

International Women's Day

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What is your average day like?

Full! Could be anything from heads down focused coding or complex data analysis queries to blue skies discussions on the long-term plans for our products or supporting and mentoring members of the team.

Since you started work have you seen a significant shift in attitudes towards women in business?

I think that in software and data, there's definitely more acceptance that I will know what I am doing and more respect for my input than there was when I first started out in the industry.

What is the one thing you love most about your job?

Getting to knock up a proof-of-concept bit of code in an afternoon and showing it to someone whose response is "Wow!" - it's a really rewarding, creative feeling.

What has been your biggest success story to date or the achievement that you are most proud of in your career?

Probably getting back into the industry having taken a break to work in a totally different field (education)- I wasn't sure how long it would take to pick up the reins again and in practice, it felt like no time before it was all at my fingertips again.

If you could travel back in time, what is the one tip you would give your younger self?

There's nothing wrong with moving around to find a workplace that really is the right fit for you.

What job did you dream of doing when you were little?

I don't know that I had a specific career in mind when I was little, but I wanted to do something where I might get invited to be on Desert Island Discs (that tells you a lot about the sort of household I grew up in!). By secondary school, I was planning to be a lawyer and then eventually a judge- I only got diverted into Maths quite late in the day and into coding from there.