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Season One

Teeth in the Bone

Season 1

Episode Number: 1

Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars:	Milo Ventimiglia (Robert Darden), Jonathan Togo (Damon Drew), Leith Burke (Maurice Spellman), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Chet Grissom (Jim Talbott), David Douglas (Coach Frank), Aaron Blakely (Charles), Boise Holmes (DHS Chief Officer), Joy Sung Kim (Korean Woman), Toby Larsen (Zach Darden), Charles Kim (SA Steve Cha), Greg Benson (Dr. Condrey), Emily Bridges (Meredith Darden), Jo-Marie Lawrence (Stella Myers), Alan Silva (Gabriel), Anna Barraza (Latina Girl), Devin Looc (Bruno), Jayne Han (Jee Kim), Sean Sekino (Chun), Christian Barber (LAPD Sgt. Hugh Lambert), Troy Blendell (SSA Ray Kubler)
Summary:	Meachum and Oliveras butt heads as the hunt for a DHS officer's killer leads Blythe's newly assembled task force all over LA. . . and ends with a startling revelation.



The episode begins with Homeland Security officer Robert Darden being killed while meeting with a thug.

The next day, FBI Agent Nathan Blythe puts together a task force but two of the members are missing.

LAPD Homicide Detective Mark Meachum is jumped in prison. He has been undercover for 9 months before being pulled out for the task force. He doesn't seem to be well but he cites the prison riot for his headaches.

Next, we have DEA Agent Amber Oliveras being held hostage by drug dealers. She frees herself and beats up her captors before calling backup. Her senior scolds her for being brash before informing her of the task force.

With the task force complete, Blythe introduces everyone. Oliveras has 14 years of experience infiltrating gangs. FBI Agent Keyonte Bell focuses on homegrown terrorists and comes from a family of cops. FBI Agent Evan Shepherd works in the cybercrime department. LAPD Detective Luke Finau focuses on guns, gangs and narcotics. He is aggressive and has been suspended several times. As for Mark, he has worked with Blythe before and is quite chatty which gets on everyone's nerves.

Onto the case, Darden seems to be corrupt, having taken several huge bribes. It is why Blythe wants the task force to be a secret. Mark tries to team up with Oliveras but she refuses. It is revealed that she is friends with his ex-fiancée and knows he slept with her sister before the wedding.

Shepherd looks up to Blythe but doesn't understand why he treats her like his personal driver. Bell and Oliveras bond while Finau quietly tolerates Mark's ramblings.

The team questions Darden's colleagues and gets a lead — Darden's friend and a shady officer, Jim Talbott. Mark learns someone from DC is supporting their task force and realises there is more to Darden's case. However, Blythe shuts him down when he questions him.

Shepherd IDs the shooter, Cesar Murillo and Mark takes the lead, much to Oliveras' annoyance. He gets another headache but he keeps going. He ends up lowering his guard and Oliveras covers him as they find Los Reyes Nuevos members. Mark thanks her but she is still annoyed that he took the lead.

It cuts to Ray, an agent, warning Blythe that Oliveras is a ticking time bomb. She tends to go deep undercover and has turned into an addict. But Blythe is not deterred as her latest tests are clean.

Talbott is a dead-end as well but red flags pop up for Maurice Spellman, the customs officer who pointed them towards Talbott. A car chase ensues before they arrest him.

Mark is upset that Oliveras messed up his car chase strategy and they bicker. Blythe takes advantage of their anger and makes them interrogate Maurice. As expected, Mark and Oliveras end up arguing in the interrogation room. It confuses Maurice who finally slips up. They push and threaten his sister till he comes clean.

Looks like Maurice is the mole for Los Reyes and Darden was trying to expose them before they killed him. Blythe takes Shepherd to inform Darden's widow and reveals that he wants to mentor Shepherd on the field. As for his second-in-charge, Damon, he heads to a Little League practice. We learn that his son, Noah, was killed.

On Finau's advice, Oliveras looks up Mark's 9-month prison stint. It cuts to Mark visiting a doctor as he has an incurable brain tumour. The doctor suggests palliative care but he refuses.

Back at the base, Mark keeps hounding Blythe for his ulterior motives. We learn that Blythe had assigned Mark to an extremely risky operation which could have ruined his career if it had failed. This is why he owes Mark and tolerates his cheek.

Blythe finally reveals that he knew there were moles but his investigations have been constantly rebuffed. Darden's murder allowed him to directly appeal to the director. Which means some very senior officers are on the cartel's payroll. It is why he cannot trust anyone. Mark also realises why he picked the task force members he did — they are all indispensable or have ticked off their seniors. No one will miss them if it all goes sideways.

Right then, Bell finds an arms deal going down at Pier 31. They rush to the location and a gun fight ensues. Mark ends up killing Murillo who was about to shoot Oliveras. Blythe notices someone escaping.

At the end of the episode, Bell identifies highly radioactive weapons. They are enough to fuel a Chernobyl-level event.

Dead Lots of Times

Season 1
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Guest Stars:	Merrick McCartha (DA Grayson Valwell), Jonathan Togo (Damon Drew), Brent Sexton (Dennis), Joseph Julian Soria (Javi Lopez), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Kevin Acevedo (Erasmus), Péter Vég (Pavel Kostenko), Chris Marroy (Daniels), Dima Savyan (Anton), Rey Laredo (MBP Guard), Marcus DeAnda (Gerardo), Pancho Cardeña (Gregorio Ruiz), Jacob Figueroa (Cedro), Cameron Edward Gayden (Memo)
Summary:	Blythe's team heads to Mexico to pull off a daring mission for a deadly cartel in exchange for information on the shipment at the port.



The episode begins in Belarus, 2008. Borys Volchek works in the Defence Ministry and likes to tinker with electronics. He is working on his brother's broken toaster when said brother walks in. Anton has been beaten up after teaming up with a shady American.

At present, the car that Blythe saw leave has been abandoned. The team is to scope out the car and every person present at the pier that night.

Blythe assigns Mark to be Oliveras' muscle while she asks her Reyes Nuevos

contact, Javi Lopez about the arms deal. As expected, she is not happy about the company.

LA District Attorney Valwell wants to be included in the investigation but Blythe refuses. He knows that Valwell wants a big bust to become Attorney General, and later, the Governor. Bell's father is a friend and Valwell sucks up to him.

Mark's headache gets worse and Oliveras worries that he may blow their cover. It doesn't help that he prefers improv while she sticks to a pre-established story when undercover. None of that matters as Lopez instantly pulls a gun on Mark when they arrive. A quick fingerprint run brings up his prison cover which Lopez believes.

In 2008, Anton begs for Borys' help. He took a corrupt supervisor's money but never gave the intel. Now, Anton has been getting death threats. The supervisor, Dennis takes advantage of Borys' employment and demands sensitive intel to clear Anton's debt.

At present, Oliveras and Mark share with the task force that Lopez has given them a test run across the border. Entering Mexico is easy but even Finau starts noticing Mark's headaches. Following an unexpected bribe and a hand injury, the task force gets the contraband and heads back into USA. The truck clears in Mexico but is stopped on US soil. It all goes to hell when the US guard notices Finau's hand injury and runs the truck plates.

Plan B begins with Blythe reporting Mark's "stolen" car. Oliveras arrests him, bringing all the cops and guards on the site with her. Bell uses his badge to send the US guard to "help" which allows Finau to escape.

In 2008, Borys is almost caught but he is successful in getting his boss' emails for Dennis. He heads home and is frustrated that his brother has resorted to drinking. In a self-deprecating spiral, Anton apologises and Borys drops it.

At present, the task force finds 50 million worth heroin in the truck. Blythe orders them to give it to Lopez for intel on the arms deal. Oliveras is upset that they are turning a blind eye. Mark recounts a case from his rookie days and how he refused to drop an assault case that was clashing with a bigger case. He was punished for it but he doesn't regret it.

He assures Oliveras that he supports her should she have a way to stop Lopez and get the intel. However, she just takes a kilo of heroin. She plans to dump it, claiming that at least there will be one less victim.

Valwell once again pops up, revealing that the border dispute caused a big scene. He offers to help Blythe cover his tracks but the agent refuses him again.

In 2008, Anton kills himself after feeling guilty for involving Borys. Upset, Borys gives the data to Dennis and orders him never to contact him again. Dennis goes through the emails and smiles. He switches on his toaster and it explodes while Borys watches from below.

At the end of Countdown Episode 2, Oliveras and Mark bring the truck to Lopez. Suddenly, his car explodes as the driver starts it. Mark claims that the seller is behind it and pushes for a name. Before Lopez dies, he mentions Volchek.

Happy Birthday Final

Season 1
Episode Number: 3
Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars:	Merrick McCartha (DA Grayson Valwell), Jonathan Togo (Damon Drew), Daniel Chernish (Mikhail Durko), Mark Puchinsky (Timur Novikov), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Nicole Lyn (Amina Finau), Grace Jenkins (Cameron Finau), Autumn Layne (Kennedy Finau), Nick Bardin (Dmitry Kotov), Robb Zbacnik (Prison Guard), Tim Abell (Warden Gil Thompson), Matthew Gudernatch (Waiter)
Summary:	The team stages a high stakes prison break in an attempt to gain knowledge on the identity and whereabouts of the mysterious Volchek.



The episode begins with Mark's head ringing. He almost runs over a person while driving out. Oliveras is unable to flush down the heroin. It is Finau's birthday and we see that he has a loving family who wants to celebrate with him.

Bell debriefs everyone about the bomb explosion while Mark has a lead on Volchek. His inmate was Timur Novikov from Belarus and knows everything there is to know about the country's underworld. Mark had also saved Timur from some rowdy inmates, so the convict now

owes him. He wants to be put back in and Oliveras shows concern for half a second till he teases her for it.

Blythe checks in on Damon who is still struggling with his son's death. Shepherd finds out about Finau's birthday and plans to get him a cake.

Onto Mark's plan, the warden refuses, calling him a liability. Blythe improvises and gets Timur an appeal hearing. Oliveras and Finau drive the van while Mark joins them in his inmate persona. They drive around in circles while Mark and an unwitting Timur catch up. Finau busts a tyre and Mark and Timur take the chance to escape.

To really sell it, Mark shoots near Finau's head which wasn't part of the plan. Finau is furious but doesn't find any sympathy in Oliveras who missed the rush of an undercover operation. Finau knows it is going to be a long day but out of anger, tells his wife that he will make it for the family dinner.

Meanwhile, Shepherd frets over Finau's cake and Bell jokes about her thoroughness. She ends up revealing how she wanted a new school printer. And she accidentally found out that her principal was stealing and got him locked up. As for the cake, it ends up being a mess anyway as it accidentally spells 'Happy Birthday Final.'

Valwell shows up, threatening Blythe for helping a dangerous convict escape. Damon kicks him out but not before letting it slip that Blythe is protecting the city from something dangerous.

Elsewhere, Mark steals a phone and after Timur contacts his uncle, Mark secretly pockets it. They arrive at a Burbank hideout but the uncle, Mikhail is upset with Timur for giving away his location. While they argue, Mark calls Oliveras to track his location. He lets it slip that the near-death finally made him feel alive and Oliveras gets worried.

He hangs up and then snoops around till he finds a room full of research. He spots a blueprint of the LA port before Borys catches him. Mikhail shows up and Borys states that Mark has to die.

Mikhail leads Mark out at gunpoint while Timur begs his uncle to stop. On seeing that Mikhail has made up his mind, Mark accepts the inevitable. Fortunately for him, Borys sets the files on fire and runs off. The fire spreads and at the same time, the task force arrives, causing a diversion that allows Mark to take cover.

At the end of the episode, a gunfight ensues and Timur is shot. Upset, Mikhail shoots Finau and runs. Mark panics but Finau evades the bullet. Instead, it hits Drew in the chest and he falls.

Bite 'Em Down

Season 1

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Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars:	Merrick McCartha (DA Grayson Valwell), Jonathan Togo (Damon Drew), Daniel Chernish (Mikhail Durko), Amanda Brooks (Cora Drew), Ana Alexander (Tatiana Durko), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Nick Bardin (Dmitry Kotov), Michanne Quinney (Paramedic), Erik Marion (ER Doctor), Steve Filice (Police Chief), P.K. Simone (Van Herron), Alastair Bayardo (Surgeon), Brittany Freeth (Marta)
Summary:	Still reeling from their loss, the team tracks down Timur Novikov's uncle, Mikhail. . . and hatches a plan to lure Volchek out into the open.



The episode begins with the task force combing the burnt-down dance hall while Mark rides the ambulance with Officer Damon Drew. He looks worried as Drew's breathing gets shallow. Unfortunately, Drew dies during surgery.

While the LAPD goes after Mikhail, Blythe reminds the task force not to waste his sacrifice and to continue with the mission. Mark fills them in that he saw some blueprints, the map of the LA port and the name, Gallagher.

With the death of Drew, DA Valwell gets a chance to report the task force which leads to the LAPD asking for Mark and Finau back. Furious, Blythe confronts Valwell and warns him to back off and drop the complaint.

Mikhail and Borys meet but we learn that the former is not interested in the terrorist attacks and cares about his family and money. He backs down when Borys threatens him, reminding him of the importance of their mission.

Back at the base, Bell checks in on Shepherd who had to tell Cora, Drew's widow, the news of her husband's death. Mark regrets his reckless undercover plan but Oliveras comforts him with some tough love.

Shepherd is able to trace Mikhail's identity and they go after him. They find his wife, Tatsiana, who is trying to run. They bring her in and she plays the crying, naive wife but they don't buy it. They threaten to charge her as an accomplice and she breaks. She sets up a meeting with Mikhail in Chinatown.

He shows up but on seeing her expression, he knows something is wrong. He spots Bell and then recognises Mark. A chase ensues before they catch him.

Meanwhile, Blythe asks Bell about Valwell. Turns out Valwell is one of the good guys. Early in his career, he helped get a conviction on a really risky case that no one wanted to touch and bring justice to the victims. Drew's desk is cleared and Shepherd looks sad as she takes his Little League cap.

Onto the interrogation, Mikhail doesn't give them anything and doesn't even blink at the threats to his wife. To find dirt, the task force looks into the driver, Dmitry who drove Timur and Mark to Mikhail's dance hall. Fortunately, Shepherd and Bell are able to track him.

They show up at his workplace and another chase ensues but Mark easily catches him. Oliveras plants some heroin on him and makes up false charges. Mark is surprised but goes with her plan. They finally find leverage — Mikhail's illegitimate daughter, Anya. As they head back to base, Mark asks about the heroin but Oliveras shuts him down.

Shepherd wants to take the lead as she looks like Anya and the team agrees. Blythe plays the bad cop while Shepherd plays the good cop who cares about Anya's future. Mikhail breaks and tells them about Volchek but he doesn't know much except that he has patriotic motives.

He sets up a meeting with Borys at a private airport but the task force ends up arresting a decoy. The real Borys is sitting in the cinema. A flashback shows him spotting the task force while Mikhail sets up their meeting. At present, he looks disgusted as the other cinemagoers laugh during the movie.

At the end of the episode, Blythe promises that they will break the case. Cora arrives and begs the task force not to let Drew's sacrifice go to waste. They hold a mini-funeral for him in the office.

Blurred Edges

Season 1
Episode Number: 5
Season Episode: 5

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Guest Stars: Merrick McCartha (DA Grayson Valwell), Jonathan von Mering (Andrej Sobol), Pasha Lychnikoff (Iosif Astapov), Adam Harrington (Tim Carmichael), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Ryan de Quintal (Rolf Morozov), Nikolay Moss (Danill), Krisztián Csákvári (Vlad), Panna Dominika Bíró (Kira), Marypat Farrell (Socialite Francine), Roderick Hill (Clarke), Ryan Padilla (BPD Jordan), Nicholas Stoesser (Sam), Nicholas Wittman (Matt Woodley), Tamás Podlovics (Pilot), Nicola Bertram (Amy Moreno), Jordyn Denning (Rosemary), Hudson Brown (Delphi Manager Gregory)
Summary: The team pays a visit to the Belarusian consulate in search of files that could finally reveal who Volchek is... and how far he's willing to go.



The episode begins with a flashback to London, 2018. Borys and his wife, Kira live a happy life. He is now in the agro-industry and has an investor meeting. His company deals with more than half of Belarus' exports and also provides food to neighbouring countries. However, the investors need to pick between 2 companies. And Borys' rival, Matt Woodley has a better shot.

At present, Borys tells his man, Danill to look into Mark.

The task force has its hands full trying to ID him. Bell gives Blythe a heads-up that Valwell is after him. Running out of time, Blythe pulls out the big guns. He asks the Belarus Consul General, Astapov about Volchek. But Astapov gets evasive and kicks him out. Blythe decides to get help from Tim, an old but powerful friend.

Meanwhile, Mark brings up the heroin again and Oliveras tries to gaslight him. He doesn't buy it and she hints that she was forced to use during an undercover assignment. He seems to understand as he shares his teen rebel phase and how his future was decided for him.

In 2018, Borys has his friend, Andrej get dirt on Woodley. He uses it to get Woodley to back down from the investor bid. Borys wins the partnership but Woodley vows to take him down.

At present, Danill finds Mark's criminal alias, Jack Walker. Unfortunately, he is thorough as he finds no case files or trials for Walker. He realises that Jack Walker is a fake alias.

But Danill is sloppy and the task force finds out that his men have attacked the dance hall's security system to scrub the CCTV footage.

Blythe updates them about Astapov's shadiness and they figure that he does have info on Volchek. But his computer cannot be virtually hacked, so they decide to gatecrash his next event.

With the help of Finau's wife, they approach the caterer. Her son is in the army and she easily agrees to help them infiltrate. In the midst of it all, Mark's headache gets worse and he actually passes out for a quick minute. No one notices but Oliveras is suspicious.

In 2019, Woodley has finally struck. Andrej warns Borys that the Belarusian Ministry of Finance is set to arrest him due to reports on embezzlement. Borys is upset that his own country is out to get him despite his patriotic endeavours. He alerts Kira that they need to flee.

At present, Mark raves and rants to his doctor for stronger pills but it is futile. He is on the verge of panicking but is interrupted by Oliveras. His date for the Belarusian party. They arrive, disguised as Tim and his wife. Shepherd is a waiter while Finau and Bell monitor from a catering van.

Blythe strong-arms Astapov into going to his office and scans his keycard. This allows Shepherd to sneak in and hack his computer. Oliveras and Mark get busy, keeping two security guards at bay. Blythe distracts Astapov by trying to bribe him. Shepherd gets out just in time and the task force leaves.

Next, Blythe has Tim threaten Valwell into leaving the task force alone. It works as it turns out, Tim is an influential politician and invests in Valwell's ventures.

Back at base, Shepherd finds an encrypted file on Borys Volchek and his history as a bomb expert. We also learn that in 2019, he faked his death by bombing the plane which had Kira and his decoy. Mark realises that someone may be looking into them as well.

Right on cue, Andrej is busy checking the LAPD database to find Jack Walker's real ID. But when Mark Meachum pops up, the photo is of a different person. Shepherd has buried all of their real identities. Borys continues with his plan which includes the Wilshire Federal Building. At the end of the episode, we see Blythe enter it.

A Needle or a Bullet

Season 1

Episode Number: 6

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired:	Wednesday July 16, 2025
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Guest Stars:	Jonathan von Mering (Andrej Sobol), Pasha Lychnikoff (Iosif Astapov), Stephen Monroe Taylor (Wade Trippett), Duke Davis Roberts (Shawn Gallagher), Samson Moeakiola (Sam Johnson), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Nikolay Moss (Danill), Gregory Gast (Dale), Stephanie T. Keefer (Karen), Ryan Pratton (Galen)
Summary:	The team follows a new lead out to the California desert, where their suspect isn't going down without a fight. Meanwhile, Volchek initiates the next phase of his plan.



The episode begins with Mark and Oliveras practising at a gun range. Mark is an exceptional marksman and Oliveras is impressed.

Elsewhere, Borys Volchek easily does a shady business deal with an American company and the Belarusians mock the country's greed. They are ambushed by the Belarusian Consul General, Astapov. He knows about the hack but doesn't want to antagonise USA. He orders Borys to drop his scheming and go back to Belarus with the promise that the charges

against him will drop. Borys pretends to consider the offer.

Meanwhile, the task force finds a Shawn Killian Gallagher who was friends with Timur and is a convicted junkie. Shepherd updates Blythe that their consulate hacking was noticed but they figure that Astapov is a spineless man who wants to enjoy the status quo which is why he is staying quiet.

Onto the lead, Mark and Oliveras find out from Shawn's parole officer that he is a doomsdayer. As they head to his place, Mark gets a headache. Oliveras comments on it but he waves it off. The place is empty but booby trapped.

Back to Borys, he tells his team that Astapov is a threat and declares that they are going to kidnap him. Andrej gets his daily schedule and Danill plans the kidnapping schematics.

The Gallagher lead is further explored and Shepherd finds a Wade Trippett who used to visit Gallagher in prison a lot. Finau and Bell find him and while Wade acts shifty, he is just afraid of cops. He is Gallagher's AA sponsor and shares his real address — a trailer park in the Cali desert.

Borys' kidnapping plan begins but is prematurely thwarted as Astapov fails to show up at the premeditated spot.

Next, the task force heads to Gallagher's trailer. Mark's headaches get worse and Oliveras finally confronts him. However, she thinks that he is a junkie. She confesses that during her

undercover assignment, she was forced to turn into a junkie. She got clean when she got out but the temptation is still there. Despite her honesty, Mark claims that it is just migraines. There are half truths to his statement as he shares that he cannot report it or he will be put on desk duty. She understands his need to tough it out till their mission ends.

In the other car, Finau confides in Bell that he joined the gang unit to help young kids get out. As for Bell, he wants to be the first Black FBI deputy director.

The task force soon arrives at their destination and Mark offers to check the trailer first. Oliveras finds it strange but Finau thinks it's his personality. Gallagher is in the truck and he takes off with Mark in the trailer. A car chase ensues and Oliveras is shocked when Mark jump onto Gallagher's moving truck. Thanks to his distraction, Bell's car is able to cut Gallagher off.

During the interrogation, Mark, Oliveras and Blythe do their best to break him in different ways. However, Gallagher doesn't even know any Belarusians apart from Timur.

Looks like Gallagher was a false lead. Blythe has to calm down the team as Bell doubts Mark's intel and Mark lashes out. Mark storms off and Oliveras checks on him. He is worried that he is running out of time. While Oliveras doesn't understand his death wish stunts, she gives him some strong painkillers and comforts him. Outside, Blythe advises Bell to come up with his own leads instead of doubting his colleagues.

At the end of the episode, Borys tells his team that he found it strange that Astapov knew where to find him when he has been careful. It is why he laid a trap by giving each team member a different kidnapping point. Danill is the one who betrayed him and Borys instantly kills him. Right then, Gallagher Freight brings the material he had purchased from the company at the beginning of the episode.

Nothing Else Helps

Season 1
Episode Number: 7
Season Episode: 7

Originally aired:	Wednesday July 23, 2025
Writer:	Derek Haas
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Summary:	While the team splits up to pursue a trio of new leads, consul general Astapov's security detail attempts to persuade Volchek to abandon his plans. . . by force.



The episode begins with Mark working out. Borys does the same and seems to be a boxer. Mark's head gets worse. His vision blurs and he falls in pain. He even shows up late to work. Oliveras worries but she covers for him

Bell and Shepherd have a new lead — they head out to question Caluman company regarding their gamma niptongs that were found at the scene of the Port LA shootout.

Finau decides to look into the stolen Border Patrol car. He finds it odd that

CID's report claims it was complete clean with no radiation. We see that he has a friend at the impound division who gives him vital intel. The vehicle is a stolen civilian SUV reskinned to look like Border Patrol. This wasn't mentioned in the report either.

As for the younger duo, Shepherd notices that Bell isn't happy with Blythe. Bell feels that Blythe doesn't care about them. They approach the Caluman manager who is worried about giving away sensitive data. Shepherd bonds with him over their shared interest in the Lakers and wins him over.

As the duo heads back, Valwell approaches Bell. The DA hypes up Bell's father, revealing how they looked out for each other. He offers to help Bell the same way. He can make Bell the FBI Deputy Director in exchange for spying on Blythe.

Bell is lost in thought as lies to Shepherd about the conversation. But she notices that he's constantly glaring at Blythe.

Borys heads out to collect fake passports and is cornered by Astapov's security detail. The leader, Rolf, is Danill's uncle and knows Borys is behind his disappearance. Rolf threatens him to leave the country and give them the money he stole in Belarus.

Meanwhile, Oliveras and Mark chase a lead on the Russian military ammo found during the dance hall security murders. The cops banter as they visit Oliveras' contact, Weiss. He reveals that Szabo, a gun enthusiast, sells such ammo.

Back at base, Blythe is curt during their debrief and Bell matches his energy. Shepherd tries to mediate. Next, Finau updates Blythe about the stolen SUV. Blythe compliments him for his innovative approach and Finau smiles.

Mark and Oliveras pretend to be a collector couple but Szabo catches on. A chase ensues before they arrest him. They offer to turn a blind eye to his illegal collection but he also wants to stay anonymous. He sold the ammo to Iskanders, a dangerous private military contractor. And the LA branch is run by... Andrej.

The task force rushes over with a SWAT team and a search warrant. But they only find Jan, Iskanders' attorney. He is cocky as he reveals there's nothing in the LA branch as it is mostly for marketing.

A total bust, Blythe and SWAT Commander Aynesworth blame each other for the leak. Aynesworth hints the mole may be a task force member but Blythe defends his people. Bell looks touched.

Elsewhere, Rolf's patience is over as Borys keeps stalling. However, before he can kill him, Borys claims the 100 million is in his house.

Meanwhile, Shepherd finally finds a paper trail to Gallagher Freight. They show up at Borys' warehouse where the trucks were delivered but it's empty. Finau finds a discarded plastic and realizes the trucks have been reskinned. The task force is disappointed by another dead end.

That night, Bell refuses Valwell's offer. Realising that Blythe has their backs, Bell refuses to betray him. Valwell doesn't take it well.

Oliveras shows up at Mark's with more pills but he knows they won't help. As they drink, Mark comes clean about the terminal tumour. Knowing that he'll be dropped if it becomes public knowledge, he insists that he wants to do something worthwhile before he dies.

At the end of the episode, Borys takes Rolf and 2 of the guards to his place. He claims the money is in a safe in the basement. He distracts them and locks himself inside. He activates a bomb and it goes off. He comes out and finds the men dead.

The Nail in the Chair

Season 1

Episode Number: 8

Season Episode: 8

Originally aired:	Wednesday July 30, 2025
Writer:	Derek Haas
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Guest Stars:	Pasha Lychnikoff (Iosif Astapov), Michelle DeShon (Molly Shepherd), Daniel Chernish (Mikhail Durko), Mark Rowe (Rory Grogan), Zack Sayenko (Lubomir Piskun), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Matt Kaminsky (Jerry), Mary Beth Evans (Lorie), Michael Lopez (SWAT Commander), Dan Sachoff (Peter Kelly), Jason C. Brown (Detective Barna), William Dixon (Roger Fischer), Joe Pistone (John Ross), Lily Keene (Sharon), Adrian M. Mompount (Cione), Harry Santiago (LAPD Detective), Ricky Blanco (Vasquez), V.J. Foster (Older Man), Johnny D'Esposito (Stick), Gabriel Sousa (Barkley), Vick Sabian (Aaman), David G. Holland (Officer)
Summary:	The team races to try and catch Volchek as he begins to deploy his weapons of mass destruction around Los Angeles.



The episode begins in Burbank, 2021. A drunk Borys tells a joke about Belarusians being used to pain. Everyone seems to know of his stolen millions which make him a walking target. The Belarusian lawyer, Piskun offers to help him for a fee.

At present, Mark's contact tells him of the explosion at Borys' residence. Rolf has an ID and a burnt but identifiable photo of Borys.

Mark shares his theory with the task force which is pretty close to what happened in reality. Finau wonders what

happened to Borys for him to want to bomb LA.

In 2021, Borys asks Piskun to help hide his stolen cash. He wants a fresh start and he's not looking for trouble. The lawyer gives him the idea to open a legitimate company.

Back in the present, the task force looks into Rolf. Mark's head is getting worse and Oliveras tells him to tell the team. They have proven themselves and they deserve to know the risk he is. He jokes about it but agrees. Before he can tell Blythe, the agent heads out.

Blythe tries to team up with Astapov again by mentioning his dead security. It doesn't work as Blythe is aggressive and Astapov is a coward. Frustrated, Blythe requests his superiors to bring in the Belarusian ambassador.

In 2021, Borys buys 10 parking lots used by huge Hollywood trucks.

At present, a Gallagher Freight truck is disguised as the American Postal Service and parks in front of the Federal Building.

Shepherd gets a harrowing call from a Molly and she quickly hangs up. Mark tries to talk to Blythe again but they spot the truck and rush to it. They evacuate the area but the truck is

empty except for some cameras. They correctly deduce that Borys is timing and observing their response to threats.

Blythe also scolds Mark for disobeying evacuation orders and comments on his death wish. He refuses to hear out Mark who tries to come clean a third time.

In 2021, Ross from the municipality claims public vehicles can be parked for free on the lot. Borys is upset as he will lose money.

Presently, Shepherd calls her mom. Molly is Shepherd's deadbeat sister and no one wants to take her in. She's coming to live with Shepherd and they can't do anything about it.

In 2021, Borys bribes Ross and is arrested. It was a set-up. He's taken in and denied his rights. The other inmates bully and beat him up.

Bell checks on Shepherd who tells him about the irresponsible Molly. Right then, Bell finds that Borys' company, VKN had purchased huge farm land. As they head out, Blythe compliments Bell who is pleasantly surprised.

Unfortunately, the remaining trucks have just left the farm and the task force calculates about 45,000 pounds of explosive chemicals in each truck. Blythe ominously shares that they have run out of time and if they don't stop Borys now, it's over.

As they head home, Shepherd finds her sister waiting and has no patience for her. Molly calls her a hypocrite, commenting that Shepherd was a party girl as well.

Oliveras drops Mark home. They share a moment as he tries to invite her in. She breaks it by mentioning his affair. But there are no hard feelings.

In 2021, Borys is let out on bail and he meets Piskun. The lawyer reveals that the city is out to get him and is trying to give him 30 years in prison. Borys blames the country for killing his brother and wife. He came to USA in hopes that not everyone's bad. But he's been proven wrong. He kills Piskun to make a statement and disappears.

At the end of the episode, Astapov's superiors force him to comply with Blythe. Begrudgingly, Astapov sets up a meeting to hand over something crucial that he has on Borys. At the rendezvous point, Borys kills Astapov, stabs Blythe and runs away.

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Season 1

Episode Number: 9

Season Episode: 9

Originally aired:	Wednesday August 06, 2025
Writer:	Derek Haas
Director:	Jonathan Brown
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Guest Stars:	Jonathan von Mering (Andrej Sobol), Pasha Lychnikoff (Iosif Astapov), Michelle DeShon (Molly Shepherd), Eddie Aguirre (Dr. Julio Beltran), Rod McLachlan (Sergey Belyaev), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Nicole Lyn (Amina Finau), Matt Kaminsky (Jerry), Autumn Layne (Kennedy Finau), Grace Jenkins (Cameron Finau), Alison Chace (Lydia), Bradley Snedeker (Detective Flagler), Teddi Shaffer (Robin), Carlyne Maraghi (Jaqueline), Joanna Strapp (Nurse Carrie), Denzel Johnson (Detective Clausen), Maurice Webster (Terry), Kandiss Edmundson (Dr. Lamb)
Summary:	With their leader fighting for his life and Meachum's medical condition worsening by the minute, the team finally comes face to face with the true nature of their enemy's plans as time is running out to stop him.



The episode begins with Blythe bleeding out. He drags himself to his car and calls for help. At home, Mark panics as the pills don't work anymore. He is in pain but rushes to the hospital once he gets the call about Blythe. The hospital is uncooperative but Oliveras spots a childhood friend, Dr Julio. She is able to get an update on Blythe's surgery via him.

Next, the task force goes through the crime scene and accurately deduces what went down. While Mark distracts the LAPD, Oliveras sneaks out the file

Astapov was supposed to give Blythe. Worried about Borys' next move, Finau tells his wife to leave LA.

There is progress as the file mentions Sergei, the Russian forger who sold out Borys to Rolf. As usual, a chase ensues before Sergei is caught. Mark gets dizzy and almost falls off a building, and Finau saves him. Fortunately, the lead pays off as Sergei helps in exchange for a deal.

Shepherd finds out that all of Borys' fake IDs have been burnt except Karel Novak. While tracking Karel, Molly keeps calling Shepherd who ignores her. Mark is furious with himself and causes a scene in the bathroom. Oliveras calms him down.

Blythe survives and wants to get back to work. Following some bantering and some sulking, he agrees to stay in the hospital for supervision. Oliveras asks Julio to help Mark. He has clinical trials and agrees. It seems that he also likes Oliveras.

Elsewhere, Nina Finau is at the school to collect her daughters. The teacher convinces her to allow the kids to participate in a poetry competition at the Vine. Nina gives in.

Back at base, Shepherd and Bell have a moment. He confesses that he didn't think much of her initially, as she is a rookie. But he is now impressed by her tech skills. She hopes to prove

herself on the field too. Mark apologises to Oliveras for causing a scene. In exchange, she tries to get him to see Julio. He isn't open to the idea but seemingly agrees.

The task force finds a movie production office in Karel's name — Kestrel Entertainment. But the building is empty. Blythe is back and they work on finding a connection between Kestrel Entertainment and Borys' agenda. Mark recalls a production truck randomly parked. With filming permits, the Gallagher Freight trucks, disguised as filming trucks, can park anywhere. As expected, Shepherd finds a filming permit given to Kestrel in... Vine!

On cue, the two trucks are parked near the Finau kids' elocution competition. Andrej and Borys prep the trucks to explode with a remote control. Borys gives a speech on how this will be their legacy. And the last thing they will see is the destruction.

The task force races to Vine as fast as they can. Analysing the short-range remote-controlled bombs, they figure it is a murder suicide. Shepherd and Bell take on the task to disarm till the bomb squad reaches. They have no clue and do their best to figure out the bombs. The rest look for Borys. A shocked Finau pulls out a gun and forces an evacuation on seeing his family.

In the chaos, Mark finds Borys. Looking smug, Borys presses the ignite button.

The Muzzle Pile

Season 1

Episode Number: 10

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired:	Wednesday August 13, 2025
Writer:	Derek Haas
Director:	Lisa Robinson
Show Stars:	Jensen Ackles (LAPD Detective Mark Meachum), Jessica Camacho (DEA Special Agent Amber Oliveras), Eric Dane (FBI Special Agent Nathan Blythe), Violet Beane (FBI Special Agent Evan Shepherd), Elliot Knight (FBI Special Agent Keyonte Bell), Uli Latukefu (LAPD Detective Lucas Finau), Bogdan Yasinski (Yuri Volchek)
Guest Stars:	Merrick McCartha (DA Grayson Valwell), Jonathan von Mering (Andrej Sobol), Michelle DeShon (Molly Shepherd), Eddie Aguirre (Dr. Julio Beltran), Joe Dinicol (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald), Prisca Kim (Kim), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Nicole Lyn (Amina Finau), Matt Kaminsky (Jerry), Grace Jenkins (Cameron Finau), Autumn Layne (Kennedy Finau), Jules Willcox (Caty Blythe), James Babson (Captain Unger), Chelsea Rose Cook (Nurse), Dwayne Standridge (Connelly), Jeremiah OC Jahi (Palma), Alex Matthews (Jordan)
Summary:	The task force violently confronts Volchek to save a city of millions. As the smoke clears and Meachum works to resolve his medical issues, a new threat emerges from Secret Service agent Ryan Fitzgerald.



The episode begins with Shepherd figuring out the bombs. She and Bell rip out the tablets and the bombs disconnect. So, when Borys detonates, the remote doesn't work and the bombs don't explode.

While a chase ensues, Finau spots Andrej and kills him. Mark's head gets worse but he is able to kill Borys.

The celebration is bittersweet as the task force goes their separate ways.

Blythe goes home to his wife and son. Bell and Shepherd have dinner. Shepherd has been positioned in DC, thanks

to Blythe. They run into Molly who is bar hopping. She tries to wingwoman for Shepherd and Bell is amused. Once she leaves, Shepherd asks him to keep an eye on her.

Mark puts up a good fight but Oliveras drags him to Dr Julio who reveals that there is hope with the new clinical trial. Finau has been promoted to sergeant and his family and the precinct celebrate with him.

Bell tracks Valwell's financial records and learns that the DA is the one who told Borys about the SWAT search. The FBI arrests Valwell.

It's the day before Mark's treatment. Oliveras checks on him and it seems that she wants to be by his side. He refuses as he wants to give their relationship a proper chance if he survives.

It is Day 1 but he's not alone. Oliveras has told the task force and they all show up to support Mark.

It is 10 months later. Agent Ryan Fitzgerald is busy scanning civilian threat reports. A cleaner, Patricia leaves a voice message of a cabin filled with guns, maps and photos of government officials including the POTUS. At the end of the voice message, there's a noise.

Fitzgerald decides to look into it and finds Patricia's dead body in the cabin. He scans the room and finds a manifesto in a hidden drawer, full of strange codes.

The task force is all back except Oliveras. Mark has pretty much recovered. He asks for Oliveras but Blythe reveals that she's on a dangerous assignment.

Instead, Fitz is their latest team member, chatty and goofy. He briefs them about his findings and their new mission. They have to find the suspect and figure out if he's a credible threat to the POTUS and the Californian governor.

Bell and Shepherd work on decoding the diary. He is about to tell her something about Molly but Mark suggests visiting the cabin.

At the end of the episode, Mark finds a secret tunnel underneath the cabin. It's for target practice with a sniper rifle. And the suspect's aim is perfect.

Run

Season 1

Episode Number: 11

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired:	Wednesday August 20, 2025
Writer:	Derek Haas
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Show Stars:	Jensen Ackles (LAPD Detective Mark Meachum), Jessica Camacho (DEA Special Agent Amber Oliveras), Eric Dane (FBI Special Agent Nathan Blythe), Violet Beane (FBI Special Agent Evan Shepherd), Elliot Knight (FBI Special Agent Keyonte Bell), Uli Latukefu (LAPD Detective Lucas Finau), Bogdan Yasinski (Yuri Volchek)
Guest Stars:	Eddie Aguirre (Dr. Julio Beltran), Joe Dinicol (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald), Caitlin Carver (Todd's Wife), Jefferson White (Todd's Friend), Aaron Lazar (George Shelby), Grant Harvey (Todd), Kate Orsini (TK's Ex-Wife), Valerie Loo (Venetia Lim), Patrick Hume (Trevor Kellen "TK" Pasternak), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Kurt Yue (Ho), Brian Yang (Kieran Teo), Anna Mhairi (Danielle), Keenan Henson (Hunter 2), Aaron Marshall (Hunter 1)
Summary:	Shepherd works to decipher the manifesto recovered at Cabin 6 while the rest of the team pursues a suspect on the run.



The episode begins in November 2023 with a hunter, presumably the killer, heading to a forest. He avoids other hunters and beats his kill after shooting it.

At present, Bell debriefs the task force on the Sugarloaf cabins. They are used by hunters, the perfect cover for the suspect. And the weapon they found is a top level sniper rifle. The cabin owner is Teo and Oliveras shows up with an offer to interview him. While everyone is glad to see her back, Mark is awkward.

Next, we learn that one of the assumed targets is Governor George Shelby. He plans to run for president. POTUS is overseas and will be returning for a fundraiser at the end of the month. They need to catch the killer by then.

After the meeting, Fitz spills that Mark has been praising Oliveras. She finds it cute but Mark gets flustered. Fitz catches on and asks Finau who reveals Mark has a thing for her but hasn't done anything about it.

Nearby, Bell tells Shepherd that Molly is hanging out with some dangerous drug dealers. Shepherd is upset that he didn't tell her before.

As Mark and Oliveras head to Teo's, we learn that Oliveras is dating Dr Julio. Mark is bitter and lashes out. He claims he has been sleeping around as well and they argue. On top of that, the interview with Teo doesn't go well as his company is partially owned by the People's Action Party of Singapore. They refuse to cooperate and direct the cops to go via their lawyer.

In 2023, the suspect is talking to a friend. He is not doing well and isn't coming into work. The friend is worried about him but the suspect storms off.

At present, Blythe decides to deal with PAP himself. With nothing else to do, Mark convinces everyone to go for a drink. Oliveras refuses and Mark is sarcastic. Bell and Shepherd patch up

as he apologises for not telling her earlier. She confesses that Molly is ghosting her and she is worried.

Oliveras goes to Julio's for dinner. She is upset about Mark and hooks up with Julio. The rest of the task force is busy trading back stories in the bar. Mark keeps eyeing a pretty girl and ends up ditching the team to go home with her.

Meanwhile, Blythe brings Governor Shelby himself who threatens the PAP representative into cooperating with the investigation.

The next morning, Mark seems pumped that he could still pull a girl. (Does that mean he lied about sleeping around?) He heads to Teo's with Oliveras and apologises for being rude about Julio. She tries to joke but for once, he is serious. She is surprised and then it gets awkward as they agree that they would be terrible together.

In another flashback, the suspect, labeled Todd by the task force, is at home. His wife dotes on their dog which he hates. He is distant and she seems to understand. He seems defeated but doesn't want to disappoint her as he claims he will go back to work soon.

At present, from Teo's records, it seems that TK, an ex-con, rented out the cabin. He is now part of a cult. They do a background check and realise that he has no skills or intelligence expected of the suspect. A quick chase ensues followed by Bell and Shepherd checking in with his ex-wife. They do good as they see through the ex-wife's act and quickly catch TK.

In December 2023, Todd finds that his wife is having an affair with his friend. He is upset and takes her dog.

At present, TK's interrogation takes place. Mark and Oliveras are still on the same wavelength. They pretend to be a part of his cult and he breaks. He gets paid to give his name for the suspect's rental agreement.

Mark uses the interrogation to bond with Oliveras but she evades. Shepherd finds the suspect's contact but he immediately catches on. He gives the task force the code to read his manifesto. It claims that the government has taken everything from him and he is going to retaliate.

In December 2023, Todd takes the dog to the woods. He wants to hurt his wife and so he tells the dog to run. He points his rifle towards the running dog.

This Is His Signature

Season 1

Episode Number: 12

Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Wednesday August 27, 2025
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Director: Lisa Robinson
Show Stars: Jensen Ackles (LAPD Detective Mark Meachum), Jessica Camacho (DEA Special Agent Amber Oliveras), Eric Dane (FBI Special Agent Nathan Blythe), Violet Beane (FBI Special Agent Evan Shepherd), Elliot Knight (FBI Special Agent Keyonte Bell), Uli Latukefu (LAPD Detective Lucas Finau), Bogdan Yasinski (Yuri Volchek)
Guest Stars: Michelle DeShon (Molly Shepherd), Joe Dinicol (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald), Aaron Lazar (George Shelby), Grant Harvey (Todd), Earl Baylon (Big Eddy), Rico E. Anderson (Randall Took's), Ronnie Gene Blevins (Mike Collins), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Angel Rivera (Troy Ballard), Karina Noelle Castillo (Carmela), Moniqua Plante (Hope Miller), Danny Minnick (Cigs), Scot Ruggles (ADIC Jay Tostaud), Betsy Beutler (Valerie Sparks), Justin Wade (Abe Dockman), Morrison Keddie (Walter), Alex Sgambati (Kara Gonzalez), Julie Craig (Reilly Miller)
Summary: As another death ratchets up the pressure, the team makes a startling new discovery about their suspect.



The episode begins with Blythe calling Mark insecure for not being ambitious. He insists that Mark is a natural leader and to consider rising up the ranks.

In Kern County, Hope Miller, Governor Shelby's PR secretary, is killed at a gas station. Shepherd and Bell are trying to glean Todd's sources and motives from the manifesto when they get the call.

Blythe and Fitz stop by Hope's PR firm. They learn that she was working on a fundraiser that would be attended by President Hanover and Governor Shelby.

In Kern, the gas station clerk, Troy claims he hid for 20 minutes till the cops arrived. The first CHP officer on site, Took's insists it was just 10 minutes. Bell goes through the CCTV footage and sees that the response time was 16 minutes. And after Hope is shot, the killer takes something from her car.

The task force realise that the killer is Todd and had planned the murder in advance. He knew the CCTV blind spots and how much time it would take for the cops to arrive.

Blythe and Fitz meet with Shelby to cancel the fundraiser as it's a big risk. Shelby refuses as POTUS is going to endorse him at the event. He simply declares that Blythe needs to catch the killer before the fundraiser.

While Shepherd goes through the CCTV, Molly shows up. Molly finally admits she needs help. She promises that she is going to stop partying. Shepherd looks relieved and agrees to dinner at home.

The task force decides to tally between the inventory and Hope's belongings to identify what's been taken. She had a satchel, and constantly had access to Shelby's schedule on all her devices. But CHP hasn't given them an inventory of what was found in her car. On top of that, Took's asks Bell to meet at his home that night.

While they wait, Mark confides that he does get too in his own head but he does have ambition. Blythe agrees to put in a word. Right then, Oliveras comes up with a theory — Todd is either on the force or has an inside man. He knows the workings of the cops and only leaves behind enough clues to bait them. Mark gets worried and tries to call Bell.

It cuts to Tooks looking shady as he invites Bell inside his home. He asks for the CCTV footage and points out that it actually shows Todd leaving something in the car.

Turns out, Tooks asked to meet in private as he didn't want to seem like a kiss-ass or be wrong about his theory in front of everyone. Bell understands and even thinks his theory is credible.

Mark tries to reassure Oliveras that she had a good theory about a spy. He asks her out for drinks but she gently refuses him and he is embarrassed. Shepherd finally goes home and Molly is actually there. They decide to hang out like old times, listening to punk songs all night. Finau visits Big E, his impound guy. They go through Hope's car and find a note in the AC vent.

Back at HQ, Director Tostrud is furious with Blythe for trying to get the fundraiser cancelled. It would make them look weak if POTUS cannot be protected in his own country. He threatens to fire Blythe if he ever tells anyone unauthorised about the current threat.

Onto the note — it just has Todd's signature. The back shows that it's been torn from some flyer. With their systems, they quickly find the whole flyer. It is for a concert at a rundown biker bar near Sugarload. They finally have an advantage as Blythe deduces that Todd didn't think they'd be able to trace the flyer.

Oliveras, Mark, Bell and Finau quickly make their way to the concert. Mark and Finau sneak in as Bell and Oliveras cause a scene by pretending to be the new meth suppliers. Surprisingly, the bar owner, Mike, doesn't react. He reveals that Todd will pay him well if he gives an envelope to whichever undercover cop shows up. Oliveras thinks it is a trap and sticks to her cover.

Mark finds it odd that there are no CCTVs in the bar. He suddenly spots Todd taking photos of Bell and Oliveras. He realises that Todd wanted them there. Mark and Finau start going after him. He starts shooting and in the chaos, he loses the cops.

With their cover blown, Oliveras pushes Mike to give the envelope. Mark realises that this whole charade was so Todd could identify the cops who are after him. The note says that only death can stop him.

Your People Are in Danger

Season 1

Episode Number: 13

Season Episode: 13

Originally aired: Wednesday September 03, 2025
Writer: Derek Haas
Director: Jonathan Brown
Show Stars: Jensen Ackles (LAPD Detective Mark Meachum), Jessica Camacho (DEA Special Agent Amber Oliveras), Eric Dane (FBI Special Agent Nathan Blythe), Violet Beane (FBI Special Agent Evan Shepherd), Elliot Knight (FBI Special Agent Keyonte Bell), Uli Latukefu (LAPD Detective Lucas Finau), Bogdan Yasinski (Yuri Volchek)
Guest Stars: Michelle DeShon (Molly Shepherd), Joe Dinicol (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald), Eddie Aguirre (Dr. Julio Beltran), Grant Harvey (Todd), Aaron Lazar (George Shelby), Kiff VandenHeuvel (Randy Mankin), Caitlin Carver (Todd's Wife), Jefferson White (Seth Lewis), Rachel Armstrong (Heather), Scot Ruggles (ADIC Jay Tostaud), Aaron Ford (Bonner), Scott Broderick (Del Kilmartin), Lacey Claire Rogers (Hannah), Matisse Mazur (Dougray Rawlston), Andre Boyer (Tanaka), Matt Orduna (Larry), Kristy Munden (Receptionist), Christopher Lusti (Worthington), Deanne Black (Gilly), Joshua Dov (Hopper)
Summary: The team zeroes in on a suspect and moves for a take-down... but soon find one of their own in grave danger.



The episode begins with Todd making a toxic gas. Oliveras texts Mark to discuss her theory of Todd being in law enforcement. He ghosts her to hook up with his LAPD colleague, Hannah.

The next morning, Oliveras is annoyed that Mark hasn't responded. She gets further frustrated as Julio has plans involving road trips and dinner with his friends. She shuts it all down, citing that her work is unpredictable. He takes it in stride but she is uncomfortable with all the domesticity.

Molly has relapsed and never shows up for dinner with Shepherd. She comes stumbling home with her drug dealer boyfriend. As Shepherd storms out, she notices the drug dealer's license plate.

At the HQ, Oliveras calls Mark out for ghosting her and they bicker about Julio. Meanwhile, Bell is busy analysing the biker bar's CCTV. They get a lead as Shepherd finds the manifesto's inspiration in Randy Mankin's radio show. It's the MAGA conspiratorial radio show Todd listens to.

As Mark and Oliveras head out to question the RJ, a curious Mark asks about Julio. Oliveras claims she likes the stability and he calls it boring.

Onto the investigation, Mankin is surprisingly helpful. He has tons of obsessive fans and his company keeps them on a watchlist. They don't find Todd and Blythe orders the company to expand their cyber security perimeters.

POTUS is arriving in 6 days for the fundraiser and Blythe demands security details. He is stressed as his boss, Tostrud asks if the task force is in danger.

Meanwhile, Shepherd looks into Molly's drug dealer boyfriend with the help of Finau. Bell has seen him hanging around Molly often and he has tons of criminal charges.

Back to the case, Finau has put out an alert on Todd's sniper rifle. His FBI contact mentions a 6-month-old raid involving the same models. Oliveras asks about the FBI agents on the case, still pursuing her theory.

She is also bothered by Mark's comment and confronts him. She tries hard to defend Julio but Mark claims civilians won't understand them or their baggage.

She tries to call his bluff but he doubles down and says their relationship would be effortless. They have chemistry and she knows it. The moment breaks as she laughs. She thinks he's messing around and he lets her believe it. But it seems he meant what he said.

A while later, Julio calls and apologises for pushing Oliveras. He is just happy to have her around. She quickly hangs up as Mark is nearby.

Next, Shepherd asks Oliveras to look into Molly's boyfriend, Dougray Rawlston. He either beats the charges or gets out of parole. She wants to know why the DEA lets him go every time.

Blythe and Fitz are out on a venue visit for the fundraiser. But Shelby insists that everything is secure. He is also impressed with Fitz's perseverance in finding the threat. They are interrupted as they get the news that Todd has burnt his car in an isolated parking lot.

The security guard reveals that Todd had an FBI badge but his thumb was on his name. However, the guard is only able to give a generic description. The arsonist's identity is confirmed as Todd leaves his signature on the car.

The staff claims they didn't see anyone flee the scene and Blythe suspects Todd blended in the crowd. He asks for photos of everyone present.

Mark and Oliveras have to update the cop on site to divert the crowd. The cop is none other than Hannah and Mark is flustered as she teases him. Oliveras catches on and is amused.

Back at base, Blythe updates his boss that Todd may be FBI or someone with access. That night, Hannah texts but Mark ghosts her. The next morning, Oliveras projects her fear and rambles as she hopes Julio isn't bored or unhappy with her. She claims she is happy and her insistence makes him worry. But he leaves it be.

Once she is in her car, a gas emits from the aircon. She faints and Todd kidnaps her.

The task force learns that FBI Agent Seth Vaughn Lewis tried to access information about them 48 hours ago.

Mark worries about Oliveras' absence and Shepherd pings her phone to a cafe. Unfortunately Todd has planted it in the cafe's trash.

The task force looks into Lewis and all of his details match Todd. His car model was seen at the bar, he worked on a case involving religious symbols near Sugarloaf and he lives near the race track. He even worked on the 6-month raid case and is on Mankin's cyber security detail.

As the task force races to Seth's place, Shepherd gets a call that Molly is in the hospital. She's ODeD and in a coma.

At Seth's, the task force finds Todd's wife who tries to warn him. The agents barge in and arrest him. However, Seth is none other than Todd's friend. As expected, he has no idea what's going on and Mark and Blythe find it strange.

It cuts to Todd taking Oliveras to the woods. He gets a call from his boss, an FBI Agent. Ignorant of the identity theft, the boss reveals Seth's arrest. We also learn that Seth and Todd are former partners (hence the same caseload) and Todd has divorced his wife who is now shacking up with Seth. Todd acts shocked by the arrest and hangs up.

Like his ex-wife's dog, Todd frees Oliveras and tells her to run. As she runs, he gets ready to shoot her with his sniper rifle and the episode comes to a close.

Actor Appearances

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Tim Abell	1
0103 (Warden Gil Thompson)	
Kevin Acevedo	1
0102 (Erasmo)	
Eddie Aguirre	4
0109 (Dr. Julio Beltran); 0110 (Dr. Julio Beltran);	
0111 (Dr. Julio Beltran); 0113 (Dr. Julio Bel-	
tran)	
Ana Alexander	1
0104 (Tatiana Durko)	
Rico E. Anderson	1
0112 (Randall Took)	
Rachel Armstrong	13
0101 (Heather); 0102 (Heather); 0103 (Heather);	
0104 (Heather); 0105 (Heather); 0106 (Heather);	
0107 (Heather); 0108 (Heather); 0109 (Heather);	
0110 (Heather); 0111 (Heather); 0112 (Heather);	
0113 (Heather)	

B

Panna Dominika Bíró	1
0105 (Kira)	
James Babson	1
0110 (Captain Unger)	
Christian Barber	1
0101 (LAPD Sgt. Hugh Lambert)	
Nick Bardin	2
0103 (Dmitry Kotov); 0104 (Dmitry Kotov)	
Anna Barraza	1
0101 (Latina Girl)	
Alastair Bayardo	1
0104 (Surgeon)	
Earl Baylon	2
0107 (Big Eddy); 0112 (Big Eddy)	
Greg Benson	1
0101 (Dr. Condrey)	
Nicola Bertram	1
0105 (Amy Moreno)	
Betsy Beutler	1
0112 (Valerie Sparks)	
Deanne Black	1
0113 (Gilly)	
Aaron Blakely	1
0101 (Charles)	
Ricky Blanco	1
0108 (Vasquez)	
Troy Blendell	1
0101 (SSA Ray Kubler)	
Ronnie Gene Blevins	1
0112 (Mike Collins)	
Andre Boyer	1
0113 (Tanaka)	
Emily Bridges	1
0101 (Meredith Darden)	

Scott Broderick	1
0113 (Del Kilmartin)	
Amanda Brooks	1
0104 (Cora Drew)	
Hudson Brown	1
0105 (Delphi Manager Gregory)	
Jason C. Brown	1
0108 (Detective Barna)	
Leith Burke	1
0101 (Maurice Spellman)	

C

Pancho Cardena	1
0102 (Gregorio Ruiz)	
Caitlin Carver	2
0111 (Todd's Wife); 0113 (Todd's Wife)	
Karina Noelle Castillo	1
0112 (Carmela)	
Alison Chace	1
0109 (Lydia)	
Daniel Chernish	3
0103 (Mikhail Durko); 0104 (Mikhail Durko); 0108	
(Mikhail Durko)	
Chelsea Rose Cook	1
0110 (Nurse)	
Julie Craig	1
0112 (Reilly Miller)	
Krisztián Csákvári	1
0105 (Vlad)	

D

Johnny D'Esposito	1
0108 (Stick)	
Sam Daly	1
0107 (Commander Aynesworth)	
Marcus DeAnda	1
0102 (Gerardo)	
Michelle DeShon	5
0108 (Molly Shepherd); 0109 (Molly Shepherd); 0110	
(Molly Shepherd); 0112 (Molly Shepherd); 0113	
(Molly Shepherd)	
Jordyn Denning	1
0105 (Rosemary)	
Joe Dinicol	4
0110 (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald); 0111 (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzger-	
ald); 0112 (Ryan "Fitz" Fitzgerald); 0113 (Ryan	
"Fitz" Fitzgerald)	
William Dixon	1
0108 (Roger Fischer)	
David Douglas	1
0101 (Coach Frank)	
Joshua Dov	1
0113 (Hopper)	

E

Kandiss Edmundson.....	1
0109 (Dr. Lamb)	
Mary Beth Evans.....	1
0108 (Lorie)	

F

Marypat Farrell.....	1
0105 (Socialite Francine)	
Jacob Figueroa.....	1
0102 (Cedro)	
Steve Filice.....	1
0104 (Police Chief)	
Aaron Ford.....	1
0113 (Bonner)	
V.J. Foster.....	1
0108 (Older Man)	
Brittany Freeth.....	1
0104 (Marta)	

G

Gregory Gast.....	1
0106 (Dale)	
John Gatins.....	1
0107 (Zabo)	
Cameron Edward Gayden.....	1
0102 (Memo)	
Chet Grissom.....	1
0101 (Jim Talbott)	
Matthew Gudernatch.....	1
0103 (Waiter)	

H

Jayne Han.....	1
0101 (Jee Kim)	
Adam Harrington.....	1
0105 (Tim Carmichael)	
Grant Harvey.....	3
0111 (Todd); 0112 (Todd); 0113 (Todd)	
Keenan Henson.....	1
0111 (Hunter 2)	
Roderick Hill.....	1
0105 (Clarke)	
David G. Holland.....	1
0108 (Officer)	
Boise Holmes.....	1
0101 (DHS Chief Officer)	
Patrick Hume.....	1
0111 (Trevor Kellen "TK" Pasternak)	

J

Jeremiah OC Jahi.....	1
0110 (Palma)	
Grace Jenkins.....	3
0103 (Cameron Finau); 0109 (Cameron Finau); 0110 (Cameron Finau)	
Denzel Johnson.....	1
0109 (Detective Clausen)	

K

Matt Kaminsky.....	3
0108 (Jerry); 0109 (Jerry); 0110 (Jerry)	
Morrison Keddie.....	1
0112 (Walter)	

Stephanie T. Keefer.....	1
0106 (Karen)	
Lily Keene.....	1
0108 (Sharon)	
Charles Kim.....	1
0101 (SA Steve Cha)	
Joy Sung Kim.....	1
0101 (Korean Woman)	
Prisca Kim.....	1
0110 (Kim)	

L

Rey Laredo.....	1
0102 (MBP Guard)	
Toby Larsen.....	1
0101 (Zach Darden)	
Jo-Marie Lawrence.....	1
0101 (Stella Myers)	
Autumn Layne.....	3
0103 (Kennedy Finau); 0109 (Kennedy Finau); 0110 (Kennedy Finau)	
Aaron Lazar.....	3
0111 (George Shelby); 0112 (George Shelby); 0113 (George Shelby)	
Valerie Loo.....	1
0111 (Venetia Lim)	
Devin Looc.....	1
0101 (Bruno)	
Michael Lopez.....	1
0108 (SWAT Commander)	
Christopher Lusti.....	1
0113 (Worthington)	
Pasha Lychnikoff.....	4
0105 (Iosif Astapov); 0106 (Iosif Astapov); 0108 (Iosif Astapov); 0109 (Iosif Astapov)	
Nicole Lyn.....	3
0103 (Amina Finau); 0109 (Amina Finau); 0110 (Amina Finau)	

M

Carolyn Maraghi.....	1
0109 (Jaqueline)	
Erik Marion.....	1
0104 (ER Doctor)	
Chris Marroy.....	1
0102 (Daniels)	
Aaron Marshall.....	1
0111 (Hunter 1)	
Alex Matthews.....	1
0110 (Jordan)	
Craig Mazin.....	1
0107 (Weiss)	
Matisse Mazur.....	1
0113 (Dougray Rawlston)	
Merrick McCartha.....	6
0102 (DA Grayson Valwell); 0103 (DA Grayson Valwell); 0104 (DA Grayson Valwell); 0105 (DA Grayson Valwell); 0107 (DA Grayson Valwell); 0110 (DA Grayson Valwell)	
Rod McLachlan.....	2
0107 (Sergey Belyaev); 0109 (Sergey Belyaev)	
Jonathan von Mering.....	5
0105 (Andrej Sobol); 0106 (Andrej Sobol); 0107 (Andrej Sobol); 0109 (Andrej Sobol); 0110 (Andrej Sobol)	
Anna Mhairi.....	1
0111 (Danielle)	
Danny Minnick.....	1
0112 (Cigs)	

Samson Moeakiola	1
0106 (Sam Johnson)	
Adrian M. Mompont	1
0108 (Cione)	
Nikolay Moss	2
0105 (Danill); 0106 (Danill)	
Kristy Munden	1
0113 (Receptionist)	

O

Matt Orduna	1
0113 (Larry)	
Kate Orsini	1
0111 (TK's Ex-Wife)	

P

Ryan Padilla	1
0105 (BPD Jordan)	
Joe Pistone	1
0108 (John Ross)	
Moniqua Plante	1
0112 (Hope Miller)	
Tamás Podlovics	1
0105 (Pilot)	
Ryan Pratton	1
0106 (Galen)	
Mark Puchinsky	1
0103 (Timur Novikov)	

Q

Michanne Guinney	1
0104 (Paramedic)	
Ryan de Quintal	2
0105 (Rolf Morozov); 0107 (Rolf Morozov)	

R

Angel Rivera	1
0112 (Troy Ballard)	
Duke Davis Roberts	1
0106 (Shawn Gallagher)	
Lacey Claire Rogers	1
0113 (Hannah)	
Mark Rowe	1
0108 (Rory Grogan)	
Scot Ruggles	2
0112 (ADIC Jay Tostaud); 0113 (ADIC Jay Tostaud)	

S

Vick Sabian	1
0108 (Aaman)	
Dan Sachoff	1
0108 (Peter Kelly)	
Harry Santiago	1
0108 (LAPD Detective)	
Dima Savyan	1
0102 (Anton)	
Zack Sayenko	1
0108 (Lubomir Piskun)	
Sean Sekino	1
0101 (Chun)	
Brent Sexton	1
0102 (Dennis)	
Alex Sgambati	1
0112 (Kara Gonzalez)	

Teddi Shaffer	1
0109 (Robin)	
Alan Silva	1
0101 (Gabriel)	
P.K. Simone	1
0104 (Van Herron)	
Bradley Snedeker	1
0109 (Detective Flagler)	
Joseph Julian Soria	1
0102 (Javi Lopez)	
Gabriel Sousa	1
0108 (Barkley)	
Dwayne Standridge	1
0110 (Connelly)	
Nicholas Stoesser	1
0105 (Sam)	
Joanna Strapp	1
0109 (Nurse Carrie)	

T

Stephen Monroe Taylor	1
0106 (Wade Trippett)	
Jonathan Togo	4
0101 (Damon Drew); 0102 (Damon Drew); 0103 (Damon Drew); 0104 (Damon Drew)	

V

Péter Végő	1
0102 (Pavel Kostenko)	
Kiff VandenHeuvel	1
0113 (Randy Mankin)	
Milo Ventimiglia	1
0101 (Robert Darden)	

W

Justin Wade	1
0112 (Abe Dockman)	
Maurice Webster	1
0109 (Terry)	
Jefferson White	2
0111 (Todd's Friend); 0113 (Seth Lewis)	
Jules Willcox	1
0110 (Caty Blythe)	
Nicholas Wittman	1
0105 (Matt Woodley)	
Chad Wood	1
0107 (Jan Karmanov)	
Sam Breslin Wright	1
0107 (Robert Langbert)	

Y

Brian Yang	1
0111 (Kieran Teo)	
Kurt Yue	1
0111 (Ho)	

Z

Robb Zbacnik	1
0103 (Prison Guard)	