

# Breaking Down The 2018 Kansas City Chiefs Offense

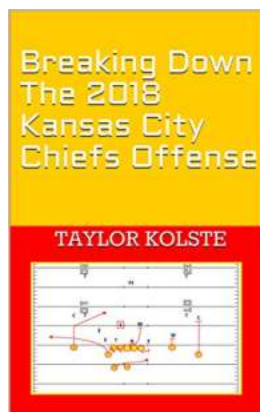


The Kansas City Chiefs had an electrifying season in 2018, led by their explosive offense. The team showcased their offensive prowess through innovative plays, talented skill positions, and the vision of head coach Andy Reid. In this article, we will break down the key aspects of the Chiefs' offense and analyze their success.

## **The Mahomes Magic**

The heart and soul of the Chiefs' offense was undoubtedly their young, talented quarterback, Patrick Mahomes. Mahomes displayed exceptional playmaking ability, arm strength, and football IQ throughout the season. His ability to extend

plays and make accurate throws on the run made him a nightmare for opposing defenses.



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Under the guidance of head coach Andy Reid, Mahomes was given the freedom to improvise and take calculated risks. This approach resulted in numerous explosive plays and big gains for the Chiefs. Mahomes' ability to navigate through pressure and find open receivers downfield was a game-changer for the team.

### The Explosive Receiving Corps

Mahomes had an impressive arsenal of weapons at his disposal in 2018. Wide receiver Tyreek Hill's speed and agility made him a constant deep threat for opposing defenses. Hill's ability to stretch the field opened up opportunities for other receivers like Travis Kelce, who excelled in the intermediate routes.

Kelce's exceptional route-running and reliable hands made him a favorite target of Mahomes. His ability to find open spaces in the defense and create mismatches with linebackers and safeties contributed heavily to the Chiefs'

success. The chemistry between Mahomes and Kelce was one of the most lethal combinations in the NFL.

## **An Innovative Offensive Scheme**

Head coach Andy Reid's offensive scheme played a significant role in the success of the Chiefs' offense. Reid's ability to adapt and incorporate unique play designs created confusion among opposing defenses. The Chiefs often utilized pre-snap motions, misdirection plays, and creative formations to keep defenses guessing.

One particular strategy the Chiefs employed was the use of "RPOs" or Run-Pass Options. This allowed Mahomes to read the defense post-snap and choose between handing the ball off to a running back or throwing a quick pass to a receiver. The unpredictability of these plays created headaches for opposing defenses.

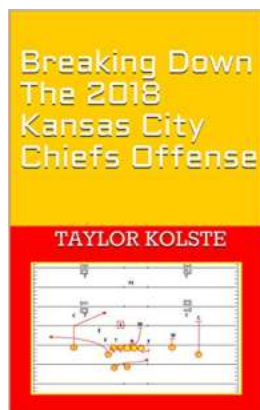
## **A Strong Offensive Line**

An often underrated aspect of the Chiefs' offense in 2018 was the solid performance of their offensive line. Despite facing strong pass-rushing units, the offensive line provided Mahomes with ample time to make throws and opened up running lanes for running back Kareem Hunt.

The cohesion and discipline displayed by the offensive line allowed Mahomes to showcase his talents. Their ability to pick up blitzes and maintain a clean pocket for Mahomes to operate in contributed heavily to the success of the Chiefs' offense. The offensive line's consistency and toughness were key factors in the team's impressive offensive output.

The 2018 Kansas City Chiefs' offense was a force to be reckoned with. Led by the young phenom Patrick Mahomes, their explosive playmaking ability, talented receiving corps, innovative offensive schemes, and strong offensive line propelled them to one of the most potent offenses in the NFL.

As we eagerly await the upcoming NFL season, fans can expect the Chiefs' offense to continue their high-powered performance under the guidance of head coach Andy Reid. Breaking down the 2018 Chiefs' offense showcases the blueprint for success that other teams will undoubtedly strive to emulate.



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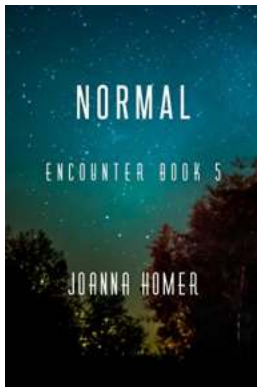
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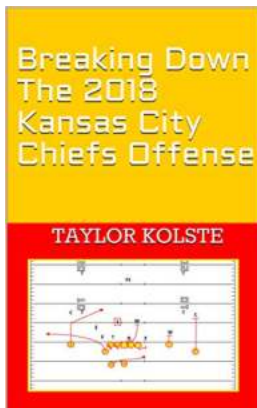
The 2018 Kansas City Chiefs posted historically great offensive numbers. The Chiefs ranked 1st in the NFL in terms of points per game, total yards per game, and yards per play. The 2018 season was the culmination of Andy Reid's progressive blending of the west coast offense with 'spread' concepts more popular at the college level combined with an influx of high-level talent such as Patrick Mahomes, Tyreek Hill, and Travis Kelce (just to name a few). The goal of this book is to take an in-depth look at the schemes that helped the Chiefs be

successful in the 2018 season with the purpose being so that other coaches can learn and use that knowledge to increase their own teams' chances of success. This book will focus on the schemes utilized by the Chiefs in the 2018 season; however, it will also look at how Reid's character and leadership has led to the development of these schemes.



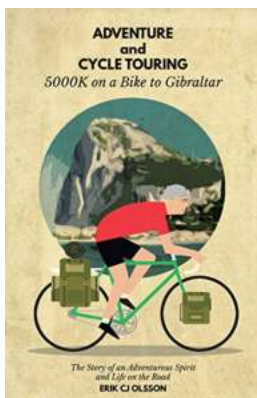
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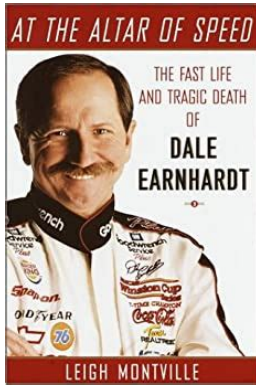
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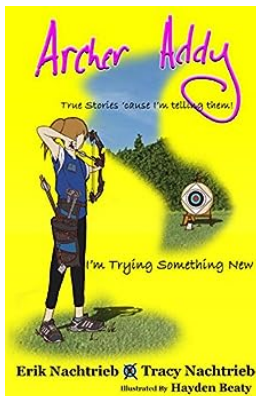
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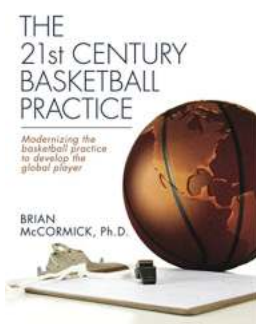
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