

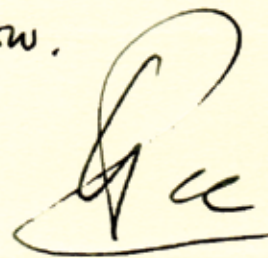
Dear Bookseller,

A great many of you have given your support to make LITTLE BEE a bestseller, and I'm writing to thank you for your kindness and your energy. As a writer I live or die by whether booksellers tell readers about my work. I'm nowhere without you, and I'm sincerely grateful for your support.

I've had the pleasure of meeting many of you on the publication tour last year, and I can't wait to return for the paperback launch. I love doing readings, especially in the U.S. where I am deeply moved by the welcome you have given me.

I write because there are stories I want to tell about our world. I believe that extraordinary global stories play out in the lives of ordinary people. I think my books are popular because readers agree that people are braver and funnier and more complex than TV has the time to show. I like humans, frankly, and with your help I will continue to write about them the best way I know how.

With thanks and good wishes,



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