

## Viagra Medication Information

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DRUG NAME: VIAGRA (SILDENAFIL) TABLET

**USES:** This medication is used to treat male sexual function problems (erection problems). Sildenafil works along with sexual stimulation to help achieve an erection.

**HOW TO TAKE THIS MEDICATION:** This drug is taken by mouth as needed between four hours and one-half hour before sexual activity, but usually is taken 45 minutes before needed. Viagra is supplied in 25, 50 and 100 milligram doses. If you are prescribed the 50 milligram tablets you may increase the dose to 100 milligrams if necessary. Studies have shown that this medication appears to be more effective when not taken after a full meal. Take only as directed usually once as needed.

Side-effects noted during clinical trials are noted below. Those within the list that are underlined are the most common seen.

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS INCLUDE: Headache, flushing, shortness of breath, nasal congestion, blue tint or vision, diarrhea, dizziness, and rash. These side effects are generally short-lived and rarely a problem. If they do occur, taking the medication after a meal will usually help. Although rare, you could possibly experience some temporary hearing loss; if this occurs, stop the medication and contact our office.

IMPORTANT PRECAUTIONS: VIAGRA SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN BY PATIENTS WHO TAKE MEDICATIONS CONTAINING NITRATES. If you are taking ANY nitrate drug such as NITROPASTE, NITROPRESS, NITROSTAT OR NITROGLYCERIN(S), you CANNOT use Viagra.

**Notes:** Do not share this medication with others, since they may have a problem that is not effectively treated by this drug. Use of this drug does not protect against sexually transmitted diseases, (e.g., HIV, hepatitis and gonorrhea).

**Storage:** Store at room temperature between 59° and 86° F (between 15° and 30° C), away from light and moisture.

Use this information in the absence of more specific or personal advice given to you by your doctor or pharmacist.

## **COMMONLY PRESCRIBED NITRATES**

Brand Name (Various) Generic Name amyl nitrite

Cardilate erythrityl tetranitrate
Cartrax pentaerythritol tetranitrate

Deponit (transdermal) pentaerythritoi tetranitrate

Dilatrate & Dilatrate SR isosorbide dinitrate

Duotrate pentaerythritol tetranitrate isosorbide mononitrate isosorbide mononitrate isosorbide mononitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate isosorbide dinitrate

Miltrate & Miltrate 10 pentaerythritol tetranitrate

Minitran Transdermal System nitroglycerin

Monoket isosorbide mononitrate
Nitrek nitroglycerin

Nitrek nitroglycerin Nitro-Bid nitroglycerin

Nitrocine (sustained release) nitroglycerin
Nitrocot nitroglycerin
Nitro-Derm (transdermal) nitroglycerin

Nitro-Derm (transdermal)

Nitrodisc (transdermal)

Nitro-Dur

Nitroglycerin

Nitrogard

Nitroglycerin

Nitroglycerin

Nitroglyn nitroglycerin
Nitrol Ointment (Appli-Kit) nitroglycerin

Nitrong nitroglycerin
Nitropar nitroglycerin

Nitropress (intravenous only) sodium nitroprusside

Nitro-Quick nitroglycerin
Nitrostat nitroglycerin
Nitro-Time nitroglycerin

Onset-5 isosorbide dinatrate

Papavatral pentaerythritol tetranitrate
Pennate pentaerythritol tetranitrate
Penta Cap #1 pentaerythritol tetranitrate
Pentrate pentaerythritol tetranitrate
Pentritol pentaerythritol tetranitrate
Peritrate pentaerythritol tetranitrate
pentaerythritol tetranitrate

Sorbide-10 isosorbide dinitrate
Sorbitrate & Sorbitrate SR isosorbide dinitrate

Tetrate-30 pentaerythritol tetranitrate

Transderm-Nitro nitroglycerin
Transdermal NTG nitroglycerin
Tridil nitroglycerin