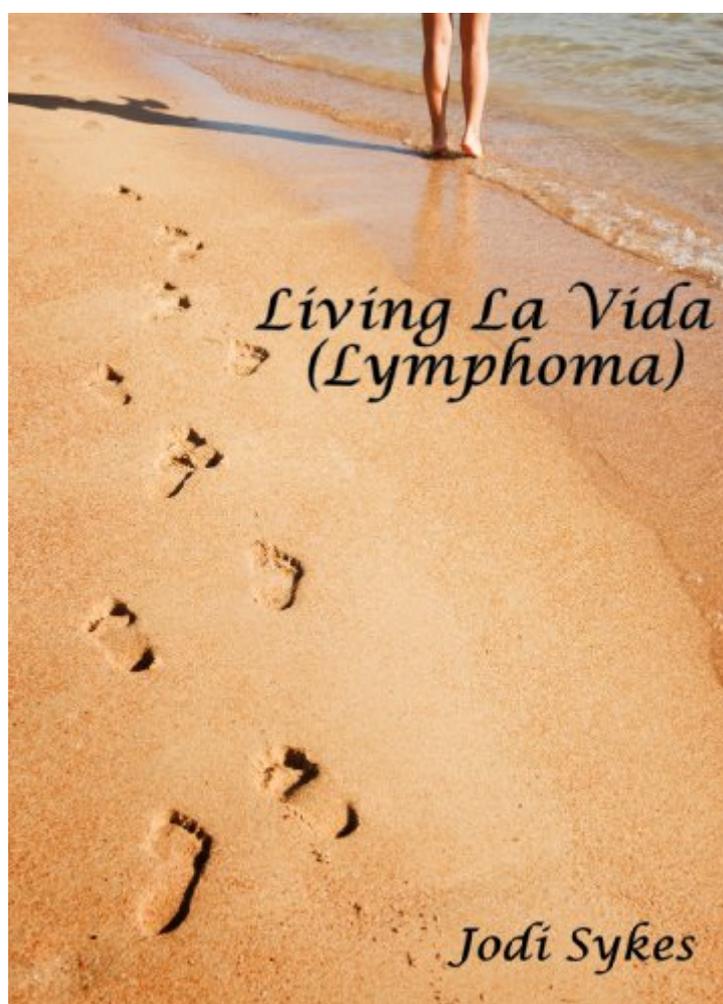


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# Living La Vida (Lymphoma)



## Synopsis

"I think you have Lymphoma..." In 2009, Jodi Sykes' world spun out of control. With compassion and a sometimes twisted sense of humor, Jodi takes her readers on a Lymphoma journey that includes some childhood memories and snippets of sentimental vignettes. She offers candid looks into her treatment and life after the diagnosis. Writing became a therapeutic way for her to deal with the challenges of living with cancer and she did so in a positive, up-beat manner. She began blogging. The blog turned into this book's manuscript. *Living La Vida (Lymphoma)* is a "short memoir for a large life." Each passage begins with a quote and ends with an affirmation. It's about taking the time to cherish the magic that life has to offer as each day unfolds. It reflects the power of the bonds of friendship and the strength of the human spirit.

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"Living La Vida (Lymphoma)" is a very moving and inspirational journalistic style memoir from author Jodi Sykes. While going through a divorce and financial hardships, Jodi learns that she is suffering

from a very rare form of lymphoma (cancer of the lymphatic system) called SPTCL (Subcutaneous panniculitis-like T cell lymphoma.) The journal-like entries are Jodi's experiences seeking treatment for SPTCL while also moving forward with her life after divorce. This book is not a downer of a read by any means, in fact, it's quite the opposite. Every entry begins with an inspirational quote that relates to the content of the entry and ends with an affirmation. Jodi's spirit, hope, love and optimism shines through on every page. It's quite an inspirational and motivational read about a remarkable woman who remains so positive through such a difficulty and adversity. I believe it's the type of attitude that can inspire anyone, regardless of the challenges they face in their own lives. Jodi embraces the beautiful moments that life can offer and the wonderful people (and animals) who enter our lives at just the right time.

This is written with heart and the story the author , about her own personal journey, is one we can all learn from, ...keep moving forward, no matter what happens! Great reading and very , very touching!

This book takes the reader through the high and low points of a person determined to fight and defeat a terrible disease. It is written in a way that the reader can feel the pain and triumphs of the author. A must read for individuals going through any potentially terminal disease and their supporters. You will feel that there is hope and you are not alone in your fight.

A candid look at "A death sentence" and how to deal with a rare diagnosis. Refreshing optimism amid fiery trials. A story of faith and friendship that transcend fear. Thank you !

I loved it, I have loved Ms Sykes since 1980. Now she has to write a comedy. Mabel Tov doll

Brew some tea and get comfortable in your couch as you snuggle up with this book. By the end of it, you'll be happy you got to know Jodi, some of her good friends, and her "Wild Irish Rose." Her positive and gentle spirit will lift you up. This book is for anyone who is facing a serious illness and needs a dose of positive energy. "One day per year, robins return to St. Augustine before they migrate back home." Jodi will take you through this amazing experience, and many more, reminding you to see the beauty of nature that you often forget to notice. And then she'll have you laughing as she takes you with her to her doctor's office, and exposes her derriere. Jodi lives on a higher altitude . . . she's able to hover above the emotional and financial struggles she faces. If you read between the lines, you see the tragedy that happens in a "free" country that doesn't protect citizens

once they fall ill to the toxic products and environment that the government not only approves of, but also subsidizes. Jodi never gives up on searching for the "miracle cure." After you read her book, you'll never give up searching for your "miracle cure" either.

Life is full of challenges. Jodi has had more than her share. This is not the sort of book I normally read. But it was so inspiring that I read it all the way, from front cover to the end. It is terrific. I've suffered from Leukemia and recently had a bone marrow transplant While I've been recovering from that I wrote two books, one of which just came up as an e-book on Kindle this week 5 Things Women Need to Know About the Men They Date. How Jodi kept her energy and positive thoughts is beyond me. It's a terrific book, inspiring, and up-uptlifting . I'm a better person for having read it. I suspect the author is a better person for having written it as well. I wish her well. She's exposed a part of her private life that has brought positive thoughts to me and has improved my life. That's more than you can ask from any book.

Jodi writes with compassion, insight, and understanding that anyone can relate to. That she was inspired by the adversity faced when diagnosed with lymphoma makes her book even more uplifting and inspirational! Well worth reading!

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