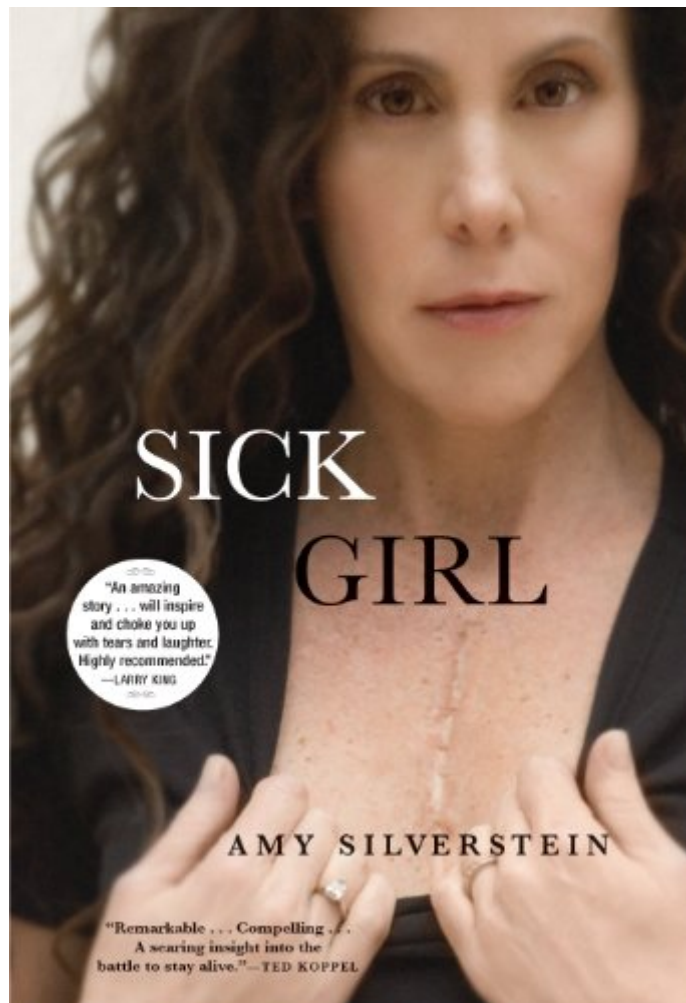


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# Sick Girl



## Synopsis

The hardcover publication of *Sick Girl* garnered tremendous attention, generated impressive sales, and ignited controversy. Both inspiring and provocative, reactions to the book ranged from inflammatory posts on a U.S. News & World Report blog, to hundreds of letters from readers, to a full-page review in *People*. Amy's force, candor, and her refusal to be the thankful patient from whom we expect undiluted gratitude for the medical treatments that have extended her life, have put her at the center of a debate on patient rights and the omnipotent power of doctors. At twenty-four, Amy was a typical type-A law student: smart, driven, and highly competitive. With a full course load and a budding romance, it seemed nothing could slow her down. Until her heart began to fail. Amy chronicles her harrowing medical journey from the first misdiagnosis to her astonishing recovery, which is made all the more dramatic by the romantic bedside courtship with her future husband, and her uncompromising desire to become a mother. In her remarkable book she presents a patient's perspective with shocking honesty that allows the reader to live her nightmare from the inside; an unforgettable experience that is both disturbing and utterly compelling.

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The book is well written and also covers an unusual topic. How often do we just accept and follow along with whatever our physicians tell us to? In "Sick Girl Silverstein tells of her long and daunting battle with potentially deadly heart disease but skip it if you are a hypochondriac or you suffer with Munchausen.

Good reading. I'm a nurse and felt it was pretty much on target from a sick patient's perspective.

She revisits her struggle and feelings too many times. Very informative and I have a new understanding of heart transplants and how awful it is. I was one who thought it was a cure.

Compelling story but way too much self pity as she gets caught up with complications that sadly are the side effects of a heart transplant.

Rather difficult read but it really gives light on the difficulties physically and psychologically what she went through. Her husband is just a saint and she has wonderful friends.

I have a son on the transplant list so this gave me a good perspective of what he might be going through.

Very good read.

Well-written and interesting

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