

The Girlfriend

Note: this character has been written as someone who was physically able to get pregnant. If that is not something you would like to play on, please discuss alternatives with your GM (like the baby's birthing parent dropping them on the character's doorstep or switching characters).

Once upon a time, you had your whole life ahead of you: you took a gap year after your university degree, intending to return for a master's in literature, when you got pregnant with no idea who the father was. He had probably been that Australian backpacker you met in Rome, but it could have been a handful of others. Your parents begrudgingly agreed to support you right up until the birth when the baby came out the "wrong" race. They disowned you after you refused to give it up for adoption, figuring they would come around in time. They didn't, and mounting bills drove you to turn a few tricks on the street. Eventually, you accepted your fate and "auditioned" at a few brothels. You spoke well, for a streetwalker, and the Madam of the Lily was happy to give you a few shifts as a premium companion. You easily fell into offering the "girlfriend experience", a service more about comfort and empathy than sex itself.

Since then, you've grown to become the most popular companion there and your life is good: the baby is healthy and now in school, one parent finally came back into your life after the other passed away, and you have a reliable income and some good friends at the Lily. Recently, you even met someone very special, a real partner who loves you and your child. They have a socially-accepted job and you want to share your future with them. The only catch is that they also want you to have a legitimate job and quit sex work, a job that not only enables you to live well and independently, but one you've come to enjoy a great deal. If you quit, you'll have to be financially dependent on your partner (which they offered, but you don't feel very good about). They've said that the matter is a dealbreaker for them and you might find yourself alone again.

If you decide to stay at the Lily, you want the next Madam to be one with experience and one who values your talents and long list of regulars. One milking the clientele for every penny would run your style into the ground in favor of quickies and charging for so much as a kiss!

You've always gotten on well with others and those at the Lily have been no exception: a smile and a little sympathy goes a long way, for you, and you've found a very real friend in **The Happy Hooker** in particular. You have similar approaches to work and have both shared a lot about yourselves and your backgrounds over the years. You're also close with **The Sweetheart**, like you, they are bubbly and kind and you mesh well together. Both often hang out with **The Apple Doesn't Fall Far**, **The Investor**, and **The Flamboyant**, but the others keep a bit of distance to you despite being outwardly friendly. You would love to get closer to these nice people!

You know you've been pretty lucky with your experiences and feel very sympathetic to **The Responsible** (so brave, how they've taken on so much with their siblings), for whom you've babysat a few times, as well as **The Miserable Wretch**. You've noticed nobody seems to much like **The Brown-noser** but they've always been quite friendly towards you. You're least close with **The Practical**, but would love to get to know them better – if only they would open up!