## **Smooth Operator**

The Brazilian wax doesn't involve much pain at all and leaves one with a sense of liberation, according to those who have experienced it.



Waxing is only for women? Think again. Men have come a long way when it comes to hair removal, no longer limiting to just shaving. When it comes to waxing, some men do it for the comfort of their partner; others do it to look neat in a pair of trunks. But all who have undergone waxing appreciate the smooth and cool sensation of being hair-free. We de-mystify the Boyzilian.

## EXPERTISE REQUIRED

So what really happens during a Brazilian wax? And how can it not be painful? (It's hot wax, after all!) In case you still have the jitters, ease your fears as the experience is not as painful as you would imagine it to be. Especially when it's in the hands of a professional.

Thomas D'Esthetique is a leading men's aesthetics, wellness and skincare salon. In fact, the founder himself, Mr Thomas Tong, has 18 years of experience under his belt. He is the first face and body aromatherapist for men who is skilled at Brazilian hair removal. We quizzed him whether the procedure is excruciating. Thomas replies reassuringly: "Some clients actually vouch that their Brazilian waxing experience was pleasant".

We took a trial at this mens only salon and here's our findings.

## BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Yes, you will be in the buff, feeling embarassed. But the therapist is all professional and the session will be over in a jiffy. As you lie face down, warm natural beeswax is applied onto the nether region. The trickling of wax was surprisingly pleasant. Muslin strips are then stuck onto skin and, before you know it, removed with a quick yank. As it's done with such swift dexterity, the pain is almost negligible.

After you turn around, hot wax is applied on your most delicate areas and the procedure is repeated. Of course you will feel more tension and discomfort here but the consolation is that the procedure is over in a metter of seconds, minimising pain and awkwardness.

Post-treatment, you are urged to look at the work done in the mirror. Usually, clients like what they see. But most of all, the brave souls who have undergone a Brazilian wax are happy to say good bye to unpleasant odours, unsightly tendrils peeking from behind swimming trunks and that occasional tickle down under.

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