

Chapter 1 : A Glimpse of Stocking

A Glimpse of Stocking has ratings and 21 reviews. Kurt said: Oh yeah, I read all of this monster (pages) Hollywood soap opera! It took about a mo.

In Cole Porter gave us what has become the definition of the appeal of a shapely leg: In olden days, a glimpse of stocking was looked on as something shocking. Now heaven knows, anything goes. We all know that the gentlemen find stockings more enticing than tights, though apparently Ben Elton is the exception to this. In his play Popcorn an actress takes off her tights in a sexy way. This is unfairly challenging for the actress, and may go to prove that Ben Elton is no gentleman. No teasing ambiguities there, then. Tights Tights are depressingly practical. Look good under trousers with no obvious lumps or bumps? Available in packs of three in petrol-stations? No point in buying the other kind of pack-of-three at the same time, though. Tights are practical in unexpectedly unpleasant ways. If the fanbelt snaps on a vehicle you can use a pair of tights as a temporary substitute. If the fanbelt does snap on a vehicle you are in, you will be gutted if you decided to go out not wearing tights. And stranded, for that matter. You can also use tights to strain jelly. Apples make good fruit jelly, and so do black-currants. However this thought is so disquietening that I have never dared enquire about the origins of and methods of making Lemon Cheese. There is another practical thing about tights. Or have any reason to, presumably. Comfortingly enough, there are a couple of practical disadvantages to wearing tights, to go with the myriad erotic disadvantages. The first is rather unpleasant. If you are squeamish close your eyes while you read the next paragraph. Tights are not as healthy as stockings. Air does not flow as freely as nature intended. This is the sentence in which I mention vaginal thrush. If you wear tights you are much more likely to confuse visitors by keeping yoghurt in the bathroom instead of the fridge. Tights also work out more expensive than stockings. If you ladder a pair of tights you have to throw the whole pair away. If you buy matching stockings you can discard them one at a time until the last but one ladders, and they both have to go. Pop-Socks From the practical to the unpleasant. It is time to consider pop-socks 4. I cannot bring myself to write about pop-socks. They are just too unpleasant, though there is a certain irony about this. I have dozens of the damn things. I like to think so. I am not going to talk about pop-socks. These are foot-sized, and supposed to be invisible when you are wearing shoes. However they either come off and wrinkle up unpleasantly under the in-step or play peek-a-boo around the edge of the shoe. Some peek-a-boo clothing games are fun. A glimpse of Stocking Which brings us back to stockings. Stockings are a visual short-cut for ambiguity of intention and erotic possibility. The accessability of the private areas of the upper thigh combines with the clothed discretion of the more visible length of lower leg to give a mixed message, and mixed messages are so much more powerful. Men who will ignore a pair of long legs on a beach cannot tear their gaze away from the same legs partly covered and partly uncovered by a pair of stockings. This visual short-cut can be sophisticated and subtle, or it can be simple and humourous. Stockings feature in Carry On.. The Bill featured WPCs in seamed stockings in the s, which may say more about the particular twists of sexuality in the s, the decade of the House Price Boom, Porsches and AIDS, than about the realities of policing. Stockings can be sheer, they can be fishnet, they can have seams and seams mean stockings. During the second world war English girls faked stockings with gravy browning drawing the seams on the backs of their legs with eye-liner. No wonder the GIs were popular, with their packs of nylons. Nothing to do with their physical fitness, glamorous accents, and good pay, of course. The practical uses of stockings have the charge of money, danger and violence - all the best bank-robbers wore them over their faces in the s and 70s. So stockings are sexy. Stockings imbue their wearer with erotic power, and they entice, delight and allure. What other garment gives such teasingly potent mixed signals?

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Before he could utter a word of protest at the intrusion, Hanji stepped into his room with a breezy familiarity, not hesitating to cross the forcibly breached threshold. She moved again and a red drop hit the floor with a splat. It was quickly followed by another. All over my floor. My supply is out. Muttering curses under his breath, Levi gave the bloody floor a wide berth and pulled out the bottom drawer in his dresser. Hanji was thanking him profusely - loudly - as he pulled the bundle of bandages from his well-stocked supply. Holding them out, he glimpsed the wound. The skin above her knuckles was sliced, a red, gaping grimace of split skin, nearly an inch and a half in length. Not a huge wound - but large enough. As her fingers reached for the bandage, Levi snapped it back. Hanji frowned, obviously perplexed, but took a seat regardless. By now, her shirt was stained where her hand pressed against it. Turning back to the drawer, he grabbed the rest of his first aid supplies. Setting them carefully on the floor, he knelt in front of the chair. Her expression shifted, softening. And then her hand was in his, a dichotomy of soft skin and callouses. On his knees, he worked quietly, tending the wound with careful hands. Beneath the dim light of the lamp, he wound bandages round her skin. As he finished, he looked down at his work. He felt her wince. Calloused fingers guided his face up. He blinked, and then she was at the edge of the chair. She leaned in, and her hair brushed his skin. She smelled strangely of ink, and maybe gear grease - and something else surprisingly floral, Levi thought. And before he could think of anything else, her lips touched his cheek in a warm, fleeting caress. Her bandaged hand pressed against his arm - a parting touch. The door closed softly behind her. Amidst strewn first aid supplies, Levi knelt. Beneath the light of the dying lamp, he stared at the empty chair, fingers brushing his burning cheek.

Chapter 3 : Laura's Lair: More Than A Glimpse Of Stocking

A Glimpse of Stocking May 27, by Amor Towles In recent summers, my father has come to Manhattan so we can dine at the bar of the Union Square Caf , go to a show, and wrap it up with a nightcap.

It was a reunion of sorts. My parents were not particularly musical. Neither played an instrument, neither sang out loud, and neither listened to the radio with frequency. The record collection in the living room was only about two feet long – and that included four inches of Neil Diamond and Herb Alpert. As far as I was concerned, he could have played it all night long. Because it had struck a chord with me – and quickly became the first album that I knew end-to-end. To a bookish boy in a Boston suburb in the mids, the lyrics of Cole Porter came as something of a revelation. The world I inhabited was relatively carefree; but it was also homogeneous, socially constrained, and politically benign with parental votes for Nixon and McGovern efficiently cancelling each other out. Outside, there was a lawn to be mowed, leaves to be raked, snow to be shoveled. For somehow, in the span of thirty-two songs, Cole Porter had fashioned a travel guide to a distant, unnamed and here-to-for unimagined Metropolis. In the suburbs, the edge which varsity athletes had with the ladies, seemed an irrefutable and universal law of nature. Thanks to that record, I loved the wee hours long before I was allowed to stay up until ten; and I loved Paris in the springtime, long before I knew who, what or where Paris was. In that service, many of the songs aim to please with smooth vocals backed by sentimental strings. As with most great vocalists, you sense that Fitzgerald is not simply drawing on technical skill, but on a breadth of experience and a depth of feeling, which can only be found outside the walls of the academy. You may accuse me of over-glamorizing jazz, or the artistic position of an African American woman in the s. Like a Depression era American watching a Fred Astaire film, I was prepared to take the whole folly at face value. He was is accomplished, respected, on firm social ground. Around that time, he and I began going to double features in Cambridge. On more than one Saturday afternoon, we sat through back-to-back Bogart. It was the same wistful dynamic at work.

Chapter 4 : Sharon Marshall's Stocking Tops - Video Dailymotion

In Silk Stockings, Cyd Charisse plays a Soviet official visiting www.nxgvision.com another version of this story, Ninotchka, the Soviet neighbors are scandalized at seeing her Parisian slip on the clothesline.

A glimpse of stocking Yet it excites many men. Though hardly anything shocks us any more, stockings have retained a specifically erotic meaning. Needless to say, by stockings I mean the kind of hose a woman wears with a garter belt, not those horrible things purveyed at the supermarket. Stockings make a woman look more revealed than if she were simply naked. Instead of being covered, her most sexual part is accentuated. Nakedness is not of itself erotic. In fact, habitual nudity is positively anti-erotic, since it divorces nakedness from desire. Nakedness is arousing only so long as it remains an extraordinary state. Stockings emphasise that a woman is not fully dressed, just as other underwear does. A state of being half undressed is the divine medium or meeting point between the opposites of propriety and unabashed nakedness. A woman showing her stocking tops is breaking a taboo. She offers the delight of the forbidden peek. In so doing, she is being naughty in a very nice way indeed. Erotic effects rely on simultaneously revealing and concealing. The tension is in the contrast between the two. Likewise, a semi-transparent brassiere is tantalising in a way that a topless woman on Bondi Beach is not. Uncertainty is the essence of excitement. Stockings cover a woman near to, but not at, her most exciting part. It is like setting a beautiful jewel in the perfect setting. The stocking tops also function as place markers, emphasising just how much leg is being revealed. A woman wearing stockings panders to male fantasies, especially if she is daring enough to give a glimpse of the tops. She is saying to her man: To hell with convention and propriety! A woman in stockings defies convention: Needless to say, such a woman is worth her weight in precious metals. If a woman wants to make a big impression on a man, there can hardly be a better way than to appear in black fishnet stockings, matching garter belt, high heels, pearls. Such an outfit is rendered more sexy by the fact that it is not functional but is worn just for show. It caters specifically to a widespread male turn-on, the origins of which are not clear. Stockings are rendered more erotic by their association with prostitutes, pornography and pin-up girls. More than just about any other item of apparel, they signify that a woman is to be regarded in a sexual way. Stockings and lingerie offer delicacy, flair, imagination, sensuousness. By comparison, pantihose envelop a woman in an unappealing way. Colour is an important factor. Black is the traditional hue of desire, being the most dramatic. For some reason I find dark blue to be the most exciting colour. White also has a special appeal and silver looks just terrific. Red, violet, soft pink and pale blue all have their particular charm. The least exciting colour is brown, though it may appeal to those who appreciate subtle effects. Net stockings and other patterns also do much to captivate the male eye. Good for a giggle is the wearing of different colours eg one red, one blue stocking with a dress that features both colours. Garter belts offer tremendous scope for frills and thrills. There are some wonderfully colourful ones in fine lace. They decorate a woman to look precious, gorgeous and utterly feminine. Stockings are best worn long, going well past mid-thigh - knee socks are for kids. As well as these important but impractical advantages over pantihose, stockings do have some practical virtues. Apparently they are healthier because they allow ventilation. For the same reason they are more suitable for warm weather. On a sticky, hot day a woman might dress up for a special occasion such as a wedding, using knee socks as part of her outfit. Should an errant gust of wind reveal this deception, the illusion of classiness would be painfully crushed. Whereas a glimpse of a garter strap has the opposite effect, at least on a man. Stockings are also less bother than pantihose when going to the toilet. If you ladder one stocking you still have the other one to use, so that two pairs of stockings will potentially last twice as long as two pairs of pantihose. Lacy black underwear has much of the appeal of stockings, yet it lacks their unique appeal. This is partially because stockings conceal all but the sexiest part of a woman, and partially due to specific male erotic conditioning.

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completing the K Marathon in Montreal and heading the same day to the Tropics I suddenly had the urge to read a '80s book.

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An article about Susan and the genesis of 'A Glimpse of Stocking' (which indicates Susan was the sole author) appeared in the Chicago Tribune dated Apr 27 ('Suburban Sizzler, Housewife Hot On Heels Of Jackie Collins'), it is available online.

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