

# **I think it's OK to hide icky history. But only if we can really keep it a secret.**

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I think it's OK to hide the icky history as long as we do not let it influence our relationship.

For instance I am a BI guy, no STD, haven't slept with a guy in over a decade, won't cheat with guys. My BI past won't pop up to haunt me.

The only part of my BIness which can ruin the relationship is my partner feeling ick for it.

So if I keep it a secret, and it doesn't create the ick. No harm done.

However if my BIness is revealed and my partner feels the ick, I did a horrible thing.

So I think it is OK to hide icky past, but only if we can really keep it a secret.

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saraimarsena • 21 points • 23 October, 2022 09:57 PM

so basically you're saying ... is lying by omission really thaaat bad? if they don't find out you omitted it?  
very very slippery slope.

seems better to idk, find someone who's accepting of ALL parts of you, rather than lying to make yourself more attractive to someone you might just not be compatible with.

Bane\_Of\_Atlanta • 5 points • 23 October, 2022 11:40 PM\*

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Nondisclosure is not "lying by omission". "Lying by omission" is when you tell only part of the truth to mislead the other party.

By your logic every promiscuous girl who doesn't volunteer that information that to guys they are seeing is "lying" to them.

Admitting to being bisexual, especially if they bottom for other guys, is a death sentence for guys looking to date women. They should never, ever, disclose that.

smallstarseeker[S] • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 10:04 PM

It would be best to find someone who loves every part of me. The only problem being that I have a hard time dating as it is. No need to tank my chances to the bottom of Mariana trench.

Is lying by omission really thaaat bad when the only damage is coming from the information itself?

januaryphilosopher • 8 points • 23 October, 2022 10:26 PM

It's immoral to lie. Look, I have also been tempted to hide my bisexuality to put less people off. That doesn't change that it's still wrong to do, and I acknowledge that. It's not right just because it's advantageous to you.

Bane\_Of\_Atlanta • 7 points • 23 October, 2022 11:46 PM

I seriously doubt that it hurts girls as much as it hurts guys. Also you don't need to lie in order to hide something, just don't bring it up.

januaryphilosopher • 0 points • 24 October, 2022 09:28 AM

It'd be hard to not bring it up for an extended period of time. And yes, biphobia affects women too and many people don't want to date them because of it (men especially have a common habit of fuckzoning bisexuals).

Bane\_Of\_Atlanta • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 10:17 AM

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Please read carefully. I never said that it doesn't affect women at all, but ever since the Roman Empire was Christianized female homosexuality has been considered more socially acceptable than male homosexuality in western culture.

| men especially have a common habit of fuckzoning bisexuals

You may not think this is ideal but it's definitely better than being completely rejected. Many women seek out casual sex these days anyways.

januaryphilosopher • 0 points • 24 October, 2022 10:20 AM

Female homosexuality has been differently stigmatised, sure, but not less stigmatised. And being fuckzoned is being rejected for relationships. Most women would rather just be outright rejected than treated as only good for sex.

Bane\_Of\_Atlanta • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 10:22 AM

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How many Western countries have ever criminalized male homosexuality?

How many Western countries have ever criminalized female homosexuality?

Are female homosexual stereotyped as being masculine to the same extent as male homosexuals are stereotyped as being effeminate?

Most women would rather just be outright rejected than treated as only good for sex.

As I said, many women, especially younger women, seek out casual sex these days.

smallstarseeker[S] • 6 points • 23 October, 2022 10:32 PM

Yes it is immoral, but I decided it's OK.

Nobody is going to find out ☐

januaryphilosopher • 5 points • 23 October, 2022 10:37 PM

It's not okay. It's immoral. Meaning it's wrong. This applies even if you aren't caught!

smallstarseeker[S] • 7 points • 23 October, 2022 10:47 PM

Dude, It's totally OK.

People are being dishonest and lying in dating all the time. The only shitty part is they are so bad at hiding it ☐

januaryphilosopher • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 10:50 PM

Other people doing something that's wrong doesn't make it any less wrong. Lying isn't okay. It is a shitty thing to do. Don't pretend it isn't, even if you may have reasons to do that shitty thing.

smallstarseeker[S] • 5 points • 23 October, 2022 10:58 PM

Being alone for a couple of years, and being dumped for being BI feels shittier then doing the shitty thing.

Therby by the law of how much shitty things feel, it's OK. Shhhh ☐

hungrychick404 • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 11:36 PM

Idk I don't date biphobes because they don't deserve me anyways. You can do better than these people, king! I believe in you.

archanodoid • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 01:37 AM

Supply and demand. You are able to be picky because you have a ton of options, you

are in demand. He cannot do that because he is not on demand.

You will find someone in a much quicker fashion if you wish.

He has to put work/time/effort in. Hence why he said "Being alone for a couple of years".

[deleted] • 3 points • 24 October, 2022 07:55 AM

All is fair in love and war

Laytheblameonluck • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:43 PM

Same for infidelity then.

Past promiscuity and past infidelity, it's all the same shit really.

smallstarseeker[S] • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 10:45 PM

Can people really cheat without it influencing their relationship badly?

Laytheblameonluck • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 10:57 PM

What's the difference?

Plenty of dead bedroom stories, they break up and it comes out that one of the partners was in the closet or hiding something.

The other partner blames themselves, it's like the lyrics:

Why is the bedroom so cold? You've turned away on your side. Is my timing that flawed? Our respect runs so dry. Yet there's still this appeal that we've kept through our lives.

It's all the same mess when we keep secrets to get the best outcomes for ourselves.

Your problem is internalised homophobia mixed in with a bit of internalised misandry.

You don't feel worthy enough to be honest.

smallstarseeker[S] • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 11:00 PM

No it's not. I'm awesome and I love myself ☐

Also never had a partner complain about the sex life.

Fun\_Push7168 • 0 points • 24 October, 2022 05:01 AM

I'm awesome and I love myself ☐

If that were true, you don't have to lie. If a potential partner has an issue then you have a fundamental incompatibility. They are free to leave.

Otherwise, yeah, you're insecure, or ashamed, one of the two. So you really aren't ok with yourself

Laytheblameonluck • -1 points • 23 October, 2022 11:02 PM

Then wave that coloured flag and tell people you are bisexual and have a history.

Be honest.

smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 11:07 PM

No I won't.

I don't like being discriminated against.

Laytheblameonluck • -1 points • 23 October, 2022 11:09 PM

Nobody likes being discriminated against.

But you are discriminating against yourself by not being honest.

smallstarseeker[S] • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 11:15 PM

I'm honest with myself, because I know I won't discriminate against myself.

Laytheblameonluck • -1 points • 23 October, 2022 11:47 PM

Your solution to discrimination is lying.

How would the guys you had sex with feel about that.

The "whores" in this Madonna-Whore complex, the men.

I'm telling ya, behind a third of dead bedrooms, there's a Madonna-Whore complex.

smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 11:54 PM

Yup, my solution to discrimination is lying.

I don't think sex is degrading, and I don't have the MW co.plex.

SwimmingTheme3736 • 6 points • 23 October, 2022 10:48 PM

I'm really sorry you feel you have to hide that part of you, it's shocking in this day and age you still have to

h1shman • 7 points • 24 October, 2022 12:29 AM

Why is it shocking that women typically don't want to have relationships with men who get fucked by other men.

There is a big difference between acceptance and involvement.

SwimmingTheme3736 • 3 points • 24 October, 2022 05:59 AM

I just do not understand why anyone who care,

h1shman • 1 point • 24 October, 2022 02:07 PM

Some people, while accepting of it, find the behavior of two men being physical as gross. Most can compartmentalize and not care if they aren't involved with the person intimately. Not so much in an intimate relationship.

smallstarseeker[S] • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 10:50 PM

Thank you, and it's OK I'm used to it ☐

SwimmingTheme3736 • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:52 PM

Shit like this really pisses me off, I'm bi too but as a woman so many men get excited thinking it means a threesome, but the way bi men get treated is not acceptable.

I really hope you find someone that loves and accepts every part of you

smallstarseeker[S] • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 11:05 PM

I knooow, most guys are like that. I guess it becomez frustrating with time.

I doubt I will, but it's OK. I can't feel mad because people feel the ick. I can't force them not to. All I can do is work around it.

LaloTwins • 6 points • 23 October, 2022 10:23 PM

I disagree, I think if you're asked directly that you shouldn't lie.

I don't think you owe it to anyone to mention this unless it's brought up. Even if they're just generally talking about their requirements.

smallstarseeker[S] • 10 points • 23 October, 2022 10:37 PM

My sexuality is fluid, when asked directly I turn heterosexual.

Bane\_Of\_Atlanta • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 11:45 PM

yeah this is big brain time

smallstarseeker[S] • 6 points • 24 October, 2022 12:01 AM

It's the observer effect, happens all the time in quantum physics and with my sexuality.

Observation of phenomena changes the measurement.

LaloTwins • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 10:38 PM

LMAO

KirthWGersen • 1 point • 24 October, 2022 06:21 AM

You can avoid lying when asked a direct question by saying something completely truthful like, "I'm not comfortable with the approach you are taking by asking that question. I would prefer to talk about something else."

It is completely honest but avoids discussing things you don't want to discuss.

Cold-Proposal4008 • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:18 PM

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Lost-Zebra6453 • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:18 PM

I don't entirely disagree, what you did sexually in your past is your business but where it could cause Problems is if you not communicating truthfully and maybe even repressing what you enjoy sexually. Maybe she would be happy to put a strap on on for you but if you are keeping everything under wraps it might not happen.

And then I also think if you answer a direct question with a lie it's wrong. Like say you are talking about your past and she mentions in college she fooled around with a girl to try it. You both laugh about it and then she asks if you ever fooled around with a guy. If you say no you Are now lying and not just omitting information. And that's not right.

smallstarseeker[S] • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 10:25 PM

That's just the thing, I don't have to repress anything. I can sleep with a girl and I can sleep with a guy. I don't have to sleep with guys to express my sexuality.

The ick part is the only thing influencing a relationship.

Me fooled around with a guy? LOL good one!

There I just omitted information again without lying ☐

Salad-undressing • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:48 PM

Just say you were going through your wild and experimental phase, but you're ready to settle down now if you're ever found out.

And your past shouldn't matter. That was just cheap sex. You're in loooooove with her. Those other guys meant nothing.

Apprehensive\_Cut\_146 • 6 points • 23 October, 2022 10:08 PM

No. Women are expected to be honest about their count, why would men be given a free pass to lie about it?

smallstarseeker[S] • 5 points • 23 October, 2022 10:10 PM

Women keep saying they can just lie about it.

IF the ick is the only thing which would affect the partner, no harm done as long as he doesn't find out.

Apprehensive\_Cut\_146 • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:14 PM

And why do you think they say that?

They are called slts, whres, "damaged", "railed", "ran through", "been through" etc. Men talk about their bodies as if they were a trophy to win ("she gave to him for free") or an object they would be getting ("he got pssy").

Idk about the men on real life or how much they choose to externalise, but this sub is an echo chamber of how they think or feel. Under this condition, why would I hold a man under less standard than I hold myself? If I am being honest, you will be the same or GTFO

smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:34 PM

Dunno. They say they do not have a problem getting awesome guys to commit, so it's really beyond me.

LaloTwins • 10 points • 23 October, 2022 10:17 PM

Women are expected to be honest about their count

Lol what, by who?

Apprehensive\_Cut\_146 • -1 points • 23 October, 2022 10:19 PM

First day off the ban and trolling again, eh?

LaloTwins • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 10:21 PM

It's a genuine question.

I don't think anyone expects women to be honest about their body count.

In fact I think they expect women to obfuscate it or outright lie.

Sure they might want women to be honest but that's far from an expectation

smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 10:28 PM

Not true. I only expect women with high body count to lie about it.

Apprehensive\_Cut\_146 • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 10:21 PM

Fair enough, wrong use of word.

[deleted] • 3 points • 24 October, 2022 12:02 AM

I agree. If you ask a woman and she refuses to answer, you gotta bounce. (If you care).

This is for relationships only though... ONS.. well they get what they get, they obviously don't care about their health or anyone else's.

Fun\_Push7168 • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 04:55 AM

Agreed, and I'm fully expecting the same women who defended lying about count to respond here saying it's not okay for OP to lie.

ViolentTakeByForce[ ] • 5 points • 23 October, 2022 11:45 PM\*

If women were proud of their N count they wouldn't have to lie about it. I don't trust any female except those with very low and obvious dating history to be honest about their N count. They know it makes them less desirable for LTR and marriage.

Or they convert to Christianity after being ran through and now their N count is their "past life" lol.

MarBitt • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 11:28 PM

Are you really sure that you have completely cut yourself off from your past and that it does not affect you in any way?

Or do you carry it and will always carry it with you, as a part of yourself, but you don't want your partner to ever know about it? Such a locked, hidden chamber of Bluebeard.

smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 11:32 PM

Nothing to cut out really. I can have sex with women and with guys. Don't need to do both of those to satisfy some urge or something.

It's like, man can have sex with all women, but when in a relationship he doesn't have to go around cheating.

I have been hiding it for my whole life and it's not weighting me down.

lovelythecove • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 11:40 PM

Yeahhh because lying to your partner (by omission or directly) is definitely conducive to a healthy, loving, mutually accepting relationship.....

Why not find a partner who accepts you for who you are, instead of hiding who you are to appease someone who would reject you if they knew the truth?

I'm a bisexual woman and married a bisexual man. All of my past boyfriends were also bisexual, and most girlfriends were also bisexual (one was gay). That was intentional. I don't think straight people get it. Straight men fetishized or slutshamed me (for presumed promiscuity bc of my sexuality, not actual promiscuity); many straight women "get the ick" from bi men because of biphobia.

Gay people kind of get it, but many have the same biphobic ideas about bisexuals (we're promiscuous, more likely to cheat, we aren't bi and it's only a matter of time until we "pick a team", we all want threesomes, etc.) I didn't have this problem when I limited my dating pool to other bisexuals. Now I don't have to hide who I am and neither does my bisexual husband.



smallstarseeker[S] • 3 points • 23 October, 2022 11:52 PM

Because finding an accepting partner is extremely difficult, and I'm not getting rejected over this again. Straight people do not get me, gay people do not get me and... I don't even know anyone IRL who is BI.

Hey, my family doesn't know and we are having a loving, healthy, mutually accepting relationship. Except for my asshole brother who I'm never ever speaking again.

If we were all taking what's on our mind all the time everyone would reject everyone.

[deleted] • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 12:00 AM

If you are serious about having a relationship with them, you should disclose or bounce if they ask and refuse to take "I plead the 5th" for an answer,.

Someone you love deserves to make an informed decision about the amount of risk they are willing to take. I have a different standard for random women that show up in your bed though.. if you are into risky sex that's fine, but don't do that to someone who doesn't play that game.

Ryantobefunny • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 06:55 AM

Bro I think that answer here is to just find a partner who's okay with you being Bi. It's a part of you and any girl who gets the ick from it isn't some one who fully accepts who you are, like it's not something you should have to hide. Obviously some girls are going to be put off by it which will make it harder, but it's worth it to not be with someone you have to lie to.

[deleted] • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 07:54 AM

Honestly, I get it. I always say if a guy has never had a gf in the past, he should LIE LIE LIE about it. Women don't want to be the first gf for whatever reason, so it's basically like applying for a job where they want experience but you have none, and the only way you can break out of the Catch 22 is by lying. So I fully encourage men to lie about that

[deleted] • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 10:18 AM

Essentially, people don't need to know your life story. People just want someone they can introduce as their partner without being embarrassed. A few secrets are OK.

[deleted] • 4 points • 23 October, 2022 11:48 PM

Honesty is the best policy

smallstarseeker[S] • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 12:03 AM

And Indigo is the bestest color.

AcanthocephalaNew9472 points 23 October, 2022 11:02 PM **[recovered]**

This is bait.

But yeah agree. It's not my business who you fucked a decade ago.

smallstarseeker[S] • 2 points • 23 October, 2022 11:08 PM

It's really not. I swear.

Wide-Illustrator2906 • 2 points • 24 October, 2022 12:38 AM

Well a person's sexual history isn't any of their current partner's business, at least that's what the women on here

say so I have no issue with it.

ClaraBow011 points 24 October, 2022 07:16 AM **[recovered]**

If it's for a short term relationship, then fine. Long-term relationships should not keep secrets from each other especially when it's hiding one's sexuality. If a woman thinks you are icky because you are bisexual, she's a bigot and doesn't deserve you.

smallstarseeker[S] • 1 point • 24 October, 2022 08:42 AM

As long as people are open and honest about it, not a bigot, because we can't control what we feel icky about. Like if I tell you that I get the ick knowing about past sexual partners, and that I don't want to know.

AutoModerator[M] • 1 point • 23 October, 2022 09:55 PM

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Few\_Ratio5835 • 1 point • 24 October, 2022 12:59 PM

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