

“The Experts”-Character Breakdown

(In order of appearance)

Shelly Durrough- Woman, 41 and proud of it. Shelly is a middle aged single woman born in New Jersey but settled in Arkansas post-grad from Loyola. Her expertise is in decorative eggs, Tchotchkes, and nicknacks. She moved to Arkansas from Louisiana and now works at a marketing company. She makes cups and t-shirts, pens and lots of other things that a company can pop their logo on. Ever since she was a child, Shelly has had an interest in birds and eggs. She thinks they are very cute. She is a Faberge collector. On the weekend she goes on what she calls “egg hunts” at estate sales, garage sales, and thrift shops. She has no children but lots of hobbies. She has a circle of girlfriends who play spades bi-monthly. She attends church, socially. Fellowship. No artistic abilities but appreciates art. She grew up in the suburbs but had chickens and a small vegetable garden in the back of the humble Jersey home. She was a single child. She studied jazz in New Orleans. Her favorite food is etouffee, though hasn't had it since the new year because it's far too many points on weight watchers.



Friedrick Christenbury-Man, 28 born in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He is an expert in Feng Shui and interior design/ decor. He has a very affected speech pattern and voice that sounds Eastern European, Italian, Russian, and Israeli. Closeted gay man, but painfully faye. He has a “beard” (girlfriend he has to appear straight) and she too suspects that he is gay, but she is happy living with him in his lavish mansion and taking his money. They don’t talk about it, but it works for them. A symbiotic relationship. He is incredibly wealthy because of his inheritance. He is playful but deeply insecure of his appearance and masculinity. He is loveable. He is also very awkward because of a lack of socialization as a child. He is a red head with a small frame. Never kissed a guy before, but thinks about it often. He is now his own boss and is an interior designer for the wealthy of Fort Lauderdale, FL- Friedrick and Co.



Cory Walker-Man, 23 years old. Southern and conservative. Votes red. Cory's top teeth never came in from childhood. He has bottom teeth, but the top never grew in. Because of his lack of teeth, Cory has developed an incredible sense of smell. His expertise is his sense of smell, and he can smell up to three kilometers. He was raised on a farm in the south with six other siblings. It was to eat quickly or not eat at all. He lives in the same town in Tennessee that he was born in. He stayed put. Due to his almost supernatural ability to smell, he is a truffle hunter. He doesn't need a pig to help find the truffles, he is the pig. When one sense is lessened, another sense is stronger. He also helps local PD find missing people as he feels it's his civic duty. He plans on using the million dollars to get a top set of veneers



Linda Schneider- 51 Woman, “just over the hedge” but claimed 49 for the past three years, mother and wife. Milwaukee native. She has one child named Cornflower who is a dancer. Linda is an expert welder. She is incredibly energetic and lively. She has dad jokes out the wazoo. She is very loving and a bit wacky. She has undying love for her family and for her work/ art of metal work. She is happily married and hopes to use the prize money to put her daughter through dance school. She is determined, tough, and not afraid to speak her mind. She is the only woman in the Hot Shop (welding studio) and is not afraid to stand up for herself. Lots of confidence. She thinks she is sexy. The most difficult part of the competition will be being away from her family for filming.



Matte Black- 25, Male? Who knows, he certainly doesn't care, Emo, punk kid. He doesn't use any sort of labels. He is unique and does not give one single fuck about anyone else. He loves metal and emo music. He's a bookworm and uses books as an escape from daily life. He uses makeup and clothing as an escape from the world as well. He grew up with a single mother in poverty and has always been an outsider. One day, he decided to lean in and become who he has always wanted to be. He is an avid book reader and his expertise is in the Dewey Decimal system. He knows where every book in the library is. He was the type of child to stay inside during recess and draw and read. He likes anime and manga. He doesn't write, but he does like to draw anime girls. He is very independent and comfortable in his skin.. Secretly a sweetheart, just has a tough exterior and takes a while to open up to people. Has a pet hamster or something like that, maybe a gecko, or bearded dragon, something slightly exotic.



Norah Parker- 35, woman, recent divorcee. No children, but does share a therapy pet with her ex-husband. The pet is a bird who helps maintain Norah's anxiety. Norah is a musical prodigy and plays ten instruments. She is a lyric-soprano as well and trained in opera. She has an innate ability and inclination towards music. She has a lot of friends and a lot of girlfriends. She's the type to get a little too drunk at a holiday party. A bit of a wino. She is a terrible cook. She is still jealous and heartbroken. Her husband left her for another woman and she is entering the competition for self discovery and a fresh start. She is still a bit raw, but ready to use her anger to fuel her fight in the competition.



Samantha Flanagan- 25, woman, attractive, the host of the show. She is a British intellectual. She is funny and smart. A bit bossy. She is intimidating at times because of her looks and confidence, but is not mean at all. Very kind, just honest and direct at times, She is a mixture of David Attenborough and the narrator of Bake off. The classic narrator voice for reality TV. She is hot and fashionable. She is a bit of shit stirrer. She is here for the drama. She has a large vocabulary and a bit of an attitude. She has a sass and an attitude but also sweet when she wants to be. Very popular. She was the president of her highschool and prom queen. Her hair remains the same but she expresses herself in clothing and makeup.



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