



LOVE *and Desire*

A PHOTO STORY



The characters



Maria



Agim



Giovanni



Cecilia



Anabela



Nurse

The actors

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Agim Demian Schmid

Giovanni Larry Giovo

Cecilia Liset Marti

Anabela Valéria Bochaton

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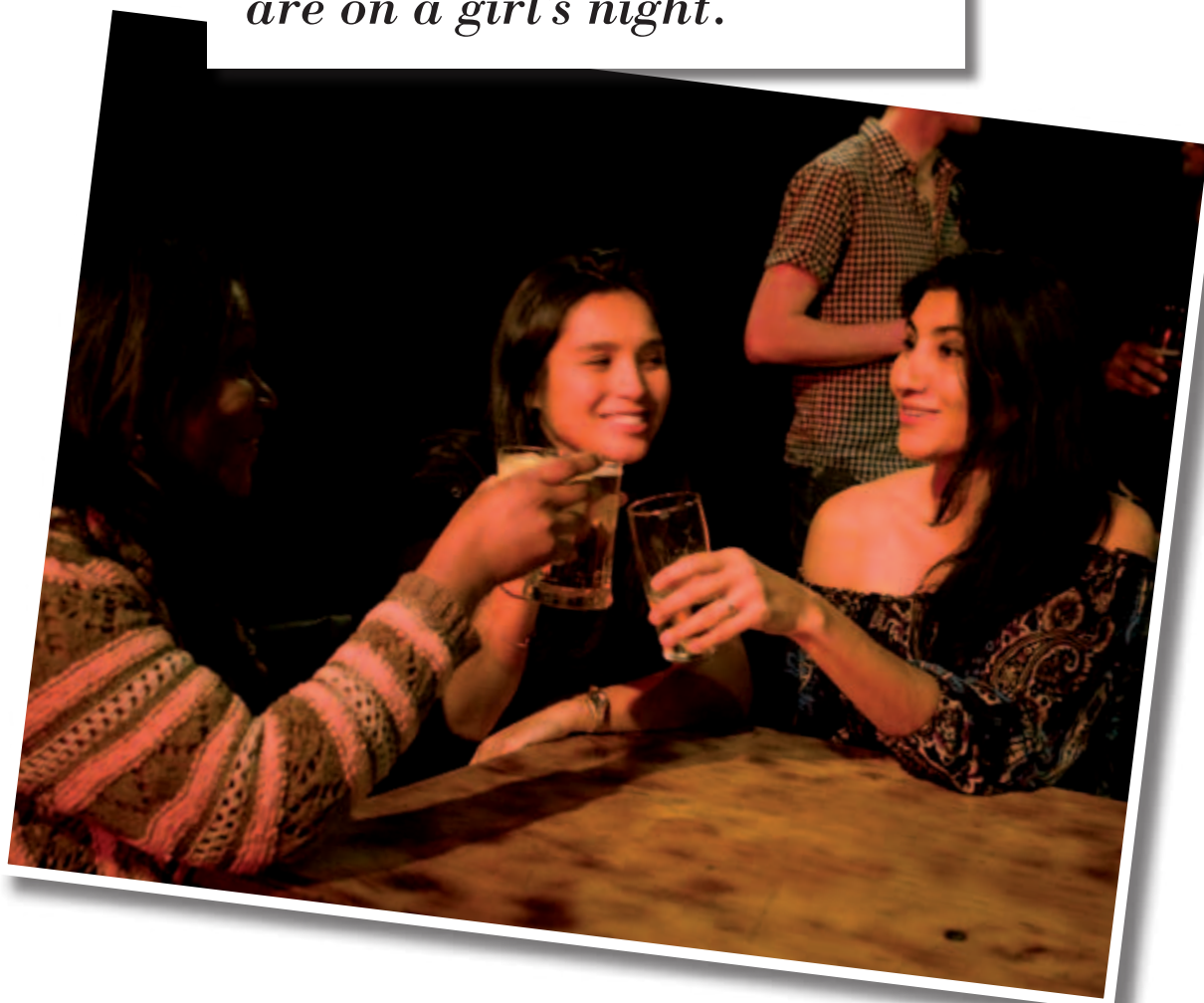
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*Maria, Cecilia and Anabela
are on a girl's night.*



While they're talking and laughing...



Agim and his friend Giovanni check the girls out from the other side of the room.



Those 3 girls over there are really hot...

Agim notices Maria right away...



Agim! It looks like love at first sight!



Maria... that guy is looking at you!



Mmh... quite cute, hey?

Go for it man, ask her to dance...

OK, but come with me.



Hi girls. Can we join you?





Agim... Maria.
Maria... Agim.



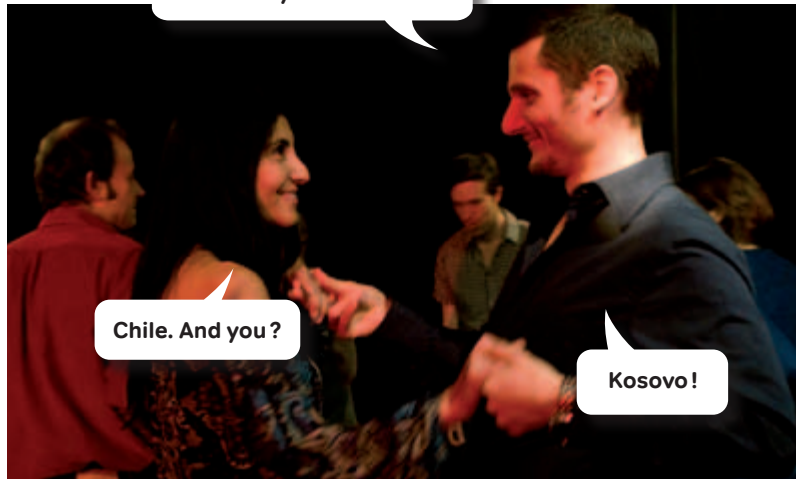
Shall we dance?

Where do you come from?



He has
beautiful
eyes

She's really
sexy

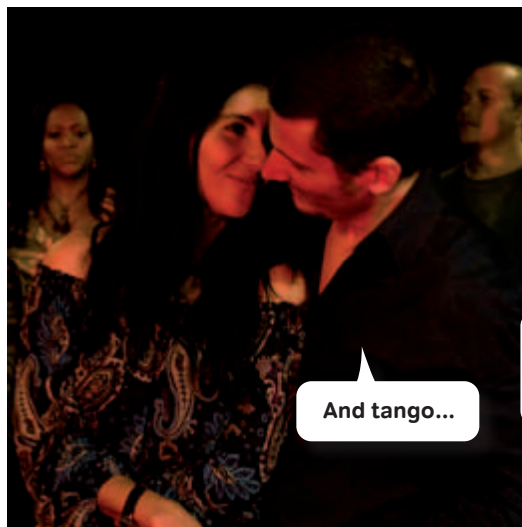


Chile. And you?

Kosovo!



And you know how
to dance salsa!



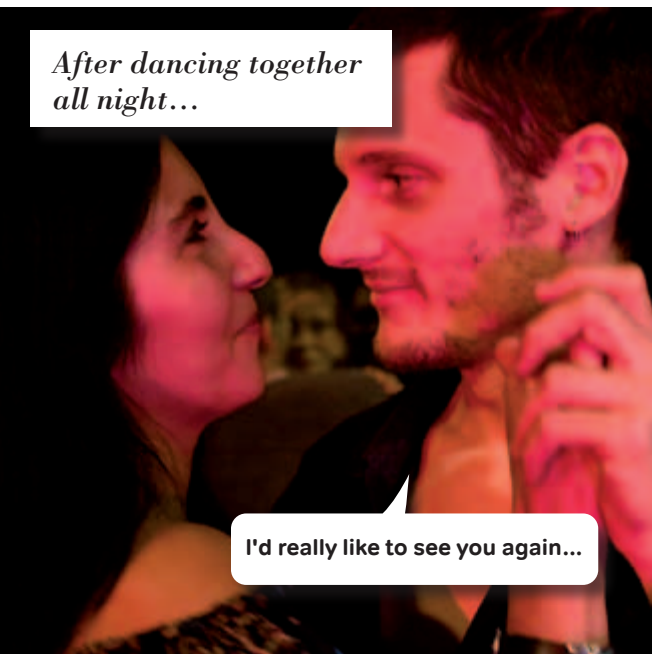
And tango...



Tango is
Argentinian,
not Chilean!

Whatever. With
you, I can dance
anything...

*After dancing together
all night...*



I'd really like to see you again...



Are you leaving
already?

What's your number?

The next day...

Hello?

Hi, it's Agim. I've been thinking about you... Maybe we could go out for a walk?

With pleasure!

A little later, Maria and Agim meet by the lake...



It's crazy, I feel like I've known you all my life...

After a romantic afternoon, Maria invites Agim for dinner back at her place...



I hope you like my cooking.

It smells great!



There you go.

Mmh...



Salud!

Gëzuar!



That was excellent.

Wait till you see what's for dessert!



Mmh... What's for dessert?

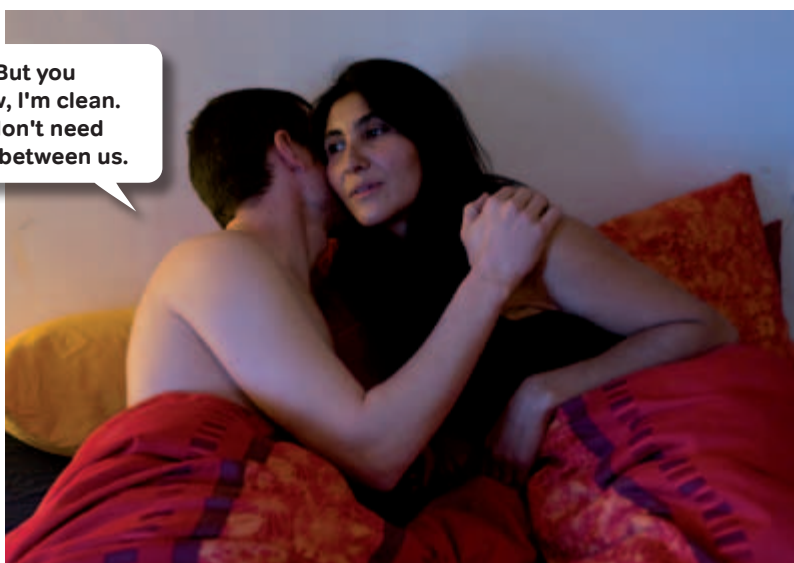


Come!



A few minutes later...

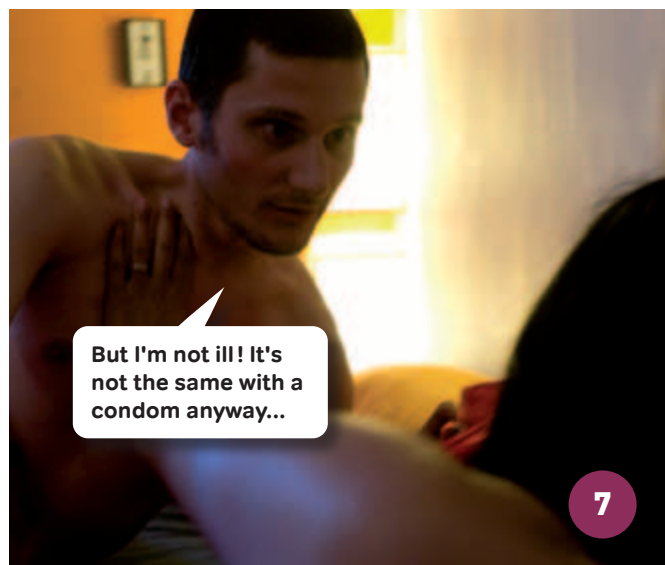
Wait... do you have a condom?



No! But you know, I'm clean. We don't need that between us.



Listen, we don't know each other well. I don't want to catch anything or get pregnant.



But I'm not ill! It's not the same with a condom anyway...



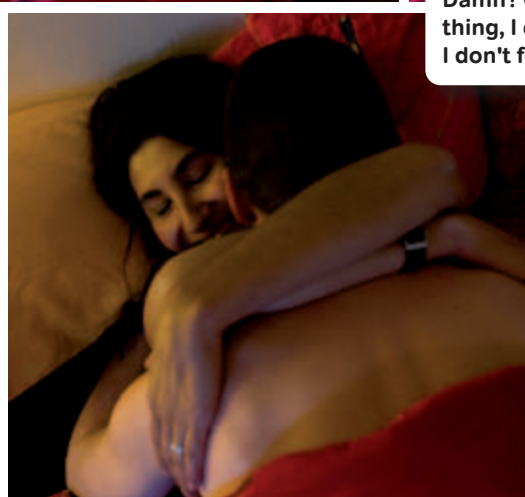
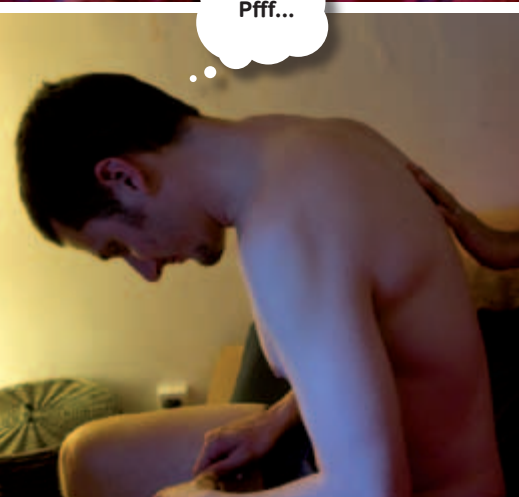
If you want to have sex with me, use a condom!

Wait... I have some in the bathroom.

Pfff...



Here mi amor! With that, we won't take any risks.

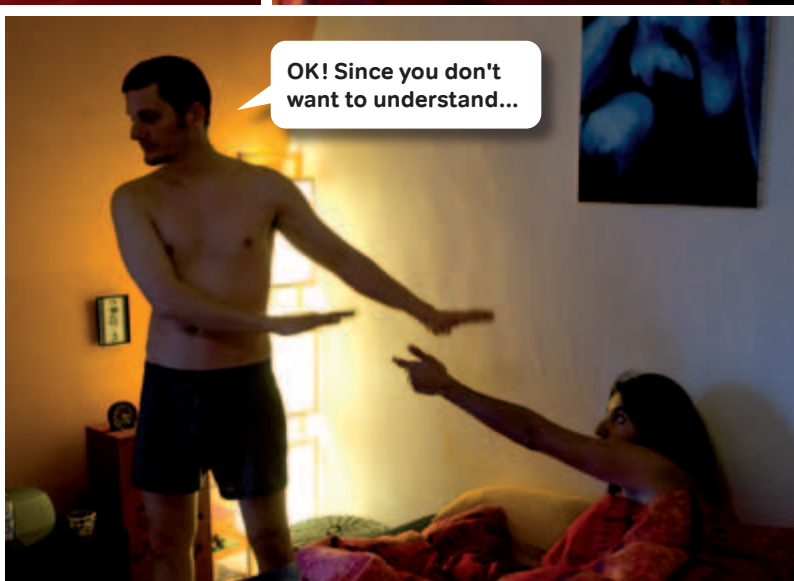


Damn! With that thing, I can't do it. I don't feel anything!

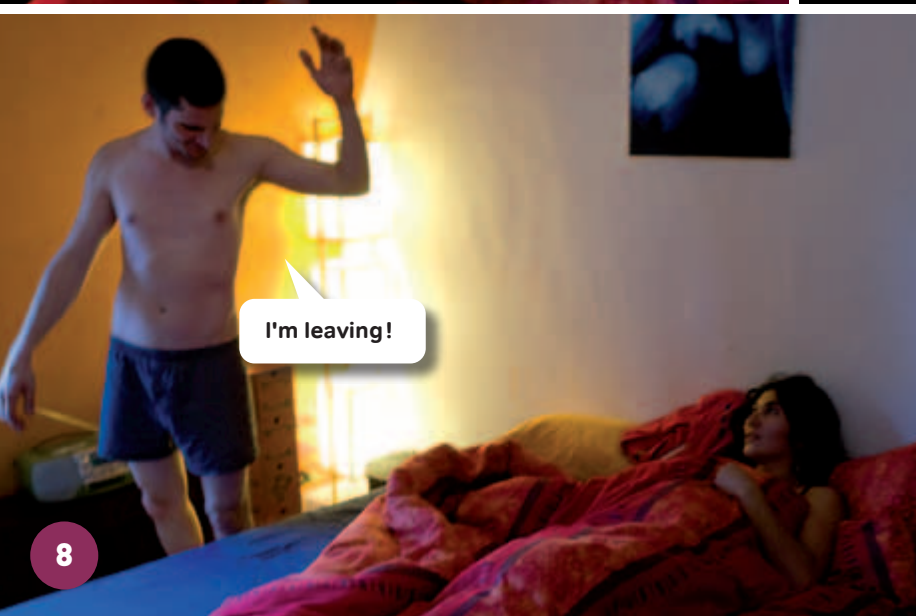


Come on, let's take it off...

No! Not without a condom.



OK! Since you don't want to understand...



I'm leaving!



A few days later, Giovanni meets Agim at the Café...



I really messed it up with Maria...



Agim tell Giovanni about his bad experience...



What a face! What's wrong with you?

Of course she will!!! That girl's crazy about you!



And she's right to be careful you know...

See, I've ruined it. She won't want to see me again...



You could go and get tested for HIV. That way, you can prove to her you're not ill and bye-bye condoms!



Great idea! Do you know where I can get tested?



Of course! You're right, I should've thought of it.





A little later, in an anonymous testing centre...



Hello, I'm Luc Bonvin, one of the nurses. Please follow me...

Hello

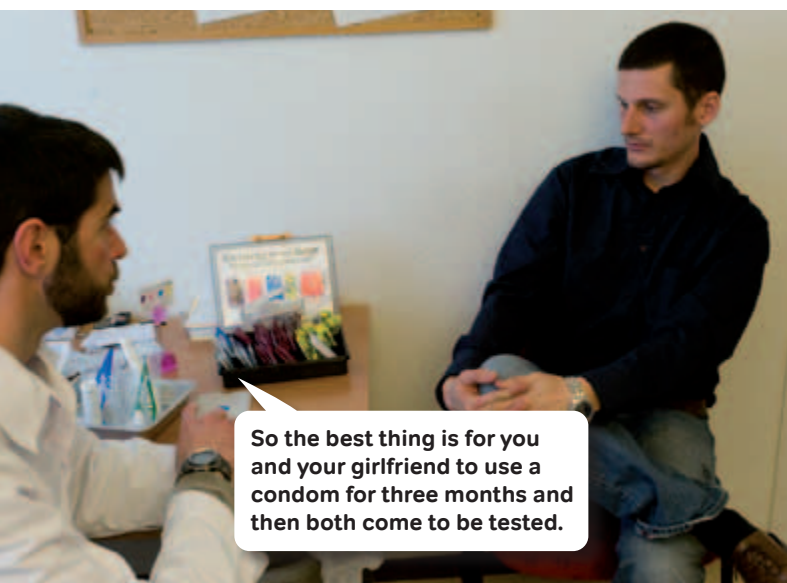


Why do you want to get tested for HIV?

Agim explains that he wants to get tested to prove to Maria he's not infected with HIV...



The test gives no indication about the risks taken over the last three months.



So the best thing is for you and your girlfriend to use a condom for three months and then both come to be tested.



Here are condoms.

No way! I don't want to use those things again!



What don't you like about condoms?



Ahem... when I put one on, it doesn't work. I can't... it doesn't stay up...

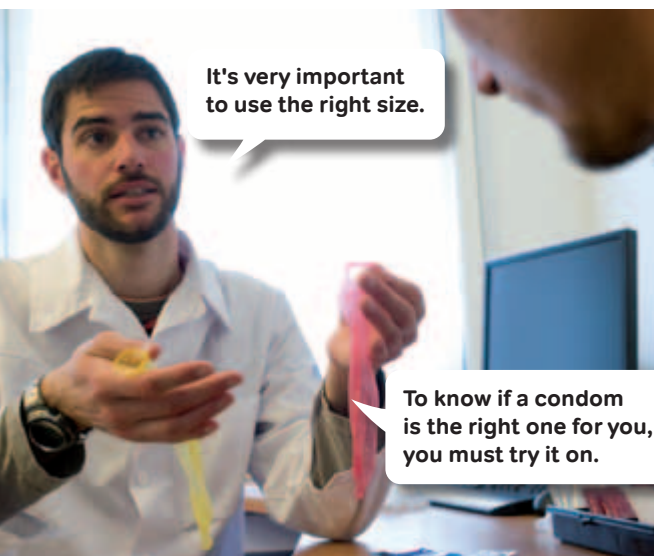


It often happens if you're not used to putting them on.



Did you know that condoms come in different shapes and sizes?

Well... no, I never thought about the size...



It's very important to use the right size.

To know if a condom is the right one for you, you must try it on.



Wait a minute... You mean try it on by myself?

Yes. You should practise!



That way, you'll be able to put it on fast and everything will be fine.

By the time you understand which way it has to be unrolled...



They don't all feel the same.

There's even a condom for women.



And if it stills doesn't work?

Don't worry. It can happen to anybody.



Don't be so tough on yourself...

... if you can get an erection without a condom, it should work with one on too.



Condoms also protect against sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy.



I really must practise...

With this on, you can have sex without any worries.



To be tested, come back with your girlfriend in three months.

Yes, I'll try to talk to Maria about it.



If I can put it on fast, it should work and I'll impress Maria...

Good-bye. See you soon.



During that time, at Cecilia's...

He couldn't keep it up once he'd put the condom on. Nowadays, it shouldn't be a problem for men!



You know, for some men, it's not that easy...



Yes, they sometimes need a bit of help.



What do you mean, help them? It's up to them to deal with it, don't you think?



Well... You could help him. You could offer to put the condom on yourself in a sexy way!



Caress him while you put the condom on and... there you are!



Don't worry, we'll show you! I have condoms.

Yes... but I don't even know how to put it on.



A banana will do the trick!



First of all, check the expiry date printed on the packet...



Open the condom wrapper carefully using the notch. Be careful not to damage the condom with your nails.



Squeeze the reservoir tip with your fingertips and place the condom on top of his penis.



Keep holding the tip. That keeps air out of it. Then with your other hand, start rolling the condom down his penis.



Here... Try it yourself.



Yeah, that's right.

If it doesn't unroll properly, it may be upside down...



... or too narrow... It musn't be too big or too small, otherwise it could tear.



See, it's not difficult.

And don't forget, when he comes, he has to hold the base of the condom and withdraw before he goes soft.



Otherwise, the condom could stay in you and you won't be protected.



That's the basic technique.

Then, you can use your imagination! You can even find flavoured condoms!



Smell this one, it's strawberry flavoured.



See, you can make it sensual...

Muy sensual...

OK girls, I got the picture!

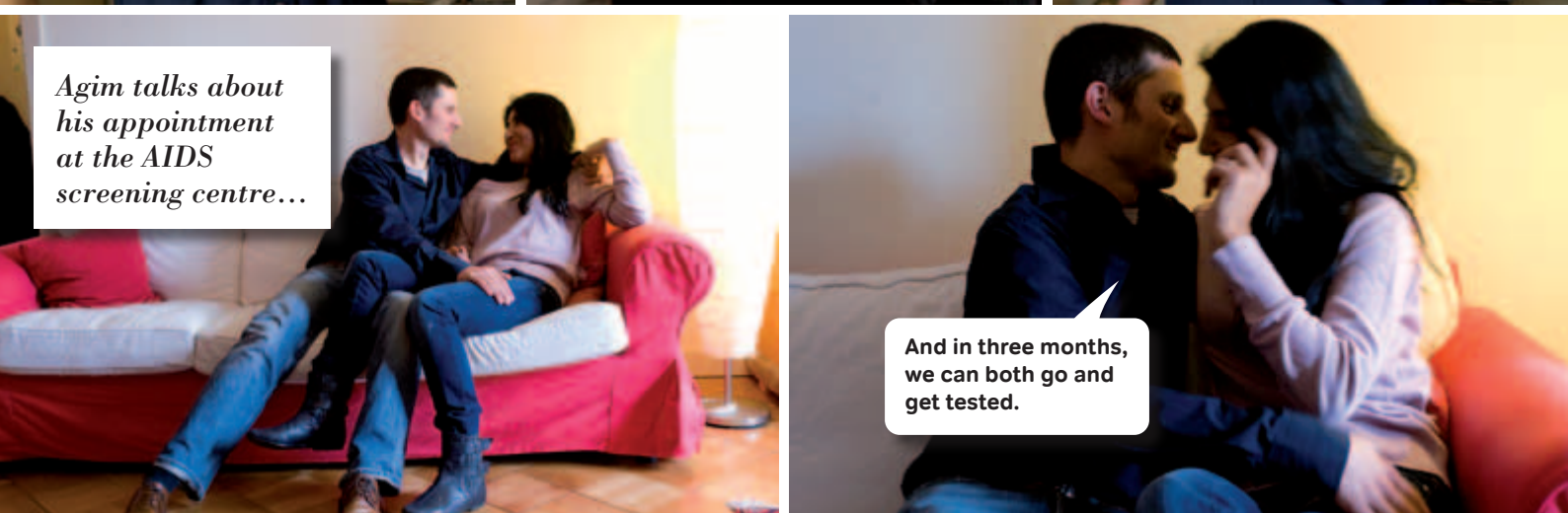


A few days later...

Maria, I'd like to apologize for the other day, I reacted in a bad way.

I'll come over tonight.

I'm glad you called! I'd like to see you again...



Agim talks about his appointment at the AIDS screening centre...

And in three months, we can both go and get tested.



In the meantime... surprise!!



~ THE END ~

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Condoms : Everything you need to know



Muy sensual...

See, you can make it sensual...

What is a condom ?

- A condom (also called rubber, jimmy, johnny) is a thin rubber sheath (generally latex) to be rolled over an erect penis before sexual intercourse.
- Some brands also offer latex-free condoms for people allergic to latex
- Condoms are very effective as long as they are used properly.

Which condom to choose ?

Sizes

- Condoms come in different sizes.
- Choosing the right size is important; a condom that is too narrow can tear or break. A condom that is too big can slip off or tear.

How do I know my size ?

The best thing is to try it on.

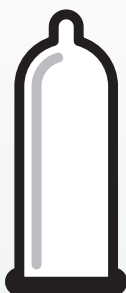
A right-sized condom rolls down easily, covers the whole length of the penis, is not too tight and does not slip off.

Quality

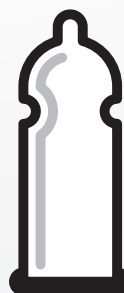
- A good quality condom must absolutely carry the CE or OK quality seal.

Shapes

- Condoms come in different shapes in order to fit on all penises. The best thing once again is to try them on to find the one best suited for you.



Straight



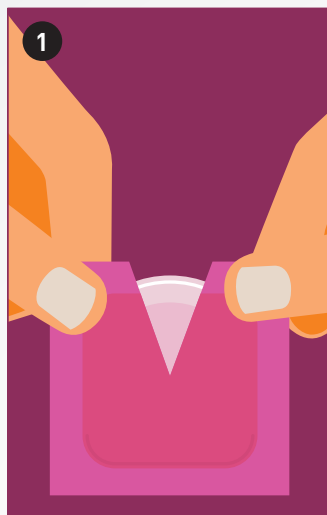
Fitted



Headroom



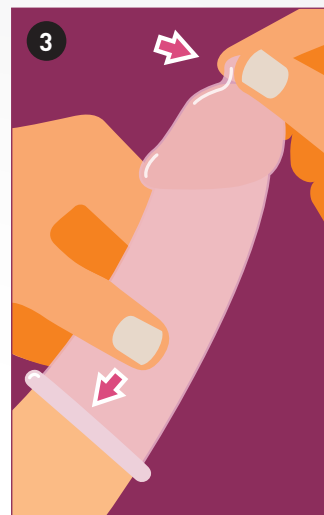
How to use it?



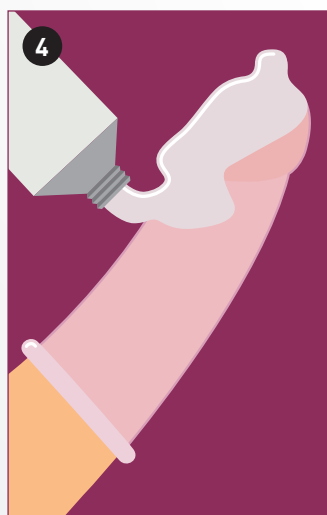
Carefully open the wrapper using the notch at the top edge and remove the condom.
Do not open the wrapper with your teeth and beware of sharp objects that could damage the condom.



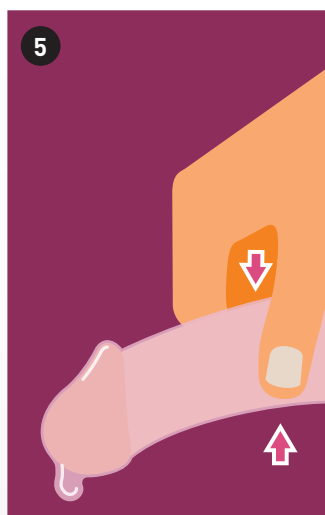
Hold the tip of the condom between your thumb and your index finger and roll it down the erect penis.



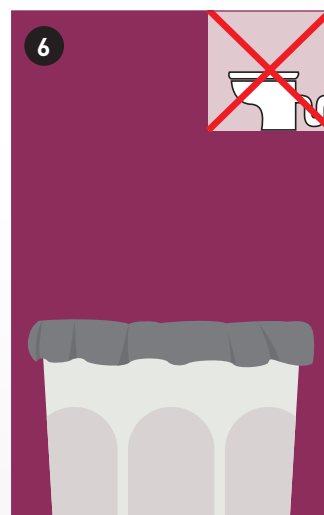
Unroll the condom entirely down to the base of the penis.



If needed, add lubricant on the outside of the condom.



After ejaculation, hold the base of the condom firmly whilst withdrawing.



Throw used condoms in the bin and not down the toilet.

That's the basic technique.

Use a condom
only once

Do not use two
condoms one on
top of the other

Then, you can use your
imagination! You can even
find flavoured condoms!



What's a lubricant ?

- Lubricant (lube) is a gel used during sexual intercourse to ease penetration. In case of anal penetration, it is important to use a lot of lubricant. It can be applied on the condom already placed on the penis or directly on the sexual organs of the partner.
- Only water or silicone based lubricants must be used with condoms. Lubricants can be bought at the same places as condoms.
Do not use greasy products such as creams, vaseline, oil, butter, etc. They may damage the latex and reduce the condom's effectiveness.



What to do if there is an accident with the condom ?

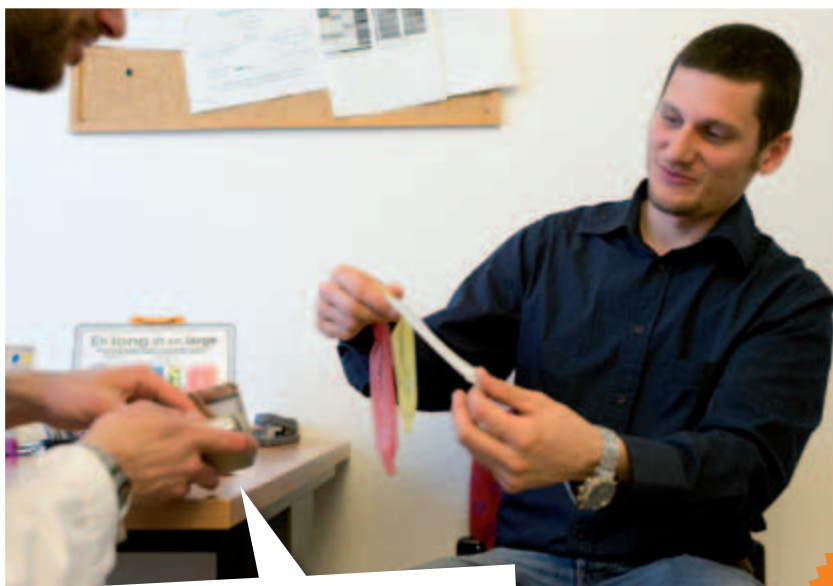
In case of an "accident", i.e. if the condom tears or slips off, you are no longer protected and are at risk of :

- an unwanted pregnancy.
- getting infected with HIV/AIDS

If your partner is infected with HIV or in case of doubt : go as soon as possible, but in any case within a maximum of 72 hours, to a hospital, to a doctor's or to an information centre to know what to do.

- and other sexual transmitted infections.

To learn more about AIDS, sexually transmitted infections or how to avoid unwanted pregnancy, read the other photo stories mentioned on the last page and check the address list on page 24.



There's even a condom for women.

To feel comfortable placing a Femidom, it is recommended to try 2 or 3 times alone.

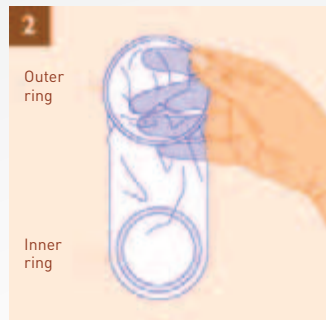
What is the female condom ?

- It is called Femidom and is an alternative to the male condom.
- It is inserted into the vagina.
- It can be put in place several hours before sexual intercourse.
- The Femidom is also a means of birth control.
- It is made of polyurethane so people with an allergy to latex can use it .
- The penis does not have to be fully erect.
- It is wider than a male condom so can adapt to all penis sizes.
- It can also be used for anal penetration. In that case, remove the inner ring and put the Femidom onto the penis before penetration.

How to use it ?



Open the package carefully by tearing at the notch on the top right corner. Do not use scissors or a knife to open.



The outer ring should cover the area around the entrance of the vagina. The inner ring helps to introduce the Femidom and holds it in place during intercourse.



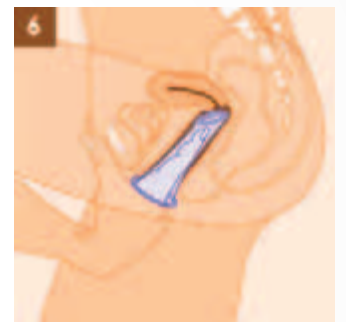
While holding the sheath at the closed end, grasp the flexible inner ring and squeeze it with the thumb and second or middle finger so it becomes long and narrow.



Choose a comfortable position : squat, lie, sit or stand with a foot on a chair.



Gently insert the inner ring into the vagina and let it go up and move into place.



Place the index finger on the inside of the condom, and push the inner ring as far as it will go. Make sure the Femidom is not twisted. The outer ring should remain on the outside of the vagina.



The Femidom is now in place and ready for use.



When you are ready, gently guide your partner's penis into the Femidom. Be sure the penis is not entering between the condom and the vagina wall.



To remove the Femidom, twist the outer ring and pull out carefully.



Place the condom back in its package or in a tissue and throw it in the bin. Do not throw it down the toilet.

Where to find condoms ?

Condoms can be bought in supermarkets, pharmacies and hardware shops.

They may also be available for free or for a small price in some places (check addresses on page 24).

How to keep them ?

Keep condoms away from light, heat and sharp objects.

The most important thing is to choose the right condom and to practise putting it on.

I really must practise...



Here is a collection of condoms available in shops



length 185 / width 52 mm
Very thin, colour pink,
lubricated



length 190 / width 54 mm
Large size, colour pink,
lubricated



length 190 / width 53 mm
Headroom, lubricated



length 190 / width 52 mm
Easy to use, lubricated



length 178 / width 56 mm
Specially lubricated to **delay**
ejaculation



length 180 / width 56 mm
Latex free



length 178 / width 56 mm
Flavoured, coloured,
lubricated



length 200 / width 54 mm
Extra large



length 190 / width 52 mm
Female condom,
in polyurethane

You can still
love and
feel pleasure
with a condom

Useful Addresses

In Geneva

Where can I have an HIV/AIDS screening test done ?

Geneva University Hospitals (HUG)

Programme santé migrants

Advice and rapid HIV tests for migrants (in a financially constrained situation or without medical insurance), confidential or anonymous discussions, with an interpreter if necessary, by appointment.

Rue de Lyon 89, 1203 Genève

Phone : 022 382 33 33

Anonymous tracking of the HIV

Rue Gabrielle-Perret-Gentil 4, 1211 Genève 14

By appointment : www.testvih.ch or 022 372 96 17

Dialogai-Checkpoint

Advice and HIV rapid tests for men who have sex with men. Screening of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs). Mondays and Wednesdays from 4pm to 8pm, and Fridays from 12am to 4pm (without appointment)

Rue du Grand-Pré 9, 1202 Genève

Phone : 022 906 40 40

www.dialogai.org

Where can I get information, advice and help ?

Groupe sida Genève (GsG)

Information, support, advice, legal assistance.

Most of the services and assistance the Geneva AIDS Group offers are confidential and free.

Rue du Grand-Pré 9, 1202 Genève

Phone : 022 700 15 00

AIDS Info Line : 0840 715 715

Everyday, incl. week-ends and bank holidays : from 9am to 12am, and from 2pm to 5pm.

www.groupesida.ch

Geneva University Hospitals (HUG)

Unity of sexual health and family planning

Advice on all issues related to sexual health, contraception, Emergency Pill, abortion, STIs/AIDS, violence etc.

Free and confidential meetings.

Boulevard de la Cluse 47, 1205 Genève

Phone : 022 372 55 00

<http://planning-familial.hug-ge.ch>

Première ligne

Geneva Association for the reduction of drug-related risks

BIPS (Information and Health Preservation Bus)

Welcome centre for information, support, sterile injection equipment

and distribution of condoms

Rue Vallin (near the St-Gervais temple)

Open every evening from 8.15pm to 11.15pm

www.premiereligne.ch

ASPASIE

Solidarity and support association for people working in the sex industry.

Rue de Monthoux 36, 1201 Genève

Phone : 022 732 68 28

www.aspasie.ch

National organisations and services

SWISS AIDS FEDERATION

National centre of excellence on HIV/Aids
and STIs in Switzerland

Konradstrasse 20

8005 Zürich

Phone : 044 447 11 11

aids@aids.ch

www.aids.ch : addresses for the cantonal Aids services and
other organizations in your area.

Legal aid

Swiss Aids Federation

Monday : 09:00–12:00.

Tuesday and Thursday : 09:00–12:00 and 14:00–17:00

Phone : 044 447 11 11

recht@aids.ch

Specific prevention programmes for migrants from sub-Saharan Africa :

The Afrimedia programme is offered in Geneva, Fribourg,
Neuchâtel, St.Gallen, Vaud and Zürich areas. Others
programmes are “Multicolore” in Berne und “GUM”
in both Basels.

Sexual Health Switzerland

Family planning, pregnancy, contraception and sexuality

Marktgasse 36

3011 Bern

Phone : 031 311 44 08

www.sexuelle-gesundheit.ch

Other Web Links

Swiss Federal Office of Public Health

http://www.bag.admin.ch/hiv_aids/index.html?lang=en

Information website on **HIV test and STIs :**

www.check-your-lovelife.ch

Website for all questions about **HIV risks and tests :**

www.infotestvih.ch

Website of the Counselling Centers for **sexual and
reproductive health** in Switzerland : www.isis-info.ch

Website for meeting people, getting information and
support **for people with HIV/AIDS or viral hepatitis :**

www.seronet.info

Website of a British association **offering information on
HIV/AIDS in French, English, Spanish, Portuguese and
Russian :** www.aidsmap.com

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Test your knowledge

1

Female condoms exist.

True or false ?

6

Only latex condoms are available.

True or false ?

2

Vaseline can be used to lubricate condoms.

True or false ?

7

When someone is not used to putting a condom on, (s)he should practise.

True or false ?

3

Condoms offer protection against unwanted pregnancy.

True or false ?

8

Condoms can only be bought in pharmacies.

True or false ?

4

Putting two condoms one on top of the other offers double protection.

True or false ?

9

A condom that's too big can slip off or tear.

True or false ?

5

HIV can be transmitted if a condom tears.

True or false ?

10

The female condom can be put in place several hours before sexual intercourse.

True or false ?

Answers

1: true, 2: false, 3: true, 4: false, 5: true, 6: false, 7: true, 8: false, 9: true, 10: true



IN THE SAME COLLECTION*

***To order :**

Groupe sida Genève
Rue du Grand-Pré 9
1202 Genève
Tél. 022 700 15 00

Aide Suisse contre le Sida
Konradstrasse 20
Case postale 1118
8005 Zürich
www.aids.ch/shop

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