

THE BEST PLACES TO GET AWAY FROM IT ALL

# RELAX



## REAL MEN USE...

There's nothing like a close shave, and they don't get any closer than with a straight razor. Mad Aspen Home carries a line of vintage straight razors, restores old pieces and hones dull blades. But true connoisseurs get their shaving gear made by Mad Aspen's Max Sprecher, who not only produces beautiful custom handles, but also makes the blades himself. Custom razors start at \$199. Too scared to try this at home? Then leave it to the professionals. *See Page 68*

# JUST FOR MEN

## SHAVES, WAXES AND MASSAGES FOR THE MODERN GENT

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### THE ROYAL SHAVE

—An old-fashioned barbershop setting creates a nostalgic backdrop for this 50-minute shave that begins with a facial cleanse and exfoliation. A luxurious hot lather and a straight-razor shave that goes both with and against the grain follows that. Finish with a clay mask that tones and firms, and an aftershave moisturizer. \$65. *The Spa & Salon at Aria in CityCenter*, 702.590.9600; [arialasvegas.com](http://arialasvegas.com)

### CLASSIC SHAVE N RUN

—Designed for the man who is short on time but big on style, this quick shave includes a hot-towel prep and lather, shave with the grain, a cold-towel finish, toner, aftershave balm and neck clean up. No excuses for looking scruffy at that last-minute meeting. \$25. *Elliott & Co.*, 8876 S. Eastern Ave., 702.990.5672; [elliottandco.com](http://elliottandco.com)

### BRO-ZILIAN

—Much like the Brazilian wax for the ladies, the Bro-zilian removes unwanted hair from “down

there.” *Stoo, Shannon’s Serendipity Skincare in Sola Salons*, 2986 St. Rose Parkway, 702.353.3893

### ORGANIC MALE FACIAL THERAPY

—Sensitive men are sexy, but sensitive skin is difficult to manage. The Organic Male Facial Therapy offers 50 minutes of botanical nurturing designed to combat environmental damage and balance, purify and restore the skin. Customization is available upon consultation. \$135. *Aquae Sulis Spa in JW Marriott Resort*, 702.869.7807; [spa.jwlasvegasresort.com](http://spa.jwlasvegasresort.com)

### ARNICA MUSCLE REPAIR MASSAGE

—Even the manliest of men get muscle pain and sore joints, and that’s where this anti-inflammatory treatment comes in. Arnica is a remedy used by herbalists that’s combined with camphorous oils of basil, rosemary and bay laurel to stimulate circulation. They’ll even throw in a scalp massage. \$140 for 50 minutes. *Spa & Salon Vidara in CityCenter*, 702.590.2474; [vidara.com](http://vidara.com)



## PICK UP A JAR

BRANNONHAIR offers its own collection of hair-care products, including some especially developed for men. Dry Groom is a matte finish molding paste applied to dry hair to create a textured look while keeping the hair soft and pliable. In fact, Las Vegas men love the product so much that the salon sells about 40 jars a week. \$28. *Brannonhair Salon inside Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa*, 702.797.7878; [brannonhair.com](http://brannonhair.com)

### BEST TIP

#### THE PERFECT SHAVE

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