

## If you think your guy has never been with a prostitute, think again

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News flash: [Eliot Spitzer](#) isn't the first guy to hide his pay-for-sex fetish from his lady. And he won't be the last. A 2007 survey found that one in five men in the [U.K.](#) has enlisted the services of a sex worker, so it isn't a stretch to think your guy may have doled out some dollars for the deed.

The men of [Manhattan](#) sleep with prostitutes for any number of reasons: variety, getting something they can't get at home, or just the sheer thrill of it.

But if you aren't asking them, they aren't telling.

"If I were asked point-blank, I would tell them the truth. But I wouldn't go out of my way to tell a girlfriend," says investment banker David, 27, who reports he really can't even count how many times he has been with a prostitute. He would only spill the beans if he thought he was going to get caught.

"If I thought I was going to let something slip, then I guess I would have to raise the issue," he says. "But if my girlfriend were really uptight, I would just never talk about it."

David is a good-looking guy. He comes in at a little under 6 feet. Brown hair, brown eyes, good dresser. He owns his apartment downtown, has an [Ivy League](#) degree and a Hamptons summer share. And he opts to pay for a professional at least once a month.

"You eliminate all the bull you have to deal with when you order a hooker," he explains. "You want to chill with your friends all night and still [have sex]. Plus it's fun knowing when someone knocks on your door that they are going to be hot and want to have sex with you and then they'll leave."

Anyway, no matter how cute David is, there are girls he would never be able to take home no matter how many martinis he buys them.

"I'm a preppy guy. I could never take home a girl who was all edgy. She would take one look and laugh at me. I can break out of my mold with a prostitute. A girl with a bunch of tattoos would never talk to me unless I were paying her. Variety is sweet."

And a prostitute won't balk at some of your kinkiest propositions.

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"With a pro, you can do pretty much whatever you want ... for the right price," says Nick, a 28-year-old medical researcher who has visited prostitutes around seven or eight times, always in other countries.

Nick says he would be loath to admit his sordid past to any girl he was going to get serious with.

"I haven't ever told a girl that I was involved with. I've been tested, I know I'm clean."

Psychologist and relationship expert [Cooper Lawrence](#) says the nicer the girlfriend, the more likely the guy might seek sex outside the relationship.