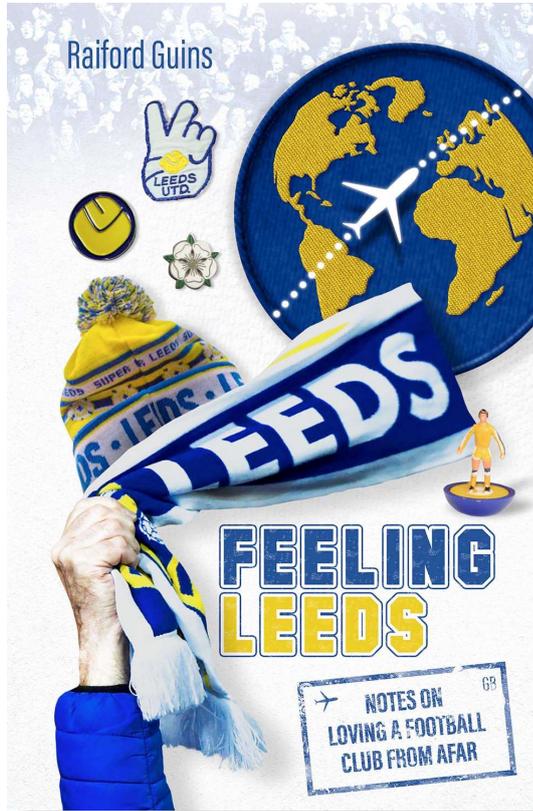




Title information



Feeling Leeds

Notes on Loving a Football Club from Afar

By Raiford Guins

Key features

- Explores the lengths dislocated football fans will go to in order to create a meaningful connection, a deep sense of belonging to their club
- Many British football clubs boast worldwide support – *Feeling Leeds* reveals in deed and spirit what that looks like from a supporter's perspective
- Personal short stories shared evoke common themes that supporters the world over will identify with
- Each chapter can be read in isolation, while the arch of emotional investment threads together the objects and experiences of support into a collective
- Images take the form of photo-album souvenirs
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Feeling Leeds gazes into the curious world of the dislocated supporter, the football fan not born and bred in the shadow of their club's ground. Raiford Guins is one such fan. His book recounts the highs and lows of supporting a team from afar – from paying \$20 to watch Leeds United matches in Florida via dodgy satellite feeds in the early 1990s, to ringing Elland Road when it was the only way to get midweek results before the internet, to working out league tables with out-of-date copies of *Shoot!*, to celebrating madly while fuelling his car and watching Leeds clinch a late winner against Villa in December 2018 on his iPhone. Trivial to the supporter who can easily walk to their ground, such moments form the backbone of belonging for those with an ocean between themselves and the turnstiles. *Feeling Leeds* is the story of one supporter's commitment to cultivating an emotional connection to Leeds United for nearly 40 years. It is written by and for supporters worldwide for whom every day is an away day.

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