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# 15 things you don't know about me

## KIRK MORRISON

New Jaguars middle linebacker

1. I haven't had a winning season since my senior year of high school when I went 12-1. Wow. I want to win—now.
2. TMZ is my guilty pleasure.
3. I have zero tattoos. My dad had one—"Jenny"—on his forearm. He was a military guy; that's what they did back in the day. One day, I asked him, "What is that?" He said, "Oh, it's the name of a girl." That was *four* wives ago. I've never gotten a tattoo because of that.
4. When I think of my former boss, Al Davis, I think of a guy who just did it his way. I admire him.
5. I stay on a budget. I shop at Wal-Mart, shop at Target and Costco. Always looking for a good deal.

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6. I was in awe meeting Michael Jordan at the Kentucky Derby last year. Everybody was getting ready for the horse bet—he knew what he was doing; I had no clue. I bet 10 bucks, thinking that's good for me. He bet \$10,000.
7. I have a girlfriend. I want to get married—but when I'm done playing. When I was in Oakland, they put out a survey of former players. More than two-thirds of guys who got married were divorced within five or 10 years. Harsh reality.
8. I think JaMarcus Russell has all the tools in the world. It's just about how bad he wants it. You get humbled. When you're 21 years old and everyone tells you how great you are, sometimes you drink too much of your own Kool-Aid.
9. When I was in high school, my mom told me, "If you ever want to get your own stuff, you've got to go out and work for it." I was 16. There was a McDonald's about four blocks from my house and I said, "You know what? This is where I've got to start." I bought my cleats and everything else I needed and gave the rest to my mom.



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10. I really like *Modern Family*, but I watch everything—*90210*, *Melrose Place*, shows that keep me in the know.
11. I've been to the Kentucky Derby, NBA Finals, Super Bowls, national championships, World Series events, boxing events. I love big sporting events. I really want to see the World Cup.
12. In 2007, I bought a BMW. It was a gift to myself—I didn't miss one snap that year. I said, "I beat up my body. I need something to show for it."
13. California is a big sushi state. I'm going to miss that.
14. I get to Europe once a year. One of my best friends—Eric Sanders—plays basketball there. He's my tour guide. I've seen Spain, Russia, France, Germany.
15. I like to follow comedians on Twitter. If you're having a bad day, you can go on Twitter and just laugh all day.

— As told to Jeff D'Alessio

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