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What is STRIBILD?

STRIBILD is a prescription medicine used to treat HIV-1 in adults who have never taken HIV-1 medicines before. It combines 4 medicines into 1 pill to be taken once a day with food. STRIBILD is a complete single-tablet regimen and should not be used with other HIV-1 medicines.

STRIBILD does not cure HIV-1 infection or AIDS. To control HIV-1 infection and decrease HIV-related illnesses you must keep taking STRIBILD. Ask your healthcare provider if you have questions about how to reduce the risk of passing HIV-1 to others. Always practice safer sex and use condoms to lower the chance of sexual contact with body fluids. Never reuse or share needles or other items that have body fluids on them.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

What is the most important information I should know about STRIBILD?

STRIBILD can cause serious side effects:

- **Build-up of an acid in your blood (lactic acidosis)**, which is a serious medical emergency. Symptoms of lactic acidosis include feeling very weak or tired, unusual (not normal) muscle pain, trouble breathing, stomach pain with nausea or vomiting, feeling cold especially in your arms and legs, feeling dizzy or lightheaded, and/or a fast or irregular heartbeat.
- **Serious liver problems.** The liver may become large (hepatomegaly) and fatty (steatosis). Symptoms of liver problems include your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow (jaundice), dark "tea-colored" urine, light-colored bowel movements (stools), loss of appetite for several days or longer, nausea, and/or stomach pain.
- **You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or serious liver problems** if you are female, very overweight (obese), or have been taking STRIBILD for a long time. In some cases, these serious conditions have led to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any symptoms of these conditions.

- **Worsening of hepatitis B (HBV) infection.** If you also have HBV and stop taking STRIBILD, your hepatitis may suddenly get worse. Do not stop taking STRIBILD without first talking to your healthcare provider, as they will need to monitor your health. STRIBILD is not approved for the treatment of HBV.

Who should not take STRIBILD?

Do not take STRIBILD if you:

- **Take a medicine that contains:** alfuzosin, dihydroergotamine, ergotamine, methylergonovine, cisapride, lovastatin, simvastatin, pimozide, sildenafil when used for lung problems (Revatio®), triazolam, oral midazolam, rifampin or the herb St. John's wort.
- **For a list of brand names for these medicines,** please see the Brief Summary on the following pages.
- **Take any other medicines to treat HIV-1 infection,** or the medicine adefovir (Hepsera®).

What are the other possible side effects of STRIBILD?

Serious side effects of STRIBILD may also include:

- **New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure.** Your healthcare provider should do regular blood and urine tests to check your kidneys before and during treatment with STRIBILD. If you develop kidney problems, your healthcare provider may tell you to stop taking STRIBILD.
- **Bone problems,** including bone pain or bones getting soft or thin, which may lead to fractures. Your healthcare provider may do tests to check your bones.
- **Changes in body fat** can happen in people taking HIV-1 medicines.
- **Changes in your immune system.** Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any new symptoms after you start taking STRIBILD.

The most common side effects of STRIBILD include nausea and diarrhea. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or don't go away.

What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking STRIBILD?

- **All your health problems.** Be sure to tell your healthcare provider if you have or had any kidney, bone, or liver problems, including hepatitis virus infection.
- **All the medicines you take,** including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. STRIBILD may affect the way other medicines work, and other medicines may affect how STRIBILD works. Keep a list of all your medicines and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist. Do not start any new medicines while taking STRIBILD without first talking with your healthcare provider.
- **If you take hormone-based birth control** (pills, patches, rings, shots, etc.).
- **If you take antacids.** Take antacids at least 2 hours before or after you take STRIBILD.
- **If you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.** It is not known if STRIBILD can harm your unborn baby. Tell your healthcare provider if you become pregnant while taking STRIBILD.
- **If you are breastfeeding** (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed. HIV-1 can be passed to the baby in breast milk. Also, some medicines in STRIBILD can pass into breast milk, and it is not known if this can harm the baby.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

Please see Brief Summary of full Prescribing Information with important warnings on the following pages.

STRIBILD is a prescription medicine used as a complete single-tablet regimen to treat HIV-1 in adults who have never taken HIV-1 medicines before. STRIBILD does not cure HIV-1 or AIDS.

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emtricitabine 200 mg/tenofovir disoproxil
fumarate 300 mg) tablets

Brief summary of full Prescribing Information. For more information, please see the full Prescribing Information, including Patient Information.

What is STRIBILD?

- **STRIBILD is a prescription medicine used to treat HIV-1 in adults who have never taken HIV-1 medicines before.** STRIBILD is a complete regimen and should not be used with other HIV-1 medicines.
- **STRIBILD does not cure HIV-1 or AIDS.** You must stay on continuous HIV-1 therapy to control HIV-1 infection and decrease HIV-related illnesses.
- **Ask your healthcare provider about how to prevent passing HIV-1 to others.** Do not share or reuse needles, injection equipment, or personal items that can have blood or body fluids on them. Do not have sex without protection. Always practice safer sex by using a latex or polyurethane condom to lower the chance of sexual contact with semen, vaginal secretions, or blood.

What is the most important information I should know about STRIBILD?

STRIBILD can cause serious side effects, including:

1. Build-up of lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis). Lactic acidosis can happen in some people who take STRIBILD or similar (nucleoside analogs) medicines. Lactic acidosis is a serious medical emergency that can lead to death. Lactic acidosis can be hard to identify early, because the symptoms could seem like symptoms of other health problems. **Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms which could be signs of lactic acidosis:**

- feel very weak or tired
- have unusual (not normal) muscle pain
- have trouble breathing
- have stomach pain with nausea or vomiting
- feel cold, especially in your arms and legs
- feel dizzy or lightheaded
- have a fast or irregular heartbeat

2. Severe liver problems. Severe liver problems can happen in people who take STRIBILD. In some cases, these liver problems can lead to death. Your liver may become large (hepatomegaly) and you may develop fat in your liver (steatosis). **Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms of liver problems:**

- your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow (jaundice)
- dark “tea-colored” urine
- light-colored bowel movements (stools)
- loss of appetite for several days or longer
- nausea
- stomach pain

You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or severe liver problems if you are female, very overweight (obese), or have been taking STRIBILD for a long time.

- 3. Worsening of Hepatitis B infection.** If you have hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection and take STRIBILD, your HBV may get worse (flare-up) if you stop taking STRIBILD. A “flare-up” is when your HBV infection suddenly returns in a worse way than before.
- Do not run out of STRIBILD. Refill your prescription or talk to your healthcare provider before your STRIBILD is all gone
 - Do not stop taking STRIBILD without first talking to your healthcare provider
 - If you stop taking STRIBILD, your healthcare provider will need to check your health often and do blood tests regularly for several months to check your HBV infection. Tell your healthcare provider about any new or unusual symptoms you may have after you stop taking STRIBILD

Who should not take STRIBILD?

Do not take STRIBILD if you also take a medicine that contains:

- adefovir (Hepsera®)
- alfuzosin hydrochloride (Uroxatral®)
- cisapride (Propulsid®, Propulsid Quicksolv®)
- ergot-containing medicines, including: dihydroergotamine mesylate (D.H.E. 45®, Migranal®), ergotamine tartrate (Cafergot®, Migergot®, Ergostat®, Medihaler Ergotamine®, Wigraine®, Wigrettes®), and methylergonovine maleate (Ergotrate®, Methergine®)
- lovastatin (Advicor®, Altoprev®, Mevacor®)
- oral midazolam
- pimozide (Orap®)
- rifampin (Rifadin®, Rifamate®, Rifater®, Rimactane®)
- sildenafil (Revatio®), when used for treating lung problems
- simvastatin (Simcor®, Vytorin®, Zocor®)
- triazolam (Halcion®)
- the herb St. John’s wort

Do not take STRIBILD if you also take any other HIV-1 medicines, including:

- Other medicines that contain tenofovir (Atripla[®], Complera[®], Viread[®], Truvada[®])
- Other medicines that contain emtricitabine, lamivudine, or ritonavir (Atripla[®], Combivir[®], Complera[®], Emtriva[®], Epivir[®] or Epivir-HBV[®], Epzicom[®], Kaletra[®], Norvir[®], Trizivir[®], Truvada[®])

STRIBILD is not for use in people who are less than 18 years old.

What are the possible side effects of STRIBILD?

STRIBILD may cause the following serious side effects:

- **See “What is the most important information I should know about STRIBILD?”**
- **New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure.** Your healthcare provider should do blood and urine tests to check your kidneys before you start and while you are taking STRIBILD. Your healthcare provider may tell you to stop taking STRIBILD if you develop new or worse kidney problems.
- **Bone problems** can happen in some people who take STRIBILD. Bone problems include bone pain, softening or thinning (which may lead to fractures). Your healthcare provider may need to do tests to check your bones.
- **Changes in body fat** can happen in people who take HIV-1 medicine. These changes may include increased amount of fat in the upper back and neck (“buffalo hump”), breast, and around the middle of your body (trunk). Loss of fat from the legs, arms and face may also happen. The exact cause and long-term health effects of these conditions are not known.
- **Changes in your immune system** (Immune Reconstitution Syndrome) can happen when you start taking HIV-1 medicines. Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections that have been hidden in your body for a long time. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you start having any new symptoms after starting your HIV-1 medicine.

The most common side effects of STRIBILD include:

- Nausea
- Diarrhea

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

- These are not all the possible side effects of STRIBILD. For more information, ask your healthcare provider.
- Call your healthcare provider for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking STRIBILD?

Tell your healthcare provider about all your medical conditions, including:

- If you have or had any kidney, bone, or liver problems, including hepatitis B infection
- If you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if STRIBILD can harm your unborn baby. Tell your healthcare provider if you become pregnant while taking STRIBILD.
 - There is a pregnancy registry for women who take antiviral medicines during pregnancy. The purpose of this registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. Talk with your healthcare provider about how you can take part in this registry.
- If you are breastfeeding (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed if you take STRIBILD.
 - You should not breastfeed if you have HIV-1 because of the risk of passing HIV-1 to your baby.
 - Two of the medicines in STRIBILD can pass to your baby in your breast milk. It is not known if the other medicines in STRIBILD can pass into your breast milk.
 - Talk with your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements:

- STRIBILD may affect the way other medicines work, and other medicines may affect how STRIBILD works.
- Be sure to tell your healthcare provider if you take any of the following medicines:
 - Hormone-based birth control (pills, patches, rings, shots, etc)
 - Antacid medicines that contain aluminum, magnesium hydroxide, or calcium carbonate. Take antacids at least 2 hours before or after you take STRIBILD
 - Medicines to treat depression, organ transplant rejection, or high blood pressure
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 - atorvastatin (Lipitor[®], Caduet[®])
 - bepridil hydrochloride (Vasacor[®], Bepadin[®])
 - bosentan (Tracleer[®])
 - buspirone
 - carbamazepine (Carbatrol[®], Epitol[®], Equetro[®], Tegreto[®])
 - clarithromycin (Biaxin[®], Prevpac[®])

- clonazepam (Klonopin[®])
- clorazepate (Gen-xene[®], Tranxene[®])
- colchicine (Colcrys[®])
- medicines that contain dexamethasone
- diazepam (Valium[®])
- digoxin (Lanoxin[®])
- disopyramide (Norpace[®])
- estazolam
- ethosuximide (Zarontin[®])
- flecainide (Tambocor[®])
- flurazepam
- fluticasone (Flovent[®], Flonase[®], Flovent[®] Diskus[®], Flovent[®] HFA, Veramyst[®])
- itraconazole (Sporanox[®])
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- perphenazine
- phenobarbital (Luminal[®])
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- rifapentine (Priftin[®])
- risperidone (Risperdal[®], Risperdal Consta[®])
- salmeterol (Serevent[®]) or salmeterol when taken in combination with fluticasone (Advair Diskus[®], Advair HFA[®])
- sildenafil (Viagra[®]), tadalafil (Cialis[®]) or vardenafil (Levitra[®], Staxyn[®]), for the treatment of erectile dysfunction (ED). If you get dizzy or faint (low blood pressure), have vision changes or have an erection that last longer than 4 hours, call your healthcare provider or get medical help right away.
- tadalafil (Adcirca[®]), for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension
- telithromycin (Ketek[®])
- thioridazine
- voriconazole (Vfend[®])
- warfarin (Coumadin[®], Jantoven[®])
- zolpidem (Ambien[®], Edlular[®], Intermezzo[®], Zolpimist[®])

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of all your medicines and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist when you get a new medicine. Do not start any new medicines while you are taking STRIBILD without first talking with your healthcare provider.

Keep STRIBILD and all medicines out of reach of children.

This Brief Summary summarizes the most important information about STRIBILD. If you would like more information, talk with your healthcare provider. You can also ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for information about STRIBILD that is written for health professionals, or call 1-800-445-3235 or go to www.STRIBILD.com.

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MAKING IT

by: **Brad Loekle**



"Making it" in show business is a very peculiar thing. The actual act of achieving success in any art form is, in itself, like catching lightning in a bottle. But the sense of having actually "made it" is one that everyone in my kind of work searches endlessly for and few ever find. It's not that it's impossible for us to make a living, have a home, build a family, and feel secure (though, to do all of that simply off the words you write or the songs you sing is pretty impressive on its own). It's that the thing that kept us all in this business, kept us all from giving up and getting "real"/safe jobs is the thing that will never let us feel like we've made it. There will always be more. More to do, more to achieve, more to grow and so we often never think we've moved all that far from square one. I suspect this isn't just the problem of an artist but of the human condition. As I wrap up my summer tour of Europe, I was recently hit with what my assistant "Greg" calls a "making it" moment. It's like Oprah's "ah-ha" moments but usually drunker and gayer and often illegal depending on the country we are in. For instance, he first coined the phrase a few years ago when I was performing at an Atlantis Events resort week in Mexico. The MC of that company, my dear friend Malcolm, had just recently lost his father and couldn't make it. No one had ever stood in for Malcolm up to that point in almost TWENTY YEARS. I was asked to do it by the president of the company and knew it was both a great opportunity and a great risk. The week was going well, but a few days in I began to get sick. By mid week I was fighting a 100-degree fever all day while running from pool games to costume parties to being parasailed into the pool in a wonder woman costume. One day, I was in the costume room getting into very shitty and very funny drag to go judge the sand castle building contest. I was woozy, exhausted, broken and didn't know if I could even stay on my feet more or less be funny on demand. Greg's head popped up in the mirror behind me and said, "when you get back to the room tonight, I want you to look in the mirror and know that this is what "making it" looks like. The idea that "making it" meant me in a shitty afro perm wig and goatee made me break down laughing and he probably saved the day and my sanity in that one moment. So now, as he and I travel the country and the world, we use "making it" for any ridiculous thing that I have to do to make my career what it needs to be.

We were off the coast of Naples, Italy a few days ago with some friends. One of the great advantages of having a modicum of "fame" is that wealthy people suddenly want you around all the time. You become like a fine watch, or a perfume or painting. They feel you add some level of joy and entertainment to their lives so they're willing to do what it takes to enjoy you for a time. I like to think of it as being someone's court jester. I have some

dear friends on the gay cruises that like to spend our days in port in lavish ways. And who am I to turn down their limos, lunches, and lavish lifestyle?! I mean, if I'll never be rich myself, I might as well be rich adjacent! So some of these boys took me out on a lovely yacht to sail around Capri and drink champagne and have lunch and all the sorts of things you see the assholes in Okay Magazine doing around Capri. It was a lovely day. Then another yacht pulled up near us that had another group of gays I know well! They had asked me to come on their yacht the day before but I'd already been committed to yacht 1. (It's also worth noting that yacht 1 had my closest friends on board, while yacht 2 had some men I was really hoping to have sex with... I know... a Sophie's Choice!). Well it seems the folks on yacht 2 had been looking for me on the seas to try and kidnap me. Seriously. A group of gay men on a boat... were looking for another boat so they could hijack the comedian onboard. So.... Actual butt pirates. The yachts were close enough to each other that a person could swim between them. And, since I'm built like a manatee to begin with, a bit of an ocean swim seemed nice. God love Greg, because just as I was about to jump in the water, he intervened, "hold on, girl, let me at least do the one job I do well for you", Greg said with a devilish glint in his eyes. "Okay, yacht 2, what does Brad get if he takes time out of his day to swim all the way to your yacht?!" Within moments, Greg had them holding bottles of champagne in the air, got two of the men to take their swimsuits off and even got them to admit they had a safe full of cocaine down below that I could avail myself to. This still wasn't good enough for my fearless sidekick. "Okay, I'll let Brad swim over but after he does your coke and drinks your champagne, at least two of you need to fuck him". (now you see how he got the job lol).

Well, I did, and they did and it was an amazing day at sea. After the Columbian inspired four-gy in the master stateroom of a 3-story yacht, I was summoned back to yacht 1 so we could all go for lunch. As I gleefully backstroked through the sapphire blue waters off the coast of Capri, hearing cheers and laughter of friends and fans on both boats as they reveled in the personal brand of insanity I always seem to bring with me into people's lives... I thought to myself:

I may never become one of the most rich or famous comedians on Earth. It is entirely possible that once I am gone, my work will fade away except from the memories of those who had the chance to see it. But There are more days of my life, these past 10 years especially, that have been spent metaphorically, and now literally, swimming between yachts than not. It doesn't mean the waters are always calm or warm or safe. But the fact the water is even there and the yachts are close enough for me to reach if I try... well, THAT is "making it".

Brad Loekle is a comedian currently living in LA. He can be seen Sunday nights on TruTV's "World's Dumbest", writes for Joan Rivers on E! "Fashion Police" & tours extensively on Atlantis Events & RSVP gay cruises.

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MONDAY

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Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

TUESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM



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Bobby's- 900 Simonton St.



Bourbon- 724 Duval St.

W E D N E S D A Y

801

Karaoke starting at 6 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bourbon

Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Island House

Hot Naked Humpdays starting at 5 PM

T H U R S D A Y

801

Karaoke starting at 5 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

F R I D A Y

801

Drag Shows at 5 PM, 9 PM
and 11 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM
Stripper Battle starting at Midnight

One Saloon

Cock Shock contest starting at
Midnight



Island House- 1129 Fleming St.

S A T U R D A Y

801

Drag Shows at 5PM, 9 PM
and 11-PM

Bourbon

Pool Party starting at 12 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM
Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Amateur Strip at Midnight

S U N D A Y

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Karaoke starting at 5 PM
Gay Bingo starting at 5 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Jessica Grabbit singing live at 7 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

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ZACHARY MOSES : MAN ABOUT TOWN



Just how gay is the other side of Key West? I wanted the answer, because Key West is about to have several hundred new hotel rooms opening on the north-east end of the island. With the completion of the North Roosevelt Boulevard construction project, they now have phenomenal access to Old Town... if they drove their car. So what's a gay guy to do for a little action, if he used his points to stay at a mainstream hotel, instead of staying at a gay guest house downtown? I decided to do a little investigating.

The other end of the island must be cool right? I mean, most of the residents live out there, and Key West's population is over 25% gay men. My search lead me to a little dive bar called "Hurricane Hole" *snicker* located at 5130 U.S. Highway One. When I arrived there, it didn't seem like much of a gay hangout, but there is a giant pirate ship/clubhouse, complete with slide! They get points for that. What really caught my eye was the paddleboards.



There's a kiosk for "Lazy Dog Adventures" just inside the bar.

The kiosk is covered in the awards they've won, and plastered with articles written about them over the years. I completely love new (well endorsed) adventures, so we rented paddleboards and hit the water.

The paddling was absolutely delightful! After paddling across

Cow Key Channel, we made our way into the Riviera Canal that runs between hundreds of Key West houses and Little Hamaca City Park. Shortly into our canal detour, we stumbled upon a family of manatees grazing on sea grass. Among them was the cutest damned baby manatee ever! Everyone's responses were fantastic! They made the canal feel like the gayest hangout on the island. I've never heard more: "Awww's," "oh my gods," or "well look at you's" in my entire life. It was freaking precious!

Next we diverted into one of the salt pond's many mangrove tunnels. It was the longest mangrove tunnel I've ever seen! It was peaceful, tranquil, and... couldn't possibly be Key West! Who knew? The best paddle boarding in the Keys? Right in our backyard.

After returning our paddleboards, we drove to "Chic Gout" a new Korean restaurant located inside Pearls Guesthouse at 525 United Street. Chinui Kim, the restaurateur, gave an in-depth history of the flavors and origins of his favorite recipes. The food? Delectable. My Recommendation? The Korean BBQ.

After Dinner, we perused the ice creams at Flamingo Crossing located at 1105 Duval Street. This is Key West's only "Adult-Ice-Cream". The rumors are true! Want a rum runner? Of course you do. Go get smashed on ice cream! Then pop up Duval Street, check out the dancers at Bourbon Street Pub, lick your rainbow sorbet, turn some heads, and enjoy the 800 block of Duval. Still the gayest side of Key West.



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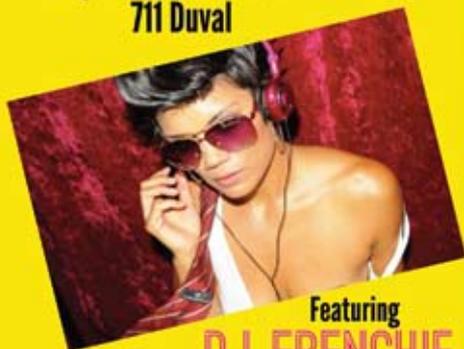
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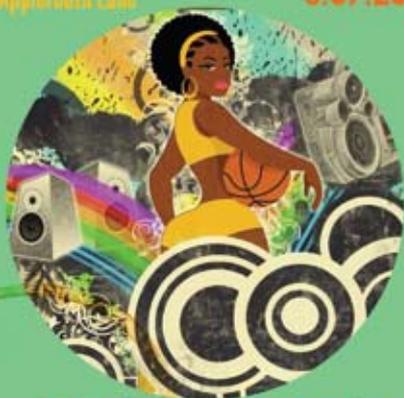
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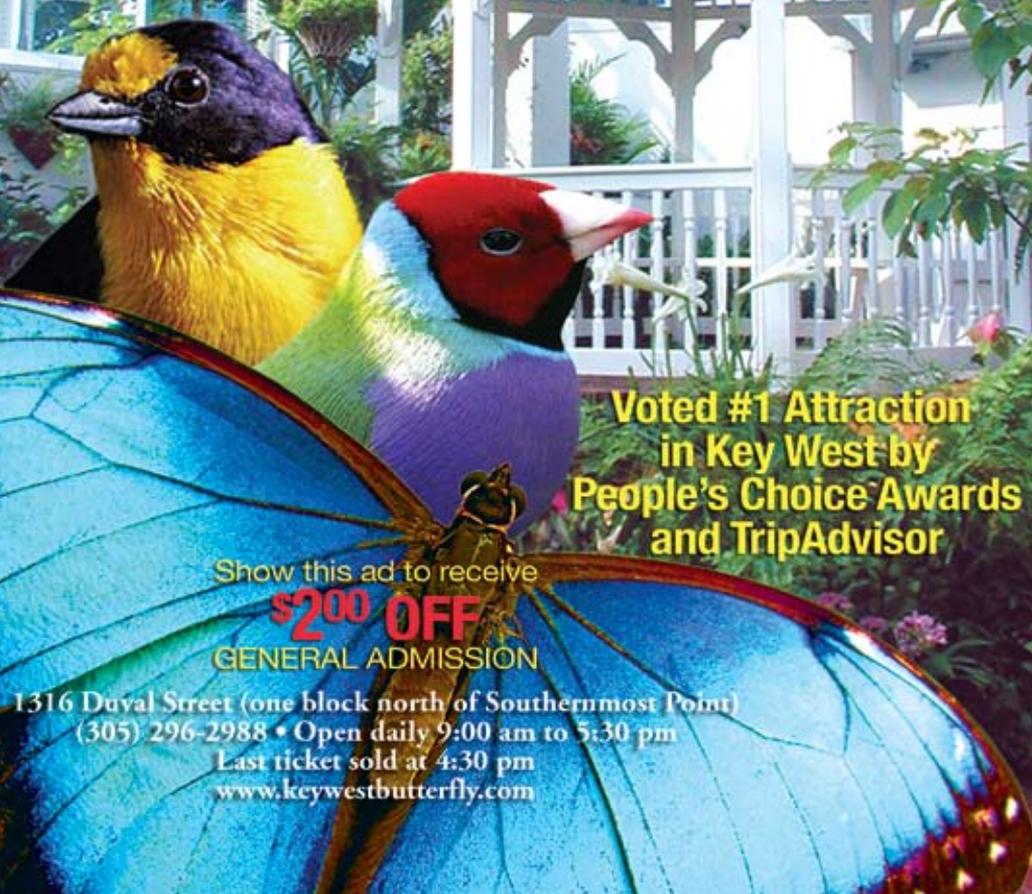
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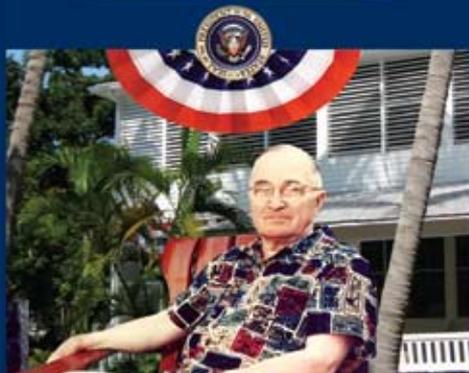
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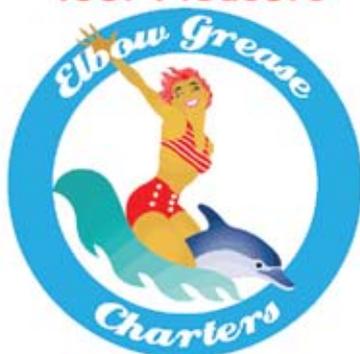
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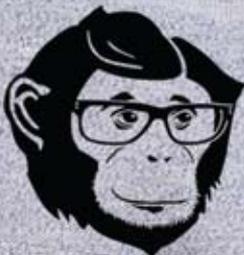
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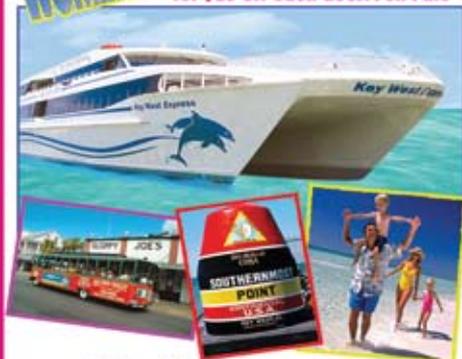
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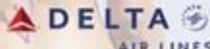
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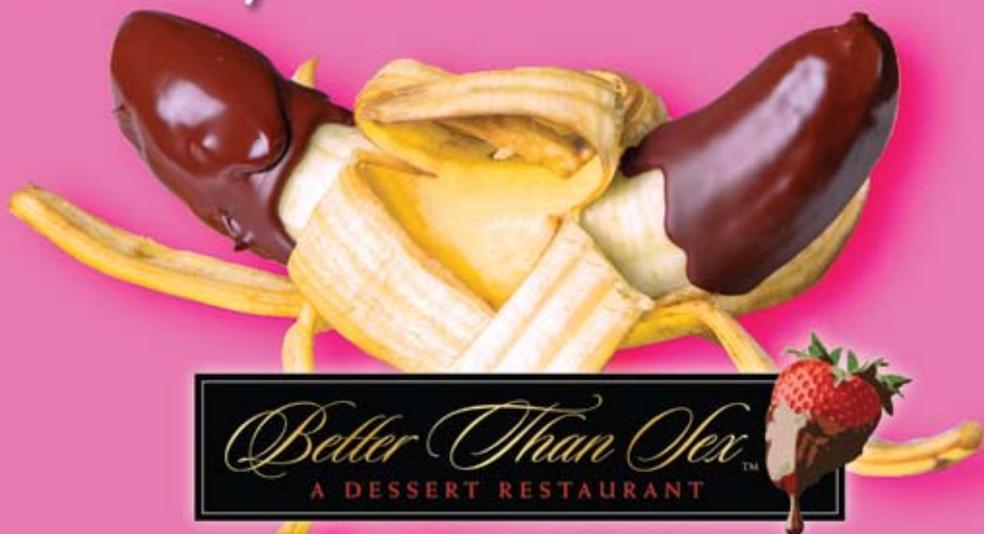
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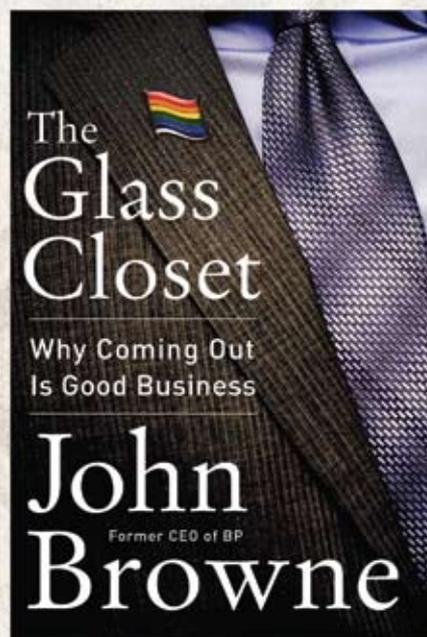
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Starting as a young man in 1969, John Browne rose through the ranks at oil-giant BP until 2007, when he resigned as chief executive. He might've still been there, if not for an unfortunately splashy scandal that seems tame today: Browne is gay. When “a tangled skein of allegations” pulled him out of the closet, he resigned from his job, fearing that his life was over.

Obviously, it was not, but he discovered that his experiences aren't unusual.

Even though there have been strides made, and though nearly all Fortune 500 companies have in place policies to prevent discrimination based on sexual preference and identity, more

than 40 percent of American LGBT workers remain closeted on the job. According to a survey, 90 percent of transgender employees report problems at work.

"Years of progress have reduced the risk of harassment," says Browne, "but they have not completely eradicated it." Coming out is still risky, as evidenced by the interviews he completed with people who mostly asked that their last names not be used. Businesses, Browne says, should understand that inclusion levels the "playing field" and widens the choices available in the "war for talent," something Fortune 500 companies already know. Extending benefits to same-sex partners serves to retain workers, and policies supporting LGBT employees also send a positive message to other minority groups. Marketing and ad departments must remember that the LGBT community is "traditionally under-served" but represents an "often sizeable opportunity."

As for LGBT workers, Browne recalls how much effort it took to keep his secret, and how much it weighed him down. Still, "[n]o matter how skilled you think you are at hiding your true self, those closest to you... will see you through the closet door." Coming out is risky, but "the risk will be worth the reward."

Color me irritated.

Seemingly meant for business, "The Glass Closet" is not exactly business-related for the first third of it. Instead, author John Browne begins with his life story, and a tired LGBT history that includes little-to-nothing about the world of work.

That doesn't leave much room for biz-related information in this too-short book - but getting past those first pages is where the irritation subsides. Browne continues by offering eye-opening stats; several interviews to prove that there are others experiencing similar issues; and points to ponder, interspersed with helpful info for employers and employees, both LGBT and straight.

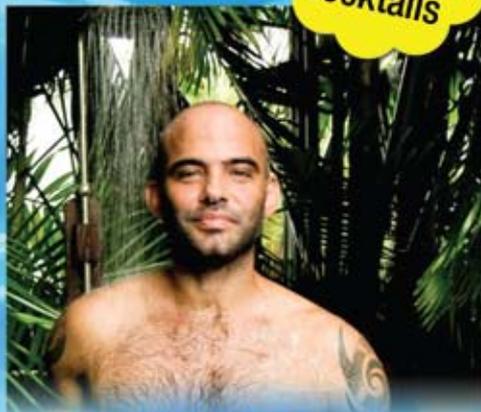
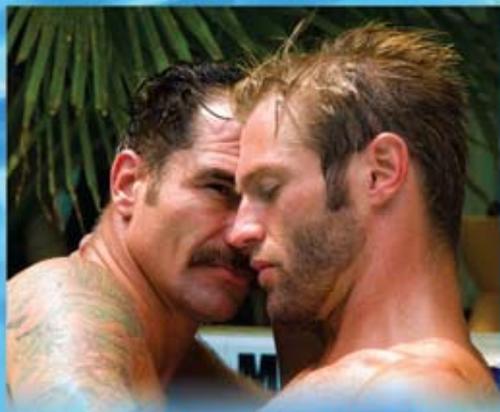
If you're interested in a biography, that's here. The real appeal of this book, though, I think, is for the starter help it offers, and the modicum of support. For those small, brief, shaky reasons, "The Glass Closet" is worth a look-through.

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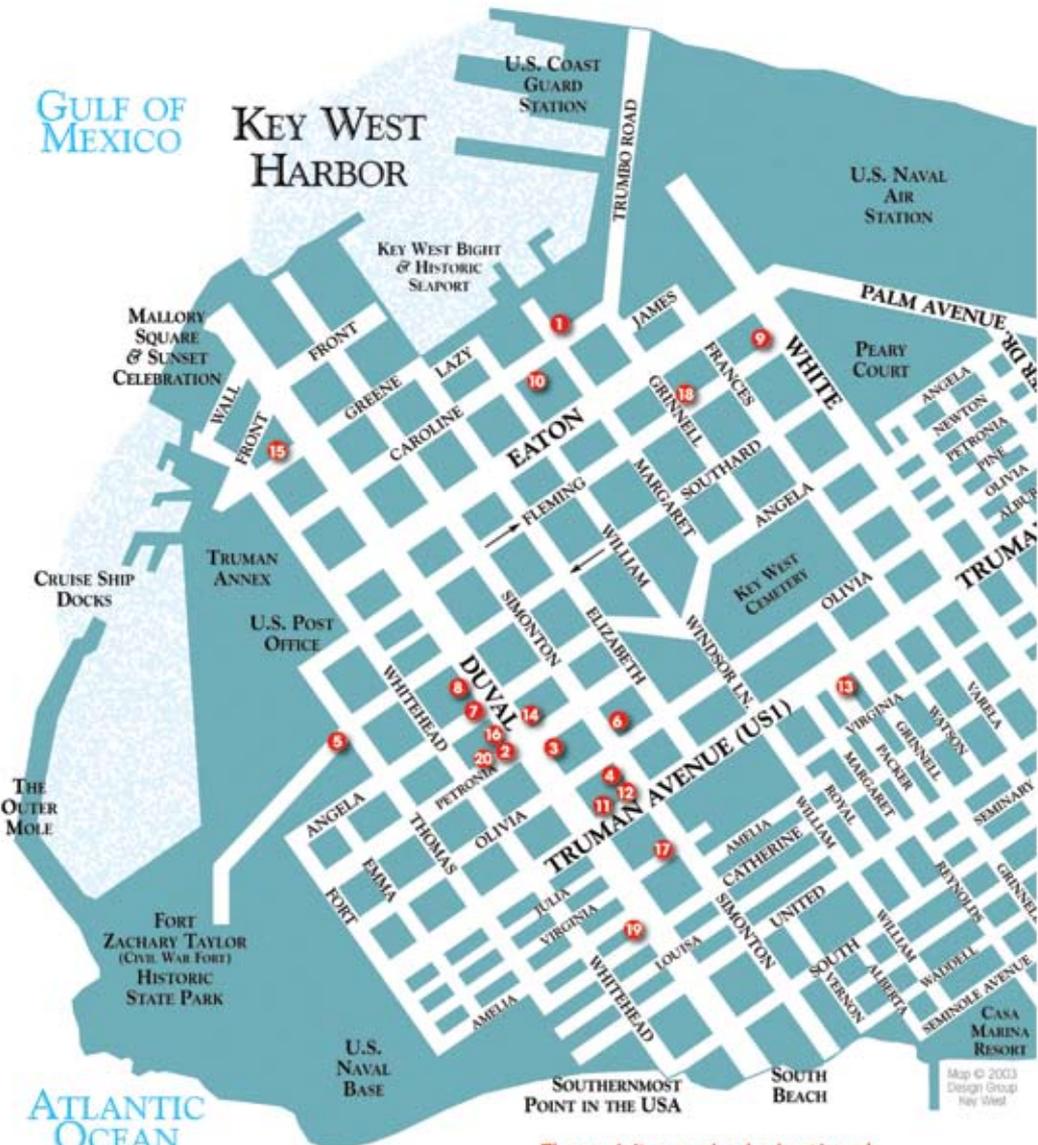
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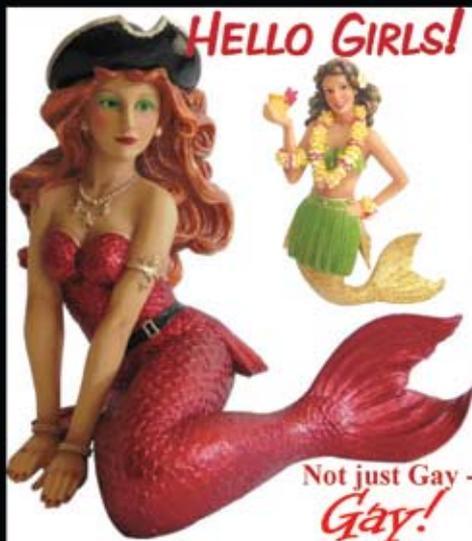
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Dear Nana,

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Your only problem is that your amazing, charming, loving new boyfriend has a big dick?! Are you kidding me??!!!! We're in the middle of an economic depression, 11 wars, and I haven't had a proper orgasm since the Eisenhower administration and you're going to complain to us about your boyfriend's 2 ton tallywacker?! Well I hope you don't win the lottery this month either, because that will just ruin your whole year, won't it?! Listen, tight ass (and I mean that in the most loving and literal or ways), take some Pilates (or some pain killers), get on your back and shut the hell up! Best of luck, though, and I expect a wedding invite!



Dear Nana,

Lately I've been noticing that a lot of the people around me have a tendency to take advantage of me. I don't mean my family and good friends, but more my co-workers and general friends and those sorts of people. I've always had trouble saying "no" to people, and I hate conflict and fighting. But I also feel like I'm getting spread too thin by people wanting stuff from me all the time. How do I fix this without alienating lots of people?

There is a very simple way to fix this, dear. Though I don't know if you're going to love the answer... **BE AN ASSHOLE!** People ask you for things because they know they can get them from you. If people think they won't be able to ask for the stars and the moon, and are even a little nervous to do so, then they will be less likely to take advantage of you every other minute. Now I'm not saying be an asshole all day and night to everyone around you. But, for instance, if someone you go out to eat with regularly is never paying their full share of the bill; then maybe pissing them off so they'll eat out with you less isn't such a bad thing! I don't know about you, but nothing chafes my thighs more than having lunch with a friend and I end up paying \$25 for a grilled cheese sandwich and a Sanka! When I was a girl, sometime around the cretaceous era, I remember my aunt complaining to my mother that, though my mother was respected and liked throughout our town, people never seemed to burden my mother with all their bullshit. My aunt, equally loved and adored, was much more of a pushover than my mother and was clearly carrying anyone's burdens if they'd let her. My mother told her one thing that saved my aunt from this ever happening again, "Sometimes it's better to be feared a little than loved a lot".

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You have no friends. You had to pretend that someone nominated you for the ice bucket challenge and the 3 you nominated were all of your cats.

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I would never call you fat but you're one cupcake away from needing a mobility scooter.

Leo

Jul 23 – Aug 22

I have to admire your tenacity. No matter how many times you are shot down, you just keep right on trying. You're still not getting anyone but A+ for effort.

Virgo

Aug 23 – Sep 22

Maybe if you were less of a bitch, people might actually like you. While you're at it, pop in a breath mint too!

Libra

Sep 23 – Oct 22

It's a slippery slope from a crush, through infatuation, and into obsession. You flew right past all of those and right into stalking!

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