline between series. He raises his hand in acknowledgment but doesn't turn around.

"I'm starting to see some 54s out there," he says. "Usually it's just the Deebo Samuels and the Christian McCaffreys. Now I've got people showing up, buying my jersey. It means I'm doing something right."

9:59: Warner stops by the so-called hydration station, a tent-and-table setup just outside the team's weight room. It's not a quick pit stop for some Gatorade. Warner spends a full three minutes there, longer than any other player. The station includes everything from collagen shots to beta alanine tablets, and Warner takes advantage of all of it. It's like he's at a hydration buffet table.

"They have different powders — pre-workout powders — over there," he says. "Gotta get a scoop of that. I drink some of the electrolytes. Yeah, I'm trying to get all those little things in before practice and make sure I'm setting myself up to do my best."

10:03: The 49ers go into what they call their activation period. Warner does everything from planks to wall sits to working with bands. It's not quite time for the team's formal stretch. This period might be considered the pre-stretch stretch.

10:15: In an effort to pump up the crowd, Warner runs from the west practice field where the Marines are located to the east side stands where most of the fans are situated. He wants maximum energy for practice. This is a daily occurrence.



10:17: The 49ers begin their walk-through. They had a decidedly light practice a day earlier, and a number of defensive starters didn't take part. Aside from Nick Bosa, every defensive starter is present Friday. Warner takes a few swigs of water when the equipment manager walks by. He has to be the most hydrated player on the squad.

10:28: The formal team-wide stretch begins. Warner throws his long hair back and puts on his helmet for the first time. For the last four years, the stretch has ended with Warner running at full speed and then doing what he calls a "jump flex" with Bosa. It's just what it sounds like — two guys bumping each other while they flex. With Bosa currently holding out, Warner instead does a daily chest bump with defensive tackle Javon Kinlaw.

10:32: The team gathers briefly in the middle of the field before practice begins in earnest. This is when someone delivers a quick message to the team. That someone is usually Warner.

"I let them know we're in that point of camp now — a full three sets of (padded practices)," Warner says. "Now guys are starting to get sore legs, their minds might start wandering. And this is where you really have to put your head down and grind through the hard days. ... So I wanted to emphasize the competition part of it. There's always going to be a winner and a loser. Even though it is a team, it's still competition at the end of the day."

49ers linebackers Fred Warner and Dre Greenlaw have begun juggling to work on their hand-eye coordination.

10:33: "Welcome to the Jungle" blasts over the loudspeakers. If you're hearing classic rock at a 49ers practice, you know it's a special teams period. Kyle Shanahan is obsessed with Lil Wayne and loves hip-hop, but special teams coordinator Brian Schneider leans toward the hair band era. Think Guns N' Roses and AC/DC.

Because Warner and fellow starting linebacker Dre Greenlaw aren't core special teamers, this is when they practice their juggling. Linebackers coach Johnny Holland has them juggle footballs or softballs for five minutes each day in effort to sharpen their hand-eye coordination and, in theory, boost their interceptions.

"I think it's pretty close depending on the day," Warner says when asked which linebacker is the better juggler. "We're neck and neck. We'll see. We've gotta start incorporating a fourth ball in there."

10:46: During individual drills, Warner and the other linebackers practice firing out of their stance from beneath an awning-like contraption the team calls "the chute." It's only 5 feet high, which means a 6-foot-3 linebacker like Warner is forced to get low.

It's a special emphasis for the 49ers because so many of their linebackers are tall. Oren Burks and Curtis Robinson also are 6-3. Rookie Jalen Graham is 6-2.

"Pad level is everything," Warner says. "That's just a basic start of every single rep."

10:56: One-on-one drills begin with the linebackers taking on the running backs and tight ends. The youngsters get most of the repetitions, and Warner is tapped for just one snap, the first one in which he's matched against McCaffrey.

In a previous practice, Warner felt he "opened the gait" — got out of his stance and started running downfield — too early and gave McCaffrey an easy release off the line.

"I told myself this time I was going to be real patient at the line," he says. "And once he committed I was going to get hands on him to disrupt him. And I did that. I played it perfectly, the way I wanted to."

Despite the close coverage, however, McCaffrey still makes the catch on a short crossing-route throw from Brandon Allen, which has Warner stomping mad. He's still miffed a day later. He doubts whether



Allen, who had to pump because Warner initially had good coverage, would have stuck with the play in a game situation. This is a theme with Warner: Never capitulate to the offense, even when you're talking about a snap from the day before.

"In real life, (Allen is) coming off that route once it's disrupted," he insists. "He's going to his next read. But, of course, in one-on-ones he was trying to make it look as pretty as possible."

11:04: The group install period begins. This is the only time Shanahan works with the defense during practice. He takes on the role of quarterback, throwing half-speed passes while the defenders work on new play calls and alignments. This is another period in which the coaches mostly are focused on younger players, and Warner takes a moment to chat up former 49ers safety Dashon Goldson, who is one of this year's coaching fellows.

"He was asking me if I was doing MMA in the offseason," Warner says. "I told him I just stick to the boxing because in MMA you get rolled up with your knees and stuff. And he said he did MMA back when he was playing. I've heard too many stories of guys tearing their ACLs and blowing their knees out 'cause you get in a weird, awkward position on the ground."

11:13: The 49ers have their first snap in an 11-on-11 situation. Warner and the first-team defense will take 31 such snaps during the practice, which is roughly half a game's worth of action. Warner takes on Kittle on one snap and center Jake Brendel on his next. It's a good day for McCaffrey and the team's other running backs, and Warner concedes that the offense may have won the day on first and second downs.

But it wasn't quite as one-sided as it looked.

"Kyle's big on wanting to protect the team and that kind of stuff," he says. "So sometimes running backs get to the hole and it seems like they're gashing us. But really there's a guy there kind of tagging him off. And I'm like, 'Can we just lay a hat on 'em and let 'em know they're not running through our defense?'"

That is, sometimes there's a perception there's been a long carry when there really isn't. "Hate it. I hate it. It's horrible," Warner says. "If DeMeco (Ryans) was here he'd be livid. But that's just the linebacker in me."

Fred Warner is one of the most animated and active players at any 49ers practice.

11:53: The offense begins a move-the-ball drill. Warner blitzes on the first snap, forcing Brock Purdy to throw the ball away. A few plays after that he whips rookie tight end Cameron Latu to the ground. Four plays later, Purdy throws a 20-yard touchdown pass to Samuel, who is slow to get up. Warner is the lone defensive player who walks over to see if Samuel is OK. He is and eventually rejoins practice.

12:29: Backup linebacker Marcelino McCrary-Ball puts a huge hit on rookie fullback Jack Colletto that knocks Colletto to the ground and dislodges the ball. The starting linebackers on the sideline appear to enjoy the collision. Shanahan isn't pleased.

12:32: Three horns blast and what will likely be the longest practice of the season is over. Warner takes off his jersey and shoulder pads and goes into public relations mode, signing autographs and taking selfies with fans. He also meets with players from Real Betis of the La Liga soccer league and presents them with a jersey.

12:52: There are eight players still on the field. One of them is Warner, who is eager to get tips from cornerback Charvarius Ward on what to do in man-to-man situations like the one he had with McCaffrey earlier in the day. Warner practices his coverage against receivers Willie Snead IV and Ray-Ray McCloud III.

"If I'm working against receivers after practice, that's only going to make it easier when I'm going against running backs or tight ends in games," he notes. "And Ray-Ray is one of the shiftest cats out there."



1:09: Warner walks off the field and into the weight room.

The rest of his day will include lifting weights, eating lunch, meetings and a late afternoon walk-through session. He usually leaves the team facility at 6:30 p.m. and drives home to check in with his wife and to eat a dinner prepared by his personal chef. Then it's back to the hotel in time for curfew.

On Friday, however, there was a wrinkle. The longest practice of the year left him so tired he fell asleep on the sofa and had to wake himself up to get back to the hotel in time.

If he had been late?

"I'm sure I'd be all right," he says. "But I don't want to be the guy who's missing curfew. It's a bad look to the rest of the team."



Trent Williams

49ers' Trent Williams return to being NFL's top tackle powered by gratitude after terminal cancer diagnosis

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Trent Williams plays football with such physical and technical dominance that it looks easy for him. For his opponents, it might feel unfair. For everyone else merely watching, it can seem scary.

Such descriptions make Williams laugh, but he wouldn't dare say the game is easy. Not even when he's playing as well as anyone at his position, or perhaps the sport (his Pro Football Focus grade of 98.5 through Week 15 is the best in the NFL). And especially not after the journey the San Francisco 49ers left tackle has been on the past three years, where concepts like unfair and scary paled in comparison to his reality.

"I take so much pride in the product that I put out there. I'm always concerned, I'm always nervous, I'm always anxious about football and playing. I don't feel like that part of it gets easier," Williams said in a phone interview last week. "But when it comes down to actually going out there, every time I can tie my cleats up, I can strap my shoulder pads up and my helmet, just taking advantage of that. I do know how it feels for that to be snatched away."

Williams is talking about football, sure. But he's really talking about life and death. He's talking about cancer. It's a conversation no one wants to have, but one Williams is bound to. On Dec. 14, he debuted "Silverback: The Trent Williams Story" -- a documentary detailing his recent battle with cancer and return to the gridiron.

"My agent talked me into doing it," Williams admitted. "I wasn't a huge fan of doing it at first. He just kept working on me, just knowing that maybe I could help someone in my same position or reach somebody just to give them a little more motivation."

When Williams received a terminal diagnosis in January of 2019, the 6-foot-5, 320-pound giant never felt smaller. Neither did the game he'd dedicated his entire life to.

"The football player, the sport, all that was kind of out the window at that moment in time," Williams said. "I really felt helpless. It felt as vulnerable as you could feel as a human, just not knowing what the next day might bring, not knowing how much longer you got left on Earth."

A mass, in fact, had formed on Williams' head back in 2013, just a few years into his storied tenure with the Washington Football Team. While he and the franchise have since disputed how the illness was subsequently handled, Williams was prepared to undergo what he was told would be a simple extraction following the 2018 season. Instead, he soon received a gut-wrenching diagnosis: He had Dermatofibrosarcoma Protuberans, a rare form of cancer that develops deep in the skin and was creeping toward his brain. He was 30 years old.

Doctors didn't give Williams a timetable for how much longer he'd live, only communicating that these could be his "last days."

"Six weeks or six months, I didn't think (there was) a big difference in that," he said. "I was told to get my affairs in order, so I didn't have much fight after that. It was unbelievable. I felt like it was a dream that I just couldn't wake up from. I didn't want to believe it."

"Twelve months ago I felt blessed, I felt lucky, I felt like I was cheating. There's overcoming what I overcame, and then being able to do what I still love, I feel like I was cheating."



The blindside protector had been blindsided. But he never stopped protecting. Williams said he withheld the news from daughters Micah and Makayla, who were 9 and 5 at the time, to spare their thoughts, while exploring candidates to raise them in his expected absence.

"While I wanted them to understand what I was going through, I also feel like my first role as a father is protector, and you never want your kids to worry about you," he said. "I wasn't as concerned with my time here for myself. I was more so concerned about having young daughters without a father figure."

In February of 2019, Williams underwent the first of several scalp reconstruction procedures. His cancerous tumor was successfully removed just weeks before it would have metastasized through his skull. The surgeries incorporated about 30 percent of his scalp, skin grafts from his thigh and a few hundred stitches. But he'd survived cancer, he was able to circumvent chemotherapy, which he was told would have put a 15-year cap on his life, and the incisions in his head did not require him to retire from football.

Williams was sidelined about eight months, a period in which doctors urged him to avoid so much as perspiring. When he reported to Washington, he had issues wearing a helmet as well as with his contract, and he was placed on the non-football injury list against his wishes. Though Williams' longstanding relationship with the team effectually deteriorated, Washington honored its star's trade request by sending him to his favored destination -- the 49ers, coached by Kyle Shanahan, Williams' offensive coordinator for the first four years of his career.

"I think that part of my life I learned the most about myself," Williams said. "When tragedy strikes, everybody always thinks about the impact and whether you survive or not. Hardly ever do you think about how it feels to start from square one. I feel like that's exactly where I was starting from, after going through those surgeries and taking the time off to recover and just mentally what I had went through just even having to think about dying at such an early age. When all the smoke clears, here I am, I haven't lifted weights, I haven't run, I haven't even broken a sweat in eight or nine months. There was no easy way to go about it. There only was the hard route, that was to bust my butt and get into elite football shape and being the elite player that I once was, and having to hear all the doubts. I wasn't very open with what I went through, so I know a lot of people doubted. They thought it was more so contracts, and I understood that, but the human nature of being criticized, it has an effect sometimes."

The perennial Pro Bowler was soon thrown another curveball in the form of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, which prevented Williams from working alongside his new teammates and learning Shanahan's evolving offense hands-on. After sitting out an entire season, the aging tackle also had to prove himself while entering the last year of his deal. The Niners weren't ready to commit long term, but they did agree to rework his contract so that he could not be placed on the franchise tag after the season. "Twelve months ago I felt blessed, I felt lucky, I felt like I was cheating," he said. "There's overcoming what I overcame, and then being able to do what I still love, I feel like I was cheating."

Powered by gratitude, Williams went out and earned his eighth consecutive Pro Bowl nod, setting him up for a six-year, \$138 million pact that reset the OT market last March. Never content with his performance, the 12-year veteran is playing at an All-Pro level in 2021 for the surging Niners. He can improve his case for his first All-Pro first-team selection Thursday night against the Titans, in a game that will have major playoff ramifications for both conferences.

It's the type of game Williams believed he'd be in by joining San Francisco, which he said has become "home" for him over the last year. Last year also saw the arrival of his third daughter, Marley. The 33-year-old views fatherhood and football as his "second chance in life."

"They didn't even know what I was dealing with," said Williams, who still requires bi-yearly checkups to ensure sarcoma cells haven't returned, of his girls. "Every day I see them, I talk to them. It does go through my mind that just a couple years ago, this conversation wasn't even supposed to be possible. I'm just thankful that I could be here in their lives and be an influence and be a father."

"I definitely do give thanks for every day that I'm here because I know how fragile life is. Regardless of your age, it all could change in the blink of an eye. But for the most part, I just feel like I'm maxing out my



potential. I think it would be hard for me to sleep at night, knowing that I was abundantly blessed with an ability and with a physical set of traits and I didn't take advantage of it. That's all I want to do. I just want to be a vessel of what God has blessed upon me and just show others, whether you're a young offensive lineman or whether you're somebody having to battle with cancer, I just want you to be able to look at me and draw some motivation or relate to me in some type of way and see my battle and draw some strength from it."

