

**The Beauty in a Merge**

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| **Episode 07 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Kim | 1 | - |
| Sabrina | 1 | - |
| Chelsea | 4 | - |
| Christina | 0 | - |
| Alicia | 1 | - |
| Tarzan | 3 | - |
| Kat | 0 | - |
| Troyzan | 5 | - |
| Leif | 0 | - |
| Jay | 1 | - |
| Michael | 2 | - |
| Jonas | 4 | - |

Day 17

1. **Troyzan (1/5):** This really seems like *Survivor* to me now. It's a merge. It's me against eleven people and that's what I wanted. That's what I've been waiting for so bring it on.
2. **Alicia (1/1):** I knew the merge was coming, I just didn’t know it was gonna be tonight. I'm sure, at this point, Christina might actually think she's still in the game much longer. I mean, it's crazy right now, you know? That should have been Christina going home and not Colton. By Colton leaving, he screwed me over, especially the fact that he didn't give me his Immunity Idol so I have to start all over again. Maybe I'll go back to my home girls and continue the girl-power run and really wipe the guys out. The backstabbing is going to begin.

Day 18

1. **Jonas (1/4):** Today for breakfast, we have a, uh, young coconut lightly caramelized. And at the end, we're going to hit it with a little bit of sea water. So we’re basically, we're trying to manipulate the flavor of the coconut into the flavor of a potato chip.
2. **Jay (1/1):** Nobody expected a twelve-man merge. It was like, *“Oh, here we are again. (air quotes) One big happy family all together.”* And, uh, first thing I'm thinking is, *“Oh, man, I have to live with Tarzan again.”* You know, all these people you don't want to live with anymore and now they're back in the same tribe and it's just like, *“Oh!”* Even though it is a one-man game right now, I think Salani's people are viewing this as a chance to vote everybody else out on the old Manono tribe because we have the numbers.
3. **Tarzan (1/3):** I was hoping that the guys would be solid against the girls, but now this morning, I fret it ain't so.
4. **Michael (1/2):** We're one tribe now, there's been a huge merge. The Manono tribe, they’re outnumbered by two. Tarzan, he is trying to get the guys to stick together. He feels that if the guys stick together and use Alicia, that the guys will, you know, be there at the end. (06:13 → 06:25 = 12s)
5. **Michael (2/2):** I don't trust any of those guys and I don’t like any of those guys. So, you know, I told Tarzan I'm in but I'm not in with Tarzan. Tarzan drives me crazy.
6. **Sabrina (1/1):** The challenge we had to do today was a doozy. It was a nail-biter then, but at the very end we won. I know good pizza, I've been living in New York for ten years. Anything other than this dry-ass rice we're eating out here and a chicken we catch every blue moon, it's great so pizza was priceless.
7. **Chelsea (1/4):** It makes me nervous that the idol is still out there. My biggest concern is for someone on the Manono tribe to find the idol going into the next vote and messing up our numbers ‘cause we can't have a Salani go home.
8. **Jonas (2/4):** Apparently, the bright Tarzan, he goes and has a secret meeting with Mike and tells him this plan… which I'm not even aware of. What the hell is…? I mean, the guy makes zero sense. He's a loose cannon and he just does whatever the hell he wants. We can't have that.
9. **Tarzan (2/3):** I do not like Jonas. I do not like that guy anymore! When I say something I mean it from my heart and I don't go back on it.

Day 19

1. **Troyzan (2/5):** Everyone always sleeps in and I’m up like at four in the morning. So I'm going to start looking for the idol. No, I gotta find that Immunity Idol and I gotta find it now. These knuckleheads aren't going to be awake for another hour.
2. **Troyzan (3/5):** Early bird gets the idol and gets the power. I always had my eye on these two big trees close to the beach and I hit the jackpot. To find the Hidden Immunity Idol, that's like winning the gold medal. God, I want to, like, wear it. *(puts idol around neck)* Troyzan is safe! That’s-that’s-that’s-- this could be a million dollars. This is crazy to think about it.

Day 20

1. **Troyzan (4/5):** This is like *Survivor* to the ultimate. I mean, I won an immunity today, I have an Immunity Idol. It’s just like, I've got a group that I feel solid, you know, my old Salani who basically have been pretty straightforward with me, and so whatever they decide to do I’m gonna-- that's what I'm going to do.
2. **Chelsea (2/4):** I mean, it's guys versus girls, but the way I see it is we keep it Salani versus Manono. We should take out Manono's strongest people first. I think Jonas is their strongest player right now, which I hate because he's a great cook, great positive attitude, fun to be around. But Jonas I'm thinking, is going to be the next to go.
3. **Kim (1/1):** For tonight's vote we want to vote Jonas out since he's the biggest threat and we want to keep Christina and Alicia around just in case we wind up needing a girl's alliance. To get a guy out and particularly one of the new Manono tribe members, it leaves the girls in the majority, it leaves my old Salani tribe in the majority, and gives me two really great options moving forward.
4. **Troyzan (5/5):** A lot of people have been talking about, you know, Jonas just because they think they feel he's a big threat and he's the smartest of the guys and I was like, *“Geez, you guys. Are you guys kidding me?”* Like, *“We're just gonna let this guy go?”* I mean, he feeds us, he provides for us. Like, *“Why? Why now?”*
5. **Jonas (3/4):** When you hear your name has come up, you immediately think, *“Oh, crap, I'm going home.”* It makes no logical sense to me, strategically, to vote me out. I mean, I'm, like, the least threatening guy here. There's Mike, who's the most dominant person as far as Immunity Challenges, so they want to keep him around over me, and so immediately I go into survival mode.
6. **Tarzan (3/3):** Jonas and I, admittedly, are a bad marriage but strangely we respect each other. I was so struck by the personality it took for him to do that, that it-it brought me to mild tears. Since he's done that, I respect him even more so we're back together again, and that made me feel really remarkable.
7. **Jonas (4/4):** So we're voting for Kat kind of as a last-minute scramble. I'd rather vote Mike out instead but we figured, you know, Kat, she doesn't pull her weight a whole lot, she kind of annoys a lot of people. So that's my only hope at this point, is I'm voting Kat.
8. **Chelsea (3/4):** After we have talked about who we thought should go home next, all I wanted to do was get a good batch of laundry done, get all my stuff clean. So I put it all in the the salt water first, scrubbed it really good with sand. I mean, I was like, I was going to have some clean clothes.
9. **Chelsea (4/4):** If it were up to me, Tarzan would go home ‘cause I'm all about who deserves to be here? Who has a positive attitude? Who brings everyone up when everyone's down? Who's just a good person to be around? Tarzan doesn't fill any of those empty lines.