

The man cave and woes of the woman

Every woman dreads the day her man gets preoccupied with the idea of making a private den inside the love nest. To prevent the devil from giving 'the husband' any bright ideas, the woman tries her best to follow every call of her man. If he wants a mocktail in the middle of the night, she will prepare it without any hesitation.

Then, there are the irresistible football marathons at ungodly hours; she would be biting her teeth over a pillow, to avoid any argument. The trauma intensifies, when he invites friends over and asks for a hot brew of coffee, in the middle of the night. With a poker face on, the woman must be at hubby's beck and call, lest he gets 'THE' idea.

If you are the type to let others move you around like a chess piece, please go ahead. But if you wanted an instant solution to all



the distress, then please think again and this time clearly.

What If you let him have his den? What horrors could come from it? He would still be having tea, coffee and drinks after midnight, but this time he would be preparing his own stuff because there is the man cave, with access to all that he requires in favour of midnight snacking.

A word of advice, please refrain from trying to decorate the burrow for him. Hubby dear does not need floral arrangements inside the den! He could not care less, if wild flowers were any prettier than dandelions. He might not even know which is which!

Just make sure there is enough ventilation inside the room and there is an easy access to a washroom and the veranda.

Regarding the cleaning aspect, make sure he cleans it by himself or with his friends' help, and never accept any excuse for keeping the man-cave unclean.

The rest of the items for the room can be picked and chosen by him, whether he wants to - a large TV, a mini library, a study table, musical instruments or a poker table. That is his choice! Do not be too fussy about it. Go shopping around with him, for all the furniture, and enjoy the experience. The choice of colours for the walls should also



be felt to him entirely, even though you would appreciate if it was hot pink or purple. Believe me, even black is fine!

A final word of advice: if you let him have his way with the man cave, this would mean more of whatever you want for yourself, including an entire girl's day, every week, with your friends, while he looks after the kids.

Be prepared to negotiate the best of terms.

An anonymous wise man once said 'Let him be' - And that is the secret to a long lasting happy marriage.

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