



VITALS
Height: 6-6
Weight: 315
Date Of Birth: June 16, 1993
Hometown: Haltom, TX
HS: Haltom
College: TCU
NFL Experience: Rookie
Draft Pick: D5b-16 (164th overall)
 by Philadelphia



COLLEGE ACCOLADES

2015: All-Big 12 Second Team
2014: All-Big 12 Second Team

VAITAI'S CAREER SERVICE

Regular Season		
Year	Team	GP/GS
2016	Philadelphia	7/6
Totals		7/6
Starts by position: 2016: 6 at RT		
First NFL game: 10/16/16 at Was.		
First NFL start: 10/16/16 at Was.		

THREE-STEP DROP

Best player he has faced: DeForest Buckner
If he could play another sport, what position/team: WWE wrestler
If he could be any superhero he would be: Batman
Family traditions: "We eat a lot of traditional Polynesian foods. Roasted pig is a staple. Spinach is a main ingredient in every dish"
Strangest thing he likes to eat: Octopus
Favorite athlete growing up: Yao Ming
Favorite athletes to watch now: Jason Peters
Favorite meal: Hamburger and french fries
Favorite movies: Enjoys action, comedies and thrillers
Favorite TV shows: *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*, *Friends*
Favorite music: All music, but really enjoys country and island reggae
Favorite quote: "I don't have to do this, I get to do this"

"Big V' has tremendous size and length. He's got all the tools. He's a guy that when you talk to our coaching staff, they would take him anywhere in the draft because of the rare tools that he possesses. He's got all the tools in his body to be a good player."

-Eagles Executive V.P. of Football Operations
Howie Roseman

A versatile offensive lineman who has experience playing both tackle positions, Halapoulivaati Vaitai (pronounced hal-lah-poo-lee-VAH-tee VIE-tie) was selected by the Eagles in the fifth round (164th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft. A two-time All-Big 12 honoree, Vaitai was a key anchor on the Horned Frogs' offensive line in 2015 that helped pave the way for both a 1,000-yard rusher and receiver in the same season for just the second time in school history.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

- Started and played in his first-career NFL game, lining up at RT in a Week 6 divisional matchup at Was. (10/16)

INJURY REPORT

- Was rendered inactive vs. GB (11/28), at Cin. (12/4), vs. Was. (12/11), at Bal. (12/18) and vs. NYG (12/22) after suffering a knee injury in a Week 11 matchup at Sea. (11/20)

BIRDSEED

- In fall 2015, interned with Youth Advocate Programs, Inc., an agency that provides direct service to vulnerable and high-need youth and families. As a part of his internship, 'Big V' was paired with a sixth grader who suffered from severe ADHD. "My job was to mentor him and take him out after school. It was a very eye-opening experience. The hardest part of the job is having to shut down your feelings and emotions. You get exposed to serious and dire living conditions, but our only job is to be a big brother to the kids. We can't try to fix everything"
- Learned to play the guitar at a young age when his cousin taught him three chords. He plays by ear and does not read music. "Polynesians are very musically talented and they always play by ear. I also know how to play the ukulele, but prefer the guitar because it's bigger"

BAND OF BROTHERS

Halapoulivaati is the oldest of three Vaitai brothers. Twins Kevin and Will are just 11 months younger than 'Big V' and the three played on the offensive line together at Haltom (TX) HS. After playing TE as a freshman, 'Big V' moved to RT as



(L to R) Will, Kevin, 'Big V'

a sophomore and immediately earned a starting job. That season, he was joined on the o-line by Kevin (LG) and Will (RG). Big V stayed at RT for his final two years at Haltom, while Kevin moved to C and Will moved to LG.



COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Competed in 42 games (31 starts) at both tackle positions for TCU (2012-15), where he was a two-time All-Big 12 second-team selection
- As a senior in 2015, was awarded with second-team All-Big 12 accolades after starting in 11 of 12 contests, anchoring an o-line that contributed to a 1,000-yard receiver and a 1,000-yard rusher in the same season for just the second time in TCU history
- Earned All-Big 12 second-team honors in 2014 after starting at right tackle for all 13 games. Was part of an offense that ranked second in the nation in scoring (46.5 ppg) and tied for fifth in total offense (533.0 ypg), in addition to setting single-season school records for points (604), passing yards (4,240), total yards (6,929), first downs (331) and plays (1,038)
- Made seven spot starts at both tackle positions as a sophomore in 2013
- As a freshman in 2012, competed in five games for the Horned Frogs

PERSONAL

- A *Rivals.com* three-star offensive tackle, Vaitai and his two younger brothers, Kevin and Will, anchored the left side of the offensive line at Halton High School
- Was rated the No. 3 offensive tackle in the state of Texas and the 40th overall tackle in the nation as a senior
- Was named to the 2011 Star-Telegram Offensive Super Team
- Began playing flag football in first grade for the Packers
- Nickname is 'Big V'
- His parents, Talikavili and Shirley Vaitai, are originally from Tonga and moved to the United States in the 1980s. Has younger twin brothers, Kevin and Will
- Halapoulivaati is named after his father's cousin. "He and my dad are extremely close," says Big V, "They are like brothers"
- Has two dogs: a terrier named Abby and a chihuahua named Coffee. Abby was a rescue dog that his girlfriend, Caitlin, gave to him for his birthday. He named the chihuahua Coffee because he is super hyper
- Majored in criminal justice at TCU with a minor in social work. Needs only two classes to complete his degree and plans on doing so after his rookie season
- After his playing career is over, wants to use his criminal justice degree to work for the Department of Homeland Security
- Twitter: @TCU74

INJURY HISTORY

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TRANSACTIONS

2016 Drafted by PHI in 5th round ... signed 4-year contract