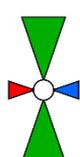


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<p><6/c></p>  <p>Key: Footprint ConEn1 Footprint ConEn2 Footprint ConEn3</p>	<p>Priscilla Presley, is now 47. Country music star Tammy Wynette is 50 and Dolly Parton is seven months older than the president-elect. Some of the world's most beautiful women have also cut more birthday cakes than Clinton. Joanna Lumley, who thrilled a generation of young TV fans as Purdey in the New Avengers, is three months older and Charlotte Rampling seven months older. Clinton should also give up his bus seat for Julie Christie, 52, Britt Ekland, 50, Goldie Hawn and Mia Farrow both 47, and Raquel Welch, 52. Anna Ford is three years older than the man who will now feature constantly in her news bulletins, and her former rival Angela Rippon is 48. Patriot Games star Harrison Ford is 50, Woody Allen, 56, and Billy Connolly, the Glaswegian comic now making it in Los Angeles, is 49. Tim Rice, the lyricist of the early Seventies hit stage show Jesus Christ Superstar, is 47. Former sports stars suddenly look ancient too. Billie Jean King, who little more than a decade ago was still thrilling Wimbledon crowds, is 48 and Sixties soccer idol George Best is three months older than Clinton. Eccentric American chess grandmaster Bobby Fischer, currently playing his old foe Boris Spassky, is 49. As for British politicians, Clinton has no match for his youthful vigour in John Major, 49 or Opposition leader John Smith, 54. Former Labour leader Neil Kinnock is 50 and former GLC leader Ken Livingstone is 52. And if Mrs Thatcher, 67, should make a comeback as British premier, she'll have to bridge a 21-year age gap to forge a special relationship with Bill. Sex appeal swung him in to the White House</p> <p>Isla Whitcroft BILL Clinton used every last drop of his charm and charisma to make the most important conquest of his life. He won the hearts and minds of the American people - but mostly their hearts. Like John F Kennedy before him, Clinton's appeal to women voters proved to be crucial. The ruggedly handsome Clinton took 60 per cent of the female vote in his presidential victory, proof above anything else of his sexual chemistry. He flirts, he touches, he gazes deep into the eyes of the person he is talking to, no one is immune to his immense charm. One of the phenomena of his campaign was the presence of large groups of women who would scream and faint whenever he came anywhere near them. 'When he talks to you he makes you feel as if you are the only person in the entire world,' said one woman who met him on the campaign trail. 'He just gives out this incredible air of sexuality</p> <p>He is unbelievably charismatic.' But it is not just women who have succumbed to his chemistry. Like all truly charismatic people he can work his magic on both men and women. Men love him for his hearty back-slapping and hand-shaking, for his habit of bear-hugging his male aides when things are going well. His good looks and twinkling eyes may have won him female fans, but his 6ft 2½ in frame and his alleged affair with Gennifer Flowers also firmly marked him out as one of the boys. While the Bush camp exposed Clinton's sexual peccadilloes in the hope of lowering his public esteem, the revelations seemed actually to increase his sex appeal rating among women voters. It was the classic case of idolising a rogue whom you can never quite trust but whom you can't give up trying to reform. He is all things to all women. To the home bodies he comes across as a good father, a man</p>
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who always helps his daughter with her homework. To feminists he is a New Man, pro-choice on the abortion issue and married to a strong, career-minded woman whom he freely acknowledges as the driving force behind his win. He has Hollywood charisma, cowboy machismo and a heavyweight intellect all in **one handsome package**. Compared with the emotionally sterile George Bush he appears to be nothing short of **a sexual dynamo**. Early on in his race for the White House Bill Clinton said: 'If I win the race it will be on the coat tails of women.' The women of America responded beyond his wildest dreams, but they may not have been quite so eager to help out if he hadn't been blessed with such **an abundance of sex appeal**. On a more serious level, Clinton was more in tune than his rival with the political issues that really mattered to women. He won their favour in the wake of last year's Anita Hill case when he vowed to clamp down on sexual discrimination and harassment in the workplace. Hill had accused Supreme Court aspirant Judge Clarence Thomas of sexual harassment years earlier, and feminists were outraged when the court rebuffed her claims. Bush, as head of the establishment, was blamed for Hill's humiliation. Clinton consistently supported women's right to abortion at a time when Bush adopted an anti-abortion stance. And many American women see Hillary Clinton as much more of a role model for the Nineties than the white-haired Barbara Bush. If Hillary is the perfect partner, then in Al Gore he had the perfect running mate. It really was a dream ticket for women. Where Clinton is rugged and earthy, Gore is clean cut and preppy. Between them,