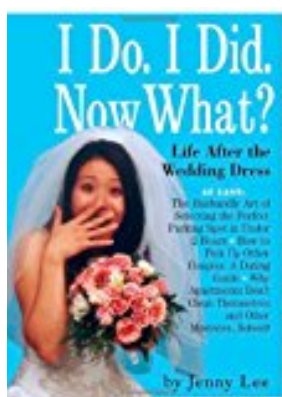


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Description:

From Publishers Weekly Were Candace Bushnell to chronicle her first year of marriage, it might look something like former New Yorker-about-town Lee's frank, witty account of coming to terms with what matrimony really means. When the sparkles on her engagement ring have dimmed, the Vera Wang has been packed for posterity and the words "until death do us part" have begun to sink in, Lee confronts her "glass-slipper fantasy" of marriage. Reality, she discovers, requires a great deal

of sacrifice (moving to frumpy Boston), compromise, (sharing her exorbitantly expensive shampoo) and adjustment (grappling with putting on the "newlywed nineteen"). From cooking to nagging, from cleaning to fiscal responsibility ("I learned the hard way that my husband doesn't consider a Neiman Marcus last-call shoe sale an emergency") and from the art of couple socializing back to nagging again, Lee's anecdotes from the post-honeymoon period go from very amusing to a bit stale by the book's close. Luckily, though, by then Lee has learned to appreciate those subtle yet intimate "happily-ever-after" moments, which is an important lesson for detail-obsessed brides destined for disillusionment in the wake of all the nuptial hoopla. And to the bridesmaids who will purchase this book as a send-off, take comfort: now Bridezilla has someone else to bug.

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From Library Journal Who is Lee? And why has she written a book on surviving marriage? While she intends to be whimsical and funny-the publisher, in fact, is marketing this to the Bridget Jones demographic-she comes off as snotty, shallow, and cold. She compares housewifery to slavery and insists that her flower- and jewelry-savvy husband is not gay, for example. Beautiful and married to a doctor, Lee dully drones on in a whiny list of likes (shoe shopping) and dislikes (picking up after her husband). Other concerns include expensive French sheets and rare, exorbitantly priced shampoos. Perhaps it's unnecessary for her to mention that she felt "wholly unprepared for how big an impact marriage would have" on her life. Accordingly, her "advice" is useless (e.g., "honeymoon calories don't count!"). Not recommended, even as light entertainment; for a more substantial view of matrimony, consider Iris Krasnow's *Surrendering to Marriage* or Anne Roiphe's *Married: A Fine Predicament*.

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