


# 'The Bachelor' Season Premiere Tonight with Brad Womack!



 By Krissy Dolor

Your feet may be dragging at work today since it's the Monday after your New Years celebrations, but who cares? ABC's *The Bachelor* returns tonight with the man who has broken hearts before – Brad Womack. In tonight's season 15 premiere, Brad will select a group of 20 women from a pool of 30 bachelorette contestants. He'll even face DeAnna Pappas and Jenni Croft, the two women he rejected at the end of his first stint on the show. Whether you love Brad or hate his guts, you know you'll have to watch! It airs **Monday, 1/3 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time**. And remember to stop by tomorrow for our recap of the episode! Happy watching!

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## Meet the 30 Contestants for 'The Bachelor' Season 15



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Now that you've read all about Brad Womack, we know you're dying to meet the ladies that will compete for his heart in this season of ABC's *The Bachelor*. Despite the intense

backlash, Womack is back. And while there are no cheerleaders, like Jenni Croft, or real estate agents, like DeAnna Pappas, there *is* a Radio City Rockette and a real estate broker. Here's a brief rundown of the women in store for the season 11 heartbreaker:

Median age: 27

- 7 blondes
- 16 brunettes
- 6 brunettes posing as blondes
- 1 strawberry blonde bordering redhead
- 2 nannys
- 2 teachers
- 25 tattoos
- 3 tramp stamps
- 2 Ashleys
- 2 Lisas
- 2 Sarahs
- 1 "J" (does she think this is the *Jersey Shore*?)
- 1 manscaper (what a profession!)

Lots of the girls love the Fourth of July (fireworks, anyone?) and Halloween. A bunch like to drink Diet Coke (watching their figures?). More than half have pets. Four women are from California, three are from Washington and Florida, and two are from Colorado and Texas. These are your contestants from New York and New Jersey. And everyone swears they're a romantic.

But does this mean the public dumper will find love the second time around?


Many of them look like the beauty pageant variety, but who knows if their in-house demeanor will match their picture-perfect head shots – or be a fit for Womack's finicky heart. It's too early to call the shots on these ladies, but only a few more days until we get to see who makes the first cut!

Want more on these gals (or just want to nitpick)? Follow Cupid and check out ABC's in-depth look here. Think 30 bachelorettes are too much to remember? Download ABC's Cheat Sheet (Cupid will, too!) and stay on top of your game. And be sure to come back next week for our first recap of this season's premiere on Monday, Jan. 3rd at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time.

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## 5 Things You Need to Know About the New 'Bachelor' Brad Womack



 By Kari Arneson

The most controversial Bachelor ever is back Jan. 3! Whether you're new to the series or are already a devoted fan, here are some things you need to know about Brad Womack before tuning in:

**1. He's a self-made man:** Born in Atlanta, Brad was raised alongside his two brothers in a single-parent home. At the age of 28, he bought his first drinking establishment. He currently owns and operates several bars and restaurants in Austin, Texas.

**2. He's not new:** As the season 11 Bachelor in 2007, Brad Womack had a choice between Jenni Croft and DeAnna Pappas in the season finale. For the first time in *Bachelor* history, he chose neither woman and ended up where he started: single. In season 15, Brad is now back for a second chance at love.

**3. He has to prove himself:** Brad earned the ire of millions of women when he rejected DeAnna and Jenni during the finale. By choosing to return, he'll need to prove that he's ready to commit and win the trust of the bachelorettes on the show.

**4. He's looking for a friend:** When asked what kind of woman he's looking for, he said he's "been there and done that." He just wants a friend and someone he can be himself around.

**5. He's wiser:** Since he's already been the Bachelor, Brad has learned what to do – and what *not* to do – so he won't make the same mistakes again. He's also spent the last three years in intensive therapy that led him to personal revelations about his commitment issues.