

Khloé's Friends Beg Her: **DUMP TRISTAN!**

As Khloé Kardashian headed for heartbreak yet again, her concerned friends think so, and an insider says they've been begging her to dump her basketball star beau of three months, Tristan Thompson. "Khloé is the one putting all the effort into the relationship," says the insider, "and her friends fear Tristan will end up hurting her." After her failed marriage to Lamar Odom (their divorce was finalized in December, three years after Khloé filed), pals worry she's not seeing the red flags with Tristan, 25. Khloé, 32, has gushed about him in interviews and on social media, but Tristan has barely acknowledged her publicly. And although Khloé has already moved into Tristan's Cleveland home part-time, "It's basketball season and it doesn't seem like he's making much effort to see Khloé at all," the insider says. Making the situation even more sticky, on Dec. 12, Tristan welcomed a baby boy named Prince with his ex Jordan Craig. "Khloé's friends have warned her that Tristan and Jordan could get back together," the insider says, "and at the very least, co-parenting between them could be very dramatic and complicated." **LS**



"Khloé's friends are extra protective of her with Tristan," says an insider, "because she's been so hurt by past relationships."

LUXE LOCALE OF THE WEEK

Where the Stars Stay in Dominican Republic

If you're in the mood for the convenience of an all-inclusive vacation, check out Excellence Resorts. David Hasselhoff is a fan of their Mexico properties, and El Carmen, the new adults-only locale in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, boasts 23 pools, 12 restaurants (the romantic French bistro, Chez Isabelle, is a favorite), 16 bars and a world-class spa where you can watch the sun set as you indulge in a hot stone massage.



Busy Nicole "doesn't agree with Joel about slowing down on her projects," says a source.

NICOLE AND JOEL HIT ANOTHER ROUGH PATCH

Nicole Richie and Joel Madden are going through serious trouble in their six-year marriage, a source reveals. The couple, who, as *Life & Style* has reported, have bickered over whether to have a third baby, are now at odds over Nicole's hectic schedule. "Joel feels like Nicole has too many projects going on right now," says the source. Joel, 37, may have a point: Not only does Nicole, 35, helm her House of Harlow 1960 fashion line, she's also taken on speaking engagements and has been working on new material for her AOL series, *Canddy Nicole*. "Joel really wants her to spend more time at home," the source says. But Nicole wants to prove a point to daughter Harlow, 9, and son Sparrow, 7. "She wants to instill in them a hardworking ethic," says the source. With all the fighting, pals of the couple worry they won't see their seventh wedding anniversary. "Everyone hopes," the source says, "that Nicole can slow down a little and they can get through this rough patch."

Snooki: I'M DONE BEING THE JERSEY SHORE PARTY GIRL

Get ready for Snooki 2.0! Now that Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi is a contestant on *The New Celebrity Apprentice*, she's saying goodbye to her wild-child *Jersey Shore* days. "I was just thinking about rebranding myself, because everyone knows me as 'Snooki the party girl,'" she tells *Life & Style*. "I thought *Apprentice* was a good opportunity to introduce myself as a mom." A side from taking notes from her new boss, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Snooki, 29, has been busy building an empire with her online clothing and jewelry store, The Snooki Shop, and caring for Lorenzo, 4, and Giovanna, 2. "My kids are my world," shares Snooki. "I do everything I can for them."



Snooki (inset, getting arrested for public intoxication in 2010) wants to be seen as a businesswoman.



Checking In... **VIP Style!**

When stars go out — they go all out!

Justin Hartley
LA
Posing backstage with Blink 182 frontman Mark Hoppus at KROQ's Almost Acoustic Christmas



The Chowgirls
NYC
Stopping by Good Day New York studios to dish on holiday recipes from their new cookbook, *Chowgirls' Killer Party Food*



Camila Alves
Dallas
Hosting a holiday dinner to showcase the new Target home collection



Annalysne McCord
LA
Supporting the fight to end modern-day slavery at the Beyond the Veil Masquerade Ball

Andy Cohen
Slate Lounge, NYC
Enjoying food, drinks and games like pool, Skee-Ball and ping-pong at a party

Miguel
LA
Helping DeLeón Tequila and Billboard celebrate the release of the DeLeón 100 by putting on a private performance



Adam Richman
Boston
Teaming up with Capital One to reimagine banking through its Priceless Surprises campaign



Naomi Watts
The Rink at Brookfield Place, NYC
Hanging with Liev Schreiber at their son Samuel's 8th birthday party

