



Royal intrigue! Spectacular Army battles! Fortune-cookie dialogue? They all click, surprisingly, in this lavish drama, an enjoyable account of how earnest Italian Marco Polo (Lorenzo Richelmy) befriended Mongolian emperor Kublai Khan (Benedict Wong) in 13th century

China. In his portrayal of the legendary explorer, Richelmy could use an ounce more charisma. Yet the women in his world, from a desperate concubine (Olivia Cheng) to an ass-kicking warrior (Claudia Kim), demand attention. (Netflix, all 10 episodes available)



SUNDAY 12/7

The Millionaire Matchmaker

Matchmaker is evolving: First, Patti Stanger dials down the tough love in season 8, letting Cupid just strike (or miss) without haranguing her clients. And she's now matching celebrity singles and using stars such as Kristin Cavallari as guest "experts." Nobody's an A-lister, but it's a nice move. In the premiere, her savvy read of Larry Birkhead (the late Anna Nicole Smith's baby-daddy) helps her find him a genuinely worthy date. (Bravo, 9:30 P.M.)

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The Librarians

The family-friendly Librarian TV movies, starring Noah Wyle as the protector of a secret library stuffed with magical items like the Ark of the Covenant, make a delightful bigbudget series. Rebecca Romijn fits right into the exuberant derring-do as a counterterrorist agent plucked to aid the Librarian (Wyle, now recurring). Once they assemble a Mission: Impossible—esque team of eccentric geniuses to protect King Arthur's crown, it's popcorn time! (TNT, 8 р.м.)



Rosolie hits the rain forest in Peru.

SUNDAY 12/7

EATEN ALIVE

It's hard to say what's bigger in this two-hour special: the 27-foot anaconda that's supposed to make a meal of Paul Rosolie, or the controversy born of the adventurer's nutty stunt. Note: A protective suit makes him undigestible. (Discovery, 9 P.M.)

MONDAY 12/8

THE FOSTERS

In this special episode, fostered teen Callie (Maia Mitchell) professes

her love for housemate Brandon (David Lambert), leading him to recall their makeshift family's first Christmas. Mom Stef (Teri Polo) was Grinchy! (ABC Family, 8 р.м.)

MONDAY 12/8 MIKE & MOLLY

Season 5 = sexv time! Back from writers' camp. Molly (Melissa

McCarthy) has good news: She penned a Fifty Shades of Grey-type novel and sold it! The book offers "life lessons between the orgies," she insists. (CBS, 8:30 P.M.)

THURSDAY 12/11 BONES

The drama's Alfred Hitchcockinspired 200th episode reimag-

ines Brennan (Emily Deschanel) as a lady detective in 1950s Hollywood. Her man Booth (David Boreanaz)? A charming jewel thief framed for murrrder. (Fox, 8 P.M.)