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# Girls' Guide to Great Sex Toys

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## Why Use Sex Toys?

One word: fun! There are just as many reasons to use sex toys as there are reasons to have sex. Toys can be used for solo sex—masturbation—or to



enhance a loving sexual relationship. For many women, vibrating sex toys are the easiest (and only) way they can achieve orgasm. For these women, the invention of the vibrator ranks as one of the most important technological achievements of humankind.

Our research found that men buy as many vibrators as women do. Since the female orgasm is the driving force behind the development and sale of the majority of sex toys, it would seem that men and women have come together in their sexual goals.

But which toys are the best? With so many products on market, how does a girl (or her lover) know which one to choose? What's it like to really use these toys?

After a few years of selling sex toys, we decided to ask our women customers what they thought. They replied with personal stories on what it's like to use the best-selling sex toys available.

First, let's look at some questions women often have about sex toys.

## Will Sex Toys Ruin Me?

This is a common fear, but one that's completely irrational and a bit silly. Many women worry that a vibrator will somehow “ruin” them for regular sex. It's a sad reflection on our sex-negative society that women seem trained at birth to deny sexual pleasure and their sexual health. Women are so used to being deprived of sex that the majority of American women don't hit their sexual prime until their late thirties, when they finally get tired of society's anti-sex conditioning and learn to let go.

Will sex toys “ruin” you for regular sex? No more than vanilla ice cream ruins you for chocolate ice cream. The more that women experiment with

their sexuality, which can include sex toys, the more they will enjoy sexual pleasure with themselves and their partners. Sexual pleasure is the cornerstone of any healthy intimate relationship, and toys are just a small part of that pleasure.

If you're still not convinced, when was the last time a man was worried that masturbation would "ruin" him for regular sex?

Women who experiment with sex toys and learn about their own sexuality become happier, healthier sexual partners. You can have as much sexual pleasure as you want. There is nothing quite as silly as the notion of "regular" sex—regular sex is the sex that YOU want, and has nothing to do with what someone else deems "normal." There are plenty of women who wait until their thirties, forties, fifties and sixties to finally let go and have the orgasms they deserve. If sex toys get you there, it makes sense to use them.

## Will I Get Numb or Build Up a Tolerance?

You might feel a little numb occasionally around the clitoris or vaginal lips, but common sense will tell you to stop if you can't feel anything, or if it starts to hurt. Yes, you can build up a tolerance to sex toys, so don't fall into a pattern. Masturbate or make love without the toys or with new sex toys. There's always something different to try. It won't kill you to completely lay off sex for awhile, though it may feel like it will.

## What if My lover is Threatened By My Sex Toys?

In our strange, puritanical, sex-negative culture, there are, unfortunately, plenty of negative reactions to sex toys. Luckily, most men love sex toys, love



to watch their women use them, and don't feel the slightest bit threatened. There are, however, still plenty of men who see a vibrator or dildo as competition, a threat to their masculinity, and an indication that they alone can't please their partners.

On the flip side, women are often jealous about the male fascination with pornography and anything to do with naked women (ask your average woman what she thinks about strippers).

Okay, fair is fair. Women shouldn't feel threatened by a man's subscription to *Playboy* any more than a man should feel threatened by his lover's box of sex toys under their bed. But people can be jealous, insecure, irrational beings. So what should a vibrator-loving, sex toy believer do?

Find out if he's threatened by your sex toys **before** you sleep with him. Too many people jump into bed to see if they can have a relationship,

instead of having a relationship first and then dealing with the sex. If sex toys are a part of your sexuality, talk to the man you're dating before you have sex. Should he react negatively, find yourself another man. There are plenty of great guys who think you + dildo + him = great sex.

## **Introducing Sex Toys Later in a Relationship**

Plenty of women get curious about sex toys after several years in a relationship (or after dating men who are lousy lovers). Some women have simply never learned how to orgasm, and they want to try a vibrator, clit stimulator, or G-spot toy to see if they can learn how (or learn to cum better and faster). Other women just want to spice things up, and sex toys are a simple way to do that.

Don't assume that your man won't like the idea of you playing with a vibrator. He may have fantasized about it already, but didn't want to bring it up for fear of being thought of as a pervert.

If you're worried that your man thinks you might prefer plastic to his penis, go slow when introducing sex toys. Tell him that your sex toy is simply another way for both of you to increase your mutual pleasure. Share a clit stimulator while he's inside you, or show him how to a G-spot toy can bring you orgasm. Ask him to watch you masturbate with your new sex toy, and show him how you do it (watching women masturbate is a popular male fantasy).



Protect his ego by ensuring him that a vibrator can't do all the things a man can do: kiss, touch, bite your neck, suck your nipples, caress you, spank you, eat you out, and fix the car. You also can't cuddle up with a sex toy. If you have a vibrator, use it on him—lots of men enjoy a little tingling on the scrotum, inner thighs, neck, nipples and anus.

Take your man with you when you go dildo shopping, either at a sex shop or online. Ask his opinion about various toys, and let his women-masturbation fantasies run wild: "Wouldn't you like to see me masturbate with that?" When your new toy arrives, try it out with him, so he doesn't feel like you're "sneaking off". A sex toy can be a great new way to explore your sexuality, and your lover should be a part of it. Then, when he's not around, help yourself to all of the orgasms you want!

## **What if he Brings Home a Vibrator?**

Don't be offended. Men have a weird sense of what makes a good gift, and they like to spring sex toys on their women at the strangest of times: usually

when we're naked and ready for love. If your man suddenly whips out a vibrator, understand that he wants to please you, no matter how bad his timing. Keep an open mind, unless he brings home something completely bizarre or foreign to you ("It's a strap-on, honey, so you can do me in the ass!"). Politely try to use whatever strange sex toy he gives you and then suggest that you both go shopping together to get what *you* want. Remember the time he bought you lingerie for your birthday? He was really thinking of himself, so gently steer him down the right path.

## **Vibrators, Dildos & Dongs What's the Difference?**

**Vibrators** are often confused with dildos, but these two toys are very different. Vibrators are made to vibrate and stimulate the clitoris, not necessarily to penetrate the vagina or to imitate the actions of a real penis. Vibrators come in lots of flavors—slim, fat, long, clitoral, anal, G-spot—and they can be used anywhere you want a little tingling. The basic test-tube-shaped battery operated vibrator has been around for more than a century, and while it often looks like a penis, and it can be inserted into the vagina, most women prefer the vibrations against the clitoris.

Vibrators are fun for men as well as for couples. Men often enjoy vibrations against their testicles, the perineum (the orgasm trigger under the head of his penis), the anus, nipples, etc. Loving couples trade off on who gets vibrated.

**Dildos and dongs** are meant to imitate the look and feel of a real penis. The dildo can be slid in and out of the vagina to imitate intercourse, or slid between the lips of her vulva and up against the clitoris. Many women enjoy leaving it in their vagina while using a vibrator on the clitoris (or while their lovers eat them out).

## **Vibrator Reviews**

### **Gold Elegance**

*by Nadia*



Ladies, it is time to rejoice! Believe it or not, there is finally an inexpensive vibe that won't die after a few months of use. This straight 7" vibrator has a titillating tapered design and an easy-to-use dial-style power control at its base. This simple vibe is perfect for beginners and will quickly become an old standby for toy connoisseurs. Experienced

vibe users will also appreciate the built-in locking mechanism that helps to ensure batteries won't be drained when it's not in use.

Gold Elegance looks as slick as a sex toy can look. At first glance this vibrator looked a little bourgeois, as though it was designed for women looking for a toy to match their nail polish rather than practicality. It also looked a little, well, sharp. Hey, I just want to get off, not puncture myself!

It turns out that the tapered shape is perfect to rub against my clitoris or to penetrate my vagina. I like to rest the tapered end on my clitoris before working it around my pussy lips, because once it is finally inside it's all over. One of my favorite features about this vibe is its wide range of power—it ranges from slow and easy to frantic vibration to suit whatever mood you're in.

Beware if you have thin walls, as this vibe does get a little loud when it's turned all the way up. Then again, you might be the one to get a little loud when screaming in delight. The plastic can be a little jarring if you're used to softer toys, however. The best thing about the Gold Elegance vibrator is its sturdy, sexy design. Since it is made of plastic instead of rubber or silicone it is also quick and easy to clean.

## **Beyond 2000**

*by Melissa*



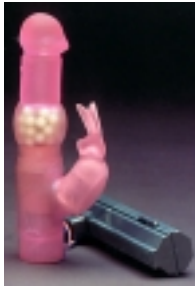
I had not used a vibrator in many years when I got my hands on the Beyond 2000. Before I even got it out of the box, I realized that vibes have come a long way since I bought the one now abandoned at the bottom of my underwear drawer. The Beyond 2000 is sturdy and playful in appearance.

At first the frantic flicking action of the clitoral stimulator was too intense—too much too fast. I wasn't going to last ten seconds, so I turned it off and allowed my partner to take care of my clit. I enjoyed the rotating action of the dong-shaped vibrator up against my G spot and the circulating beads at the base that teased the entrance to my pussy opening. Once I got used to all the new sensations, I was able to increase its speed.

When my partner came up for air and turned on the clitoral stimulator, I instantly flew into a series of several small orgasms. In under a minute, with the vibrator at half speed and the clit stimulator at the lowest speed, I had a gigantic orgasm. Due to its cool looking, high-tech design and because it just does the job so damn well, I'm buying a Beyond 2000 for each of my best girlfriends!

## **Vibratex Rabbit Pearl**

*by Shauna*



It's a small vibe and really fun to play with. If you've never used this kind of combo vibrator and clit stimulator before, it's a good way to get started. Most girls learn how to masturbate by using their fingers, then move up to regular classic vibes that stimulate the clit. Once a woman gets really comfortable with her sexuality, she'll want to try this vibrator.

The Rabbit Pearl is perfect for masturbation. The penis-dildo part is smaller than most men, so with a little lube (natural or artificial), it easily slips inside your vagina. The head of the vibe rotates in a nice swirly motion, so it feels good inside your vagina. In conjunction with the swirling head, the middle pearls tumble around and massage your vaginal lips. It's like having your lover's fingers twirl around inside the opening of your vagina, where it's most sensitive. Combine that swirling with the penis head swinging around in there, and you get some nice sensations.

The real payoff is the clit stimulator. Once I was nice and wet with the penis and pearls inside tingling me, I switched on the rabbit. Oh, God—nice! The plastic was soft and comfy against my clit and when I wanted more pressure, I just turned up the motor and had many yummy orgasms.

The unit is small and seems designed for smaller or younger women. It's definitely not intimidating, but if you've had your share of male lovers, you'll wish it was bigger. Still, I was able to tingle and massage my way to a few nice orgasms.

The biggest drawback is the vibe controller. It's on a cord, which constantly gets in the way. I prefer the one piece stimulators like the Beyond 2000 and Vibratex models, just to get rid of the damn cord. This thing requires two hands, which can be a drag if you like to use your free hand to read a nice smutty book. Still, the price is right, less than the one-piece units, and if you've never had this kind of vibrator before, you'll definitely climax. It's nice with a lover, too.

## **Juli Ashton Pocket Rocket**

*by Ashley*



My current lover enjoys eating me out, so I love direct clit stimulation. I put the soft jelly sleeve over the Pocket Rocket, clicked it on, and immediately liked it. The soft jelly cover has a spongy top so it keeps prevents the strong vibrations from numbing my clit. Although I didn't use the Pocket Rocket to penetrate myself, I quickly discovered why this toy is so popular. It usually takes me a long while to

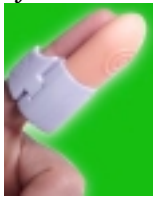
cum, but the Pocket Rocket got me there in a minutes. When I used it with my lover, I used the Rocket while he ate me out and I stopped counting my orgasms! It was also wonderful with him inside me, holding the Pocket Rocket against my clit while he fucked me.

One drawback is noise. It's about as loud as an electric toothbrush, but if you have kids or thin apartment walls, you may want to use it under the covers or with music playing. There's also no speed control: just an off/on switch. In actual use, this doesn't—you don't have to fumble with a speed control. You control your amount of sensations by how much you push the Rocket against you.

Once you get past the noise level, the Pocket Rocket will easily help you orgasm, even if you're the type of woman who's used to taking a long time to get there.

## **Fukuoku Fingertip Vibrator**

*by Lorelei*



This toy is ultra-convenient, discreet, and extremely quiet. You're not likely to alert the neighbors or kids. The Fukuoku slips over the end of your fingertips and comes with three different finger pad patterns, for different types of massages.

I like to use this vibe with a partner. It's not very strong on my clit, though women who like a light touch down there might orgasm with this. I like the Fukuoku for playing with my lover's penis, on the sensitive spot that makes him cum, and on his testicles and nipples. During intercourse, I like to play with myself while he penetrates me; the Fukuoku gives me a little extra tingling while I massage my clit. The same with solo sex; I like to feel penetrated with a dildo or dong, then use the Fukuoku for extra stimulation while playing with my clit.

As a massager, it's great for headaches and sore necks, so you'll get more than just sex out of this neat little vibe. It also comes with two sets of batteries.

## **Vibratex IC-6**

*by Brenda*

I've been using sex toys since I was a teen, and the IC-6 is one of my absolute favorites. Be warned, though: it's BIG. The head and shaft are monstrous, larger than most men. If you're worried about size, go with a slimmer vibe.

Once you get used to the size, the IC-6 is absolutely amazing! I love to masturbate and use sex toys with my partner, and even he is amazed at how this thing makes me feel. After I am sufficiently wet to get this monster



inside me, the swinging head swirls around inside my vagina while the middle pearl things vibrate and roll and pulsate my pussy lips. The only word to describe this dual sensation is “exquisite.” There’s no other way to describe it, you just have to feel it. No penis in the world can do this.

The clit stimulator looks like a cartoon rabbit, but it’s made to wrap its feelers around the clit, and it does a great job. In no time at all, I was screaming out my boyfriend’s name while I had several nice orgasms.

My boyfriend loves to watch me play with myself when I use the IC-6 and will hold it inside me, so my hands are free to play with him and my breasts. He loves the look on my face as it penetrates me. I usually use it after he’s spent, ‘cause I like multiple orgasms and I want him to be a part of them.

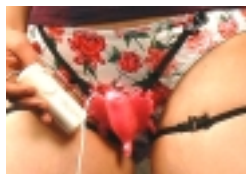
Yeah, the toy is expensive, and yeah, it’s big, so make sure it’ll fit you before you buy. Once you take it home, you’ll be buying batteries in bulk and you’re likely to wear this one out.

## Clitoral Stimulator Reviews

Clit stimulators are vibrators, but they’re not made to insert into the vagina. Their duty is simple: to vibrate and stimulate the clitoris. They do an admirable job, and women tend to enjoy the clit stimulator as much as a regular vibrator (if sales are any indication). Some women actually prefer them to oral sex or manual stimulation, due to their ability to produce an orgasm.

### The Original Venus Butterfly Massager

*by Wai Lei*



Ah, yes, the pretty little sex toy that any woman can love. It rested comfortably right on my labia to provide my clitoris with maximum coverage. While some toys are a little too intense, this toy slightly tickles at its slowest speed, but packs enough power at high speed to send you fluttering into outer space in no time.

While the Venus Butterfly could keep you occupied on your own for quite a while (you could wear it while doing the dishes if you wanted to), my partner found it so sexy that he had to join in. We found it wonderful for rear entry, woman-on-top and scissor positions. The Venus Butterfly freed up my lover to play with the rest of my body.

This is my favorite toy of all time. My only complaint is that the straps seem flimsy and may not be big enough for plus-size women.

## **Remote Control Butterfly**

*by Corissa*



The only problem with the original Venus Butterfly is the cord between the vibe and the controller. If you're using the Butterfly with a lover's penis, the cord quickly gets in the way. It can become a pain in the ass to make love while someone holds the damn controller out of the way.

The Remote Butterfly gets rid of the cord, and it's well worth the expense! My boyfriend loves to watch me cum wearing the Butterfly and he goes nuts when he gets to slip his cock inside me while I'm wearing it. The lack of cord means there's no distraction in our lovemaking. I cum faster, he gets to feel the contractions of my vagina around his cock, and nobody has to deal with the cord. The motor is quiet so it's perfect for women with kids, roommates, or thin walls. And it's small enough to take with me on vacation. Yummy!

## **Golden Bumble Clit Stimulator**

*by Linda*



This little playtoy is quickly becoming my new favorite. The soft little jelly cup fits perfectly on top of my clitoris, and I didn't even need to shave (though really bushy women may want to trim a path around the vaginal area).

The suction isn't too strong, it's not a big sucking pump or anything. The pump mainly helps to pull the vibrating stimulator against the clit, and the soft jelly cup feels like a little mouth on your pussy. The vibrating bullet is encased in the same soft jelly material, so there's no cold hard metal egg to vibrate against the clit. The suction pump has a quick-release button to let the air out so the suction is released immediately.

This wonderful little toy combines suction with vibration for wonderful dual sensations. It was easy to control the speed of the vibe, and for fun, I would pump the bulb, let out the air, and pump it again, over and over. This made it feel like a lover sucking on my clit and vagina. The vibrating bullet was like a fast, flicking tongue.

Yes, it got me quickly to orgasm, faster than any lover going down on me. Don't get me wrong, I love it when my man eats me out, but when he's not around, the Bumble Clit Stimulator fills in nicely. I recommend using some lube to seal the soft plastic around your pussy.

The only downside is that it partially covers the vagina so it's not as easy to use a dildo or have intercourse while using it. But you won't care, as all the wonderful sensations are concentrated on your clit. Two thumbs up!

## **Jelly Climax Maximizer**

*by Marianne*



This is a neat little toy that works best as a clitoral stimulator. The soft jelly material is stretchy and felt almost like a tongue against my clit. I first tried holding the bulb against my clit and feeling the vibrations. It felt wonderful, though it was a bit awkward to hold. I slipped in the vaginal stimulator, and the vibrations carried through to my pussy lips.

The curved vaginal stimulator just brushed up against my G-spot—it's not really designed for deeper penetration or stimulation, just to nicely massage your G-spot. Personally, I like a lot more pressure on my G, but that's not the point of this toy.

It comes with a pair of panties, which were a nice idea. They have Velcro to hold the toy in the panties against my happy spots. However, the panties were just too flimsy. It's not difficult to get some Velcro stick-on tabs and put them into a your own pair of panties that actually fit.

For a clit stimulator, this toy is fun and can easily bring you to a nice orgasm. It also works well with a lover who knows how to play with your vagina and clit. I loved it when he would buzz me with the toy, then lick me, then finger me, then buzz me again. The Jelly Climax Maximizer is worth the cost and can definitely get you off.

## **Dildo and Dong Reviews**

Dildos and dongs are meant to look and feel like a real penis. A dildo can give a woman that feeling of penetration and vaginal fullness without worrying about premature ejaculation, pregnancy or disease. The dildo can be slid in and out of the vagina to imitate intercourse, or slide between the lips of her vulva and up against her clitoris. Many women enjoy just leaving it inside while a vibrator stimulates the clitoris (or their lovers eat them out).

A dildo isn't a substitute for a real penis. In fact, most couples enjoy using dildos as a fill-in penis when the man can't get hard or when he'd rather be doing something else to her, like oral sex, kissing, caressing, or anal intercourse.

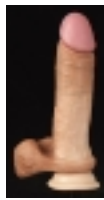
The advantage to using a dildo is instant gratification: just lube up and slide it in. It's your penis to use as you wish.

There are dongs and dildos that have vibrators built into them. And these can do double-duty—fill up the vagina, vibrate inside, and be used against the clitoris.

Always use plenty of lubrication with a dildo, particularly the imitation skin models like those made of Cyberskin or Ultra Realistic. Make sure to wash all your dildos with soap and water and dry thoroughly when finished.

## **Realistic Cock**

*by Deanna*



As a woman who has seen her share of real penises, this thing was strangely realistic. My fiancé said it felt like holding his own hard cock! The Realistic Cock has veins and balls and bends slightly, just like a penis. Inside my vagina, it felt extremely real, too.

This dong is nice to use when I need a cock in me and my fiancé isn't around or can't get hard. I also enjoy rubbing it against my clit, inserting it back inside me, then back out to rub my clit again. When my man does this he simply can't last, a few ins and outs and he loses it. But Mr. Realistic can last all night.

This fake cock comes in handy while making love. My fiancé uses it to fill me up while he goes down on me. The dual feelings of being fucked and licked are amazing. I like to use the Realistic Cock while I'm masturbating with a clit stimulator like the Venus Butterfly or Pocket Rocket. The dong fills me up and the clit tingler finishes the job.

My single mom friends like the suction cup base because they can use it in the bathroom, which is often the only place where they can get naked in private. The suction lets them stick it to a shower wall or tub and they can go to town without their kids walking in on them.

## **Cyberskin Vibrating Cyber Cock**

*by Zoe*



This is one of those strange hybrid toys that actually works as well as the concept. Most dongs don't vibrate, and most vibrators don't feel like a real penis. This Vibrating Cyber Cock puts the two concepts together and the result is, well, orgasmic.

This thing feels so life-like that I had to grab my lover's penis to compare the two. The Cyber Cock even has life-like veins and testicles inside the scrotum.

Even better, it behaves like a real cock, but it never cums and never gets limp. Using lots of lube to get him inside me, the Cyber Cock filled me up nicely, like a real penis, and the vibrations were wonderful. I could even angle

the cock to hit my G-spot, something my lover can't do without some painful contortions. The Cyber Cock conforms to the shape of your own vagina, like a real penis does, so there are none of the uncomfortable feelings that you get with vibrators.

When the Cyber Cock vibrates, it feels exquisite against my clit, like my man would feel if he could just vibrate on me down there! Personally, I like this thing inside me while I play with my clit or use another vibe on my clit. I tried this with my lover after he came, and he loved the look on my face as he stroked it in and out of me. It was great to have him lick my clit while fucking me with the Cyber Cock.

This is a nice toy for solo sex or for use with an understanding partner. Just a word of advice: you have to keep the Cyberskin clean or it collects all kinds of dust and grime. It comes with Cyberskin renew, a talcum powder that keeps the flesh material from getting tacky.

## G-Spot Stimulator Reviews

These are designed to stimulate a woman's G-Spot. Since many women are highly orgasmic when this area is stimulated, G-spot sex toys are built with a curved tip so that pressure and vibration can be applied internally.

The G-spot is technically the urethral sponge, or the female prostate, and is located about an inch or two inside the front wall of the vagina. Pressure on this area, which is on the opposite side of the clitoris, can result in various degrees of pleasure and even orgasm. Named for Earnst Grafenberg, the gynecologist who first discovered this area, the G-Spot has become almost synonymous with the female orgasm.

Since every woman is different, you may have to experiment with different types of G-spot toys to find a model that works best for your physiology. While G-spot vibrators are easy to use, the angle might be uncomfortable for some women; you may prefer to have the help of a partner when trying out a G-spot sex toy. You may also enjoy combining G-spot stimulation with oral sex or clitoral stimulation, which can often lead to extremely powerful orgasms.

### **Penthouse G-Spot Fantasy Massager**



*by MacKenzie*

Can this vibe really take you to the mythical G-spot of paradise? I was a bit skeptical: after all, this sex toy supposedly comes from the same magazine that has defined itself by vaginal close-ups for the past thirty-some years. Can a men's magazine really design a vibe for women?

Well, the answer is mostly yes. This vibe was obviously designed by a woman, since it does so many things so well. I thought the plastic might be too hard, or it would be painful to press against my G-spot, but after using the Fantasy Massager, I don't think a softer vibe would work. I like a lot of pressure to make things work, and the firmness of the vibe is a definite plus.

The Fantasy Massager is firm, as well as filling. First, I tried the vibrations against my clit, which felt very nice. Most straight vibes require some wrist bending to get the right pressure against the clitoris, but the Fantasy Massager has the curve built in. No more pained wrist positions! I had a few nice orgasms before I even got this baby inside of me.

Once in, it zoomed right to my G-spot. That's when I realized that it was a good thing the Fantasy Massager was made out of hard plastic. In a fraction of the time it takes when I normally masturbate, I was grabbing the pillow and screaming out the Lord's name.

Only problem: the noise. The motor is louder than most vibrators and it's almost distracting. I had to play some music to cover up the buzzing (even then, my roommates knew what I was doing). If you have roommates, kids, thin walls or nosy neighbors, don't forget to have some music handy.

## **Slimline G**

*by Abbey*



Whoever actually designed this G spot toy must have been brushing their teeth when they had the epiphany for the design of the Slimline G. Although I always enjoy a little curvature when penetrated, it is curvier than any penis or dildo I've ever come across. It looks more like a futuristic magic wand than a penis, and it turns out that is exactly what it is. This toy really, uh, hit the spot. I had a series of small orgasms while rubbing it on my clit and around the entrance to my pussy (this one feels so good on the clit!). Once I penetrated myself with the Slimline G, I had a big, delicious G-spot orgasm within a minute. For those who aren't sure where their G-spot is this toy will lead you right to it. I know that curve sent me around the bend!

## **Strap On Harness Reviews**

The strap-on harness is a device that allows a woman to wear a dildo. Originally popular with lesbians who wanted to be able to penetrate their women partners, the strap-on is very popular with straight couples when the man would like to be anally penetrated.

There are lots of advantages to wearing a strap-on dildo: it never cums too fast, it's always erect and ready, and can keep on going as long as the woman on the receiving end wants to continue.

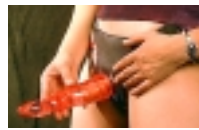
The best quality harnesses use the Vac-U-Lock system that allows the use of interchangeable dildos. Detachable dildos range in size and shape from small to double-dong devices for reaching anal and vaginal areas at the same time. Pick a model that suits your needs. Most harnesses include at least one dildo/dong.

## **Juli Aston Ultra Harnesses**

*by Jillian*



I'm an adventurous bisexual woman. My male lover and I have used several strap-ons before, but nothing was as sturdy and sexy as the Juli Ashton Ultra Harness. I like to use harnesses when I'm making love with a woman (either giving or receiving) and my boyfriend wanted to



feel what it would be like to be anally penetrated.

The Ultra Harness is made from sturdy leather, so when I strapped it on, there was no slipping or stretching, like with cheaper harnesses. This thing is tough, like hiking gear, and it's made for fucking. Lots of other harnesses seem to be made by Walmart, you know, cheap and not for vigorous sex. The Juli Ashton is industrial strength.

I first tried it without the anal and vaginal plugs, just to see if it would stay on. The included pink jelly prober dong was wonderful for my boyfriend. It's soft and tapered, and allowed us to experiment with me penetrating him. He absolutely loved it! We're very active during sex, and the strap-on held together and stayed tight around my waist. The fact that the dong can be quickly removed for easy cleaning is a nice plus.

The next time we tried the Juli Ashton Harness, I used the vaginal plug, and that was even nicer! The plug is small, about two inches long, and made of the same soft jelly material as the dong. It's not meant to do anything other than give your vagina that full feeling during sex—it's not meant to be a dong, nor is it likely to bring anyone to orgasm. But the vaginal plug does help to hold the strap on better, and when I was thrusting into him, the plug felt good as it moved in my vagina. I didn't try the harness with both anal and vaginal plugs (I'm not much into anal) but adventurous women who like anal stimulation will probably enjoy it.

The Juli Ashton Harness has a strap to hold the motor control for a vibrating egg or bullet. Since it uses the Vac-U-Lock dildo system, you can choose from about two dozen other types of dongs and dildos that click right on the front. Adventurous women will probably want to experience

with different size dildos. The small, soft tapered dildo that comes with the Juli Ashton Harness is a nice starter dildo and great for penetrating your man (or your female lover's vagina or anus).

## **Ultra Harness 2000**

*by Nafia*



I'm a bisexual woman who's tried a bunch of different harnesses, with lovers of both sexes, and the Ultra Harness 2000 stood up to my tests. Though the box says it's "professional", so I guess that's to appeal to men who want their women to wear it while doing them in the rear (I don't know any professional harness wearers!).

My current partners were both happy to help me try out the harness. The strap-on system fit snug, though the weight of the attached dong pulled the front part of the strap-on downward (let's face it: women were not built to wear a penis!). My female lover was thrilled with the feeling of the Ultra-Realistic dong that comes with the Ultra Harness 2000. It's six inches long and not too big. Though she's had her share of male lovers, she really enjoyed the feel of another woman on top of her while penetrating her. Since we're both woman, we could make love as long as we wanted.

The Ultra Harness 2000 comes with two plugs that fit on the middle strap. One plug is larger, for inserting into the vagina. The other plug is a bit smaller, and it goes into the anus. My lover tried the harness with both plugs, but she said the plastic was a bit hard, so we took off the anal plug and she just used the vagina plug. The plug helps keep the strap-on in place and reduce slippage.

I tried to the Ultra Harness 2000 on my male lover, but he wasn't too keen on a realistic-looking, life-size dildo going in his butt. With a little coaxing, and lots of lube, I finally got a chance to try it on him, and the strap held up its end of the bargain (though it did slip a bit on my waist). It stayed in place better when I used the vaginal plug. Though the plug felt nice, I was more concerned about pleasing my lover than having my own orgasm.

This harness is strong, though the included vaginal and anal plugs are too hard (I prefer the plugs that come with the Juli Ashton Ultra Harness). The six-inch Realistic dildo is nice, though it seems targeted toward gay women. For continued use with my man, I'll probably get a Jelly Prober or another smaller dong.

## Janine's Ultra Harness

by Carrie



This is a cute, sexy unit that I wanted to try out with a female lover (I'm a lesbian). I liked the idea of the harness having an opening to expose my vagina to my lover.

The strap-on harness held nicely to my body (I'm a size 6), and having my vagina framed in soft leather was a nice turn on. It came with an eight-inch, soft, "jelly style" dong that seemed too long, but it was slim, which is what most women want in a dildo. With the talcum powder, it slipped right on the Vac-U-Lock plug. The jelly dong is squeezably soft, and my lover really enjoyed it when I penetrated her.

The big advantage to this harness is the vaginal opening, but that was a mixed blessing. While I was inside my lover, there wasn't any way for her to actually get to my pussy when I was on top. When she was on top, it was much easier for her to reach back and finger me and to use a slim vibe in me, but there wasn't any real clearance to reach my clitoris. Still, it felt nice to penetrate her while she fingered me. My lover likes my smell and her favorite thing is fingering me, and smelling and tasting me on her fingers. It was incredibly sexy to watch her do that while I was penetrating her.

The elastic holder for a vibrating bullet was nice, and I have plenty of vibrating bullets. It was better for me use the bullet on my lover while I penetrated her than to have her try to use the bullet on me. When we switched off and she wore the harness, it felt wonderful to have her penetrate me while I played with her breasts and ass, and kissed her.

Still, there are some downsides. The vaginal opening makes the entire strap-on device kind of flimsy, and there's no place to hold a bullet over the clit for the girl wearing the harness. There's also no way to add any kinds of vaginal and anal plugs, like other the harnesses have. The construction isn't as sturdy as other harnesses.

The Janine Ultra Harness is good for lesbians who like their vaginas exposed while making love.

## Eggs and Bullets

These neat little toys are smaller than a real chicken egg, and range in size from about an inch to larger, rounder, longer models. The point of a vibrating egg or bullet is to insert it into the vagina or to press it against the clitoris.

To use an egg or bullet, hold it between your fingers and insert it into the vagina—but don't try to push it all the way in, like a dildo. The cords for most of these small toys are fragile, so if you tug on the cord, it may break

off inside you. It should be easy to fish an egg out of your vagina, but don't tempt fate.

Once you insert the egg or bullet into your vagina, you can slip on some panties and wear this toy outside the bedroom.

To get the best use out of a vibrating egg or bullet, use it in combination with other sex toys. While it's vibrating inside you, try a clit stimulator or have your lover perform oral sex on you.

Don't use eggs or bullets anally, since the cord could break and leave the bullet inside your rectum.

## **Remote Control Egg**

*by Courtney*



Hopefully I'll make it through the security check with the Remote Control Egg on my next vacation, because it's my first pick for a travel sex toy. This bullet is small enough that it can be carried in a small makeup pouch and quiet enough so that anyone nearby won't hear what's going on under your covers. It packs a lot of power and can be used for clitoral, vaginal or anal stimulation. Best of all, there's no cord! You can slip inside and go out dancing if you want, while your lover controls the buzzing! Or simply leave it in your pussy while your lover is working wonders on your clit or the rest of your body.

My partner loves to rub in it on my clitoris and around my outer pussy lips while performing oral sex because the combination of sensations sends me over the edge so quickly, especially if he turns the power all the way up. I like to hold it while massaging his balls or press it against his anus when I am blowing him. When we make love it's fun to have around to rub on my nipples or clit for some extra stimulation. When I'm alone, it's easy maneuverability and lightweight design makes it easy to give myself an orgasm without a lot of work. The bullet is so cute that even if the airport security guards did find it I would barely blush!

## **Butt Plugs & Anal Sex Toys**

The anus is incredible sensitive. Anal stimulation can lead to powerful orgasms for both men and women, and anal toys are a wonderful way to break in to anal stimulation and add to your sexual menu.

Too much misinformation has been going around about anal sexuality, much of it wrong and spread by the porno video industry. Adult films show anal penetration as being as easy as vaginal penetration, and that just isn't the case. Not every woman loves a cock enjoy anal sex, so couples interested in

exploring this part of their sexuality need to take it slow. Here are some tips to make anal toys work for you.

**Anal Lubes are an absolute must.** The anus doesn't produce its own lubrication, so if you don't use lube, you're going to hurt yourself. The skin of the anus doesn't expand like that of the vagina, and it tears easily. Don't use regular sex lubes, as they're not slippery or thick enough.

**Women:** First-timers should start on your back, with a pillow under your backside. With plenty of anal lube, try either your little finger or a small butt plug. Butt plugs are tapered to slip in easily, and they have a flared end so that they can't get lost. Don't use a normal dildo or vibrator (too big), or vibrating bullet (way too easy to lose up in there). Don't use the butt plug like a dildo. It's meant to be put up there and left there. It's a plug, not a dong.

**Men:** Once your lover enjoys being filled up back there, you can progress to larger butt plugs. Take your time getting to know her comfort level. She'll tell you when she wants to progress to larger butt plugs or try to put your penis in her. Let her set the pace.

**Couples:** Only experienced anal lovers will feel comfortable having anal sex doggy style. The rectum is curved differently from the vagina, and most women can't take the entire length of a penis in the anus during doggy style sex. This is why we suggest first-timers start with her on her back.

Always have a wet washcloth nearby when using anal sex toys. It's easy for fecal matter to get on the toy so you'll want to pull the toy out and discreetly wrap it up for cleaning later. If you want to have anal sex, always wear a condom—you don't want fecal matter to get up inside the urethra. If you find streaks on your condom, it's easy to discard it in a toilet before your lover notices. Stained condoms can be a mood-killer.

Always wash your toys with hot, soapy water, and don't share them! Keep your sex toys separated.

## Butt Plugs



Butt plugs are often the first toy that people use to explore their anal sexuality. The ones from Doc Johnson or Swedish Erotica are made of soft latex; they're tapered at the end for easier insertion, and they have a flared base to keep them from slipping inside the rectum. The soft latex plastic is easy to clean with hot soapy water.

Start with small butt plugs first, to see if you like the feeling. Use plenty of anal lube. For some people, this is ample anal stimulation, and all they are willing to try. Butt plugs are also a great way to prepare a lover for

anal intercourse. Once you begin to enjoy the feeling, you can experiment with larger sizes.

## **Anal Lubrication**

Don't try to fool around back there without the right kind of lube! Regular vaginal lubes are usually water soluble and dry off too quickly. Use a lube specifically made for anal sex play.

Some anal lubes contain desensitizing elements that numb the anus and make anal penetration less painful. This also slows down the male orgasm.

**Doc Johnson anal lubes** are extremely thick, easy to apply, and maintain their slickness without drying or feeling greasy. Doc Johnson lubes are available in handy pump action jars, bottom-squeeze tubes, and even in cinnamon flavor.

**Anal Eze** is a popular desensitizing anal sex lube. It's slippery, thick, and not greasy, and contains an topical medicine that numbs the anus and penis. Great for first-timers who may not be prepared for the pain.

**K-Y Jelly** is thick and maintains its slipperyness. The only drawback is the toothpaste-like tube; you have to unscrew a cap to apply it. It is too easy to roll over on the tube and have it squirt K-Y Jelly onto the bed sheets. The plus side: it's available at drug stores and even grocery stores.

## **Juli Ashton Anal Beginner's Kit**

*by Corissa*



I'm a woman with a very sensitive anus, and when my lover suggested more than just licking me back there, I was a bit skeptical. "Will it hurt?" I wondered. While my lover has always loved my ass and fantasized about fucking me back there, I haven't been willing to actually try it. When we found this kit, we thought it would be a nice way to break us both in (he likes a finger up there when I blow him).

The kit has four neat butt plugs—I like the smallest ones best—which are about the same size as my little finger. The kit comes with anal lube that is extremely slippery. Once I was nicely aroused by my man's licking and fingering, I was more than ready, and the little butt plug slid right in my back door very nicely.

All of the plugs are nicely tapered, so they fit in easy with enough lube. They have cool flared ends so they can just sit in your backside. My butt

muscles clenched naturally around them and they stimulated my anus without causing me to feel like I was in some anal porn movie.

After some more attention to my clit, I asked him to put in the bigger butt plugs—I was amazed at how much I loved being filled back there. It really helped me orgasm, and the medium-sized plug (about the size of a cock at it's widest point) shot me to the moon.

It took me a few lovemaking sessions before I was ready for the bigger unit, which is more like the size of a cock that vibrates. He didn't push it in too far, it was nice about two or three inches in there. When I came, my contractions pushed every butt plug right out of my ass. So don't worry when that happens.

By the time I got used to the bigger anal dildo I knew I was more than ready to have his cock in my ass. He understood how to take it slow and how far he could penetrate me. This kit was perfect to teach us a new way to make love and help us learn our limits.

## **The Anal Explorer**

*by Rebecca*



My husband and I have always enjoyed the pleasure of backdoor stimulation. We like to stick our tongues, fingers, and butt plugs back there. Once in a while, I let my husband fuck my ass, but it's a special occasion.

We're always looking for new toys, and the Anal Explorer really caught my eye! My husband's in love with my asshole and the thought of something being able to pump open my anus made me tingle. The latex exterior is nice and soft, and with enough lube, the un-inflated unit is small enough to slip right in my butt.

I laid on my back and he got me nice and wet before he slipped the Explorer back there. I like feeling my pussy filled, so I used a nice dong in my vagina as my man ate me out and slowly pumped up the Anal Explorer.

Oh my God...it was INCREDIBLE! This plug is different from a cock or dildo going in an out—it stretched my anus, then my husband released the air valve and it suddenly shrunk back to small, snapping my anus tight again. Then he pumped it up and stretched out my ass again—and then he turned on the vibrations! Absolutely delicious!

The expansion-contraction totally sent me over the edge, and the vibration was beautiful. I asked my man fill up my pussy with his cock and I writhed in pleasure because both my openings were full, creating ecstasy all over my body. I don't know what I blathered as I came in nice long waves.

This is definitely a toy for those who already enjoy anal stimulation, but it's certainly "nice" enough that it isn't going to hurt people who are just

starting out. It has a place next to my other butt plugs for complete anal love-making.

PS: my husband likes the Explorer up his rear almost as much as I do!

## Sexual Lubrication

Sexual lubricants are the number one adult product, because it's necessary for most kinds of sexual play. From intercourse to using sex toys, lubes keep things moving and keep the pleasure in adult play.

Sex lubes come in two basic types: oil-based and water-based, with many variations of thickness (viscosity) between the two types.

**Oil-based lubes** have been around for years, but most doctors now advise against using them. Excessive oil will stick to the inner walls of the vagina, providing a breeding ground for bacteria and yeast. Oils eat through condoms and diaphragms, which could lead to STDs or unwanted pregnancy. However, gay men tend to swear by oil-based lubes, simply because water based lubes dry out too fast for anal sex.

**Water-based lubes** are designed to be easily washed off and out of the body. Many lubes contain glycerin, which adds a slipperiness to the product and gives it a sweet taste.

## Lubrication Tips

### All Lubes Aren't for Everyone

One little secret of the sex lube industry: not every lube fits everyone's body chemistry. Some people can have vastly different reactions to different brands, including skin irritations, rashes, discomfort, itching, and inflammation. It's easy to think you've gotten an STD from a partner when it could simply be the brand of lubrication that you're using. Skin reactions can happen to men as well as women.

For best results, buy three or four brands of lube and try them out. Everyone reacts differently, so what your friends recommend may not work for you or your lover. Try dabbing some lube on the inside of your wrist before applying it to your genitals. If your wrist gets irritated, don't use the lube on your genitals.

### Secrets of Water Based Lubes

If your water-based lube dries out too quickly, that's because your sexual friction is drying up the water component of the lube. All you need to do is dab some water or saliva on the lube to reactivate it. Some lovers keep a squirt gun or plant mist spray bottle handy to get back into slippery action.

Prone to yeast infections? Avoid water-based lubes with glycerin.

Sensitive skin? Try brands that don't contain "propyl paraben", a preservative.

**Nonoxynol-9** is an ingredient in many lubes. It's meant to help kill the HIV virus that causes AIDS and to stop other STDs, including the herpes virus. Unfortunately, some people have a skin reaction to Nonoxynol-9, and lubes with this chemical can taste odd.

### **Scented oils, massage oils, and flavored oils are not sexual lubes**

Don't give your lover a rubdown with Kama Sutra massage oils and expect to just slide in there—the oils are made to absorb into the skin and will dry out the vagina and anus way too fast. While men enjoy scented oils as masturbation helpers, don't use them inside the vagina. The chemicals used in making the scents can irritate the vagina and cause rashes.

## **Bondage Sex Toys**

Bondage is one of the sexual taboos that's becoming more mainstream for couples, thanks to the new types of "soft" bondage toys on the market.

The psychological reasons for bondage could fill textbooks, but it boils down to one thing: giving up sexual control to someone else.

Like any quasi-dangerous activity, make sure you engage in bondage with someone you trust completely, and agree on "safe" words that mean "let me go, seriously."

While you can practice bondage with clothesline rope, soft bondage toys can ease your lover into the fun and keep things safe.

### **Sportsheets Velcro Bed Sheet Restraint Kit**



*by Ben and Aimee*

One word describes these incredible sheets: neat! For once, a sex toy that's even better than the box description. It's an amazingly simple bondage toy, yet the best one I've ever used, and we've tried everything from

clothesline rope to handcuffs.

It was easy to set up the sheets over our mattress, though it took both of us to pick up the mattress and clip the straps underneath. These straps fix the sheet in place so your lover won't yank it off the bed.

The sheets are one half of a Velcro connection, but they're as soft as any bed sheet I have slept on. They are baby-fine. Once my lover slapped a Velcro-style pad anywhere onto the bed and secured me with a soft Velcro cuff, I was there for good—no way to pull these things loose. I suppose that someone with a lot of upper body strength could get loose, but even then, I doubt it. You have to work to peel the pad off the sheet to move it, so once you're stuck to the bed, you can't move. You're bolted to the bed even more securely than handcuffs, and there's no metal to clang around. The best part—no headboard needed. Any mattress become a bondage fantasy playground.

You can get into some wild positions with a little imagination—my lover just pulled (really pulled!) the pad off the sheet, then smacked it down wherever he wanted. His favorite position is my legs spread wide and my hands over my head.

There are optional blindfolds (much fun!) and tether straps, if you want to get really adventurous. You can even attach the Velcro pads to the sides of the bed, or under the mattress, and completely spread-eagle your lover. The tether straps can be used on virtually any surface, from tabletops to car hoods, though we didn't go *that* far.

We're keeping the sheet on the bed, permanently!

## **Rachel's Bed Spread**

*by Shari and Richard*



The Sportsheets are wonderful, but they're a bit pricey. Rachel's Bed Spread was a nice, low-cost way for us to explore the world of soft bondage.

The straps were damn simple to hook up—just pick up each end of your mattress and slide them on. They quickly tighten up with the pull of a strap end. You now have a bondage bed! The four cuffs feature snap-clips, like those on backpacks and climbing gear. The straps have a cool feature: each one has two clips that are fixed, and two that slide. This allows a little movement for your hands or ankles (the hand movement thing is a good idea, to allow you to get hair out of your eyes or scratch your nose).

The cuffs kept my boyfriends securely on the bed, though if you struggle too hard, you can pull the straps loose or they'll slide a bit under the mattress. Unfortunately, the cuff clips are fixed on the strap, so you can't adjust the spread to your liking—you're stuck at a pre-set spread. For most

couples, especially first time bondage types, this isn't a problem, and the Bed Spread will hold you down nicely.

There's also a whole line of Rachel's soft bondage toys, like the Play Pak and Thigh Cuffs. We haven't tried those yet but we soon will. They look really sexy.



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