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BRIGHT LINES is the four-part life story of an unusually hopeful man, and his search for love, family and connection.

After a rootless childhood, the desire for love and stability becomes both a propelling force and a tender, vacant space in former foster child Easton McNeil's life. Yet the man who keeps moving forward in search of 'the beautiful ordinary,' is confronted by unexpected curves. He's a virgin who becomes a father. A humanistic dreamer who becomes a business journalist. A practical man who ends up leaving his stable career for a humiliating gig as a sidekick to the notorious shock jock, Cooper Ross.

Encouraged by Ross's oddball fans, Easton plans a cross-country road trip to interview them. Now an empty-nester, the man who's always loved the idea of home sells his and embarks on a wholehearted mission to say yes—to broader horizons, new experiences, and wherever the road might lead him—or at least that's what he believes.

The mission becomes more complicated when he meets the enigmatic Eleanor Conley, and the vacant space that he's spent years trying to mitigate becomes an all-out hunger. But are he and Eleanor meant to be together, or are they meant to be each other's catalysts on the way to somewhere else?

When it comes to human connection, Easton learns that some lines will fade, and others will be penciled in with question marks, but the brightest lines of all inspire love, forgiveness, and redemption.

## **Bright Lines: A Life in Search of the Beautiful Ordinary Details**

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## **From Reader Review Bright Lines: A Life in Search of the Beautiful Ordinary for online ebook**

### **Iris Rosen says**

I read Jane Devin's 1st book, Elephant Girl, & wanted to read another that she had written. She's a good writer & has a lot to say. Enjoyed the book.

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### **Kendra says**

I enjoyed most of the book and would score it at 3.5. Most of the time I didn't want to put it down but I also skimmed whole pages. I loved Easton's overall story, especially while centering on his childhood. But I found myself frustrated as he moved into mid-adulthood. Easton's story was too similar to Elephant Girl and I quickly tired of the self-help ramblings. Just as I felt while reading Elephant Girl, I wanted to shake the stuffing out of Easton regarding some of his decisions and choices. I also felt that once Easton began his road trip, his character "voice" changed...before the road trip, I didn't have difficulty picturing a masculine Easton. But at this point in the book, Easton's feelings and inner-voice "sounded" more feminine and I felt as if I were back reading Elephant Girl. Although I mention a few critiques, I still liked the book and would recommend it. It's an easy and interesting read.

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### **Deb says**

It read like a movie made for the Lifetime Channel. How much self-reflection can one character indulge in? 332 pages worth, apparently. BORING.

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### **Jeanne says**

I would say more like 3-1/2 stars but at times it was just too dragged out to give it 4 stars. I really enjoyed Easton and the story of his growing up and then how he fought to take care of Liberty but then things stalled when he went on his road trip. That part could have been shortened up some and so could the "love" story. Eleanor was awful.

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### **Frank E says**

#### **A marvelous tale of life**

This was a wonderful departure from my regular reading. I read this aloud to my wife. We both enjoyed the journey Easton took from his struggles with life as a boy through the many twists and turns along the way. I was genuinely surprised by the changes at the end.

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### **Barbara says**

Amazing true story

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### **Cori says**

Jane Devin has a unique and beautiful 'voice'. As with Elephant Girl, I both could not stop reading and didn't ever want to reach the end. Please continue writing

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### **Charmain says**

Good writing. Prob don't read any other of her books

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### **Jackie says**

Once again Jane has written a fantastic book! I loved Elephant Girl, and reading Bright Lines (Hunger Like Love) was a fantastic sequel. I can't wait to read what she comes out with next.

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### **Judi Little says**

Another great book by Jane Devin. This book (with 2 names) reads like a memoir. Apparently, soon after publication, the name was changed from Hunger Like Love to Bright Lines because the original title sounded too much like a romance. Jane Devine is also a blogger and her entry about changing the title is an interesting read.

I enjoyed this book and wish I could meet Easton.

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### **Erin says**

Surprisingly gripping story! I started reading this book under the impression that it was a typical Oprah Book Club recommendation and that the story would be heartwarming and involve overcoming adversity in some way. I wasn't wrong - my heart *was* warmed and adversity *was* overcome, but this book is much more interesting than that! Push yourself to finish the first 5 chapters before you make any judgement and you'll end up so invested in the characters that you'll breeze right through the rest of the book within a day or two.

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**Jennie-Lynn Knox says**

Not sure about the book. Loved early childhood but did not like the second half i.e. his journey through his blog, etc. written well...but just not sure. I did not think of the main character when I was not reading or away from the book. Not a memorable one for me.

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**Debbie says**

Absolutely loved this book! Once the story ended I found myself missing the main character, Easton.

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