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Women in midlife find many excuses not to exercise, what they may not know is that exercise can relieve some symptoms of menopause.



## ーフラ I'm Havin' a Hot Flash フラ - Cool Menopause with Exercise

I rarely think about the negative effects of menopause anymore. My friends think I'm either lucky or a bit crazy for saying so. As my body transitioned from perimenopause to menopause, these same friends who were older than me at the time, told me it was not going to be easy. Except for occasional hot flashes and mild mood swings, I managed to keep my weight and energy levels in check.

You might say I developed a "sweet tooth" for exercising and I am a firm believer that this reduced menopausal symptoms for me—and inspired me to create my business!

According to the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health, 2010, most women in menopause were more than likely to start and stop their exercise practice than their younger counterparts. They would exercise for a short time and then quit. There were many reasons. They felt it was too hard to keep up with class routines, had soreness or pain for days afterward, did not like to sweat, or lacked commitment. The study also affirmed there was a correlation between our hormones during menopause and raised cortisol levels which aide in keeping inflammation at bay in our muscles and joints; reduced cardiac performance and increased hot flashes, anxiety and depression. I can't blame them for quitting.

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