

WEBSERIES REVIEW

Escayne Live Season 1



Director: Siddharth Kumar Tewary
Cast: Siddharth, Jaaved Jaaferi, Shweta Tripathi, Swastika Mukherjee, Plabita Borthakur, Ritvik Sahore

STORY: The series follows the journeys of common people as they compete for fame and fortune on a social media app called Escayne live, which hosts a 30-day contest with a prize pool of three crores for the winner.

REVIEW: Co-written by Jaya Mishra and Siddharth Kumar Tewary, this nine-part series—with each episode lasting about an hour—is both entertaining and fast-paced due to its busy narrative. However, some of the enchantment has worn off due to the fact that the show has too many characters and their reel and real-life stories served one after another for the viewers. Even so, it keeps everyone guessing, from the characters to the viewers, about what will happen next and who will win this competition. Based on the first seven episodes available for review, the climax is expected to be a game-changer.

In terms of acting, Siddharth gives a restrained performance as Krishna. He is the only one who is concerned about making things right, both professionally and personally. But his character are not well developed. 'Escayne Live' briefly addresses social inequality and transgender acceptance, but it ultimately juggles a few stories with which viewers may struggle to connect. Overall, the plot is a little crowded with too many characters and their backstories, which take time to develop but eventually grab your attention.

In-depth Analysis
Our overall critic's rating is not an average of the sub scores below.

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| Direction: | 4.0/5 |
| Dialogues: | 4.0/5 |
| Screenplay: | 4.0/5 |
| Music: | 4.0/5 |
| Action: | 4.0/5 |
| Comedy: | 3.5/5 |
| Visual appeal: | 4.5/5 |

BOOK REVIEW

The Paris Apartment



Title: 'The Paris Apartment'

Author: Lucy Foley

Publisher: HarperCollins

Pages: 416

Price: 375 INR

Review: In 'The Paris Apartment', Lucy Foley invites readers to explore a darker side of the City of Light, i.e. Paris. It follows a young woman – Jess – escaping turmoil in her personal life for the refuge of her journalist brother's (Ben) home in a posh Parisian apartment building, only to find him missing. No one seems to know where he is and no one seems to want to help find him.

As Jess begins to ask questions and search him, it becomes clear that something sinister is unfolding. Ben's investigation into a story lead has put him in real danger. The clock is ticking and Jess needs to find him before she also finds herself in jeopardy.

Foley spends much of the first half of her novel unwinding the threads connecting each character to Ben and their potential motives for his disappearance. Despite leaving the reader impatient and wanting more action, the first half provides much-needed context for the latter half of the novel and builds the tension that makes the ending satisfying.

Foley's writing is simple and immersive, with a reckless but determined protagonist to create an intriguing mystery. 'The Paris Apartment' is a dark puzzle you will love solving.

GADGET REVIEW

Infinix Note 12



Expected Price Rs 11,999.

Display 6.70-inch (1080x2400)

Processor MediaTek Helio G88

Front Camera 16MP

Rear Camera 50MP + 2MP + QVGA

Rear autofocus Yes

Rear flash Yes

RAM 4GB

Storage 64GB

Battery Capacity 5000mAh

OS Android 11

GPS Yes

Bluetooth Yes

USB Type-C Yes

Headphones 3.5mm

FM Yes

Number of SIMs 2

Fingerprint sensor Yes

Colours Force Black, Jewel Blue, Sunset Golden

Pros

- * 60Hz AMOLED Display.
- * Good battery life.
- * Stereo Speakers

Cons

- * No 5G Support.
- * Average Cameras.
- * Weak Video Recording.

VEHICLE REVIEW

Mahindra Scorpio-N



Starting Price

Rs. 14.00 - 20.00 Lakh*

Fuel Type Diesel

Engine Displacement 2179 cc

No. of cylinder 4

Gears 5 Speed

Seating Capacity 5

Ground Clearance 180mm

Fuel Tank Capacity 60 Litres

Transmission Type Manual

Boot Space 460 Litres

Max Power 130 to 150 bhp

Max Torque 300 to 320 Nm

Instrument Console Analogue + Digital

Power Steering Yes

Power Windows Yes, All Rows

Anti Lock Braking System Yes

Central Locking Yes

Suspension - Front Double Wish-bone Type, Independent Front Coil Spring

Suspension - Rear Multi Link Coil Spring Suspension with Anti-roll Bar

Pros

- *More powerful diesel engine.
- * Better safety and driving dynamics.
- *Improved in-cabin practicality and more features.

Cons

- * Long Waiting Periods.

Health and Lifestyle

4 career mistakes to avoid in your 30s



Worklife patterns have changed a lot over the decades. There was a time when there was no work after 5 pm but today it is 24 by 7. In the midst of this rat race where we all are struggling to keep up with our lifestyles, there are some key mistakes that we make while struggling to shape our careers especially when we enter our 30s. Here are 4 such career mistakes that you must avoid in your 30s, which may help you find a mid-path..

You have no financial back up for future

High end shopping is great but it is important that you have a financial backup as well by the time you are in your 30's. No matter how much your salary has increased, keep that extra money in the savings. Invest because bills won't get cheaper.

Over working and neglecting relationships

To earn money, we work hard but if you have been overworking and neglecting your personal relationships right now, then you will lose all contacts by the time you are "well settled". Microsoft product designer Michael Dorian Bach, who is now in his late 30s, told a magazine that you should not just work!

though.

You have stopped having fun

The money you earn is useless if you are not having fun right now. You may not be in your 20's so the kind of fun you have in that age is different but that does not mean that you can't enjoy in your 30's. This is that time when you ought to balance work and pleasure.

Go on dates, travel on weekends, watch your favourite movies, just plan it out so that you have some money going into the savings account and some for paying the bills.

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ASTROLOGY

WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 29TH – 04TH JUNE 2022

ARIES



MAR 21 - APR 19

Mars in Pisces and Pluto in Capricorn and your house of career are happening soon. There is a possible opportunity for you. It's likely your company is looking to consolidate its position in order to expand in the future. You might want to speak to your supervisor soon about a potential new role or new responsibilities.

TAURUS



APR 20 - MAY 20

Mars in Pisces and your house of friendships making a sextile to Pluto in Capricorn and your house of education. The school semester might be winding down, and you could be feeling quite sentimental as people go their separate ways. Taurus, you could be saying goodbye or helping your school-age kids say goodbye to friends. There's a deeper message here, music from the Universe.

GEMINI



MAY 21 - JUN 20

Mars in Pisces and your house of career making a sextile to Pluto in Capricorn and your house of resources. Gemini, this is a great day to look at all the perks and benefits your company offers. You might go through the company's employee portal to check out discounted stock offerings, 401(k) match or discounts on insurance. You have luck with your career today.

CANCER



JUN 21 - JUL 22

Mars in Pisces and your house of adventure and escapades making a sextile to Pluto in Capricorn and your house of relationships. Cancer, you and your partner might be seeking some excitement today. Consider a picnic that requires a four-wheel-drive vehicle to get to the location. Or see the city in a hot-air balloon. A creative date today will go a long way to bring more romance into your life.

LEO



JUL 23 - AUG 22

Mars in Pisces and your house of resources and investments making a sextile to Pluto in Capricorn and your house of work. You are likely focused on getting your money to work for you. Leo, you might be moving money into investments. You could look at your risk tolerance to choose between the safety of dollar-cost averaging and high-risk day trading. There's middle ground to consider. It's time for you to find it.

VIRGO



AUG 23 - SEP 22

Mars in Pisces and Pluto in your house of pleasure. This is an excellent day to focus on interpersonal connections. This might mean more time spent together holding hands. Or this can take a more passionate turn, something that involves kisses that are as sweet as honey. If you're looking for love, this is one of your best days to reach out to someone.

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