

What women get right in bed

BY A MAN WHO WANTS MORE OF IT...

You're a sex goddess in the bedroom and you don't even realise it! Ivan Smith gives a bloke's-eye view of sex.

A female friend once explained to me her attitude in bed: "I bring along a vagina. What more do men want?" This might be brutally simplistic, but there's an element of truth in it. The main thing women do right in bed is be women. Here's what else you do right:

#1 YOU HAVE GREAT BODIES

Yes, all of you. Guys are very visual. We grow up having epic, ignorant fantasy sex with every woman we see — on telly, on the bus, at school... We think about almost nothing else (just as you always suspected!), so by the time we actually get to do it, it's the best thing we've ever done. Guaranteed.

At first, it doesn't matter about your brains or your personality, it matters that you've got all the amazing woman-bits we've been obsessing about. Men get a bit more discerning as we get older, but the mere fact that you are a woman is always the best possible start.

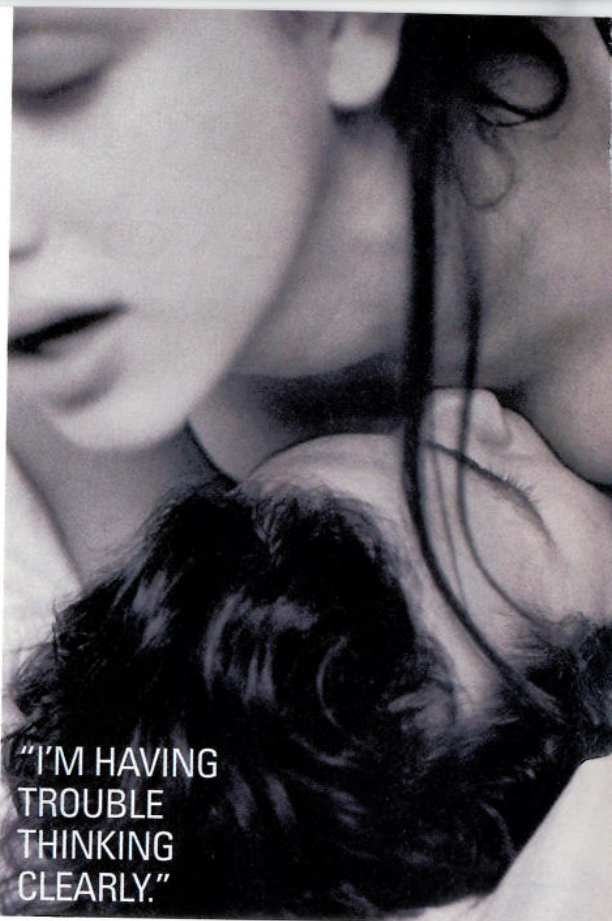
#2 YOU LIKE TO EXPERIMENT

Women do things we don't expect. Men have got filthy little minds and try to cover them up by smiling and drinking heavily. When we summon up the courage to tell a woman what we'd like, we're surprised (and turned on) she agrees to try it.

A friend once confessed that his "very nice" girlfriend had happily agreed to a bondage and spanking session while she wore nothing but knee-high boots. All she asked was that he dimmed the lights a little, so it "didn't seem like a hospital". What a good sport.

#3 YOU OVERLOOK YOUR MAN'S FLAWS

Women forgive you for nearly everything. I once went out with a girl who, years later, confessed that before me she'd "hated"



"I'M HAVING TROUBLE THINKING CLEARLY."

hairy chests. She liked me, apparently despite the furballs she picked up from my chest. Which was nice of her.

Guys expend a lot of energy thinking about being too fat, bald, "small", hairy, cross-eyed, or whatever, but the fact is most women don't seem to mind what we are. And if they do, they get over it without bothering us about it. Thanks!

#4 YOU, UM, SWALLOW (SOMETIMES)

Women give us blow jobs. This is not a useful sexual act; it won't produce babies. Fifty years ago, if they found out you gave blow jobs, you were drummed out of the knitting circle, if not town.

The sight of a woman enthusiastically performing such a pointless act for us is a huge turn-on. If you swallow, it completes (in our mind, anyway) your acceptance of this pointless, brilliant manoeuvre.

#5 YOU LIKE SEX AS MUCH AS WE DO

One of the things that surprises many men is that women like sex just as much as we do. As you get older, women take charge of your sex lives. To find that our girl is enthusiastically screwing us is a fantastic sensation, and one of the main reasons men date older women — she can't be bothered holding out for weeks before sex any more. She wants it, so she has it. Excellent.

...AND WHAT YOU GET WRONG

> YOU TOUCH OUR BITS WITH COLD HANDS

On behalf of all men, please don't do this. Cool or room-temperature hands are ideal; ice-cold hands, well, they'll have the same effect as a cold shower.

> HAND JOBS

If I dedicated myself to anything the way I do to wanking, I would be a world champion at it. Women generally can't give good hand jobs because they haven't got the right angle, the endurance, the speed, the

rhythm, or the, well, practice. If you have got all this, please write to me care of *B*, enclosing your name and number.

> LACK OF CONFIDENCE

The sexiest thing around is a confident woman. If you constantly go on about all those (imagined) faults — big butt, chunky legs — it totally stuffs up the chemistry. I went out with a girl who never ever let me touch her stomach. It was a nice stomach. She would still be complaining about it at the height of bloody

passion. (If you recognise yourself here — and let's face it, who doesn't — see p88 to find out how to get out of a sex-and-body-image rut. — Ed)

> YOU ASK US QUESTIONS

In bed, women think too much; men think too little. Once a man has had sex, he is like a stunned rhino. It's no use asking him what he's thinking or how good it was because there's no-one home. After a period of blissed-out nothingness, he might get an image of a beer in his head.