



CORY UNDLIN

DEFENSIVE PASSING GAME SPECIALIST/SECONDARY

18TH NFL SEASON × 1ST WITH 49ERS

Cory Undlin is in his first season as the 49ers defensive passing game specialist/secondary coach. He joined the 49ers after spending the 2020 season as the defensive coordinator of the Detroit Lions.

In his one season with Detroit in 2020, Undlin worked with DE Romeo Okwara, who finished the year with 10.0 sacks. He was one of four players in the NFL to have at least 10.0 sacks, 10 tackles for loss (11), three forced fumbles and one fumble recovery on the season. LB Jamie Collins Sr. was one of three players in the NFL to produce at least 100 tackles, three forced fumbles, 1.0 sack and an interception in 2020.

Undlin joined the Lions after spending the previous five seasons (2015-19) as the defensive backs coach of the Philadelphia Eagles. In 2019, Undlin's defensive backs registered 82 passes defended, the sixth-most in the NFL. CB Avonte Maddox (10) and CB Sidney Jones (eight) finished with career highs in the category, with each appearing in 12 games that season. The defensive backs as a whole also racked up 7.5 sacks, which were tied for the most among safeties and cornerbacks. The 2018 Eagles defensive backs were led by S Malcom Jenkins, who was selected to the Pro Bowl after he registered 93 tackles, eight passes defended, three forced fumbles, one fumble recovery, one interception and 1.0 sack.

In 2017, the Eagles defense accounted for the fourth-most takeaways (31) and interceptions (19) in the NFL as Philadelphia defeated the New England Patriots, 41-33, in Super Bowl LII. The year prior, Philadelphia ranked sixth in the NFL in first downs allowed (300) and returned three interceptions for touchdowns, which was tied for the third-most in the NFL. Undlin coached S Rodney McLeod, who in his first season with the team led the Eagles with a career-high 117 tackles, to go along with career-highs in interceptions (three) and passes defended (10).

In Undlin's first year in Philadelphia in 2015, the Eagles defense ranked 10th in the NFL in total takeaways (26) and interceptions (15). Jenkins earned his first trip to the Pro Bowl after posting a team-high 120 tackles, 15 passes defended along with three forced fumbles. The Eagles were also one of just five teams to have three defensive backs (Jenkins, CB Byron Maxwell and CB Nolan Carroll) register at least 10 passes defended on the year.

Prior to his time with the Eagles, Undlin was the defensive backs (2013-14) and defensive quality control coach (2012) with the Denver Broncos. In 2014, the Broncos finished the regular season ranked third in total defense (305.2 yards per game), with CB Chris Harris Jr., CB Aqib Talib and S T.J. Ward each earning selections to the Pro Bowl. Denver ranked first in the NFL in opponent's yards per attempt (6.02) and fourth in passes defended (91) that season. The 2013 Broncos defense recorded the fourth-most passes defended (97) in the NFL, as Denver reached Super Bowl XLVIII. In 2012, Undlin worked as a quality control coach with the Broncos defense, which finished third in the NFL in pass defense (199.6 yards per game) and was the only unit in the NFL that did not allow a 300-yard passer.



Undlin went to Denver following three years with the Jacksonville Jaguars, starting as a defensive assistant (2009) before being promoted to defensive backs coach (2010-11). He also spent four seasons with the Cleveland Browns as the team's defensive quality control coach (2005-06), secondary/assistant special teams coach (2007) and defensive backs coach (2008). As the defensive backs coach in 2008, the Browns defense finished second in the League with 23 interceptions.

Undlin first entered the NFL with the New England Patriots in 2004 as a defensive assistant, working with the team's secondary. Undlin was part of the Patriots staff that finished with a 14-2 record and defeated the Philadelphia Eagles, 24-21, in Super Bowl XXXIX.

From 1998-99, Undlin first entered the coaching ranks as the linebackers coach at his alma mater, California Lutheran University, before he was promoted to defensive coordinator for three seasons (2000-02). He then joined the Fresno State staff as a graduate assistant (2003) where he coached defensive backs.

Undlin played defensive back at California Lutheran from 1990-94 and registered 12 interceptions, the third-most in school history. In 1993, he was part of a California Lutheran team that finished third in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) for the first time in school history. A native of Sauk Centre, MN, Undlin and his wife, Amy, have one son, Caden, and two daughters, Brooke and Taylor.

UNDLIN'S BACKGROUND

YEARS	COACHING BACKGROUND	HEAD COACH
2021-current	Defensive Passing Game Specialist/Secondary, San Francisco 49ers	Kyle Shanahan
2020	Defensive Coordinator, Detroit Lions	Darrell Bevell/Matt Patricia
2015-19	Defensive Backs, Philadelphia Eagles	Doug Pederson/ Pat Shurmur/Chip Kelly
2013-14	Defensive Backs, Denver Broncos	John Fox
2012	Defensive Quality Control, Denver Broncos	John Fox
2010-11	Defensive Backs, Jacksonville Jaguars	Mel Tucker/Jack Del Rio
2009	Defensive Assistant, Jacksonville Jaguars	Jack Del Rio
2008	Defensive Backs, Cleveland Browns	Romeo Crennel
2007	Secondary/Assistant Special Teams , Cleveland Browns	Romeo Crennel
2005-06	Defensive Quality Control, Cleveland Browns	Romeo Crennel
2004	Defensive Assistant, New England Patriots	Bill Belichick
2003	Defensive Backs, Fresno State	Pat Hill
2000-02	Defensive Coordinator, California Lutheran University	Scott Squires
1998-99	Linebackers, California Lutheran University	Scott Squires
1990-94	*Defensive Back, California Lutheran University	Joe Harper

* Player