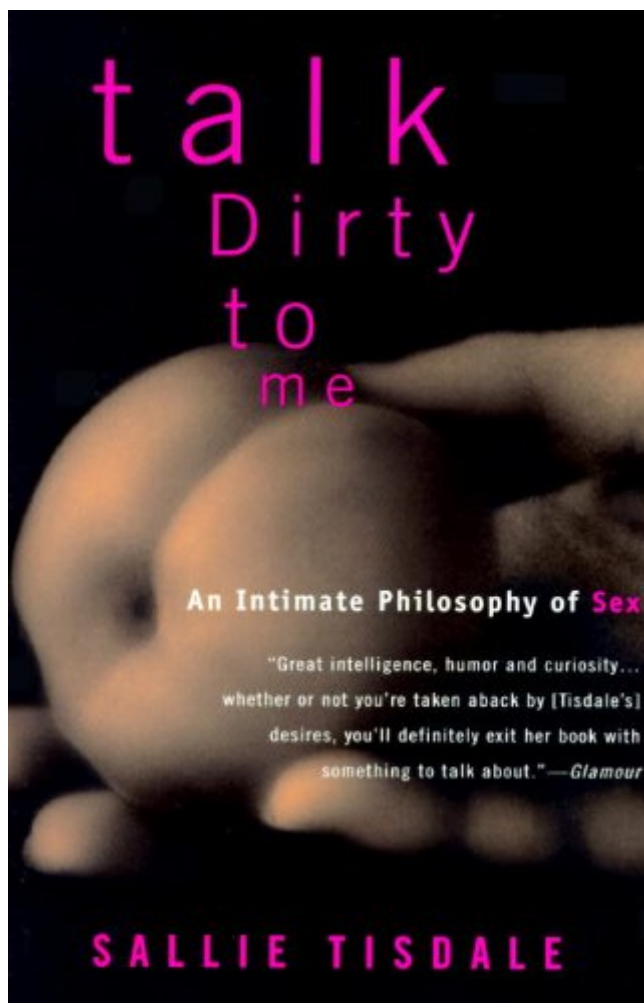


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Talk Dirty To Me



Synopsis

We live in a world in which almost every public image—every interaction—carries an element of sexual desire. And yet it is nearly impossible for us to talk openly and honestly about sex. *Talk Dirty to Me* is author Sallie Tisdale's frank, funny, and provocative invitation to the conversation we've been waiting for—but have been too afraid to start. Sallie Tisdale shuns the dry style of academics and takes us on a journey through gender and desire, romance and pornography, prostitution and morality, fantasies and orgasm. She guides us through her field research of peep shows, XXX stores, and even the pornography collection of the British Library. Interweaving her own personal feelings, experiences, and revelations, she presents a brilliant, fascinating, and wholly original portrait of sex and sexuality in America, while encouraging us to explore and create our own "intimate philosophies." From the Trade Paperback edition.

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I must say, I really enjoyed Sallie Tisdale's prose. She's super funny, and she covers a lot of ground

throughout the text. In some aspects, this over-arching review of everything philosophically sexual is great, because it gives readers a little taste of everything. At the same time, however, this left me feeling just a little dissatisfied ... I wanted her to say more! Now, one can't expect to cover everything in great detail in a span of 352 pages, I understand, which is why I gave his book 4 stars. It really is a great, funny, and pretty informative read. I'd recommend it, definitely.

Needed this book for my Philosophy of Love and Sex class, great read. Will be reading again

This book was required for a philosophy class I took to acquire my Bachelor's degree.

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Sooooooooo smart! Essential reading for any sex/intimacy geek. What a FIND at my local Half Price! I would LOVE to hear Salli's thoughts on sex + culture today, given how much more epic our sexual schizophrenia has become since this was first published! Salli, I hope you will write something! (if you haven't yet)? Maybe I need to dig around for it. Anyways, this is a gift...Thank you for it!

I read this book in a weekend, and I'm a slow reader. If I had to sum up this book in one word, it would be "deprogramming". It teaches the reader to suspend his or her presuppositions and approach sex from a fresh standpoint. She breaks stride with the traditional feminist camp in her discussion of pornography and prostitution by questioning the ideas that many feminists (and I tend to count myself as one) take for granted. She discusses our "sex-drenched, sex-phobic" culture and critiques many of the philosophical ideas that underlie many common views. Highlights include her discussion of the Adam and Eve myth, Augustinian Christianity, sexual taboos, homosexuality, and transgender issues. At one point, she comments that most authors who write about sex do so in a way that seems as if they're afraid that anyone who reads their work will be afraid that they are actually turned on by the subject. Tisdale is not one of these authors. Her language is frank and honest but not gratuitously shocking. I teach a college philosophy course and we will soon be spending two weeks on this book. My students are eagerly awaiting those lessons. The current lack

of interest that academic philosophers have in these issues is unfortunate. We talk about sex all the time and it is such a big part of our lives, yet so many think that the ideas that we approach our sexuality with are not worthy topics for rigorous examination and discussion. We need more writers like Tisdale who are willing to discuss these issues in an honest and intelligent way. Buy this book!

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