53 MARK NZEOCHA

LB

6-3 | 235 | WYOMING

1.19.90 | BAVARIA, GERMANY | 5TH YEAR | ACQUIRED FA IN '17

2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- Played in all 16 games and registered 2 tackles and 1 INT. Also notched 7 special teams tackles.
- Intercepted Buccaneers QB Jameis Winston at TB (9/8), marking the first INT of his career.

GOLDMINE

- The 49ers worked alongside the humanitarian-relief organization Convoy of Hope on December 4, 2018, and hosted 1,500 guests in-need from Bay Area nonprofits and schools at Levi's® Stadium for a free holiday resource fair. Nzeocha 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 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.

NZEOCHA'S GOLDEN NUGGETS

- His last name is pronounced nuh-ZAH-chuh.
- At 14, Nzeocha, who knew nothing about American football, was approached by a former coach to come participate in a practice. After that first day, he spent his free time watching games and clips on YouTube in order to learn the sport. Rising in the European ranks, Nzeocha went from playing on his school's club team to being voted first-team All Europe after his junior German national team made the European Championship. This helped get the attention of American coaches, which led him to Division I football.

- His brother Eric Nzeocha also attended the University of Wyoming and played LB for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

NZEOCHA'S GAME-BY-GAME

2019

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 8	at TB	W	1/0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Sep 15	at Cin	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 22	Pit	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 7	Cle	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 13	at LAR	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 20	at Was	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 27	Car	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 31	at Arz	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 11	Sea	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 17	Arz	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 24	GB	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 1	at Bal	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 8	at NO	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 15	Atl	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 21	LAR	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 29	at Sea	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			**16/0**	**2**	**2**	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**1**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**0**

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.

GOLDMINE (CONTINUED)

- In 2016, Nzeocha teamed with longtime Dallas Mavericks F Dirk Nowitzki and over 50 celebrities to play in the 2016 Dirk Nowitzki Celebrity Baseball Game. The annual family-fun event gave all proceeds to children's charities: Dirk Nowitzki Foundation and Heroes Foundation. Alongside Nowitzki, Nzeocha and various other athletes in Dallas continued to play a huge role helping the youth in the greater Dallas community.

- Ahead of WrestleMania 32, which took place at AT&T Stadium in 2016, Nzeocha joined WWE superstars and spent the day with patients at Children's Health Medical Center in Dallas, playing games, coloring, and speaking to them about the benefits of staying positive throughout tough times. In December, he made a second trip to Children's Health Medical Center as he and his teammates made their annual Children's Hospital Christmas visits. Nzeocha and his teammates also visited Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, and Medical City Children's Hospital. During each visit, he gave away numerous gifts to hundreds of children and signed autographs, making their Christmas holiday memorable.
- As a rookie in 2015, Nzeocha visited The Salvation Army along with other members of the Dallas Cowboys organization. He and other rookies served an early Thanksgiving meal in Fort Worth while veteran players on the team spread throughout Dallas to do the same. With food donations from Albertsons, he played a significant role helping feed over 500 Salvation Army patrons during the Cowboys early Thanksgiving meal, the signature event of the Cowboys-Salvation Army partnership.

NZEOCHA'S CAREER STATISTICS

				TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2015	DAL	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2016	DAL	6	0	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2017	SF	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	–	0	0	0	0	0
2018	SF	16	3	17	12	5	1.0	8.0	0	0	–	0	1	1	0	0
2019	SF	16	0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS		**50**	**3**	**23**	**18**	**5**	**1.0**	**8.0**	**1**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**1**	**0**	**0**

PLAYOFFS

				TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TOT	SOL	AST	SACKS	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS
2016	DAL	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**

Additional Statistics:

Special Teams Tackles – 19: 2016 (1); 2017 (4); 2018 (7); 2019 (7)

Milestones:

NFL Debut: vs. NYJ (12/19/15); **First Start:** vs. Det. (9/16/18); **First FF:** vs. Sea. (12/16/18 – QB Russell Wilson); **First Sack:** vs. Sea. (12/16/18 – QB Russell Wilson); **First Interception:** at TB (9/8/19 – QB Jameis Winston)

NZEOCHA'S CAREER HIGHS

Total Tackles: 4 at Phi. (1/1/16)
Solo: 4 at Phi. (1/1/16)
Assists: 2 at TB (11/25/18)
Sacks: 1.0 vs. Sea. (12/16/18)
Passes Defensed: 1 (2 times) Last at TB (9/8/19)
Forced Fumbles: 1 vs. Sea. (12/16/18)
Interceptions: 1 at TB (9/8/19)

NZEOCHA'S TRANSACTIONS

Originally a 7th–round (236th overall) draft choice by Dal. in 2015...Placed on the Reserve/Non–Football Injury List on 9/1/15...Activated from the Reserve/Non–Football Injury List on 11/18/15...Waived by Dal. on 9/2/17...Signed to Dal. practice squad on 9/5/17...Signed a one–year deal with SF on 9/25/17...Signed a one–year extension with SF on 1/26/18...Re–signed with SF on a three–year contract on 3/15/19.

2018 (SAN FRANCISCO)

- Set single-season career highs in games (16), starts (3), tackles (17), sacks (1.0), FFs (1) and PDs (1). Also tied for a team-high with 7 special teams tackles.
- Made his 1st career start vs. Det. (9/16) and registered 2 tackles.
- Recorded his 1st sack and FF of his career after bringing down Seahawks QB Russell Wilson for an 8-yd. loss vs. Sea. (12/16).

2017 (SAN FRANCISCO)

- Signed by the team on 9/25, played in 10 games and registered 4 special teams tackles.

2016 (DALLAS)

- Appeared in 6 games and registered 4 tackles as well as 1 tackle on special teams.
- Registered the 1st tackle of his career at Phi. (1/1/16), finishing with a career-high 4 tackles on the day, while adding 1 special teams tackle.

2015 (DALLAS)

- After spending part of the season on the Reserve/Non-Football Injury List, appeared in 2 games.
- Made his NFL debut vs. NYJ (12/19).

COLLEGE

Appeared in 39 games (26 starts) at Wyoming and finished his career with 207 tackles, 13 tackles for loss, seven passes defensed, three forced fumbles, two sacks, one fumble recovery and one interception. As a senior in 2014, made seven starts and registered 59 tackles, 5 PDs, 2 sacks, 2 FFs and 1 FR. In 2013, started in all 12 games and finished with 101 tackles, including 10 TFLs. Saw action in 10 games (2 starts) in 2012 and registered 32 tackles and 1 FF. As a freshman in 2011, appeared in 10 games (5 starts) and registered 15 tackles, 2 PDs and 1 INT.

PERSONAL

- Attended FOS Ansbach (Bavaria, Germany) HS. Played club football for the Franken Knights Youth Team.
- Was a member of the German National Team that played in the 2009 Junior World Championship in Canton, OH.
- Majored in finance at Wyoming.
- Born Mark Nzeocha (1/19/90) in Neusitz, Germany.
- Married to the former Taylor Gardner. The couple have one son, Cameron James Nzeocha.

INJURY REPORT

2015: Placed on the Reserve/Non-Football Injury List on 9/1 with a knee injury.

2016: Missed the first 4 games of the regular season [vs. NYG (9/11), at Was. (9/18), vs. Chi. (9/25) and at SF (10/2)] with an achilles injury.

NZEOCHA'S GAME-BY-GAME

2015 (Dallas)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
PLACED ON THE RESERVE/NFI LIST ON 9/1														
Sep 13	NYG	W	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Sep 20	at Phi	W	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Sep 27	Atl	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 4	at NO	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 11	NE	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 25	at NYG	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 1	Sea	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 8	Phi	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 15	at TB	L	–	–	–	RESERVE/NFI			–	–	–	–	–	–
ACTIVATED FROM THE RESERVE/NFI LIST ON 11/18														
Nov 22	at Mia	W	–	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 26	Car	L	–	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–
Dec 7	at Was	W	–	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–
Dec 13	at GB	L	–	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–
Dec 19	NYJ	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 27	at Buf	L	–	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–
Jan 3	Was	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			**2/0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

2016 (Dallas)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 11	NYG	L	–	–	INACTIVE (Achilles)				–	–		–	–	–
Sep 18	at Was	W	–	–	INACTIVE (Achilles)				–	–		–	–	–
Sep 25	Chi	W	–	–	INACTIVE (Achilles)				–	–		–	–	–
Oct 2	at SF	W	–	–	INACTIVE (Achilles)				–	–		–	–	–
Oct 9	Cin	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 16	at GB	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 30	Phi	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 6	at Cle	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 13	at Pit	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 20	Bal	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nov 24	Was	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dec 1	at Min	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 11	at NYG	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 18	TB	W	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dec 26	Det	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan 1	at Phi	L	1/0	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			**6/0**	**4**	**4**	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

2016 Postseason (Dallas)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Jan 15	GB	L	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
TOTALS			**0/0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

2017 (San Francisco)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
SIGNED TO DAL PRACTICE SQUAD ON 9/5														
Sep 10	NYG	–	–	PRACTICE SQUAD				–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sep 17	at Den	–	–	PRACTICE SQUAD				–	–	–	–	–	–	–
SIGNED BY SF ON 9/25														
Oct 1	at Arz	L	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 8	at Ind	L	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 15	at Was	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 22	Dal	L	–	–	INACTIVE			–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Oct 29	at Phi	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 5	Arz	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 12	NYG	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 26	Sea	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 3	at Chi	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 10	at Hou	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 17	Ten	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 24	Jax	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 31	at LAR	W	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			**10/0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

2018 (San Francisco)

Date	Opp	W/L	P/S	Tot	Sol	Ast	Sk	Yds	Int	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Sep 9	at Min	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sep 16	Det	W	1/1	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 23	at KC	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 30	at LAC	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 7	Arz	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 15	at GB	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 21	LAR	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 28	at Arz	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 1	Oak	W	1/0	3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 12	NYG	L	1/0	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 25	at TB	L	1/0	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 2	at Sea	L	1/0	3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 9	Den	W	1/1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 16	Sea	W	1/0	3	3	0	1.0	8.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Dec 23	Chi	L	1/1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 30	at LAR	L	1/0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			**16/3**	**17**	**12**	**5**	**1.0**	**8.0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**0**