

# GAME NOTES



## San Francisco 49ers vs. Minnesota Vikings NFC Divisional Playoff Game Notes Saturday, January 11, 2020

### *With The Win...*

- The **Niners** improved to 5-1 against the Vikings in postseason play, with each game coming in the Divisional Round.
- The **49ers** advanced to their 14th Conference Championship Game since 1980.
- **San Francisco** improved their overall record to 16-7 in the Divisional Round of the playoffs.

### *You Can't Run, You Can't Hide, I'm Gonna Find You*

- The **49ers defense** held the Vikings to 147 total net yds. (21 rushing and 126 passing). The 147 total net yds. allowed are the fewest allowed in a postseason game in franchise history (51 total games). It's also the fewest allowed in an NFL postseason game since 1/3/15 [Carolina held Arz. to 78 total net yds. (27 rushing and 51 passing)].
- The 21 rushing yds. allowed by the **49ers defense** is the fewest allowed in a postseason game in franchise history.
- The **49ers defense** allowed 126 net passing yds., the 9th-fewest in a postseason game in franchise history and the fewest since 1/28/90 vs. Den. (103 net passing yds. allowed in Super Bowl XXIV).
- The **49ers defense** allowed 3.27 yds. per play, which is the 4th-fewest yds. per play allowed in a postseason game in franchise history.

**Fewest Yards Per Play Allowed In Franchise Postseason History**

Rank	Date	Round	Opp.	Rushing Yds.	Net Passing Yds.	Total Net Yds.	YPP Allowed
1.	12/26/71	NFC - D	vs. Was.	99	93	192	2.87
2.	1/6/85	NFC -C	vs. Chi	149	37	186	2.95
3.	1/28/90	SB XXIV	at Den.	64	103	167	3.21
<b>4.</b>	<b>1/11/20</b>	<b>NFC - D</b>	<b>vs. Min.</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>126</b>	147	<b>3.27</b>
5.	1/14/90	NFC -C	vs. LAR	26	130	156	3.32

- The **49ers defense** held the Vikings without a first down on 7 drives. The last time the 49ers held a postseason opponent without a first down on 7-or-more drives was 1/29/95 vs. SD (Super Bowl XXIX – 7 drives).

### *Getting' Cozy With Cousins*

- The **49ers defense** registered 6.0 sacks of Vikings QB Kirk Cousins. The 6.0 sacks rank t-2nd for the most in a postseason game in franchise history.

<b>49ers Most Sacks In A Postseason Game Since 1982</b>				
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Opp.</b>	<b>Sacks</b>
1.	1/6/85	NFC - C	vs. Chi.	9.0
<b>2t.</b>	<b>1/11/20</b>	<b>NFC - D</b>	<b>vs. Min.</b>	<b>6.0</b>
	1/22/12	NFC - C	vs. NYG	6.0
	1/28/90	SB XXIV	at Den.	6.0
	1/1/89	NFC - D	vs. Min.	6.0
	12/29/84	NFC - D	vs. NYG	6.0

- DL **Nick Bosa** registered 2.0 sacks, while DL **Arik Armstead**, DL **DeForest Buckner**, DL **Dee Ford** and DL **Solomon Thomas** each tallied 1.0 sack.
- **Bosa** joins DT Dana Stubblefield [2.0 sacks vs. NYG (1/15/94)] and NT Michael Carter [2.0 sacks vs. Chi. (1/6/85)] as the only 49ers rookies since 1982 to have 2.0 sacks-or-more in a postseason game.

### **Uncle Sherm**

- CB **Richard Sherman** picked off Vikings QB Kirk Cousins, marking his 3rd career postseason INT and first since 1/18/14 vs. GB (NFC-C) as a member of the Seattle Seahawks.
- Sherman's INT led to a 2-yd. TD run by RB Tevin Coleman.

### **Runaway Train**

- The **49ers offense** rushed for 186 yds. and 2 TDs on 47 carries. The 47 rushing atts. are the most in a postseason game in franchise history and the 186 rushing yds. are the 5th-most in a postseason game in franchise history.

<b>Most Rushing Yds. In A Postseason Game In Franchise History</b>						
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Atts.</b>	<b>Rushing Yds.</b>	<b>Rushing TDs</b>
1.	1/12/13	NFC - D	vs. GB	43	323	4
2.	1/20/85	SB XIX	vs. Mia.	40	211	2
3.	1/1/89	NFC - D	vs. Min.	34	201	2
4.	1/9/93	NFC - D	vs. Was.	31	187	0
<b>5.</b>	<b>1/11/20</b>	<b>NFC - D</b>	<b>vs. Min.</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>2</b>

### **Run TeCo, Run**

- RB **Tevin Coleman** finished with 22 carries for 105 yds. and 2 TDs run on the day. This marked his first career 100-yd. game in the postseason as well as his first career postseason game with 2-or-more rushing TDs.
- **Coleman** is the first member of the 49ers with 2-or-more rushing TDs in a postseason game since RB Frank Gore had 2 rushing TDs at Atl. (1/20/13 – NFC-C).
- With 105 rushing yds., **Coleman** is the first 49er to rush for over 100 yds. in a postseason game since QB Colin Kaepernick [130 yds. (1/19/14 – NFC-C)].

### **Opening Statement**

- Following a 3-and-out drive by the Vikings offense on the opening possession of the game, QB **Jimmy Garoppolo** orchestrated an 8-play, 61-yd. drive that was capped off by a 3-yd. TD pass to WR **Kendrick Bourne**.
- It marked the first time the **49ers offense** scored a TD on their opening possession of a postseason game since 1/5/03 vs. NYG (NFC-WC).

### ***Punt And Cover***

- P **Mitch Wishnowsky** punted 4 times for 186 yds. (46.5 avg.), including a muffed return by Vikings CB Marcus Sherels that was recovered by RB **Raheem Mostert**.
- **Mostert** had 1 special teams FR in the regular season [(10/7/19) vs. Cle.].
- This marks the first time since that the 49ers registered a special teams FR since 1/12/13 vs. GB (NFC-D – S C.J. Spillman).