

Celebrity Interview: Engaged! 'Temptation Island' Reality Star, Evan Smith Gushes Over Finding His 'Soul Mate' Morgan Lolar



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When we last spoke to Evan Smith, he had given us some insight into his time as a cast member on the first season of *Temptation Island* as well as his strong connection with Morgan Lolar, one of the singles on the show. What we couldn't tell you then is that we spoke to both [Evan](#) and [Morgan](#), and they spilled the beans to us about their surprise engagement!

Find out everything Evan couldn't say and more in our follow-up [celebrity interview](#) below. We got the scoop from Evan on his life after the show, his proposal to Morgan, and what their future wedding and living plans look like.

Check out our celebrity interview with Evan Smith as he opens up about his exciting engagement and future with Morgan Lolar:

1. You can finally share the news that you and Morgan are engaged! What does that feel like?

Yes! I am so happy that I can talk freely about it. I am so pumped. I am so happy I get to be out in the open with all of

it.

2. Can you walk me through the show ending?

After the show wrapped, we stayed together in Hawaii for three or four extra days with no cameras. We wanted to enjoy the island, and be together and be ourselves. We then flew to L.A. and spent about three to four days in L.A., too. Then, I went to my apartment, I grabbed my stuff, and then flew to Arlington and Morgan and I have been together every day since.

3. Tell us about Kaci. What happened there? How did you break the news to her?

So on the finale, we were given the choice to stay with the person we came with, leave single, or leave with another person. Kaci made the decision that she wanted to leave with me, and my decision was that there was no way that I was ever going to leave that island without Morgan. So, the news was broke to her there, and then when I got back to L.A., Morgan and I spent a few days together and then she jetted to Arlington and the next day I caught my flight to Virginia as well. Kaci and I had a conversation in our apartment. We talked about her side of the island, my side of the island, what went down editing wise. I told her that I really love Morgan and I have fallen hard for her. I told her that I wish nothing but the best for her.

4. The way you feel about Morgan, did you feel like that about Kaci in the beginning?

I have learned a lot about myself on this island. I learned that there is a difference between being in love and being comfortable with someone you have known so long. It is a huge difference and I finally figured out the difference. You need someone in this life to balance you out. I am passionate and emotional and Morgan is more serious. We balance each other well and I needed that so badly in my life. She truly is my other half that I've been looking for.

5. Clearly, there are other families involved when you're in a relationship for a long time. Did you speak to Kaci's family at all?

It was tough. When you've been together for so long, families are involved. To be completely frank, I was never that close with Kaci's family even though they lived so close. We maybe hung out 15 times in the past five years being together. In contrast, I am with Morgan's mom and dad twice a week no matter what. Whether it's watching a basketball game, or going to get some beers on Taco Tuesday or playing Dominoes. So, its very different. I have had no conversations with Kaci's family. I think we are both grown. We are approaching 30. I love family, but I think with a break-up like that, I think it is better for it just to be between the significant others.

6. Can you tell us about Morgan's family?

I love this family. It is my family now too. I wish that you got to see that. I don't have any father figures both my grandfather's are dead and I lost my dad the way I did. Morgan brought me to tears on the island because she looked me dead in the eye and told me, "I will share my dad with you." I broke down. It is just a testament to show you what kind of girl Morgan is. She is a twin. She has shared her whole life and it is in her nature and her heart.

7. Can you walk us through the proposal and how that happened?

Yes! I would love to do that. You are the first one that I can talk to about it!

Morgan and I had spoken about getting married. To be completely honest, we talked about it, and I told her it would be around her birthday on May 2nd. When you know you know, and I never understood that phrase when I would hear it from people who had been married for 50 years. But, I know exactly what they are talking about and it is lightening in a bottle, [just like Mark said.](#) I've felt like this for so long, ever

since we got back from the island. I had been having dreams of Morgan in a white dress, walking down the aisle, and I just thought I don't want to wait any longer. I want to make this happen. I just had to do it. So, we were getting ready for the six month home packages that they were about to film and I talked to production and basically told them that I was in love with this girl and there was no way I was spending any more of my days without her. So, I would love to propose to her on the comebacks.

Production loved the idea. So, I was trying the whole week to get away from Morgan because we spend all of our time together, and I was trying to shake her, so I could talk to her dad for his blessing. The night before I proposed, I finally shook her, and I drove to her father Dave and sat down and told him 'I want to have a conversation with you. 'I can't imagine life without Morgan. I love her with all of my heart and soul, and I promise to take care of her, and I need your blessing to marry her. He's a very loving man, even though he doesn't show it that much, and he looked me in the eye, and said he loved me and that I am part of this family now and it was amazing (You could hear Evan crying in the background).

The whole day was magical. We did a shoot at the National Mall and then we sat down at the dinner and I was so nervous but so happy and excited. It was amazing. I told her that I spoke to her father and in this conversation I had with him, he gave me his blessing to marry her and she just started ugly crying. So, I got down on one knee and told her, 'I can't imagine not spending every single day with you forever and always. Will you make me the luckiest man alive and marry me?' She said yes, and it's been amazing every day.

8. So, Kaci knows you're engaged now. Did she have any reaction to this?

I don't know. I have had zero communication with Kaci. I think it is better that way. I know that she has been saying things

on social media. I have just been quiet on my end. I am happy. I am living in the now and cannot wait to just move forward.

9. Are you and Morgan planning on making D.C./Arlington your home?

We talked about it. This is my first winter out here on the East Coast. It was very different walking Ghost (Evan's dog) in the snow versus my 77 degree weather in L.A.. We are going to spend the summer here in D.C and after we will probably be moving to the West Coast. She has ties to Arizona because she grew up there, and I'm an L.A. boy, born and raised. So, we are probably going to make the push out to L.A. in the fall, but we have to figure out a few things before that.

9. Do you have any dates or locations in mind for your wedding?

We've been pretty loose about the dates, but my family and I have 20 acres of land in Hawaii, so maybe there. We might do it in L.A., we're still trying to iron all of that out. I gotta marry this girl though. I want to be married, I want to start our life together. We've talked about it, and we're thinking tentatively spring of 2020, the latest being next summer. We're trying to make it happen

10. Are you guys thinking about starting a family right away?

We have definitely talked about it. We both want children. We don't want them in the far off future. We want them kinda soon, but it would never be before we are married or anything like that, but we want to start a family. I can't imagine a better partner. There's nobody better than Morgan and I'm just so lucky and so blessed to have her in my life.

11. So, this is really it for you? There are no doubts? It is not a rebound? Sounds like you found it.

Yes, I found it. It's so funny because I talked about why I

haven't been able to get down on one knee for Kaci, and there was always something in the back of my head saying it's just not right. It is not it. The reason why it wasn't it was because I was still waiting for my soul mate. All those trials and tribulations I was going through in that relationship, brought me to that island and the stars had to align for both of us to be on that island at the same time. It's so magical, and I understand how blessed I am. I wake up every morning and count my blessings with her. It's incredible, and everyday with this girl is incredible. I know it sounds so sappy, but it is real.

When you know, you know, and I've never been so happy in my entire life.

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Celebrity Interview: She's Engaged! Temptation Island Reality Star, Morgan Lolar Talks About Falling in Love with Evan Smith



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When filming began for the rebooted reality sensation, *Temptation Island*, Morgan Lolar came to Hawaii as a

single woman with no expectations of falling in love. But love hit her hard when she met Evan Smith, a man who came on the show confused about the status of his relationship with long-term girlfriend, Kaci Campbell. Now, Evan and Morgan are happily engaged and they couldn't be more excited for their future together!

In our exclusive [celebrity interview](#), we chat with Morgan about her initial connection with Evan, the scenes that didn't make it on the show as well as why going on *Temptation Island* was the best decision she's ever made.

Check out our celebrity interview with Morgan Lolar to hear all about her time on *Temptation Island*:

1. You seem so charismatic and confident. Why explore love on a reality show, especially when you know that people are in relationships and may not be single?

That was actually the hardest part for me. I almost didn't even go on the show. The night before the producers called me and were like your flight is in a few hours, are you going? I was like 'uh' I just didn't know how I was going to do it. My friends convinced me to go on the plane. I could see myself being on a reality show, but I never saw myself being on a dating reality show. So, it was very hard for me, but it was the best decision I've ever made in my life, So, I am so happy that I did it.

2. Were you nervous about falling for someone who was either just ending a relationship or confused about the status of their relationship?

Yes, initially that was one of the reasons I was scared to go on the show because I didn't want to interfere with someone's

relationship. But, I was assured several times that these couples were at extreme crossroads, and they were basically stuck in their relationships and were scared to meet other people because they didn't think they would get the time they needed to meet other people because of dating nowadays. Anyone can relate to that and I feel like a lot of people have been in relationships where they are just with the person because they're comfortable, and I know that I have done that before too. So, I sympathize with that and was like okay, I will try it.

3. Did you all of the worst case scenarios in your head before the show? For example, what if I fall for someone and they are with someone, how do I prepare myself for that, etc?

Absolutely not, I didn't prepare myself for anything. When my family and friends convinced me to do it, they said 'Morgan, your dating life here [In D.C.] sucks, you're not happy right now, you've never been to Hawaii, it's gonna be fun, so just go and do it.' So basically my head was like I am going to make friends and have fun. I definitely did not think that I was going to fall in love with somebody at all. It goes to show that the best things happen when you are not expecting them at all.

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4. What was life like before you appeared on the show, did you have to leave a job?

I'm a real estate agent, so I have a really flexible schedule. Also, what makes it even better is that my mom is also a real estate agent in the area. She lives about 7 miles away from me, so when they were convincing me to go she was like, I will take care of whatever it is that you need me to take care of. It is going to be fine, you are going. I really didn't have an excuse. My job wasn't going to be affected.

5. You and Evan seemed to really hit it off. Was there any initial hesitation and what convinced you to go all in?

As everyone saw, there was the whole confrontation that happened the first night we were in the house. I had not talked to Evan at all really. I really didn't get any words in with him. So, my first real interaction was me screaming at him that I don't like him. It started out really rocky, but after he asked me out on that first date, it was maybe two sentences into talking to him and I was like 'whoa' this is not what I expected. We hit it off right away.

6. What was it that attracted you to him?

That is the thing that is so funny. I thought he was attractive initially. I said to Katherine, 'Oh, he is really attractive' and she took that and ran with it and told him that I liked him. Which, of course anyone would probably get frustrated over that. But, mostly what attracted me to him was once we were on our first date, I kind of messed with him a little bit. I'm extremely dry with my humor and I'm sarcastic, and right away he just got it. He was cool with it and really funny. He let me mess with him and he really just got my humor right away. We were laughing the entire time.

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7. Were there any particular scenes that the viewers didn't see that you wish they did?

Oh my gosh. Are there any? Almost like every episode I was like 'what' they aren't showing what actually happened. I know they don't have the time to do that and I guess it is more entertaining to watch us make out in slow-mo than it is for us to talk about our lives and stuff.

But in terms of a specific time, we were talking about our

lives growing up and I have a twin brother and a little sister and he has two brothers. We would talk about the things that we would do when we were little and he asked me to tell him something that I did when I was little that I still do now. I told him that he was going to think I was such a weirdo, but I still make forts sometimes. I don't know why I do it, but it is really weird. He would make fun of me for it, but then a few days later, I go up to his room, and he made me a fort. It was like the cutest thing that you've ever seen. He had taken like all the chairs and seats and stuff and made this really cute fort. We hung out in there, and they didn't show it. I was like, that would have been something to get to know us and our relationship. He is so sweet and they don't show that.

8. On a scale of 1-10, what were your feelings for Evan on the show?

It went from a negative five to a 10 really, really, really fast. It was our first date. I think he said the same thing. After our first date, I was like oh wow, this guy, I really, really like him. It was quick. It was crazy.

9. Can you tell us what your status is now and your future?

Yes, I am actually engaged now! It's actually the most exciting thing in my entire life! I didn't expect this at all, it's crazy. He hid it so well. I had no idea. He is so frickin' sweet.

So, apparently my engagement got leaked on Twitter or something. The guy who posted it, said it was the fourth time that he proposed. It is so funny because the camera crew were there, so it happened and I was like bawling. He did it so perfectly, but they had to film it again, so he had to get back on his knee again. The entire time, I am just still crying because I am in shock that this happened. So, it wasn't fake like they made it seem, like he didn't do it right four times. They made it seem like it wasn't cute but it was

beautiful the entire time and he did it perfect. That is something that bothers me but it is what it is.

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10. So here is Evan proposing to you and confirming his commitment to you in the biggest way. But what are you feeling about the other side of this, about Kaci? What are you thinking knowing what she went through? You are a woman, there must be something going through your head.

First of all, you mentioned proving his commitment to me. I have never felt like that at all with Evan. I don't understand, and I wasn't in their relationship, but with him and I, I don't question him at all. There is nothing to ever make me think that I'm not number one in his life. That is also why I was really shocked because I wasn't pushing him to propose or anything. So, I think it just goes to show that when you know, you know. He wanted to do it and was excited to do it. That's what made it even more special, because I wasn't expecting him to propose to me. It's only been six months.

11. How long were you together when he proposed?

We went on our first date on September 16th, and he proposed on February 25th, so we figured out that it was five months and a day. It's actually a really cute story because Evan is really close with my parents now and my dad was talking to him and told him, 'you know it's really funny because I proposed to Morgan's mom after five months exactly.'" He didn't know that and now you proposed to Morgan in five months and one day.' My parents have been together for 25 years now.

12. So what was life like after the show. You have to have this secret love and you can't say anything, what was that like?

It is really hard to keep someone that you love and want to be with all the time hidden. It's impossible, my friends all know him here, but we always have to do something at somebody's house. We can't really go to the bars. Once the show started, we would be at the gym and someone would recognize us so we now Evan can't go to the gym and I was like you can bench press me if you want and he was like, that's not going to work. It is really hard. It is a lot harder than than people think it would be, especially because it has been a long time. It's been like six months.

13. So what is your future? Where are you guys living?

After the show ended, which was around October 5th, we stayed in Hawaii for 2 days and then we flew to California. He stayed in California for an extra day and then packed all of his stuff and flew to D.C. He's been living with me ever since. We have spent every single day together. We're more in love every day. We just love one another. And it is so cool because there is no one in the world going through what I am going through right now with the hate and and all of this stuff. It is really bad except for him. He is going through it too. It is really sad. We are the villains of the show but we are the only ones who found love. There are days when he is getting beat up by the media, but he knows that he can just come and hug me because he knows that I understand it. He knows that I am going through the same thing that he is going through.

14. How do you handle all of the haters and social media in general?

We tell ourselves it is love, it's just love. Learn about it.

15. Was there anything you would have done differently on the show, or do you have any regrets about the way that things were handled?

I don't have any regrets about how things went with us. It is just how the show made it seem. It made it seem like Evan

and I were sleeping together right away, when he didn't even kiss me until our third date together. It made it seem like after our first date we were sleeping together. That's Reality TV though, it has to look more interesting. Other people were sleeping together, but we were the only ones shown doing it. It's crazy. The one thing I would change is that I said the F word a lot, but that is probably it.

16. Let's go back to Kaci. Do her and Evan talk? Do you know anything going on with her?

They do not speak at all anymore. She was messaging him all the time and he was very honest with me. He would show me the stuff that she was saying. It was a lot. She was asking him to come back and crazy things. Finally he asked her to stop contacting him, because it wasn't fair to me. Then on New Years we were sitting with my family, watching It's a Wonderful Life and she texted him 27 messages in a row.

17. What's next for you guys? Would you do a spin-off or more reality TV?

We would love to do more reality TV just because we're hilarious together. We balance each other out so well. He is super emotional, while I'm not. I feel like I'm the funny one, since he laughs at every single thing I do. We're just super cute. We balance each other out super well. So I think it would be really good. We want to do something like the Challenge just because we're both college athletes, and we have a really fun dynamic.

18. Are you thinking about wedding plans?

Evan is; he already started thinking about all of that. He wants to get married in the spring or summer of 2020. I feel really happy about that. He's just so great. He is like the planner, and I'm not at all. I am more go with the flow. I feel so so lucky!

I don't know what's next. We are just in love. We are both just so happy. This is the best thing that I have ever done. It is so crazy. Love is love you know, and it's one of the best decisions I made, which is crazy because I almost didn't go.

This season of *Temptation Island* may be over, but you can still keep up with Morgan and her love story by following her on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).