

the naked truth



We're going to share a secret with you, one of Manchester's best kept secrets in fact – Samantha Marshall. Not only is Sam the Beauty Manager at Harvey Nichols Urban Retreat, she is a waxing extraordinaire. For many, landscaping of the lady garden is not a pleasant event. High-level embarrassment, fear, indignity and pain usually prevail. Sarah McQuillan has experienced all of the above. And then she went to Sam...

I swear, Sam could put anyone at ease. She is record breakingly rapid and uses hot wax, which lifts the skin as it sets, reducing the plaster pull-off effect. Aged 27, Sam has been waxing for nine years and has a client list that includes Jade Jagger, Suranne Jones and Lucy Jo Hudson.

Samantha, who professes to be 'a Hollywood girl all the way', understands that many ladies are intimidated by the technical jargon and differences between the various types of waxing. Whilst a standard bikini wax only includes the hair that pokes out of your pants, a Hollywood is the other extreme – all-off-Barbie-doll-bare. A Brazilian involves leaving a 2cm wide strip of hair at the front, whilst a Playboy leaves only a very thin strip.

“Once you've been waxed by this wonder woman you'll never go anywhere else”

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