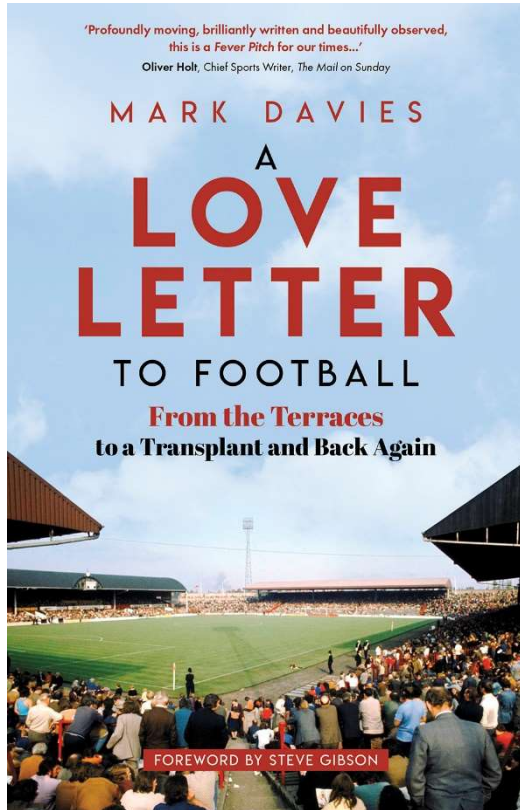




Title information



A Love Letter to Football

From Ayresome Park to the Isolation Ward

By Mark Davies

Key features

- Moving story of a lifelong Middlesbrough supporter's love affair with the game and how football helped him to deal with the hardest of times
- When Mark Davies was diagnosed with a rare and incurable blood cancer, he knew football would be there for him in his darkest hour
- A celebration of the power of the football community and the personal impact the sport has had on Mark's life
- Story of how football can really make a difference that all fans, regardless of team, can relate to
- A writer and journalist, Mark has written for *The Guardian*, *Daily Telegraph* and *The Mirror* as well as numerous Middlesbrough fan sites
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

A Love Letter to Football is the story of how the beautiful game, from the litter-strewn pitches of the grassroots to packed stadiums at the top of the sport, can help carry us through our darkest days. In 2016, Mark Davies was diagnosed with a rare and incurable blood cancer. A lifelong supporter of Middlesbrough Football Club, his devotion to the club and passion for a game so cherished by billions of people has been essential in helping him navigate the uncertainty of diagnosis and treatment. It's been a fundamental part of his life in other ways too, from dealing with depression to fatherhood, not to mention some of the trials and tribulations of life's broader challenges. This honest, funny and entertaining account of a life-changing experience, love for a football club and the way the game has been a bedrock throughout his life underlines that football may not be more important than life and death, but the joy and ecstasy it can bring – even for a Middlesbrough fan – really can help when times are hard.

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