SUBMISSIONS FAQ

Do I have to follow your guidelines?

Yes, please. Sending us the correct information, in accordance with our guidelines, gives you the best chance of presenting your work effectively. We sift through hundreds of submissions, and anything that doesn't follow the guidelines won't be considered.

What kind of non-fiction books do you accept?

We are interested in a broad range of non-fiction books, including narrative non-fiction, memoir, essays, history, current events, action and adventure stories, natural history, humour and gift books. All submissions will be reviewed, regardless of genre.

My manuscript has been published previously, can I still submit it?

We are looking for unpublished manuscripts, so please do not submit anything that has been previously self-published or traditionally published.

I submitted to you but haven't heard back.

We try to respond to every submission, but the volume is such that this can take some time. If you haven't heard back in 12 weeks, it's most likely that we won't be pursuing your submission. Owing to time constraints and the number of submissions we receive, we can't offer personalised feedback on projects.

Do I need to have a full manuscript written in order to submit to you?

For most non-fiction submissions, a proposal, chapter outline and sample are sufficient. However, if you are submitting a memoir, please provide the full manuscript.

Any last bits of advice?

Please keep in mind that publishing is a subjective business, so a 'no' from one publisher certainly doesn't mean every publisher will respond that way. Please be kind and thoughtful in your words towards us, rejections are unfortunately part of the job. We endeavour to be polite and respectful in our communications and ask the same of any prospective authors. Good luck!

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