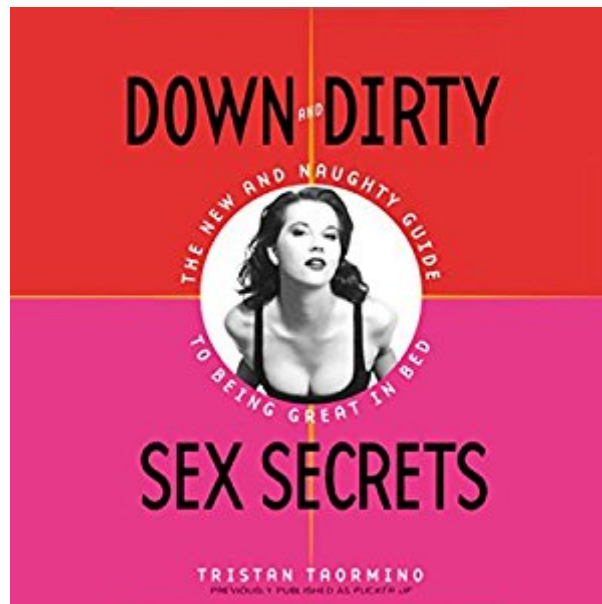


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# Down And Dirty Sex Secrets: The New And Naughty Guide To Being Great In Bed



## Synopsis

Gen-X sexpert Tristan Taormino goes beyond the basics for an edgy and playful book of sex secrets that help adventurous couples take their sex lives a step further. From her popular columns and website to her videos and speaking engagements, Tristan Taormino has been garnering raves for her no-holds-barred straight-talk about sex. As a sex educator, Tristan has listened to thousands of people's most intimate sexual questions. Finally, she's written book to respond to those questions - no matter how taboo - giving honest, useful information that doesn't shy away from sensitive topics. All the basics are covered here, but she also tackles such topics as strap-ons, female ejaculation, the latest in sex toys, incorporating erotica into your sex life, strategies for hitting that elusive G-spot, anal sex for him and her, and BDSM. Tristan's book isn't for men and women looking for generic "have better sex" advice. It's for people who already have great sex who want to explore all the ways that they can further enhance their skills and their pleasure. *Down and Dirty Sex Secrets* is quite simply an indispensable book for anyone looking for healthy, adventurous, mind-blowing sex. Tristan Taormino is an authority in the field of erotica and sexuality. Along with working as a feminist author, columnist, activist, and educator, she has been featured as *Out* magazine's 100 Gay Success Stories of the Year and *The Advocate's* Best and Brightest Gay & Lesbian People Under 30. In addition to all of this, Taormino recently appeared in the E! Special "The Real 50 Shades of Grey."

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## Customer Reviews

Unlike alot of How to's for the bedroom this book reads like a conversation over coffee and a donut.

To say the least, Tristan Taormino writes about what she knows, SEX. She began her career in sex education at a sex-toy shop in NYC. She honestly tells you all the sexual anthropology she witnessed and then some. I did find the book refreshing in style and candor. It doesn't read like an ABC123 this is how you do it book, but somewhat like a personal experience from Ms. Taormino's mouth to your ear. And let me just warn you now, if you dislike harsh slang maybe you should try a more clinical book. This book covers all the basics any other sex book would but then she covers it with a little kink. For the most part, this book did a great job with sex tools and toys. Everything you ever wanted to know but couldn't drag yourself into one of those stores to find out is covered. Once you've read the Sex tools and toys chapter of her book you most decidedly want to check out the goods in person just to see if they really exist. This book also does a great job of demystifying the female G-Spot, female ejaculation, and anal sex. In very plain language with seemingly life experienced knowledge Ms. Taormino tells you like it is. I did enjoy many sections of this book but it did just skim some topics. I also felt this was a book for boys who like girls and girls who like girls but fell short of addressing girls who like boys. Over all the book had some great places in it and great ideas but was decidedly toned down from Ms. Taormino's usual Village Voice column and therefore could have been much better. Worth buying if your interested in tools, toys, and the awesome resource guide.

Pucker Up is easy-to-read and has a lot of useful information that has definitely perked up my sex life. Taormino is very open and shares details about her life and why she cares so much about helping people with their sex lives. She covers everything from the female g-spot, sex toys including vibrators and dildos, to anal sex, safe sex, porn, and BDSM. She also includes questions from readers about all of these topics and answers them. The book is easy to read and comes with a resource guide to find out more information. It's easy to read straight through or skip to chapters that are of particular interest. She also emphasizes communicating with your partner and truly getting to know your own body and desires, which is very important. Altogether a helpful, interesting and intelligent guide to sexuality for men and women.

Sexpert Tristan Taormino brings her trademark humor, warmth, honesty, and vast knowledge of sexuality to this sex guide for both men and women. Through her time working at a sex toy store and her various writings on sexuality, she has learned a lot about female and male sexuality which she shares in this excellent and insightful guide. She details male and female anatomy and erogenous zones, how to figure out what turns you on, communicating with your partner, as well as

topics such as the G-spot, anal sex, erotica and porn videos, and BDSM. Throughout, she shares her own personal experiences and those of people she's spoken with to illuminate real issues people have about sexuality and how everyone can enjoy a better sex life and learn more about their bodies and desires. Her tone is friendly and encouraging, and is never stuffy or condescending. She writes at the end of the book, "Sex can be fun, relaxing, life-affirming, mind-blowing, spiritual, and physically and emotionally fulfilling." Pucker Up shows you how to have fabulous sex not by a 1-2-3, "this is how it should be done" approach, but in ways that allow you to figure out what you will feel comfortable with and how to make her suggestions and tips a part of your own unique sex life.

Reading through this book, I was impressed not only by Tristan's knowledge of various "sexuality topics," but also the easygoing style she writes in. She immediately makes you comfortable reading and discussing various items, it's almost as if you were meeting her for coffee and discussing things like what sex toy to buy, what adult video might be best, etc. She mentions her former job at a woman-owned sex toy shop in NYC called Toys in Babeland and how she was partially motivated to write this book based on her experiences working there, in her desire to further educate people about sex. And that's another thing I loved about this book; the amount of information about various items, such as different types of vibrators and dildoes, a chapter about the G-spot and female ejaculation, sexual communication and safe sex, a section on female anatomy, and a chapter about "back door betties and bend over boys (anal sex)," just to name a few. And the accompanying illustrations (esp the female anatomy ones) are wonderful too. Tristan knows quite a bit about the topics she discusses and it shows. I would recommend this book to anyone. I'm so glad to live in an era where sex-positive information is readily available. Bravo Tristan for a job well done!

Tristan Taormino is the sexpert for Gen-X. In Pucker Up she attempts to write the Joy of Sex for the new millenium. Unfortunately, her efforts fall short. It's not that the book is bad because its not. It's just that we are talking sex here not rocket science. Tristan does try to provide the casual reader with lots of information on everything from sexual anatomy to BDSM practices but fails to be complete in any topic. She does make up for this flaw by providing an excellent resource guide at the end that is worth the price of admission. All in all the book is somewhat too simple. There is lots of basic material on better communication, the joys of adding toys to your routine, adding erotica and role-playing but no real detailed information. If you want details you need to go to the resource guide to get the additional material. The book really is not much of a techniques manual but rather a

simple overlook of what could have been much more informative if the topics had been shortened and more detail given to specific aspects of sexuality. One of the best parts of the book are the questions that accompany each chapter. The reader would have been better served if more questions had been included. These questions are truly the highlights of the work. That said the book is not bad its just a slow repetitive read at times. I would recommend it if you are looking for very basic information but if you want more there are better source books out there.

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