

STAR TREK VOYAGER®

EPISODE #242

“LIVE FAST AND PROSPER”

Impostors jeopardize Voyager’s good reputation in the Delta Quadrant.

When two aliens pose as Janeway and Tuvok to make a trade deal with an alien colony in need, it causes trouble for the Voyager crew. Orek, the chief mining operator who was cheated out of his dilithium, tracks down the real Janeway to demand his missing ore, but of course, the Captain doesn’t know what he’s talking about. Meanwhile, systems are failing all over the ship, and the source of the problem is found in a heating coil in the galley, which Neelix acquired in trade from Sister Dala, a cleric helping the orphaned children of Narva.

After Orek mentions that the woman impersonating her wanted bolomite for the orphaned children, Janeway starts to put everything together. She questions Neelix about the away mission during which he and Tom met Sister Dala and Brother Mobar. The two scam artists convinced them they needed supplies for their pilgrimage to Narva and offered a heating coil in return. Once Neelix and Tom invited them aboard the Delta Flyer, Mobar secretly downloaded the shuttle’s database, giving him and Dala the information they needed to pose as Starfleet officers.

Janeway uses Orek’s scans of the impostor ship to track its warp signature. While the Voyager crew begins pursuit, Dala and her crew move on to their next victim. They trick Varn into joining the “Federation,” offering the protection of the fleet in exchange for a large amount of his resources. By the time Varn realizes their photon torpedoes are nothing more than plasma flares, he’s been had. Suddenly, Voyager arrives and tries to hail both ships. Varn thinks Janeway is in cahoots with Dala and begins firing, allowing the enemy ship to escape. However, Seven manages to beam one crewmember to Voyager’s Brig.

After threatening to turn Dala over to Telsian security, Janeway offers her an alternative. If she will make full restitution to her victims, the Captain will grant her safe passage out of the system. While Dala is left to consider the offer, Neelix brings her food to the Brig and tries to talk her into cooperating. Just as he thinks he has convinced her to become one of the good guys, Dala knocks him out and escapes Voyager on the Delta Flyer.

Unbeknownst to Dala, Tom and the Doctor have stowed away on the shuttle. Once she reboards her ship and accompanies her crew to recover the stolen property, Dala turns on her fellow thieves. To their surprise, she uses a Starfleet comm badge to summon Janeway to beam the property to Voyager. Disbelief turns to shock when it is revealed that the Doctor is masquerading as Dala. The real Dala is in custody, and all of the stolen property is finally returned to the rightful owners.



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CAPTAIN KATHRYN JANEWAY
CHAKOTAY
B'ELANNA TORRES
TOM PARIS
NEELIX
THE DOCTOR
TUVOK
SEVEN OF NINE
HARRY KIM

KATE MULGREW
ROBERT BELTRAN
ROXANN DAWSON
ROBERT DUNCAN MCNEILL
ETHAN PHILLIPS
ROBERT PICARDO
TIM RUSS
JERI RYAN
GARRETT WANG

GUEST STARRING

DALA
MOBAR
ZAR
VARN
MINER #1

KAITLIN HOPKINS
GREGG DANIEL
FRANCIS GUINAN
TED ROONEY
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