



## **WORST COOKS IN AMERICA** *Episode Descriptions*

### **Premiering Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 9pm (all times ET/PT) – SEASON PREMIERE!**

#### **“By Land and Sea”**

Fourteen of the country’s worst cooks enter boot camp with dreams of putting their kitchen nightmares behind them. Chefs Anne Burrell and Robert Irvine want to see what they’re dealing with, so they ask the recruits to make their signature dishes and the results are truly disastrous! After being sorted into teams, the recruits dive right into the deep end of the kitchen by learning to make a surf and turf dish. The recruits on each team with the worst dishes are sent home.

### **Premiering Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“Hibachi Heroes”**

The recruits enter boot camp and find it has been transformed into everyone’s favorite game show Family Food!, where the teams go head-to-head in trivia rounds and culinary tasks testing their knowledge of the kitchen. After, the recruits encounter a Teppanyaki chef performing dazzling tricks over a grill. For the Main Dish Challenge, the chefs teach their teams how to make a hibachi-style meal. The recruits who light up the kitchen will continue, but those who stumble will go down in a blaze.

### **Premiering Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“Winner Winner Chicken Dinner”**

The recruits have been cooped up in boot camp for three weeks and it’s time for them to spread their wings. For the Skill Drill, they must work in teams to identify the ingredients of five mother sauces, and then create their own chicken with pan sauce dishes for their chef. The Main Dish Challenge finds the chefs flying south, teaching their recruits to make fried chicken and cornbread. The recruits who do well will stay on in boot camp, but those who struggle will be forced to fly the coop.

### **Premiering Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“The Ick Factor”**

The kitchen can be a scary place and this week, the recruits must learn to face their fears in boot camp. In the Skill Drill, the recruits are forced to expand their palates with some unusual ingredients in a Cake Walk-inspired game that proves to be anything but a cakewalk. Then the recruits get up close and personal with some creatures of the sea, harvesting ink to make fresh squid ink pasta. The brave recruits who conquer their fears will continue on, but those who struggle will be doomed.

### **Premiering Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“Piece of Cake”**

Robert and Anne leave the recruits to their own devices for this week’s Skill Drill, asking them to work in teams to recreate a dish by taste alone. Unbeknownst to the recruits, the chefs secretly watch their every move over CCTV and are shocked by what they see. For the Main Dish Challenge, the recruits have to bake a multi-tiered cake to suit the interests of two very special guest judges: Gesine Prado and Jason Smith. In the end, Anne and Robert must decide which recruits satisfy their sweet tooth, and which ones leave them with a toothache.

### **Premiering Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“Duck, Duck...”**

With only one more week until the winner is crowned, the final four recruits must start thinking about life after boot camp. For the Skill Drill, the recruits learn their way around a grocery store when boot camp is transformed into “Worst Cooks General Market.” For the Main Dish Challenge, the recruits are reunited with their loved ones and asked to make them a dish to show off their new skills. Anne and Robert teach their ducklings how to make duck two ways, a dish sure to impress their nearest and dearest. After, the loved ones taste each of the dishes in a blind taste test, and those that fail to impress risk being eliminated.

### **Premiering Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9pm**

#### **“Finally the Finale”**

The remaining recruits face off in one last Skill Drill to determine who will compete in the finale. To see how far they have come, the recruits recreate their baseline dishes using all the techniques they have learned since entering boot camp. After, Robert and Anne teach their final two recruits how to prepare a three-course, restaurant quality meal. For the final Main Dish Challenge, the two finalists put all their newly learned culinary skills to the test in order to impress a panel of culinary experts. Judges David Burtka, Daphne Oz and Melba Wilson taste the recruits’ dishes in a blind taste test and determine the winner of the \$25,000 prize.