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Profile

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I was born and grew up in Wales but now calls Australia home. As a freelance guide, I work for a number of leading adventure travel companies. Mainly British, but also Australian and American. When I am not working or pursuing my own interests. I live in Sydney where I enjoy canyoning, sea kayaking, and the Sydney lifestyle. I am a very keen photographer and enjoy giving slide shows and talks.

I have Climbed, Trekked, Travelled on all 7 continents.

I am a UK and Australian Passport holder.

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Highlights

- GHKKT - Grand Traverse of the Hindu Kush and Karakorum Mountains 56 day trek from near Chitral to Hushe.
- Expedition Leader for first commercial trek in many years the Wakhan Corridor in Afghanistan. Now I have lead 10 expeditions to the Wakhan.
- Expedition Leader for first commercial Climb of Mount Halgort in Iraqi Kurdistan.
- 14 Month overland trip from Cardiff (Wales) to Sydney (Australia) without flying.
- Trekking the Frozen Zanskar river. "The Chadar Trek"
- Leading the first successful summit of Mukot Peak in Dolpo Nepal.
- Working as a mountain guide and working in the new and developing travel industry in Mongolia
- Working in Northern Pakistan with awesome mountains and fantastic people
- Just being in the mountains, especially the Himalayas, Karakorum and Hindu Kush.
- Training local leaders in Mongolia, Pakistan, India and Nepal.
- Climbed, Trekked and Travelled on all 7 Continents
- Leading a charity trek of Welsh and US musicians to Everest BC and a concert on Kala Pattar and Durbar Square. Leading a second trek in 2012.
- Doing Slide shows and talks to raise money for a street kids centre in Ulaanbaatar Mongolia.
- Climbing in Antarctica.
- Being Vote Leader of the year 2012 for leading UK adventure company KE Adventure

Mountaineering Expeditions Leading

Nepal

- Mera Peak climb 16 times & 13 summits.
- Mera, Amphu Labsta Island Peak 5 times
- Island peak 6 times
- Ramdung & Parchemo x2
- Khumbu 3 Peaks 2 times
- Chulu East and Far East 3 times
- Tent Peak (Thurpa Chuli) x 2
- Naya Kanga (Ganjala Chuli)
- Nirekha Peak 6183m
- Tabsar Peak Tsum Valley
- Mera to Rolwaling Transerve. 3 x 6000m peaks and 6 5000m Passes
- Mukot Peak Dolpo - first ascent

Ethiopia

Mount Ras Deshan

Uganda

- Mount Stanley and Baker

Morocco

- Jebel Toukal 5 times

Pakistan

- Gondogoro La 7 times
- Snow Lake Hispar La 3 times
- Grand Karakorum Transverse – Hushe to Hunza
- Spantik
- Workman's Peak

Bolivia

- Huayna Potosi
- Bolivia Climber
 - Pequeño Alpamayo
 - Huayna Potosi
 - Illimani
- Acontanga

Argentina

- Aconcagua 2 times back to back

Kurdistan Iraq

- Halgurt. Highest Peak, and first commercial group Summit

India

- Stok Khangri - Ladakh x3
- Yalung Nong - Ladakh x2
- Kalinda Khal - Garwhal x2
- Trekking the Frozen Zanskar river. "The Chadar Trek" x3
- Panpati Col - Garhwal

Antarctica (as a client)

- 3 Virgin peaks on the Peninsula
- A few ice burgs

Kyrgyzstan

- Peak Lenin (No Summit)

Mongolia

- Khutien 17 times 12 summits
- Naradal and Mulchin many times
- Snow Church
- Kharahara 2 times

Trekking Trips Leading

Nepal

- Everest BC multiple times, various combinations of passes (Cho la, Renjo la, etc)
- Dhaulagiri Circuit (French and Dhampus Passes) 5 times
- Kanchenjunga x3
- Naa Phu Valleys
- Dolpo Circuit
- Dolpo to Jomson x 3
- Annapurna Circuit (various combination (including Annapurna sanctuary)
- Upper Mustang
- Upper Dolpo to Jomson x 4
- Rolwaling Trek
- Naar – Mustang via Teri La x2
- Makalu BC
- Rupina La, Tsum Valley, Manasulu Circuit
- Tsum Valley
- Annapurna BC and Mardi Himal
- Manasulu Circuit
- Number of Charity treks (see below for www links)
- Lower Dolpo to Jomson via Mu la, Reccie.
- Gosainkunda Trek
- Kathmandu Rim Trek
- Pikey Peak Trek
- Recce Trek to Nepal Far West
- Exploratory Trek in the Far West Nepal. Kaliash View and Limi Valley x 2
- Recce Trek to Milke Danda Eastern Nepal
- Recce Trek to Dhualagiri South Base Camp Nepal
- Kangchengjung BC to Makalu BC GHT via Lumba Sumba

Tibet

- Everest BC North Side

Iran

- Lut Desert

Pakistan

- K2 BC 7 times
- K2 & Gondogoro La x5 times
- Recce Trek around Nanga Parbat
- GHKKT - Grand Traverse of the Hindu Kush and Karakorms Mountains.
- Many Small Treks around Hunza Shimshal, Chitral.
- Pokora and Asumbar Pass Reccie trek in Iskomen Valley.
- Recce trek crossing Thui Pass from Chitral to Yasin.
- Exploration trek crossing Hoyal pass, Ishkomen.
- Bara Baraq Trek - Khaplu
- Banner Nala Trek - Chilas

Bhutan

- Chomolhari Trek via the Yale La
- Chomolhari Trek via the Bonte la
- Laya Trek
- Haa Valley Nub Shona Patta Recce
- Saga La
- Bumbra Trek
- Dagana Valley Trek Recce

Morocco

- Atlas Mountains Treks x6 trips
- Rif Mountains
- Jebal Shahoro x2

USA

- The John Muir Trail

Mongolia

- Altai Tavan Bogd x 7
- Kharahira mountains x 11
- Hovsgol Lake

Tajikistan

- Fann Mountains x 5
- Pamirs Lakes

India

- Markhal Valley – Ladakh
- Zanskar Valley Trek and Raft – Ladakh
- Dharamsala
- Garhwal - Kauri Pass
- Zanskar frozen river (Chadar Trek) x 3
- Nubra Valley and side Valleys exploration

Afghanistan

- Wakhan Corridor x 11

Ethiopia

- Simian Mountains

Bolivia

- Cordillera Real Traverse x 4
- Acontanga NP

Corsica

- GR 20

Central Asia

- Treks in the Tien Shan in China and Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan

Uganda

- Rwenzowri NP

Peru

- Choquequirao Trek and Machu Picchu

Middle East

- Oman - Jabal Akhdar region
- Jordan - Wadi Rum x 3
- Jordan - Dana to Petra
- Yemen - Wadi Dawan Recce

Bulgaria

- Prin & Rila Mountains

Tanzania

- Kilimanjaro via Lemosho Route

Other General Travelling Trips

Independent Trips

- Overland from Wales (UK) to Sydney Aus without flying 1995
- Overland back to Aus from Pakistan to Thailand 1997
- Overland from Singapore to Wales (UK) 1999
- Overland from Ullanbattar Mongolia to Wales (UK) 2003
- Multiple independent trips to over 85 countries. Mainly Asia, Middle East, and Africa

Tour Guiding Trips Lead

- Yemen - Mainland x 4
- Yemen Socotra Island x2
- Afghanistan Tour x 4
- Central Asia Action Adventure
- Silk Road Odyssey
- Sea Kayaking Trips in Thailand
- Sea Kayaking trips in Sydney Aus.
- Tibet Tour
- MTB Trips to Myanmar (Burma)
- MTB Trips to Mongolia
- MTB Trips to Cambodia
- Gobi Desert Adventure
- Many Tours in Mongolia
- Mountain Biking and Sea Kayaking in Thailand
- Sea Kayaking in the Gulf Island BC Canada
- Laos - Cycling Kayak Tour
- Egypt and Sudan
- Philippines - Cycling Tour

General

- Multiple SE Asia sea kayaking, climbing, and travel
- Mongolia China and Central Asia Travel
- West and North Africa travel trips
- Middle East trekking climbing and travel
- Europe – Inter-rail around West and Eastern Europe before the Berlin wall came down
- Croatia - Sea Kayaking around the Islands of Split.

Outdoor / Travel Industry Work Experience

United Kingdom

- Writing Risk Assessments and Operational Documents for Untamed Borders Ltd.
- Adventure travel consultant and Assisting in writing Risk assessments for 360 Expeditions Ltd

Mongolia

- Operations Manager for a Mongolia Adventure company. Ullanbattar
- Local Mountain and Trekking Guide in Western Mongolia

Australia

- Sea Kayaking Guide. Central Coast and Sydney Harbour, NSW
- Canyon Leader Blue Mountains NSW
- Mountain Designs – Outdoor Retail

The World

- Freelance Guide / Expedition Leader
- Adventure travel consultant for a number of adventure travel companies.
- Training of local leaders in Mongolia, Nepal, India, and Pakistan.

Links

My Websites

- <http://www.adetnw.com/>
- <http://www.youtube.com/adetnw>
- <http://www.youtube.com/welshnomad>

Companies I work for websites

- <http://www.themountaincompany.co.uk/>
- <https://www.untamedborders.com/>
- <http://www.keadventure.com>
- <https://www.360-expeditions.com/>
- <http://www.worldexpeditions.com.au>
- <http://www.everestocks.com/>
- <http://www.peaksfoundation.org>

My Bio on companies I work for websites

- <https://www.themountaincompany.co.uk/about-the-mountain-company/our-leaders/adrian-summers/>
- http://www.keadventure.com/page/ke_leaders.html
- <https://www.untamedborders.com/about-untamed-borders/>
- http://www.keadventure.com/page/ke_leaders.html

Outdoor Training and Qualifications

October 2024 RGS OSSM Adventure Travel Planning and Risk Management Course

April 2024 Wilderness First Aid Certificate L3

November 2020

Travel and Expedition First Aid Certificate L5

March 2019 Wilderness First Aid Certificate L3

February 2016 Wilderness First Aid Certificate

March 2012 Wilderness First Aid Certificate

June 2009 Wilderness First Aid Certificate

January 2009 Senior first Aid and Remote First Aid Certificate - Saint Johns Ambulance

February 2004 Outdoor Mountain Leaders Course – Certificate IV TAFE South Australia

February 2004 Australian School of Mountaineering - Canyoning leadership & Improvised Rope Rescue

June 2003 Outdoor Recreation Leaders Course – Certificate IV TAFE South Australia

May 2003 Flat Water Guide - Canoe Australia - Ocean Planet

May 2003 senior first Aid and Remote First Aid Certificate - Saint Johns Ambulance

November 2002 Australian School of Mountaineering - Improvised Rope Rescue Techniques

January 2002 Ocean Planet - Level 3 Sea kayak Skills

September 2001 Ocean Planet - Level 2 Sea kayak Skills

June 2001 Ocean Planet - Level 1 Sea kayak Skills

February 2001 Australian School of Mountaineering - Canyoning leadership.

Education

1986 - 1990

Thames Polytechnic (Greenwich University)
BSc(Hons) Computers & Communication Systems (2:2)
London UK

1985 - 1986

Gwent College of Higher Education
BEng Instrumentation Systems Engineering
Newport, Wales, UK

1981 - 1985

British Electrical Repairs Ltd
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