

# Ready for Love, Episode 6: Finding Love in Paradise



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This week on *Ready for Love*, we went to one of my absolute favorite places, Hawaii. My two best friends from childhood went to University of Hawaii at Manoa, so I have been to Oahu a few times, but this was my first time in Kona.

A really funny thing that viewers didn't see is that we literally had to go straight from the plane to our date. The flight attendants kept asking what we were doing and what show we were on. We were cracking up because, obviously, we couldn't tell them anything. It was quite apparent that something was up when we're trying to do our hair and makeup in our seats and the small restrooms. Have you ever tried to

get ready for a date in an airplane bathroom? It was a bit stressful for all of us, especially knowing that it's going to be televised for the whole world to see.

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At the airport, security questioned our purpose for the trip, and I joked with the guard and said, "Yeah, our boyfriend surprised us all with a trip to Hawaii." He gave me a crazy stare, but I figured we might as well make light of dating the same guy!

Whatever stress we felt immediately went away the second we hit the beach. We boarded the catamaran where we all got to enjoy each other's company and the beautiful scenery.

You only saw three dates that took place with Ben: Beth, Renae and Tarryn. Ben and I had a really great date too! I was his last date, and we spent the evening soaking in a hot tub with a waterfall surrounding it. It was gorgeous, and we got to sit and talk more in depth. I really started to connect with him when we discussed our families and our similar upbringings. Our parents both divorced when we were the same age, and we're both very close to our moms, who came from big families.

I also talked to him about what I was looking for in a potential husband. This process can be especially difficult since the girl is pursuing the guy in an unconventional manner, so it was important to me that Ben knew that I had qualities that I wanted in a man. A big must-have is that my guy not only has knowledge but also wisdom and discernment when making choices. Trust, honesty and integrity are key for a solid foundation with anyone, whether it be a romantic partner or a friend.

We ended the night with a champagne toast, and I slipped Ben a little note that I wrote on the plane telling him my thoughts about the experience so far.

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Our house wasn't so "kumbaya" after we got back to Los Angeles. There were only a few of us left, and we were all becoming more private about our dates.

I am a huge family person – I believe it is one of the most important things in life. So I'm definitely excited to meet Ben's family on next week's episode. You'll have to tune in on Tuesday to see what happens!