

FAQS

What is The Woolfer?

A community of like-minded women over 40 who trust each other for advice, resources, and endless entertainment.

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Independent. Feminist. Avid Readers. Getting Older. Witty. Irreverent. Resilient. Diverse. Always Evolving. Sassy. Curious. Brave. Tough. Tender. Open-minded. Honest.

What Is She Not?

Sanctimonious. Nasty. Judgmental. Uniformed. Racist. Homophobic. Petty. Young!

What Is This All About?

No one talks honestly about the indignities and, yes, joys of aging. That's where we come in. When we started as a secret Facebook group in 2015, our mission was to provide "a confidential forum for women over 40, with a bent toward the literary, witty, and feminist. A place to discuss, support, and share things we may not care to share with the partners and children in our lives." A fierce sisterhood quickly developed among women from around the world. We post questions when we want advice, whether about perimenopause, online dating, how best to remove chin hair, or what book to delve into next. We post articles we want to discuss. Recommendations when we *truly* love something. We tell jokes and share gorgeous art. We reveal our heartaches, disappointments, and embarrassing stories, only to discover that there's really no need for shame after all.

What Are the Posting Guidelines?

- Post with kindness and respect. No name-calling, insult-hurling, or harassment of other members is permitted.
- Keep each other's secrets. Privacy is of the utmost importance here. No sharing ANY personal stories or photos outside of the community. Sharing articles or merchandise —anything that links out to a website— is always allowed; use common sense.
- Vents or rants are somewhat discouraged; ask yourself why the post is meaningful for the community.
- Use the Search Bar to see if there is a thread already in progress on the topic before you create a new post. It's often preferable to continue an existing conversation.
- We as a community are committed to being inclusive and diverse in terms of sexual orientation, race, and economic status; we trust that you are committed to these ideals as well.
- No clickbait, outrage porn, or GIFS.
- We don't approve all posts and that doesn't mean we don't care. We aim to curate the space in a way that will make it the most functional and enjoyable for everyone.
- Approvals and deletions of posts and comments are at the discretion of the admins.

How Do I Post Anonymously?

Go here to post anonymously. We check the link every Monday and post a selection then.

Can I Comment Anonymously?

No, unfortunately not at this point. Maybe one day...

How Do You Make Money?

Essentially two ways: 1) your subscription fees 2) our relationships with trusted partners. We only work with brands we absolutely love, and doing so allows us to provide this space without exorbitant cost to its members. We also have events, but they don't really make any money ☺. We just like hanging out with you all IRL.

What Will Get Me Kicked Out?

Name-calling or insult-hurling. Not backing down after an admin has asked you to. Disrespecting the privacy of other members *i.e* gossiping outside the community, screen-sharing conversations. Joining the group under false pretenses *i.e.* not being a person over 40 who identifies as a woman.

How Do I Find Out About IRL Events?

Visit our Events Calendar and also read our Sunday Newsletter!

What's The Woolfer Newsletter?

Every Sunday morning we email a newsletter with tidbits of special content: A Woolfer Win (products we love), a Woolfer Reads selection (current fave book), sometimes an In Case You Missed It (a photo from the group or the outside world that we find particularly funny/moving/beautiful), the occasional quiz, and original essays and interviews with women we find fascinating. We also keep readers up to date on our live events and any other news you may have missed in the busyness of the community.

Do You Sell Stuff?

Sometimes we do — branded t-shirts, bumper stickers, a few of our favorite products. Check out our **shop**.