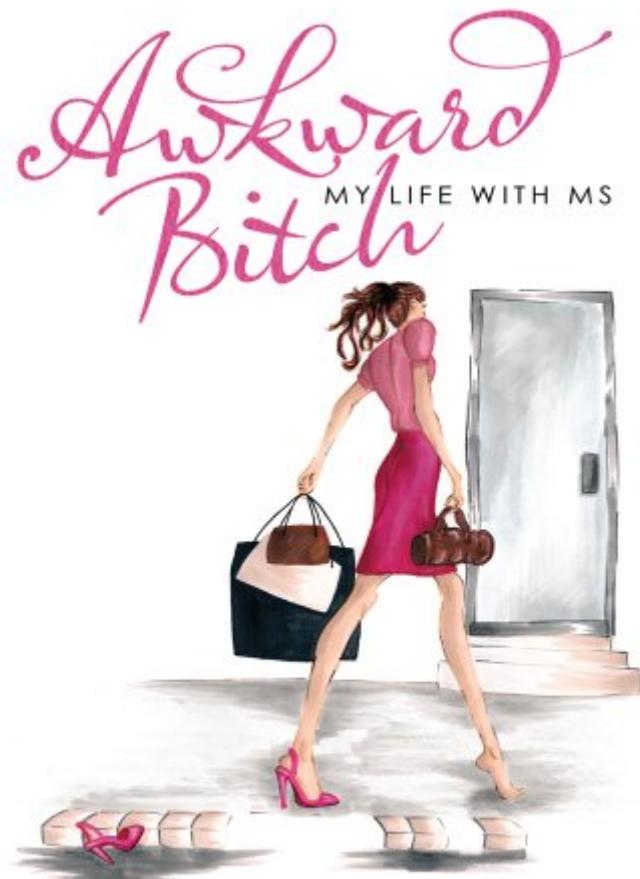


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Awkward Bitch: My Life With MS



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Synopsis

This fast paced book tells the comically raw and honest story of Mario, a vivacious fashionista, who transform into the fabulous "awkward hitch" right before the eyes of everyone she knows. Marlo moved from New York to London to make it in the music business, aided by the money made at her day job as a luxury retail manager. Her plans are bamboozled when she starts to lose her eyesight after only a month of living in her dream city! Through a series of roller coaster events taking her to Paris, Miami, London, and New York, she is diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, the most common disabling neurological disease affecting young adults today.

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Customer Reviews

This book is incredible! I felt like I was reading a story about my own life and struggles with MS. This book is funny, serious and sad. Marlo has a great sense of humor and will have you laughing and crying with her. This book has large print for an easy read. You will not regret buying this book!!!

This is one of the best books I have ever read!! I passed it on to my Mom and she thought so too.

She thinks that everyone that knows me should read it and will know how I feel from day to day with my MS. The author really put into words what I couldn't explain...Love this book....

Amazing, educational, honest, and funny book about living with a chronic illness and still being absolutely fabulous. Loved this read and have recommended it to many. Hope she writes a continuation about these next eventful years of her life with MS. What an amazing woman to share her life and very personal experiences in order to encourage and help others.

I read this book along time ago but never felt compelled to write a review until I read the reviewer (via FB) who had the audacity to accuse the author of not having MS. I was diagnosed with MS in 2008 after 18 years of unexplained symptoms. Some would think that lucky, but I can assure them it is not! Her description of symptoms and situations helped me accept that I really did have MS and not all the individual issues that the medics had treated me for down the years. Missing obvious clues like a bout of optic neuritis 18 years previously that totally blinded me in one eye for 8 weeks when I had a 6 month old baby to deal with. When I first read this book I was amazed at how accurate it was about feelings, experiences and changes in relationships. Yes, I spent just as long and wept buckets over the fact that I could no longer wear heels! I didn't even know it was MS at that point. Her description of issues exactly mirrored some of mine as she described the incident on the underground, I had a dreadful experience at a train station when my legs decided they would not work anymore and getting home from work was just as dramatic. I too was a professional but older than Marlo and now several years later have had to retire because of my MS but I worked until I was 59!. So please ignore that reviewer who is obviously not enlightened enough to accept everyone's experience of MS is very different. A great book especially if you have just been diagnosed or you are struggling with this nightmare illness. So looking forward to your next book Marlo, great work!

"The Awkward Bitch" had me laughing out loud as I read it on a plane from London to USA. I laughed about the writer's symptoms seemingly taking over her life. But, she is a fighter, and she did not let MS get the better of her. I appreciate the candor in her story-telling. She held nothing back. I'd definitely recommend this autobiography to anyone with MS or any other chronic illness.

This book was great. I read it in a couple of days. Marlo's story of her diagnosis helps you feel connected as an MS patient or support person with someone else's story on an intimate level. I definitely recommend this book.

I recently met a newly diagnosed patient who also had MS and was looking for material to assist her with this journey. Based on the reviews, I thought this book would be funny and informative life journey. I purchase two copies one for her and one for me. Let me first say, I believe this is a great effort for someone who I believe is not a writer by trade. Having said that, I didn't enjoy the book or its flow. Maybe I would feel differently if this was a 1 1/2 years ago when I was first diagnosed and looking for answers. At that time, I purchased more technical books which I thought were highly informative and just a plain good read. I gave 3 stars for the writer's effort and her ability to stand strong during her MS journey.

LOVED IT!!! Uses humor to get through all the MS obstacles of everyday living! It's bittersweet to see I am not alone! This is great for someone diagnosed with MS as well as an excellent read for family and friends to understand what their loved one is going through! I gave this to my friends and family after feeling they thought I was being overly dramatic and using my MS as an excuse to be lazy and sleep all day, being overly dramatic in the way I tried to walk, and being dramatic with the tingles and electrical zaps I would get at various inappropriate times (as if I can control any of those things). After they read this book they understood I am not lazy and want to sleep all day after getting 10 hours sleep waking up and 15 minutes later going back to bed to sleep another 6 hours. It gave them a better understanding of what I have been going through. They all said it was an easy read, very enlightening and written in a way that makes the reader understand.

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