
Survivor?

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/02/04 04:04

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Posted by mazzy - 2007/02/04 15:07

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I'm ready! LOL.

It seems that The Apprentice has the same format this season... as the losing team is "camping out" and the winning team has the mansion.

I was watching the previews, but was not sure when it was starting. Is it this Thursday? I finally got my Thursday routine down... LOL.

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Re:Survivor?

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/02/05 01:39

Yes, Thursday 2/8 at 7pm central time.

3 more days! :)

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Re:Survivor?

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/02/06 01:05

I am, I am!!! I watched the special with the interviews and some clips!!! Looks good!!

Oh, and did you see the previews for the All-Star Amazing Race??? The ever-present Amber and Rob are on!!! LOL

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Nadia - 2007/02/08 14:39

Can't wait! Starts tonight.

Here is a twist.... Looks like this time the the immunity idol is not at Exile Island this time it's back at camp!

taken from tv.com

Thursday, February 8, 2007

Survivor: Fiji: Two Idols, Two Twists and Lotsa Snakes!

by Angel Cohn

One of the much-hyped twists on CBS' Survivor: Fiji, which kicks off tonight at 8 pm/ET, is having one group of contestants lounge in the lap of luxury while another is left with the bare minimum of supplies and no food. Cool concept, but it sounds oddly familiar, because, say, The Apprentice: Los Angeles is employing a similar idea this season. And both shows share Mark Burnett as an executive producer. Just a coinkidink? Survivor host Jeff Probst insists that that is absolutely the case. "Mark runs his shows very independently," he tells TVGuide.com. "I can tell you that this was an idea that was born organically from us, because I was sitting there as we discussed it and decided to do it." That said, "We were a little surprised to find out that The Apprentice was doing it," Probst admits. "But after watching the first episode of Apprentice, they are very different worlds and very different methods of executing the same idea."

Previewing Fiji's first moments, Probst says, "All 19 people arrive on the beach together with no information. I come over in a sea plane and drop a package, with blueprints for building a massive shelter. There's a map to help them find this stash of wood and tools and lumber, a sink, they have a living room, a kitchen.... It is a beautiful place they are going to build. We have them build it, and then they find out that they'll be divided into two tribes and square off. The winning tribe gets the beautiful beach; the losing tribe gets sent to a new beach with a pot and a machete and water that you can't drink if you don't have fire."

Why the new haves-versus-have-nots twist? "The idea was to create disparity between the two tribes. You can't help but pull a little bit for the tribe that has nothing. What surprised me," says Probst, "was how quickly there was a sense of entitlement on the winning tribe. In addition to winning the shelter, they got the biggest housewarming gift we've ever given. I'm talking a couch, hammocks, all kinds of cutlery and plates and napkins, a sewing machine.... You see the winning tribe and one of the members saying, 'How bad is it that we have more food here than some of the people watching us at home have in their refrigerator?' Cut to the other tribe where they are on their hands and knees literally licking leaves to get drops of water. It is the hardest I've seen a group probably since Africa."

So if one tribe is already stripped of any perks, will Exile Island really be any different? "There is one difference on Exile Island — it has literally thousands of deadly sea snakes," he excitedly notes. "You see that play out in Episode 2, when the person on Exile has a run-in with a snake. It is very clear that they exist, and that it is a problem."

But at least if they fight off snakes, it means a chance to find the immunity idol, right? Not so fast, says Probst, detailing other new wrinkles. "This time when they get to Exile Island, the first clue will tell them that the idol is not on Exile Island, it is back at camp. And back at camp, how do you look for an idol when you are living with other people? It complicates that."

(second twist)

"The other big change with the idol — and this time I believe we figured it out — is that you must play the idol after the tribe has voted, but before I read the votes," Probst explains. "So when you go to tribal council, you take all the information you have from the beach and living with people. Then after they've voted, you've got to make that call if you have the idol."

The result of that tweak? "The idol gets played more than once this season," says Probst. "It is not a season of Yul holding onto it until the end."

Meet the Castways @ <http://www.survivorskills.com/fiji/cast/cast.php>

Post edited by: Nadia, at: 2007/02/08 15:06

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Nadia - 2007/02/08 14:54

I found this about one of the contestants. Melissa McNulty was one of the castways for survivor fiji and after two weeks she decided she had enough and left. She says that she was having anxiety & panic attacks.

Heres the story that I found at tv.com

Wednesday, February 7, 2007

Survivor Bombshell: Fiji's "Babe" Reveals Why She Bailed!

by Ileana Rudolph

She was going to be one of those Survivor babes. You know, the kind who uses her beauty and her cleavage to help her stick around on the island. Only 28-year-old Melissa McNulty didn't even make it to the first Tribal Council. The night before filming of the CBS series' new season (premiering Thursday at 8 pm/ET) began, the West Hollywood talent manager became the first player to quit. (At least Pearl Island's Osten and Palau's Janu survived a few challenges.) Melissa's exit left the producers with their own challenge: Since there were no alternates on hand, what to do with the odd number of players? "It played out just fine," host Jeff Probst said in a recent press conference. TV Guide spoke to Melissa on the eve of Survivor: Fiji's debut.

TV Guide: Why did you quit when you had already made it so far, out of all the thousands who applied?

McNulty: Doing Survivor was a huge challenge for me. Everybody who goes on the show has different reasons and goals. Part of mine was that I suffered from panic attacks, and I thought, "What better way to face that challenge?" I was there in Fiji for almost two weeks before I took myself out of the game and came back to Los Angeles.

TV Guide: What triggered your panic attacks? Was it the prospect of being hungry, wet, dirty and full of bug bites?

McNulty: No. I'm a girly-girl, but that doesn't bother me. For 40 days? C'mon. My No. 1 trigger is being in a situation where I can't get out. I get a claustrophobia kind of panic. I had multiple panic attacks in one day, which I've never experienced before. I tried to pull myself together, but....

TV Guide: When you were auditioning, did you tell the producers about your anxiety attacks?

McNulty: Yes. They did ample research to assure that I was in a good mental state. My doctors and I thought I was ready.

TV Guide: What did you do when you knew you couldn't make it?

McNulty: I talked to my point person and said I was getting overwhelming panic attacks. They sent me to the on-site psychologist, and the producers talked to me. They were very accommodating. They wanted me to stay, and it was my decision to decide that I was not in the mental state to participate.

TV Guide: Do you have any complaints about how you were treated? They didn't ask for any monetary reimbursement, did they?

McNulty: No. I have nothing negative to say about the experience. It was wonderful. They got me home very quickly. They didn't make a big deal or make me feel bad.

TV Guide: Can you give us any tips on the players?

McNulty: I never even heard their voices! We weren't allowed to talk to each other before the game. I wasn't there long enough to know what was going on. Not that I'd tell you, if I could.

TVGuide.com: Will you watch Survivor: Fiji?

McNulty: Sure. I'm so excited, I'm TiVoing it. But I'm kicking myself in the butt. I know I should be on this! I was chosen, I was ready. I know I could have won some challenges. Outwit, outlast, outplay. I had it down, but I didn't last.

TV Guide: Do you feel like a failure?

McNulty: In many people's eyes, they'll think I failed, but in my own eyes, I succeeded. I was really pressing my limits to even go on the show. It was really awful when I came back, but now I can fly on a plane without a panic attack, I can sit in the back seat of a car.... There's many things I can do that I couldn't before. I'm a stronger person because of this. Also, before I was embarrassed by my panic attacks, and now I've decided to be honest and not shy away. Forty million people deal with this!

TV Guide: Would you try out for another reality show any time soon?

McNulty: I don't know if they'd even consider having me back, but I would absolutely try Survivor again next year. I'm a stronger person. There are a lot of people laughing at me right now, and I'd like to have the opportunity to tell them I'm not this "weak prissy model" that everybody is calling me on the Internet. I'm a lot stronger now.

For more from Melissa McNulty, including exactly how her panic attacks manifested themselves in Fiji, and what regrets she has, if any, watch for the Feb. 19 issue of TV Guide.

Post edited by: Nadia, at: 2007/02/08 14:55

Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/02/08 22:28

Thanks for the scoop there.

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So what did you all think? I don't like this early in the game when I can't remember who is with who, or what there names are. It usually takes me few episodes to really "get into it" and decide who I'm rooting for.

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Posted by mazzy - 2007/02/09 02:19

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I enjoyed the first episode of Survivor Fiji. It takes time to get to know the people, and the first few shows are usually slow, but tonight's show was far from slow... LOL. The first half hour felt like five minutes... LOL. I love the new twists... except for the snakes on Exile Island... Yuk.

I'm looking forward to a great season!

Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Debby - 2007/02/09 15:12

I didn't catch the entire show, but, what I did see showed many snakes. Did they say if the snakes are poisonous? If they aren't, then I could handle it. They will eat the rats, which are what I hate the most. If the snakes are poisonous, that's a different story. If bitten, you would have a very short time to get medical attention. That would really frighten me.

I hate the girl left because of anxiety attacks. I used to have them pretty bad. I worked at mine for about a year and haven't had one now in about 5 years. Thank goodness. If I had a shot at all of that money, I think I could have overcome my anxiety attacks. If she had stayed, at least she had a chance of winning the money. The anxiety attack is not going to hurt you, so, it makes no sense to leave. You might not be happy, but, then again, you could win the money and then be very happy later.

Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/02/09 16:22

I'm pretty sure those are poisonous snakes...but I am also sure they keep plenty of the anti venom right there handy.

I can't imagine the "book" of release forms these people have to sign....there have been some real dangers in past survivors. I specifically remember the ones where the lions were right there at their camp and someone had to always keep guard at night.....that was scary.

Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Nadia - 2007/02/09 18:49

I enjoyed yesterday episode! Not sure which team I like best too early to tell. I think I'm leaning towards the Orange team.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/02/09 23:30

I'm not sure why, but I like the orange team too.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/02/12 03:17

Yeah.....I'm not really sure on teams yet.....I need to see them in action a bit longer!

The sea snakes are poisonous, I sure hope they have anti-venin!!!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Debby - 2007/02/12 14:05

I used to watch the show quite a bit, but not last season. I can't remember, "Do they provide the contestants with toilet paper?"

Just curious.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/02/17 03:31

Good Question Deb!! I have no idea!!

Wow! The difference in the living conditions is HUGE!!! This really is interesting!!

I'll be amazed if Boo doesn't kill himself he's so incredibly accident prone!!!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/02/17 16:48

LOL I know that guy is a walking disaster!!

I do not think they are provided with toilet paper usually, at least not that we know of. I think this season though the camp with the toilet does have toilet paper.

Toilet paper was part of a reward challenge basket (with soap, shampoo, toothpaste) a couple of times in past survivors.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/02/18 11:03

LOL... re toilet paper discussion... I believe they use leaves as toilet paper... LOL... toilet paper is a luxury on Survivor. LOL...

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Debby - 2007/02/19 11:01

I think I could take the snakes, but, going without toilet paper....that's really tough. Just kidding... I think I could do okay. It's all the emotional drama that would really get on my nerves.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/03/01 22:55

Survivor was good tonight... the challenges were fun to watch... Rambo was getting under my skin and Lisi from the other team is turning me off... LOL, but other than that it was fun to watch.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/03/05 02:51

Great minds soooooooooooooo think alike Mazzy!!!

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Seems like it was a lose, lose situation for the team that won... LOL.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by midge - 2007/03/17 21:38

I find this season of Survivor a bit annoying. The "haves" and "have nots" is such a stretch on being evenly matched. The "have nots" have nothing to give anymore. They are hungry, tired and might I say, cranky. LOL I am looking forward to this weeks episode though. I hear there will be a mix up of the tribes. This should be interesting. Can you imagine being one of the "haves" and ending up being a "have not"? LOL Shocking.:laugh:

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/03/19 21:33

It could definitely make it a little more interesting.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Nadia - 2007/03/20 07:54

I haven't been keeping up with it.. :(

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/03/31 18:48

Rambo is history... soooo happy to see him go... would have preferred him to have been eliminated last week... seems we will be seeing him on the jury... oh well... cannot wait to hear his speech before the final vote.

So happy to see the immunity idol found by the little Asian man. What's the story with presenting the idol after the vote before the reading of the final votes? One may give immunity idol up and not be voted out... seems like they have diluted the value of the immunity idol.

I'm still not liking the concept of the haves and the have nots... doesn't seem fair somehow.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/04/04 00:32

I totally agree mazzy!! When Jeff said that about presenting the idol BEFORE the vote??? That really makes the idol almost pointless!!

Also so glad to see Rambo/Dumbo go!! He so definitely thinks way more of his abilities and power in this game!!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/04/07 17:14

Lisi is history... she didn't leave soon enough... LOL... she is one nasty lady, or the very worst has come out in her... LOL. Her team may be history unless there is an unexpected shake up, and I think the coming attractions hinted that may be the case... LOL.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by Nadia - 2007/04/07 18:00

thank goodness Rocky and Lisi are GONE!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/04/07 20:23

Nadia wrote:

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Oh absitively posilutely!!!!!!! Sheeeesh.....her whining was making me mental!!!! ;) And just HOW does she call all the guys "losers" when she didn't hit the mark with ANYTHING AND is a quitter??????????

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/04/08 21:09

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I think the whole concept around this is not making it so easy for the survivors. Like when Yul found the idol on previous season he was able to hold it all the way to the end, never having to use it. This way someone has to use it if they suspect they are in danger of being voted out.

Basically I think they were peeved the idol never had to come into play....lol.

Lisi...what a piece of work. I almost fell out of my seat laughing after the guys had found the idol AT HER FEET WHILE SHE SLEPT and then she spouted off that you would have to get up pretty early in the morning to pull one over on her....lol, guess they got up early enough!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/04/14 20:23

Michelle was voted off... I liked her and was sorry to see her go.

How do you all like the shake up that took place. My friends are liking it... I don't like leaving my survival on chance... LOL.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/04/15 19:57

Oh I totally spaced it!! My son tivoed it for us to watch, but we were gone all weekend.....I'll have to go catch up!!!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/04/21 14:37

Survivor sure was interesting this week... The use of the Immunity Idol was interesting... the holder of the Idol no longer dominates. It seems that unless one has a spy in the other camp to know exactly how the vote is going... it may be wasted. Also... if "the spy" gets to the final two, and has made enemies because of betrayal... it may be over for him. I guess I'm starting to see the reason for the Idol change... LOL. Survival sure is getting harder... LOL. This season it seems less about food survival and more about luck as well as thinking ahead.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/04/22 20:35

It's finally getting interesting and it's almost over. This survivor has been kind of boring for me.

I think it's a good twist that the idol will be reused though.

I don't know what Dreamz was thinking trying to play both sides....I think it will end up biting him in the butt.

I like the Idol having to be used before the votes are revealed. It was rather boring last season with Yul being able to hang on to it.

I ALMOST felt sorry for Stacy at that reward challenge.....I don't think she knew the other tribemates disliked her so much.

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/04/23 01:02

I agree.....it IS getting interesting!! I was very surprised that the Idol will be re-used.....I thought that was cool!!!

Dreamz is playing with fire.....HIS!!! ;) When you play both sides.....it usually comes back to bite you!!!

I think Stacy hasn't seen just how awful she's been to others.....she did seem very surprised at everyone's answers!!

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Re: Survivor Fiji

Posted by mazzy - 2007/05/12 11:23

Well, well, well... LOL... this week sure was great! I found myself holding my breath at Tribal Council. The looks on everyone's face was priceless when Yauman used the idol.

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Re: Survivor?

Posted by Needle nurse - 2007/05/14 09:01

:ohmy: I could not believe that Dreamz actually went back on his deal to give Yauman the immunity Idol if he won it! It blew me away with the way that Jerk- Dreamz behaved! He even swore to God that he would give Yau the immunity idol! Yauman really took it graciously, I think we can all learn a thing or two off of that guy! I really LOVED the motto that Yauman says he lives his life by... " Love many, trust few, do harm to none." What a deep guy! He is the guy that should have won!!

Thank goodness no one voted for Dreamz!!! Earl did deserve to win too! I liked the fact that he was honest enough to admit that he wrote Yauman's name down since Yau was too much of a threat!!

What does everyone else think?

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Re: Survivor?

Posted by Debby - 2007/05/14 11:59

I agree with you Needle. I followed the show from time to time. I usually watched a little bit each week, but, didn't watch intently as I have in the past. What I did think is that Yauman was quite loyal. I missed the finale last night. Did he win any money?

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Re:Survivor?

Posted by mazzy - 2007/05/14 20:49

Finale was great... major upset.

I also wanted Yauman to win, however, he made a major mistake by appealing to Dreamez greed... he ended up putting a target on his own back as soon as the deal was made. It was just too tempting for a sleeze like Dreamez to honor his promise. I don't believe Dreamez was smart enough to be playing Yauman, however, he is a pro at talking in circles. Jeff was even unable to get a yes or no out of him.

Final tribal council was a hoot... Lisi sounded like a whack, Alex like a lawyer, and no one seemed to hold back.

All in all this season was great!

Re:Survivor?

Posted by grizzlys4 - 2007/05/16 01:52

Oh Mazzy.....LOLOLOL

Lisi really IS a whack I believe!!!! :D

I was rooting for Yauman too.....but I'm okay with Earl winning. soooooooooooooooooo glad Dreamz did not.....YUK!!!!

Anyone going to check out the new show, Pirate Master???!!!!!!
