



The Coconuts

Season 2

Episodes: 13 Duration: 26'

Relationships, Prejudices and Stereotypes

Synopsis:

A white South African family ignores the warning of a mysterious old man not to park their holiday caravan in the burial grounds of his ancestors. They laugh him off and wake up the next morning totally transformed into black African people! The Coconuts is a 'high concept' South African sitcom hinging on a fantastical premise, but dealing with day-to-day characters, relationships, prejudices and stereotypes.

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The episode starts where Season 1 left off with the Mbulis all playing Coloured stereotypes and with Amandla toting a 6-month old Chinese baby. Patience is Indian. This all turns out to be a dream complete with Bollywood sequence, from which Patience awakes in the first few minutes. From then on, she is still white and the Mbulis are again black. In reality, Amandla is nearly nine months pregnant. The family has to deal with the stress of the imminent arrival of Amandla's parents, as she insists on having the baby at home and needs her mother's help. Amandla also has to make sure that Patience constantly wears a pregnancy "suit" in case the unborn child turns out to be white, so they can say that Patience gave birth to it.

Naturally the neighbours, especially Joyce, are curious and use the arrival of new furniture at the Mbulis as an excuse to visit and snoop. Meanwhile, Beyonce has taken a gap year and is keeping the salon going for her mother, TK is being tutored by Khensiwe to get him through matric, and Patience has to be taught how to speak and act 'white' so she can break the news of the family's colour change to Amandla's mother, "Ouma". Things do not go according to plan, as Amandla's mother arrives, and finds out that there is more to her daughter's situation than meets the eye. She goes hysterical, is drugged and locked in a new cupboard, and the cupboard then ends up being delivered to the Mlambos, containing the drugged Ouma. Patience saves the day by rescuing Ouma and telling the Mlambos that Ouma is in fact her (Patience's) mother.