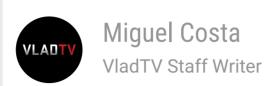
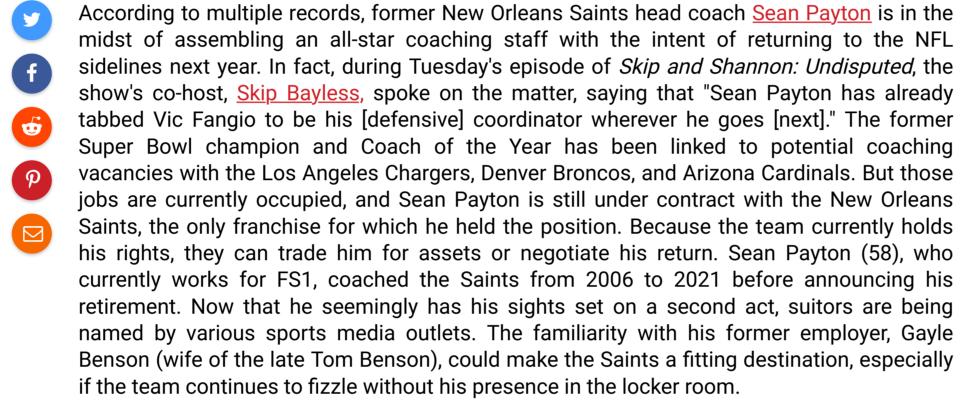
Ex-Super Bowl Champs Tom Brady & Sean Payton Reportedly Linked to Saints Next Yr



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Tom Brady, a 7-time Super Bowl champion, is in a contract year with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, a team whose offensive unit is currently ranked 27th in points scored out of 32 NFL teams. The Saints' division rival reportedly lacks team direction and playcalling, both of which are areas where Sean Payton thrives. To that, many NFL pundits, such as Pat Benson at *Sports Illustrated* and Mike Florio of *Pro Football Talk* have suggested that the legendary coach and quarterback could join forces on the Saints next year. The rumors have gained so much steam in recent weeks that talk of a possible team-up has been nicknamed the "Worst Kept Secret" in the NFL.

"While the possibility Brady to New Orleans (or anywhere) remains a complete and total unknown, there's a growing school of thought in league circles that Payton, if he coaches in 2023, will return to the Saints," wrote Mike Florio in his report on the matter. "One source with a finger firmly on the pulse of pro football told PFT that it's currently the 'worst-kept secret' in league circles. It would still be a stunner if it happens. Considering the various potential openings for 2023, it could be the only place where Payton and Brady could finish what nearly happened in Miami for 2022. Brady is a free agent after the season. He can go anywhere. Why not the Saints? Why not team up with Payton? Why not play his home games in the stadium where he won his first Super Bowl?"

For more on this development, stay tuned.

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