

Adrian (Ade) Summers

Expedition Leader - Mountain Guide - Trekking Guide - Tour Guide
Sea Kayaking Guide - Mountain Biking Guide - Photographer
Traveller and Adventure Travel Tourism Consultant and Trainer

Profile

I was born and grew up in Wales, but now call 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 and travelled on all 7 continents. I am a UK and Australian Passport holder.

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Highlights

- Expedition Leader for first commercial trek in many years the Wakhan Corridor in Afghanistan. I have now led 9 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 Zaskar 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 voted 'Leader of the year 2012' for KE Adventure

Mountaineering Expeditions Led

Nepal

- Mera Peak (climb x 16 & 13 x summits)
- Mera, Amphu Labsta Island Peak (x 4)
- Island Peak (x 6)
- Ramdung & Parchemo
- Khumbu 3 Peaks (x 2)
- Chulu East and Far East (x 3)
- Tent Peak (Thurpa Chuli) (x 2)
- Naya Kanga (Ganjala Chuli)
- Nirekha Peak 6,183m
- Tabsar Peak Tsum Valley
- Mera to Rolwaling Transerve (3 x 6,000m peaks and 6 x 5,000m passes)
- Mukot Peak Dolpo

Ethiopia

- Mount Ras Deshan

Pakistan

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

Bolivia

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

Argentina

- Aconcagua x 2 (back to back)

Kurdistan Iraq

- Halgurt. Highest Peak, and first commercial group summit

India

- Stok Khangri - Ladakh x 3
- Yalung Nong - Ladakh x 2
- Kalinda Khal - Garwhal x 2
- Trekking the Frozen Zaskar river. "The Chadar Trek" x 3
- Panpati Col - Garhwal

Antarctica (as a client)

- 3 Virgin peaks on the Peninsula
- A few icebergs

Uganda

- Mount Stanley and Baker

Morocco

- Jebel Toukal x 5

Kyrgyzstan

- Peak Lenin (No Summit)

Mongolia

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

Trekking Trips Led

Nepal

- Everest BC multiple times, various combinations of passes (Cho la, Renjo la, etc)
- Dhaulagiri Circuit (French and Dhaulagiri Passes) 5 times
- Kanchenjunga x 3
- Naa Phu Valleys
- Dolpo Circuit
- Dolpo to Jomson x 3
- Annapurna Circuit (various combinations, including Annapurna sanctuary)
- Upper Mustang
- Upper Dolpo to Jomson x 4
- Rolwaling Trek
- Naar – Mustang via Teri La x 2
- Makalu BC
- Rupina La, Tsum Valley, Manaslu Circuit
- Tsum Valley
- Annapurna BC and Mardi Himal
- Manaslu Circuit
- Number of Charity treks (see below for www links)
- Lower Dolpo to Jomson via Mu la, Recce.
- Gosainkunda Trek
- Kathmandu Rim Trek
- Pikey Peak Trek
- Recce Trek to Nepal Far West

Tibet

- Everest BC North Side

Iran

- Lut Desert

Pakistan

- K2 BC 7 times
- Many Small Treks around Hunza Shimshal, Chitral.
- Pokora and Asumbar Pass Recce trek in Iskomen Valley.
- Recce trek crossing Thui Pass from Chitral to Yasin.
- Exploration trek crossing Hoyal pass, Ishkamen.

Bhutan

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

Morocco

- Atlas Mountains Treks x 6
- Rif Mountains
- Jebal Shaghoro

USA

- The John Muir Trail

Mongolia

- Altai Tavan Bogd
- Khara-hira mountains
- Hovsgol Lake

Tajikistan

- Fann Mountains x 5 • Pamirs Lakes

India

- Markhal Valley – Ladakh
- Zaskar Valley Trek and Raft – Ladakh
- Dharamsala
- Garhwal - Kauri Pass
- Zaskar frozen river (Chadar Trek) x 3

Afghanistan

- Wakhan Corridor x 9

Ethiopia

- Simian Mountains

Bolivia

- Cordillera Real Traverse x4
- Acontanga NP

Corsica

- GR 20

Central Asia

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

Uganda

- Rwenzori NP

Peru

- Choquequirao Trek and Machu Picchu

Middle East

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

Bulgaria

- Prin & Rila Mountains

Tanzania

- Kilimanjaro via Lemosho Route

Other General Travel Trips

Independent Trips

- Overland from Wales (UK) to Sydney Aus without flying 1995
- Overland back to Aus from Pakistan to Singapore
- 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

- 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

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

Mongolia

- Local Mountain and Trekking Guide in Western Mongolia
- Operations Manager for a local adventure company

Australia

- Mountain Designs – Outdoor Retail
- Sea Kayaking Guide
- Canyon Leader for friends and outdoor clubs

Worldwide

- 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

- www.adetnw.com/
- adetnw.blogspot.com/
- www.youtube.com/welshnomad

Outdoor Training and Qualifications

- 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 John's Ambulance
- February 2006 - Senior First Aid and Remote First Aid Certificate - Saint John's 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 John's 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) - London UK
BSc (Hons) Computers & Communication Systems (2:2)
- 1985 - 1986
Gwent College of Higher Education - Wales, UK
BEng Instrumentation Systems Engineering Newport
- 1981 - 1985
British Electrical Repairs Ltd – Cardiff, Wales, UK
ONC HNC Electrical Engineering apprenticeship