# ''Tasteful Man''

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suggestions by Steve Carson, Guy Beretich, the Annuale and Autumn's Eve SNL sketches

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#### FADE IN

Comic Perspective: Advertisement parody.

Product(s): Tasteful Woman and Tasteful Man

This sketch is modelled on the class examples from SNL; the new spice douche "Autumn's eve" (these next two URLs both should be the same)

http://entertainment.time.com/2013/10/27/snl-wants-to-sell-you-a-pumpkin-spice-douche/http://www.hulu.com/watch/550559

and a new version of the pill, "Annuale" (again both these URLs are the same)

http://screen.yahoo.com/annuale-000000661.html http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x501tn\_annualecommercial\_fun

The premise for the chocolate pill is based on a female comedian I found on youtube who said that if god wanted men to have oral sex, she would have made them taste of chocolate.

My list for the side effects of a daily pill for men was augmented by "Sex Tips for Girls" by Cynthia Heimel, p47, with her list of the side effects of the pill for women.

The suggestion of the taste of beer for women came from Guy, when I asked him what she (i.e. god) would have made women taste like.

Connie liked the side effects of the pill, so I magnified the man's distress there.

Apr 2017. cut out most of the tasteful woman part to fit into the PlaySlam 3 min limit. It's down from 5 mins to about 4 mins. It's now only the Tasteful Man part. The title has been changed from Tasteful Woman and Tasteful Man to just Tasteful Man.

Spokespeople/Celebrity Endorser: Squeaky clean, attractive, woman and man, who for comic perspective, wouldn't want their public persona associated with the activities which use the product(s) e.g. Oprah, Russell Crowe. The spokespeople had to be seen by the audience to be people from whom the target would be happy to hear advice about sex. Later I found that Russell Crowe had a temper. As well Oprah is not associated with sex, either having it or not having it. I needed another woman. I then decided that Amy Schumer would be a female that males in a comedy setting, would be happy to accept as an authority on sex, at least for the purposes of a sketch. Then later I thought again that Oprah would be universally accepted.

## ACT ONE

### 1. INT. ANYTIME

MC Will need the cooperation of the MC here.

OPRAH WINFREY

KEVIN COSTNER

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MC

Tonight we're very lucky to have as our guests, Oprah Winfrey and Kevin Costner.

OPRAH

Men: Does your woman find you not to her taste? Are you well ... soapy and salty? Now men, with our new product "Tasteful Man", you will have the taste to die for ... chocolate!! Yes, now you'll have the taste that all women want.

As Oprah speaks, Kevin pulls out of his wallet, and holds up a half consumed card of "Tasteful Man" pills, to the light to check for the next pill, pops the next pill out of its bubble and swallows it with a glass of water. He stands, smiling, assured and confident.

KEVIN

These pills have changed my life. I've still got teethmarks from last night.

OPRAH

To taste just the way your woman wants you to taste, you only have to take this small pill, once a day, starting at least 28 days beforehand.

Kevin looks assured. He can handle it.

OPRAH (CONT'D)

(fast like TV

salesman)

Remember men, you must take the pill every day, even if you aren't (MORE)

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OPRAH (CONT'D)

planning on any fun. You can miss one pill in any 28 day period without any negative consequences, but if you miss any more, you'll have to keep taking the pills, but wait till the end of the 28 day period and then start all over.

Kevin gives thumbs up. No problem. He's got it. He is excited.

Oprah picks up packet and reads

OPRAH (CONT'D)

(fast, like TV salesman)

Side effects include, but are not limited to, weight gain or loss, water retention, bloating, constipation, tender areas of your body ...

Kevin changes slowly to building alarm, touching the affected parts of his body (e.g. reassuringly grabbing his belly flab when weight gain is mentioned). He doesn't know the side effects are part of the deal. He is surprised and taken aback, rather than angry.

**KEVIN** 

What! You didn't tell me any of this!

OPRAH

Oh come-on Kevin. Don't be such a baby. I'm just reading off the label ... OK?

OPRAH (CONT'D)

(fast, like TV

salesman)

... blood clots, stroke, heart attack, cancer, infertility, nausea and vomiting, abdominal cramps, migraines, depression, allergic rashes, high blood pressure, spotty darkening of the skin ...

KEVIN

This is terrible. Surely you can't expect me to go through the best years of my life like this, in pain and discomfort?

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OPRAH

Pull yourself together Kevin.
You're blowing this out of all
proportion. It's been tested on
thousands of men. None of who
suffered absolutely any ill effects
at all ... except ... of course
... the occasional loss of libido

KEVIN

you mean I won't even be interested anymore?

OPRAH

That's what it says. Well come on Kevin. It's your duty in the relationship. That's just the way life is. You can't expect to want to every time. Don't you want me to have fun when we're together? You can still come along for the ride.

KEVIN

That's perverted. I'm supposed to have no fun at all while you have a great time? What about me?

OPRAH

(fast, like TV
salesman)

... stomachache, yeast infection, asthma, convulsive disorders, jaundice, frequent urination, dizziness, nervousness, hearing problems, loss of scalp hair.

**KEVIN** 

I'm going to be bald?!

OPRAH

(she doesn't really
believe it, but
wants him to accept
it)

Sorry ... anyhow bald guys are kinda sexy, haven't you heard? ... (reassuring and condescending) It's completely safe Kevin; It's FDA tested and approved, otherwise it wouldn't be on the market.

OPRAH (CONT'D) (fast, like TV (MORE)

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OPRAH (CONT'D)

salesman)

... nasal inflammation, gum disease, cataracts, inability to use contact lenses, tiredness, backaches, inflammation of the liver, pancreas or colon, chorea, burning or prickly sensation, rheumatoid arthritis,

OPRAH (CONT'D)

Do not take with alcohol.

**KEVIN** 

No alcohol? What if I go to a party?

OPRAH

Oh, come on Kevin! You're just being silly. Anyhow everyone knows now-a-days that drinking isn't a good idea. I've told you plenty of times, it would be a good thing for you to cut out.

OPRAH (CONT'D)

... going crazy or death.

**KEVIN** 

(in great alarm (not sure how, rolling on the floor gasping?))

Death!

OPRAH

Don't worry about the death part. It's on all medications; even aspirin. It's just legal talk. The lawyers have to put that in.

OPRAH (CONT'D)

Oh and they make you feel like you're pregnant.

**KEVIN** 

Pregnant?!

OPRAH

Oh Kevin! For heaven's sakes. You're not going to BE pregnant, you're just going to FEEL that way. Millions of people feel that way all the time and lots of them still manage to lead reasonably normal lives ... most of the time ... anyhow.

1. CONTINUED 6.

still reading from label

OPRAH (CONT'D)

Not to be used during pregnancy, or if you think you may become pregnant.

KEVIN

I'm not going to become pregnant!

OPRAH

(talking like an alarmed guy, who doesn't want his gf to become pregnant.)
Listen Kevin, I don't want you to get pregnant either! OK?

Kevin groans and whimpers

OPRAH (CONT'D)

Oh my god, men are such wimps.

5 mins

FADE OUT

THE END