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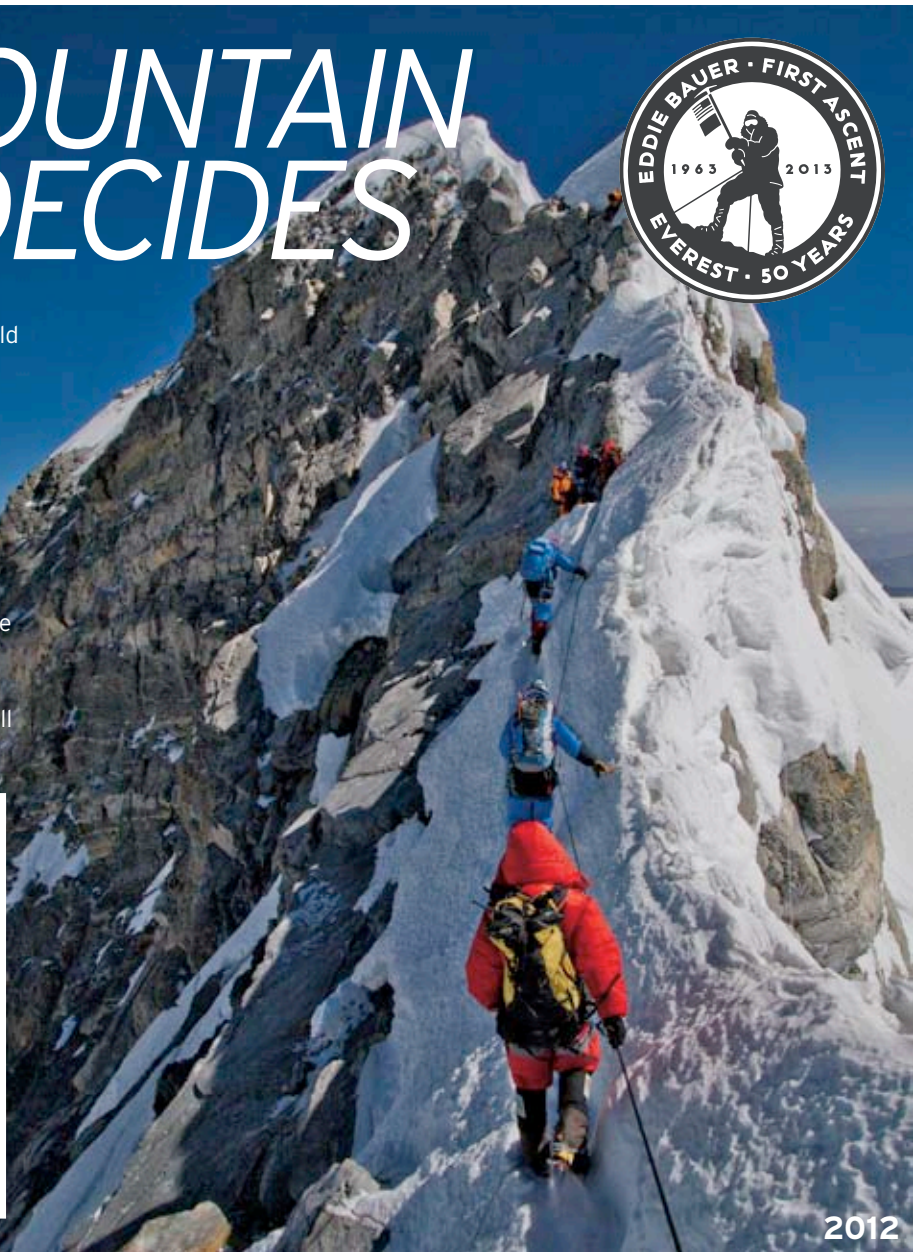
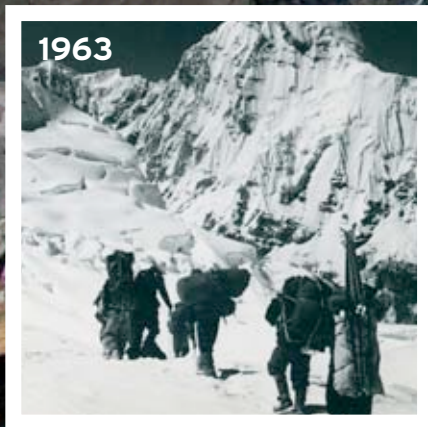


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These days, the world seems like a very small place. But as our team of guides, athletes, and adventure travel guides can testify, the power of travel has never been more potent and critical to our understanding of humanity. Whether it's the cultural interaction or the insight from a new perspective, the simple act of travel takes us places we could rarely predict. It helps us see the world through new eyes and connects us across cultures, beliefs, nationalities, and time zones. Travel is adventure in its most visceral form.

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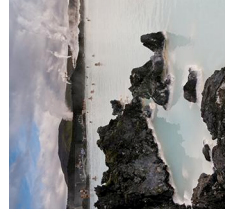
hearing their stories will ignite in you that same spark to pack up and hit the road, board a plane, or go on a personal walkabout, and experience what the world truly has to offer our adventurous souls.

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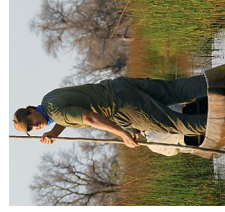
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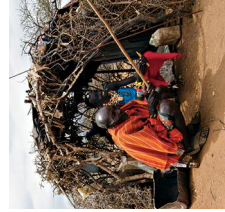
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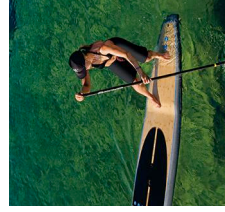
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FACING THE DOLOMITES

Caroline George and Kent McBride on approach to the Rifugio Lavaredo, in front of the Tre Cime in the Dolomites, Italy

When Caroline George climbed four of the six classic north faces of the Alps in one five-month stretch during 2003, a goal she had never envisioned was within her reach. Summiting all six of the classic north faces of the Alps was an objective first completed by Gaston Rébuffat in the 1930s and made famous in his book *Starlight and Storm*, but the accomplishment gained a personal resonance with George because of her father's appreciation for the history of European alpinism. But ticking off the final two—the Drus and the Cima Grande di Lavaredo—was not in the cards for George during 2003 due to the condition of the routes.

During the next seven years, the Chamonix-tested climber took a different route that led her to a stint in the States and down the path to earning full IFMGA guide certification. George returned to the six classic north faces, completing an ascent of the north face of the Drus in 2010 and a one-day ascent of the Eiger north wall with her husband Adam George in 2011. She was one Italian summit away from reaching her goal, but decided to embrace the challenge

of becoming a new mother, and her ambition was put on hold for one more season.

In 2012, with her husband on child-care duty, George returned to the Dolomites with Kent McBride and H.P. Gubler to complete the personal challenge of the six classic north faces with a 20-hour roundtrip car-to-car climb of the 9,839-foot Cima Grande di Lavaredo in the South Tyrol region of the Dolomites. Known for steep, overhung limestone, unpredictable weather, and deeply entrenched alpine hut culture, the climb moved forward with a three-person, multi-pitch climb up 550 meters of minimally bolted steep rock that was a virtual museum of piton protection with rusted Lost Arrows still remaining on a route first climbed in 1933 by Emilio Comici and the Dimai brothers.

After a successful 19-pitch climb, the team rappelled to a pizza in the friendly Italian atmosphere of the Lavaredo hut and returned via a 10-hour drive through the Alps. "I think that's just what life is about," George says. "You set goals for

yourself and then you go get them to give purpose to what you do."

But the biggest challenge for George was the logistics of new motherhood that included enlisting her husband to watch their six-month-old daughter and packing a breast pump on the climb. "Being a mom makes me more efficient, I have goals, I see those goals and do everything to make them happen," says George. "I'm almost more psyched to have pulled off the logistics of the Cima Grande climb than if I had completed all the classic north faces in a six-month time frame."

"Your freedom is your life and you can only be a good parent by having perspective," George concludes. "If you are really passionate about something, I think you ought to show that side of yourself too."

“ YOU SET GOALS FOR YOURSELF, THEN YOU GO GET THEM TO GIVE PURPOSE TO WHAT YOU DO. ” —Caroline George

PHOTOGRAPHER: DAN PATRUCCI

Read Caroline's full report on the six classic north faces on the Live Your Adventure blog at blog.eddiebauer.com.



Italian accommodations at Rifugio Lavaredo near the base of the Cima Grande, Dolomites, Italy

“THE SIX CLASSIC NORTH FACES HAVE A HUGE HISTORICAL RESONANCE BECAUSE BACK IN THE 1930S, PEOPLE WERE STARTING TO CLIMB BIGGER FACES AND IT WAS NO LONGER THE GOAL JUST TO DO A CLIMB, JUST TO GET TO THE SUMMIT—IT WAS ABOUT CLIMBING THE HARDEST WAY. AND, BACK IN THOSE DAYS, THE GEAR THEY HAD MADE ALL THESE FACES SUPER CHALLENGING.” —Caroline George



Kent McBride, classic lead on limestone, via the Comici-Dimai route



Sorting modern gear at the base of a route called a virtual museum of historical pro

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INTERVIEW

KENT MCBRIDE

LONGTIME JACKSON-BASED IFMGA/UIAGM GUIDE, WHO AIMS TO SOMEDAY SKI AND CLIMB WITH CLIENTS IN ALL 40 TIME ZONES

» **WHAT MAKES THE BACON PACK SUCH A GOOD PIECE OF GEAR FOR A CLIMB LIKE THE CIMA GRANDE YOU DID WITH CAROLINE IN THE DOLOMITES?**
I really like this pack because it's light and it doesn't have a whole lot of bells and whistles. But yet, if I need to strap some waterproof clothes on the back in nice weather, I can still make a small pack seem like a bigger pack or stuff it into its top pocket and strap it on my harness when it is empty. It just fits that whole light-and-fast alpine style with the huts and the trams. You don't need to carry as much in the Alps, and so you just need a little pack and you're able to do more in a day by being lighter. Then you can bring that home to your cragging area, and be lighter and faster to move better.

» **WHAT DESIGN ELEMENTS PROVIDE THAT WHOLE THEME OF LIGHTWEIGHT TRAVEL AND LIGHTWEIGHT CLIMBING?**
Well, the way it's built. It rides really

well when you're climbing because, a small guy like me, if I put too much weight on me, my performance in climbing goes way down. But then if you throw a rack in it and a rope in it to get to the base, just by a little creative packing, you can make it feel like a normal pack and it'll ride nice in the middle of your back and on your hips. It carries a hefty load really well for its size when you pack it right and pad it with your extra clothes.

» **IN ADDITION TO THE DOLOMITES, WHERE ELSE HAS THAT PACK EXCELLED?**
I've used it guiding on the Matterhorn and it's ideal. So often in guiding, I end up carrying the rope coiled around my head and through one arm, so it's not in the pack. But then I can still have all my other gear packed inside. You can still carry an ax and crampons, and you're wearing your clothes for the most part because you're up high and not adding too many other layers. The Bacon carries all that stuff well, and I'm excited to build one that could carry the skis or the snowboard for the day climbs.

» **WHAT'S THE SIGNIFICANCE OF BACON AS THE NAME?**
It just makes everything better. I had to laugh about it because the name came from some of our past product development meetings, where we've gotten together and been trapped inside all day. We start off cooking up a whole bunch of bacon and eggs, and it's always amazing how much bacon was getting consumed. People hear that name and they kind of laugh and shake their heads. But then you start saying, well, "Isn't everything a little better with bacon?"

Read the full interview with Kent at blog.eddiebauer.com



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—Caroline George



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INTERVIEW

CAROLINE GEORGE
FULLY CERTIFIED IFMGA GUIDE, WHO HAS CLIMBED THE NORTH FACE OF THE EIGER IN A DAY

» **WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE OF THE FRONTPOINT 2.0?**

I really like how light and compact and simplistic it is. It's superlight and very breathable, but at the same time you can go for a long run in the rain and it will keep all the moisture out. It kept me dry because it's waterproof in the areas where you need to be waterproof. I like how it fits on my head with or without a helmet and I really like the color and the style—the combination of the orange and pink—I think it's very becoming. I would buy this jacket just because of the color.

» **FROM A PERFORMANCE STANDPOINT, WHY DOES THE COMBINATION OF SOFT SHELL AND HARD SHELL PERFORM WELL WHEN CLIMBING?**

It's a big asset because to go climbing, you have to do a big approach and this jacket is super-versatile in that it keeps you dry in wet weather. When we were in the Dolomites, we encountered probably the most wet and cold conditions I've ever encountered in my life, so we were frozen to the bone.

But at the same time, with this jacket, I was able to stay dry throughout doing a lot of aerobic exercise. With the jacket, we went running in the rain and I never felt any moisture coming inside because the hard shell kept me dry, and that combination in the right places makes this jacket unique and super high performance.

» **WHY HAS FIRST ASCENT KEPT A FOCUS ON MAINTAINING THE LEVEL OF TECH DESIGN IN THE WOMEN'S PRODUCTS?**

It's pretty specific to First Ascent because we're giving them inputs on women-specific products and what we're saying is really heard. And from speaking with friends who have other sponsors and attend other meetings, it's not implemented the way it is with First Ascent. I think it's really unique—both the technicality and the colors overall.

» **A UNIQUE COMBINATION OF PERFORMANCE AND STYLE?**

Yes, exactly. Exactly. Exactly.

Read the full interview with Caroline at blog.eddiebauer.com



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RICHARD WIESE

MEET A MAN WHO HAS TRAVELED THE GLOBE IN SEARCH OF SCIENCE, THWARTED DANGER, AND FOUND RARE CULTURAL IMMERSION ON ALL SEVEN CONTINENTS

From the first time he climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro with his father at age 11, Eddie Bauer Adventure Travel Guide Richard Wiese has been drawn to the power of exploration.

In the years since, Wiese has traveled the globe in pursuit of science, cultural discovery, and the transformative power of personal interaction as a guidebook author, a journalist for publications such as *The Huffington Post*, and as the Emmy-nominated host of the *Born to Explore* television series on ABC. His travelogue has included missions that range from bioprospecting for extremophiles in the crater of Mt. Kilimanjaro, where he discovered 29 new species of life, to working with Chilean horse whisperers, experiencing Aboriginal ancestral rituals in Australia's Northern Territory, and tracking polar bears while examining climate change with the Inuit.

"I like to have a nobility of purpose or a mission in everything I do," Wiese says when asked what defines an evangelical style of travel that has taken him to unpublicized corners of all seven continents and earned him a term as the youngest president of The Explorers Club. In the last year alone, Wiese has journeyed to at least sixteen countries—

including Botswana, Belize, Canada, Chile, Morocco, England, Cypress, Australia, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, and Iceland—to introduce his viewers to destinations, discoveries, characters, and cultures that rarely appear in a *Lonely Planet* guidebook.

In any episode of *Born to Explore*, Wiese can be seen fusing science, travel, and storytelling against a backdrop of exotic locations that range from Morocco's Atlas Mountains, where he became the first foreigner to visit an isolated nomadic village, to the Northern Territory of Australia, where he foraged in the Melville Islands and tracked the creation myth of the Rainbow Serpent with members of the oldest continuous culture on earth. But the next destination is the one Wiese is always the most excited about, and this season he plans to unearth new stories of adventure in locations such as South Africa, India, and Turkey.

"I think the world still has magic left in it," Wiese summarizes. "It's an exciting place that is not just about animals or adventure; to me, the possibilities seem limitless. There are so many off-the-chart events going on, on a daily basis around the world that you'll never hear about, that it just makes me so excited to continue to travel and highlight them."

Read more about Richard's travels to Botswana, Australia, Iceland, and Morocco at blog.eddiebauer.com

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Wiese, in the reeds, stalking wildlife in the Okavango Delta, Botswana, Africa

TRADITIONS OF MOROCCO

ADAPTABLE COMFORT FROM THE MARKETS OF MARRAKESH TO THE ATLAS MOUNTAINS

» "Morocco is off-the-charts exotic," Wiese says. "It's movie-star fancy, and then it has dye pits like in biblical times." He visited the ancient dye pits in Morocco's preserved medieval capital of Fez, where he stood waist-deep in pigeon droppings to work leather in the traditional style. Then he tasted tajine, the exotic ras el hanout-spiced "bachelor's stew" that is slow-cooked in tangia pots in public ovens underneath traditional bathhouses. But what he remembers most is being the first foreigner to visit the Berber village of Teferout Nefran in the Atlas Mountains.



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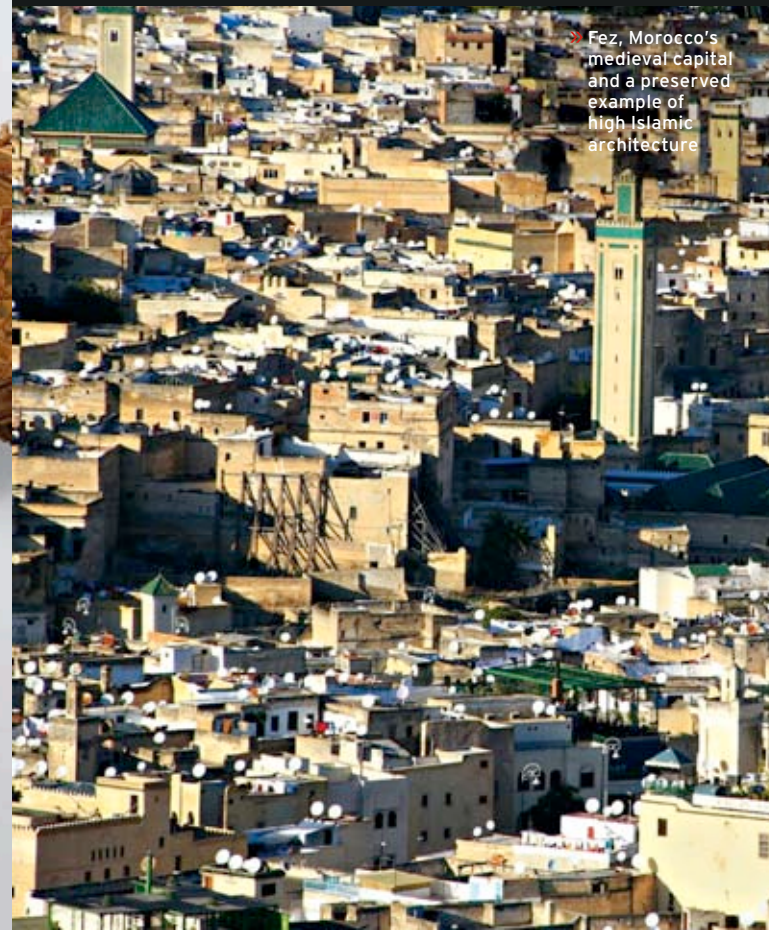
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» Walking among Berbers on the Atlantic in Agadir on a journey to visit King Mohammed VI of Morocco

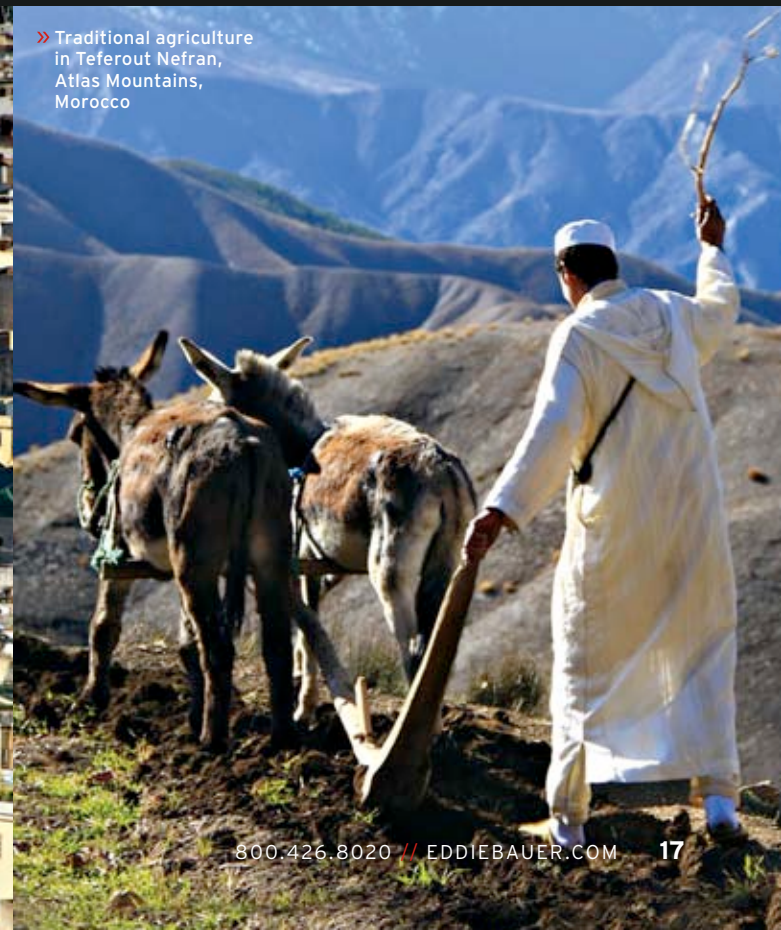


» Biblical-era dye pits in the medieval Moroccan capital of Fez

“WHEN YOU SHARE A MEAL WITH A NOMADIC PEOPLE, HOSPITALITY IS SOMETHING THEY TAKE A LOT OF PRIDE IN,” WIESE REFLECTS ON HIS TIME IN MOROCCO. “AND IN THE DESERT, YOU SHOW HOSPITALITY BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU WOULD BE STUCK IN AN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATION AND NEED TO DEPEND ON KINDNESS.” —Richard Wiese



Fez, Morocco's medieval capital and a preserved example of high Islamic architecture



» Traditional agriculture in Teferout Nefran, Atlas Mountains, Morocco

ICELANDIC WARMTH

VIKING POETRY, STOUT HORSES, AND SAMPLING PUTREFIED SHARK MEAT IN A VOLCANIC LAND OF EPIC STORYTELLERS

» Iceland is a land of epic sagas. Wiese traveled to the most literate country on earth to explore a Viking heritage that combines elements as diverse as mapmaking, poetry, and horsemanship. On a volcanically active island nation of only 320,000 inhabitants, he attended a communal sheep roundup, tasted putrefied shark meat, and soaked in a stark landscape that still allows public access to private land. But he was

struck by the pride Icelanders take in storytelling. "If you get at the heart of exploration, one of the roles of the explorer was to go someplace, then come back and stand over a fire and say, 'You'll never guess what happened to me,'" Wiese says. "The art of storytelling is something to celebrate, and they do. I enjoy telling good stories, and to me, that's one of the most wonderful aspects of adventure exploration."

» Siglufjorour, a now-quiet fishing village tucked into the fjords of Iceland's north coast



» Stout Icelandic horses in the land of fire, ice, and storied Viking lore



» The Blue Lagoon Geothermal Spa, Keflavik, Iceland

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[MEN'S]

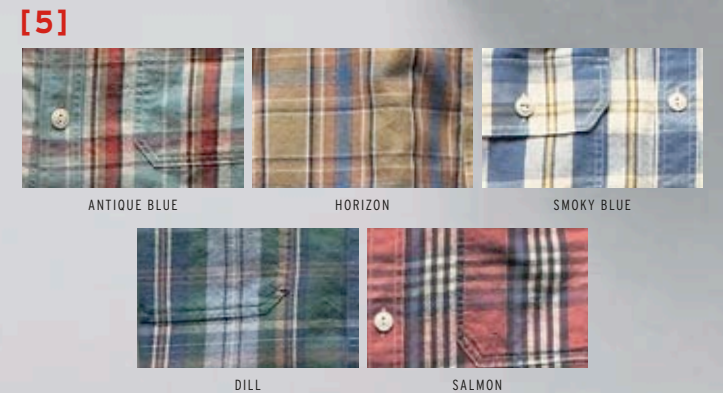
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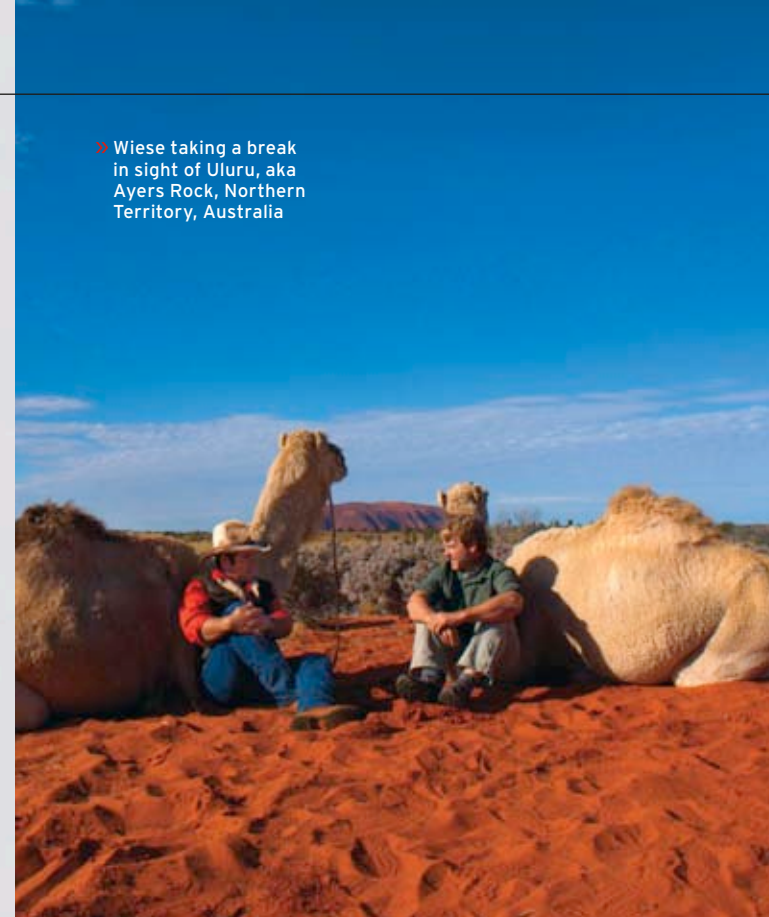
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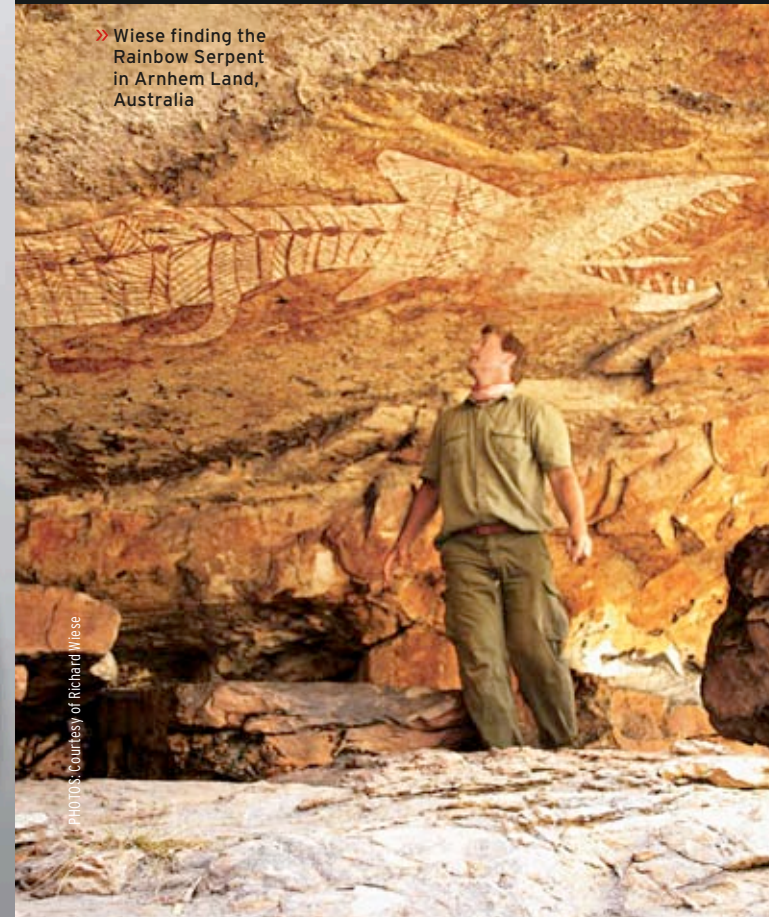


» Wiese taking a break in sight of Uluru, aka Ayers Rock, Northern Territory, Australia



» Very, very cautiously handling a death adder, one of the world's most venomous snakes, in Australia's Outback

“ I REMEMBER AN ABORIGINAL MAN SAYING TO ME HE THOUGHT AMERICANS AND EUROPEANS DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE RHYTHM OF THE EARTH,” WIESE RECOUNTS. “MEANING THAT WE'RE ALWAYS TRYING TO PUT DAMS, BRIDGES, AND THINGS TO ALTER OUR ENVIRONMENT, WHERE THEY'RE STILL LIVING VERY MUCH WITHIN THE RHYTHM OF THE EARTH.” —Richard Wiese



» Wiese finding the Rainbow Serpent in Arnhem Land, Australia



» Living off the land and the sea in the Tiwi Islands, Australia


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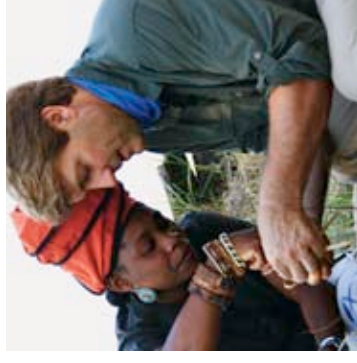
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INTERVIEW

RICHARD WIESE
ADVENTURE EVANGELIST AND
HOST OF BORN TO EXPLORE

» **WHAT ARE YOUR KEY TRAITS FOR GOOD TRAVEL APPAREL?**

Well, obviously it's got to work in the environment you're in. Whether that is keeping you dry, warm, or protected from something else, it's got to have those attributes. But I'm going on the road for 18 days tomorrow and I don't feel like bringing 18 shirts or 18 jackets. I want to be able to wash it out in a stream, or rinse it out and dry it in the hotel shower. With the Travex® pieces, I can clean them in a hotel room. I don't have to send them out.

I also think the Travex designers took a detailed view on how people move. I know that if I lift my leg

in those pants, there's a certain give to the pattern. I travel a lot of hours, and I just can't afford to be in clothing that's binding or that is not comfortable.

» **WHEN YOU'RE PACKING FOR A TRIP, IS VERSATILITY SOMETHING YOU LOOK FOR IN YOUR CLOTHING CHOICES?**

I'll give you an example, because everyone likes to wear their old comfortable pair of jeans or a T-shirt or a sweatshirt. I find with these soft shell jackets it's like that, but I can roll them and they'll come out without wrinkles in them. Whether I stuff it, roll it, however I pack it, it seems to come out at the other end pretty well.

On an airplane, I can wear this soft shell with a pair of pants and it looks neat and acceptable for business travel, but yet when I'm on location, in a very rugged environment, it's holding up its end of the deal by being comfortable and drying quickly.

» **WHY IS PACKABILITY IMPORTANT FOR ADVENTURE TRAVEL?**

I like to roll garments and then put them in clear plastic bags. And so with any of these, even the down jackets, the idea that you can take a relatively large amount of stuff in a relatively small bag is good for me. A lot of these charter planes won't allow you to take over a certain weight. Like in Africa with the charters, I can't have over 44 pounds in my bag. I have computers and cameras and all that other stuff, so you don't want big, bulky clothes.

Read the full interview with Richard at blog.eddiebauer.com

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JULIA DIMON

TRAVEL JUNKIE JOURNALISM FROM A
PERSPECTIVE OF ACTIVE IMMERSION

Since she first transitioned from backpacker to globe-trotting journalist, “travel junkie” is the moniker that has followed Julia Dimon to some of the world’s most adventurous locations. Her writing career began at age 12 with a monthly column for the *Toronto Star*, although this keen Canadian’s addiction to travel was initially sparked by a trip to Rome. Her perspective on life was altered while she was circling the globe on an around-the-world plane ticket and found a prophetic postcard tacked to the wall of a backpackers’ bar in Byron Bay, Australia.

“Why tell your grandkids you worked 9 to 5, five days a week, for 40 years, and quietly sat in traffic jams while people went to war and suffered disease?” it read in part. “Tell them you refused to live in fear. Tell them you crossed the Amazon, saw the Lost Cities of Gold, and met your soul mate in Casablanca. Travel to the ends of the earth. Go now and live adventures that will make your grandkids proud.”

Since then, Dimon has traveled to over 80 countries and all seven continents as a nationally syndicated Canadian travel journalist and as a host for both

Destination Getaway, an 18-part travel series for MSNBC, and for her *Word Travels* TV show, currently airing on National Geographic Adventure, Travel Channel UK, and Outside TV. She also co-hosts *Outside Today* for Outside TV, a national network dedicated to the active outdoor lifestyle.

Dimon does not shy away from new or strange experiences, and has accumulated a lifetime of memorable cultural moments: dogsledding in Greenland, running with the bulls, training as a gladiator in Rome, camel trekking to the Pyramids, and eating deep-fried guinea pig in Ecuador. Her trips have taken her from the Great Barrier Reef to Machu Picchu, and she has hiked with silverback gorillas in Uganda, traveled to radioactive Chernobyl, gotten faux-tortured in a Latvian prison, and eaten live bugs and slugs all across the globe.

But for Julia, the deeper experience of introducing her readers and viewers to a world beyond the tourist traps and guided tours is what motivates this “travel junkie” journalist to keep circling the globe and writing about the results.

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◀ Dimon deep in the desert and embracing the slow road in Jordan’s Wadi Rum

STYLE FOR DAYS

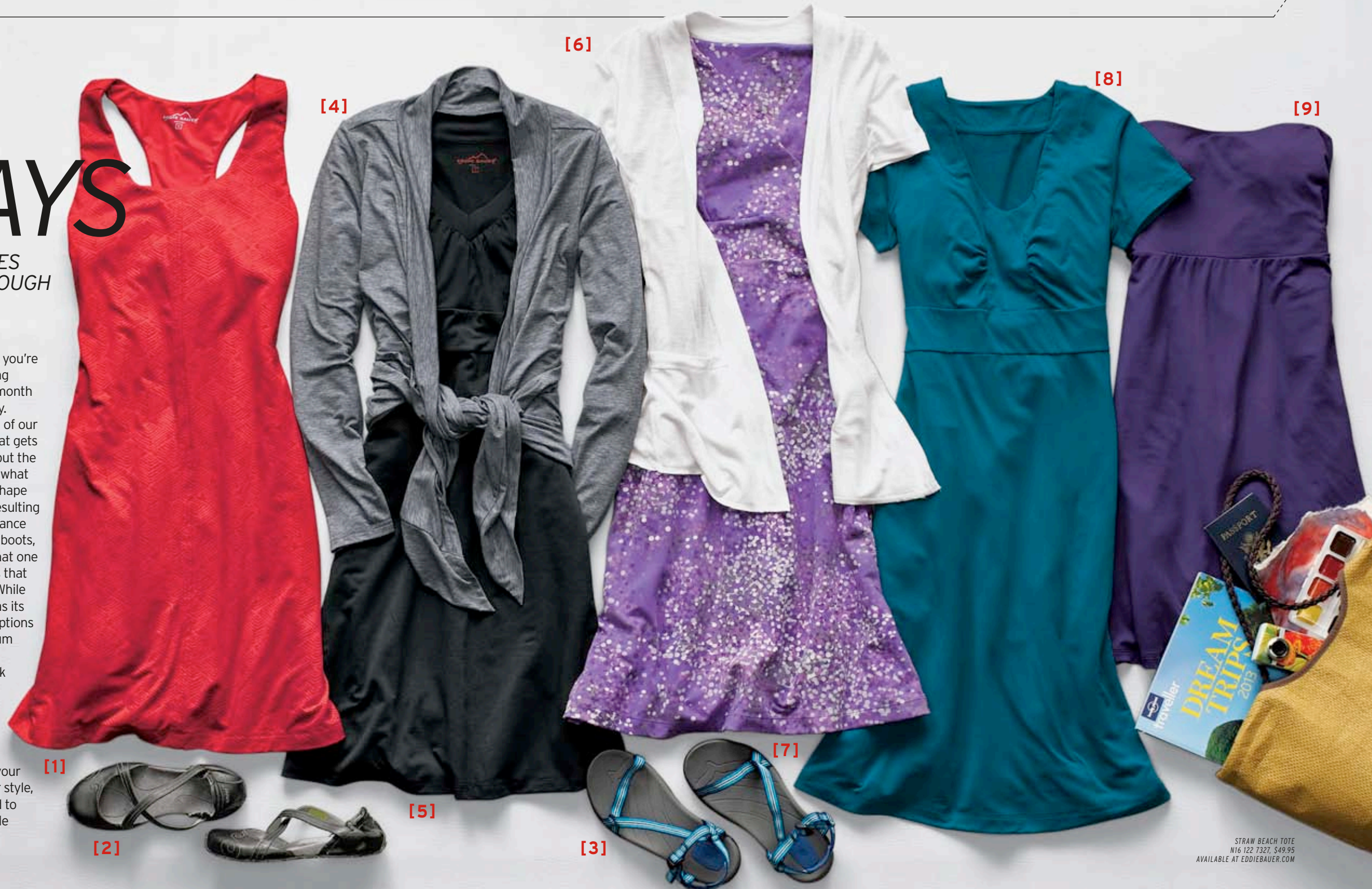
FORM MEETS FUNCTION IN STYLES THAT TRAVEL SEAMLESSLY THROUGH CLIMATES AND TIME ZONES

Few pieces are as indispensable for travel as the perfect active dress. From mornings at the market or days spent discovering new destinations to fancier evenings out enjoying local culinary experiences, packing a dress is almost as important as remembering the passport. The entire Eddie Bauer Travex® collection of dresses—including the popular Lily, Dahlia and Aster styles—is defined by comfortable, low-maintenance fabrics

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[1] TRAVEX DAHLIA DRESS

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[5] TRAVEX BALANCE DRESS

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[6] TRAVEX WRAP

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[8-9] TRAVEX ASTER

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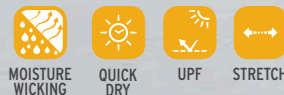
We could just tell you it's eternally comfortable, but the microfiber technology is driven by a perfectly honed nylon/spandex blend that provides two-way stretch for greater active mobility, as well as an attractive shape and long-term resiliency for a presentable appearance in any setting or situation. The quick-dry

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[8] BERMUDA SHORTS
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[9] SKIRT
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“WHEN I'M PACKING FOR A TRIP, I TRY TO KEEP MY CLOTHES LIGHT, VERSATILE AND PRACTICAL.”

—Julia Dimon

ANTARCTICA FOLLOWING SHACKLETON'S FOOTSTEPS



FINDING TRUE REMOTENESS, PENGUINS, AND A WEATHERED ISLAND STILL RESONATING WITH A CENTURY-OLD STORY OF SURVIVAL ON THE SOUTH GEORGIA TRAVERSE

BY EDDIE BAUER FIRST ASCENT GUIDE DAVE HAHN

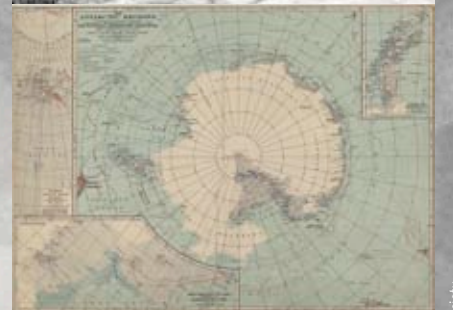
I've heard plenty of knowledgeable and smart people state categorically that Shackleton's *Endurance* saga is the greatest survival story of all time.

Personally, I don't buy that. For one, I don't rate such things. And if I did, any instance where I myself had narrowly escaped death, dishonor, and supreme discomfort would have to rank higher than Shack's hundred-year-old epic. History is written by the most recent victor.

But like any of us that have gone to extremes to see the weird corners of the globe, I get excited about the history of those that have gone before. If you hang out in Antarctica, how can you not get amped for a 1914

expedition that set out to cross the continent on foot, instead got trapped for years in sea ice, watched their ship crushed and sunk by that ice, took to the lifeboats, fetched up on a ridiculously harsh and remote island, set off again with a select handful for 17 days in a tiny open boat on the world's roughest ocean, fetched up on yet another ridiculously harsh but slightly less remote island, and then somehow got three men across unexplored mountains and glaciers to effect a rescue of the 22 men back at the first ridiculously harsh island.

I've gone to South Georgia seven times now with the goal of repeating Ernest Shackleton's crossing of the island and I've succeeded five times in »



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TRIP OF A LIFETIME

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getting across. It is a pretty complicated trip, in terms of logistics, but not nearly so complicated as repeating the entire *Endurance* adventure would be (what with sinking the ship and all). I'm always asked how a modern repetition of the Shackleton Crossing compares to the original event in 1916. It doesn't. It can't. When I guide South Georgia, which I do with every modern convenience and advantage I can possibly conjure up, it simply can't come close to the desperate situation Shackleton, Frank Worsley, and Tom Crean were endeavoring to escape from.

That inequity doesn't make it easy for me or any less meaningful for my climbing partners. I've ended up in some of the most powerful and dramatic storms of my life in attempting the crossing, such as trying to navigate mountain passes and big glacier crevasses when I could barely see the GPS in my hand through 70-mile-per-hour snow and rain. Following in the footsteps of the Boss obviously doesn't make me the Boss, but it gives me a glimpse of the man that I can't get from books or pictures or film. And I need that.

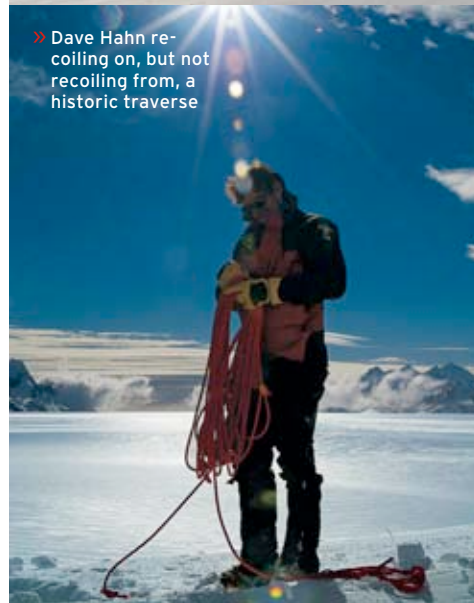
Still, I don't know any Shackleton fanatic who has gone to South Georgia for that link with history and not come away with an equally significant fascination for the place itself. Hundreds of thousands of penguins, albatrosses, whales, elephant seals, jagged mountains, glaciers, violent storms, and the South Atlantic conspire to make the place unique and unforgettable. When I arrive on her shores, I half expect to see pterodactyls flying down to greet me. If I'm lucky enough to get there again, I'll have my camera ready.

Thank you to the Royal Geographical Society of London—and to their knowledgeable archivist Jamie Owen—for access to the historical images from Shackleton's Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition on the *Endurance*.

IT GIVES ME A GLIMPSE OF THE MAN THAT I CAN'T GET FROM PICTURES OR FILM. AND I NEED THAT.



» Making camp, 21st century style, on the South Georgia Traverse



» Dave Hahn recoiling on, but not recoiling from, a historic traverse



» The locals on South Georgia Island



» Traversing cautiously on an island with some of the world's fiercest weather



» Horizon views, bitter cold, and deep snow with a few modern conveniences

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Jake Norton, Dave Hahn, and Debrahe Galbraith



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MONGOLIA

THE NOMADIC TRAVERSE

MIXING THE MARE'S MILK OF MONGOLIA IN THE ANCIENT LAND OF GENGHIS KHAN

BY EDDIE BAUER FIRST ASCENT GUIDE DAVID MORTON



I opened the ornately painted door with a bit of trepidation. Our guide had been telling us all morning that when we encountered a traditional nomadic homestead, it would be compulsory to stop and greet the family. We were in the northwest of Mongolia inhabited by ethnic Muslim Kazakhs. Was this a trick of some sort? In my travels, I'm accustomed to "compulsory" stops that usually entail some version of a contrived cultural tourist show or a thinly disguised cultural kitsch-shopping trip.

This was different. It was a real tradition, forcing interactions I've rarely experienced in much of the world. The beautiful and welcoming "presence" of people is unparalleled. To add "icing on the cultural cake," we were also obliged to take a turn mixing the fermenting mare's milk (called airag) that sits near the front door as you enter and then seat ourselves near the

head of the household for a taste. What a beginning to the day.

Although his heirs didn't quite accomplish what he dreamt of, Genghis Khan's legacy and legend has absolutely fascinated me. After being in Moscow for the first time and understanding the breadth of his reign, I've been captivated. The Mongol Empire once encompassed 16% of the earth's land and ruled over 100 million people. His shocking conquest is unmatched by any relative measure, either before or after. Mongolia is loosely now what remains of that expansive and dominant 13th-century empire. And, like most countries of the world, the result is a cultural hodgepodge marked by borders created through intervening years of political upheaval and power struggles. For us, this unique cultural landscape and a chance to satisfy my Genghis Khan obsession was hard to resist. Plus, Mongolia has mountains, which is why we were here in the yurt, mixing mare's milk in the ancestral land of Genghis Khan.



PHOTOGRAPHERS: David Morton and Robert Harding World Imagery

Read more about David Morton's trekking through Mongolia on the Live Your Adventure blog at blog.eddiebauer.com



TREKKING WITH THE NOMADS [MEN'S]

- [1] BC MICROTHERM™ JACKET 2.0**
2012 *Backpacker* magazine's "Editor's Choice" Award. Maximum protection, minimum weight. See Best in Class p48 for full details.
- [2] TRAVERSE SHIRT**
See p20.
- [3] ALCHEMIST 30L PACK** ♦
For short or long mountain treks, the TPU-coated fabric and comfortable, supportive structure of our 30L pack make it the choice for logging many miles in the high country. See p20 for full description.
- [4] LA SPORTIVA® XPLORER MID-GTX HIKING SHOES** ♦
See p7.
- [5] FIRST ASCENT LIGHTWEIGHT HIKING SOCKS**
Cushioned underfoot. Breathable; moisture-wicking. Merino wool/nylon/spandex. N41 122 0017 **\$18.95**
- [6] FIRST ASCENT FLEXBAND TRUCKER HAT**
The hat to have on hand when trekking through foreign lands or just traveling to the mountains for a long weekend. See p7 for full description.
- [7] FIRST ASCENT ACCELERANT JACKET**
Ideal for stop-and-go activities, this multi-functional hybrid can be worn as an outer insulator, layered under a shell, or packed as back-up. Breathable, pill-resistant fleece stretch side panels vent heat and wick moisture. Fitted hood; inner cuffs with thumbhole. 40-gram PrimaLoft ONE polyester insulation keeps you warm even when wet. Water-repellent, wind-resistant nylon shell with StormRepel® DWR finish. Polyester/spandex.
REG S-XXL B88 122 0445 **\$179**
TALL M-XXL B88 122 0446 **\$199** ♦
- [8] MAXIMUS 80 DUFFEL**
Five handles, plus padded shoulder straps, for carrying options. Grind Guard webbing protects critical points from wear. 1,000-denier tarpaulin with 210-denier ripstop nylon. N23 122 1854 **\$129**
- [9] FIVE-POCKET FIELD PANTS**
Straight fit sits below waist; straight seat, thigh, and leg. Bedford dobby cotton. REG 30 (INSEAM 30", 32"); 32-36, 38-42 EVEN (INSEAM 30"-34" EVEN) B03 122 6200 **\$59.95**
LONG RISE 34-44 EVEN (INSEAM 34", 36") B03 122 6201 **\$64.95**

KENYA

IN THE SHADOW OF THE WATER TOWER



TASTING THE HEART OF KENYA, ONE SAMBURU RITUAL AT A TIME, ON A CLEAN WATER MISSION TO CLIMB AFRICA'S SECOND HIGHEST PEAK

BY EDDIE BAUER FIRST ASCENT GUIDE JAKE NORTON

"If you reject the food, ignore the customs, fear the religion, and avoid the people, you might better stay at home." —James A. Michener

Blood dripped from my nose and chin, a metallic, gamey taste slithering down my throat. The goat's throat, in contrast, was filleted open like a leather purse, specks of fine Kenyan dust settling on the crimson pool held open by Samburu warriors. "You like it?" queried Bernard, a Samburu from nearby Kiltanany village. "Please, have some more." "I'm good, thanks," I countered, my weak smile barely

concealing the retches coming from down below.

I've got to admit that I don't often drink goat's blood. In fact, this was a first for me (and quite possibly a last). But I'm glad I did it, because it was an integral part of the warp and weft of our travels in Kenya, a small bit of fabric that brings meaning and interpretation to the whole.

When I travel, I really have only one rule, one guiding principle, to lead me: embrace it. Dive into the place full bore. Engage with the people, even when it's uncomfortable; get lost in the city, wandering on foot, even when it's foreign. Speak the language, even when it doesn't roll off the tongue. Venture into the hills, even if there is no path; learn about people's customs, world views, beliefs, loves, hates, and fears. Ask questions, and listen to the answers. Don't be afraid to help when you can, and to ask for it when you need it. And yes, even drink a little goat's blood from time to time.

We had come to Kenya for a simple reason, on the surface: to climb Mount Kenya, Africa's second-highest peak, and document the water issues faced by all those who live downstream from its rapidly receding glaciers. We never made the top, turned around by violent thunderstorms and all-too-close lightning »



PHOTOGRAPHER: Jake Norton

« Visiting Samburu tribesmen, and experiencing Africa's beating heart, on the approach to Mt. Kenya

just fifty feet shy of the summit. But the trip was always about much more than climbing a peak; it was an experience, an opportunity to learn and to share, to engage and explore and laugh and cry. In the desperate shanties of Mathare, one of Nairobi's toughest slums, we walked alleyways choked with sewage and trash while laughing with children who were hula-hooping an old bike tire. We listened to Edra Mbatha and Soiya Gecaga's stories of tragedy and of hope, of orphaned, HIV-positive children getting healthy, learning to read and write, and starting down a new path. In Samburu, we learned of the gruesome poaching of elephants, biblical flooding and subsequent drought in the Ewaso Ngiro River, and had our fortunes told with a fifty-year-old pair of sandals by an elderly Samburu warrior. On Mount Kenya, we wandered labyrinthine ramparts, seeing firsthand the disappearing glaciers and the myriad downstream challenges they present.

And that night on the savannah, under the vast African sky, we danced around a campfire long after dark, speaking of our worlds so far apart, so absolutely different, and yet exactly the same.

In the end, adventure travel isn't about drinking goat's blood, although that can certainly be a part of it. Adventure travel is about making the unknown...known. It's about curiosity, about seeking out those things that are foreign, different—even scary—to us, and doing our best to understand. And, as a result, adventure travel is, at its most fundamental, profound, and important level, transformative. As T. S. Eliot wrote in "Little Gidding":

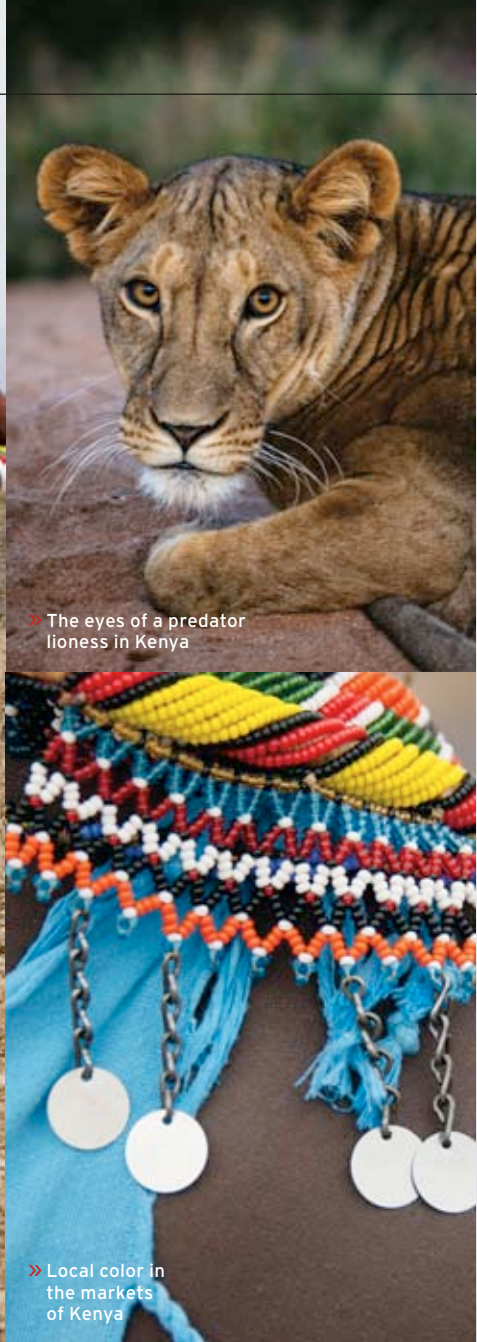
We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.

Jake and his teammate, filmmaker Pete McBride, are producing a film on the story of their Kenya expedition. *The Water Tower* will screen at festivals throughout 2013.

ADVENTURE TRAVEL IS ABOUT MAKING THE UNKNOWN... KNOWN. ”



» Gathering a precious resource by the Samburu in Kenya



» The eyes of a predator lioness in Kenya

» Local color in the markets of Kenya



» Perspective above the clouds of Africa, from Batian, Mt. Kenya

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TREKKING THROUGH AFRICA [MEN'S]

[1] SANDSTONE SOFT SHELL
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REG S-XXL B88 122 0390 **\$89.95**
TALL M-XXL B88 122 0405 **\$99.95**◆

[2] TRAVEX™ MULTI-CARRY SYSTEM
Functions as a duffel, briefcase, or backpack via padded straps. Fits most airline carry-on bins. Secure interior storage. Burly CORDURA® nylon. 21"H x 12"W x 9"D.
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[3] TRAVEX® CONVERTIBLE PANTS
Made with a quick-dry, UPF 50+ fabric that performs under pressure. Zips to 10" shorts. See p16 for full description.

[4] SALOMON® XR MISSION HIKING SHOES
See p50 for full description.

[5] FIRST ASCENT® BASEBALL CAP
A guide favorite for big peaks or long treks, this classic cap shades the sun and provides a quick morning solution for getting out the door or out of the tent without showering. Pre-curved visor; adjustable back strap. Enzyme wash gives it a well-worn look. Cotton.
B41 122 0021 **\$19.95**

[6] FIRST ASCENT PEAK BAGGER POLO
The perfect short-sleeve shirt for active summer missions. Wicking performance helps it keep its cool in high-activity or high-stress situations. Casual style looks outstanding when relaxing back in town. Zip pocket keeps travel essentials safely stowed. Active fit. Seamless, moisture-wicking cotton/polyester.
REG S-XXL B29 122 0644 **\$44.95**
TALL M-XXL B29 122 0645 **\$49.95**◆

[7] LUMINOX® FIELD WATCH p33

LYNSEY DYER

TROPICAL PARADISE

SURF ICONIC BREAKS, VISIT UNCROWDED BEACHES, AND SIP KAVA TEA EN ROUTE TO THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE

THE INSIDE LINE

LOCATION FIJI



With a long-standing reputation as a South Pacific tropical paradise, Fiji offers activity junkies adventures ranging from diving to surf, exploring native culture to experiencing the effects of the famous kava tea. While there's been some recent political unrest, it's generally a safe way to soak up island sunshine on your way to or from the Southern Hemisphere ski season. The skinny on Fiji:

[1] REEF SURFING

Visiting during the offseason means Tavarua's boat-accessed Cloudbreak is less crowded, but just as much of a fast, left hand, reef-break ride. Bring some confidence and awareness of surfing protocol.

[2] SUNBATHING

The Southern Yasawas provide pristine, clothing-optional beaches so quiet you might not see another soul. Sunset hikes up rugged volcanic peaks provide magnificent views.

[3] VOLUNTOURISM

Local villages are open to sharing their culture with visitors, especially

if you link up with an organization such as the Yasawa Trust Foundation, which will instruct you on customs and protocol.

[4] BARGAIN

Haggling over the final price of gifts or souvenirs is expected and is a chance to get to know someone, make a friend, and share some kava tea, if you intend to buy.

[5] KAVA

With a history of reducing stress and anxiety, as well as promoting an overall sense of well-being, kava tea is a part of the culture and the ceremony of Fiji.

GUIDE'S DAY OFF



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CASUAL PIECES FOR TRAVELING THROUGH TIME ZONES WITH THE FLEXIBILITY TO EXPLORE

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[WOMEN'S]

[1] TRAVEX® ASTER TANK

Lightweight, packable, and perfectly comfortable, this tank top wicks moisture, dries quickly when wet, and helps protect your skin from the sun. UPF 50+. Polyester/spandex.

REG XS-XXL B31 122 0451 **\$34.95**
 PETITE XS-XL B31 122 0452 **\$34.95**◆
 TALL M-XXL B31 122 0453 **\$39.95**◆

[2] PLACED PRINT HOODIE

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 PETITE XS-XL B09 122 6692 **\$59.95**◆
 TALL M-XXL B09 122 6693 **\$64.95**◆

[3] TRAVEX SKORT

See p28 for full description.

[4] DAISY MESSENGER BAG

Fleece-lined sleeve and pocket protect your tablet and cell phone. Double clips and Velcro® tabs provide two options for closing the bag. Adjustable shoulder strap with removable padded sleeve. Interior mesh organizer pockets. 420-denier nylon.

C23 122 1929 **\$59.95**

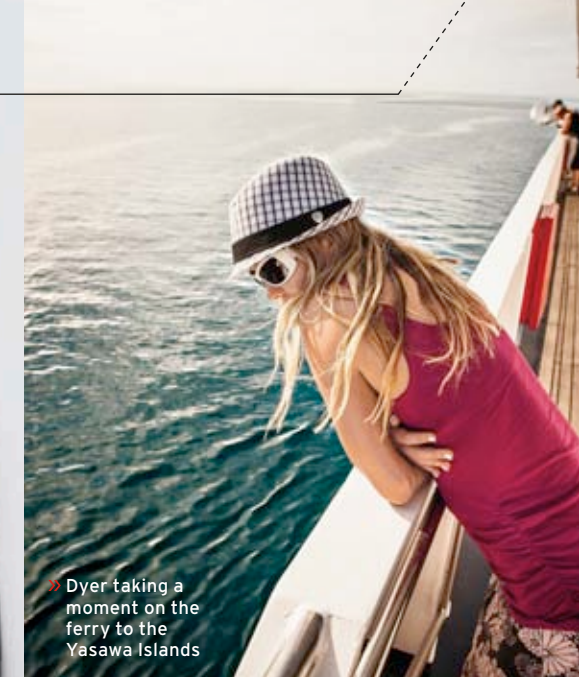
[5] SANUK® YOGA SPREE FLIP FLOPS

Woven strap with webbing liner. Ultrasoft, sealed-edge footbed made from real yoga mats; ribbed rubber sole. Sizes 6-11 (whole sizes only).

B20 122 5580 **\$32**

[6] PACKABLE STRAW HAT

Open-weave paper straw with wired brim. One size. N16 122 7344 **\$39.95**



» Dyer taking a moment on the ferry to the Yasawa Islands



» Traditional Fijian architecture on the hike to Navola Falls



» Somewhere near Korolevu, at the Beachouse Hostel on Fiji's Coral Coast

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Jace Rivers and Monica Gussow

LEL TONE

BAJA SUP SESSION

POINT THE CAMPER SOUTH TO SET TIRED FEET FREE, PADDLE PRISTINE WATERS, AND PLAY A LITTLE BEACH-GAMMON



» Lel Tone showing strength and stamina during an extended SUP session

PHOTOGRAPHER: Ben North

THE INSIDE LINE

LOCATION BAJA, CALIFORNIA



For anyone who spends their days making a living as a guide in the mountains, the work season means feet crammed in boots: your toenails are blue and almost falling off. The off-season means it's time to give those feet a break and get the toes in the sand,

while soaking a little sun into that Vitamin-D-deprived, Alaskan-heli-guide skin. For me, spring means slipping south of the border for a little sun, surf, beach yoga, and maybe a game of beach-gammon while trading in layers of Gore-Tex®, down, and fleece for a sunhat and a lukewarm Tecate. Every season, my husband Tom Wayes and I load up the camper with propane, block ice, sunscreen, Hornitos, limes, tortillas, and surf wax so we can get lost and then found on a dirt road and remote beach in Southern Baja. This is where to start.

[1] MERCADO ORGANICO In San Jose, stock up at the farmers market in the arroyo near the Polo Club every Saturday from November through May 27. Local artists show their wares, plus fresh veggies and yummy food.

[2] LOS MICHOACANOS Boasting "las mejores caritas aqui," their slogan is no joke and you order meat by the kilo.

[3] FLORA'S FARM For one splurge, head here for dinner to stroll

through the gardens, eat a wood-fired pizza, and maybe take in a movie sitting on lawn chairs under the stars. You might forget momentarily that you are in another country and not in Napa.

[4] FRANK ARNOLD GALLERY In San Jose, swing by for a visit and sip of tequila with Frank and Carmen. Their gallery, a few blocks from the historic town square, is a work of art in itself. View his beautiful oil paintings and chat with him about "The Story of 8."



[WOMEN'S]

[1] TRAVEX® LILY DRESS
See p27 for full description.

[2] SOLARFOIL HOODIE
The guide's choice to prevent overexposure on the beach or glacier. Integrated Cocona® technology wicks moisture and dries fabric faster. UPF 30+. Recycled polyester/Cocona polyester.
REG XS-XXL B31 122 0450 **\$59.95**

[3] TRAVEX CAPRIS
See p29 for full description.

[4] SUNCLOUD® VOUCHER SUNGLASSES
Polarized polycarbonate lenses in a Grilamid TR® frame. 100% UVA/UVB protection. Wrap style.
N22 122 3286 **\$49.99**

[5] MIIR WATER BOTTLE
For each bottle purchased, Miir provides a person in need with a year's worth of clean water. BPA-free; stainless steel. Black wedge lid. 27 oz.
C22 122 3467 **\$19.95**

[6-7] NEXT BY ATHENA® SWIMWEAR ♦
NEXTFlex® fabric with extra stretch creates swimwear that doubles as activewear. Breathable and moisture-wicking. SPF 50. Nylon/spandex with polyester lining.

[6] 30-MINUTE RACERBACK SPORT BRA
Styled for support, with no falling straps. Bra cup sizing ensures an excellent fit. Removable soft cups.
32 B/C-38 B/C B12 122 3632 **\$55**

[7] JUMPSTART SWIM SHORTS
Designed for easy on/off coverage.
REG XS-L B12 122 3627 **\$55**

[8] SANUK® YOGA SLING SANDALS ♦
The ultimate in laid-back comfort. Unique, two-way stretch knit upper with sling comfort construction. Ultrasoft, sealed-edge footbed made from real yoga mats; ribbed rubber sole. Vegan/vegetarian. Sizes 6-11 (whole sizes only). Black.
B20 122 5579 **\$36**

REGGIE CRIST

SURF BREAK

TRANSITION TO THE GARDEN ISLAND TO SCORE SOME SURF AND SOAK UP SOME R&R WITH THE FAMILY



» Reggie Crist, self-GoPro capture, on his way to the green room, Napali Coast, Kauai

THE INSIDE LINE

LOCATION KAUAI, HAWAII



The north shore of Kauai is a playland—a rugged coastline where the road ends and the ocean and the mountains collide. Dramatic peaks with razorback ridges jet up straight from the water's edge. I make a point to visit every spring—leaving ski boots at home and bringing my quiver of surfboards along with my family to enjoy a little “tropical time.” I always look forward to meeting up with my local buddies and searching for surf by boat along the Napali Coast when the north swell drops and trade winds subside. But there is never a dull moment whether SUPing, hiking, snorkeling, or chilling on the beach.

[1] RUN THE KALALAU COAST TRAIL It's only a 4-mile round trip to Hanakapiai Beach, but the trail is rugged and slippery. The views are worth the extra effort.

[2] STAND UP IN HANAIEI BAY From the Summer Break channel to Middles and back again, when the swell subsides, for a great workout.

[3] DINNER AT THE DOLPHIN Fresh fish

and the best sushi on the north shore. Check out the beach boutique I Love Hanalei for local gifts.

[4] HELI ON THE COAST See the Napali Coast by boat or heli and you won't believe your eyes as dramatic peaks drop into the Pacific.

[5] PAT'S TACO TRUCK Tasty fish tacos at a price that can't be beat. Plus you get to hang out at the pier and soak up the scenery.



[MEN'S]

[1] TRAVEX® EVERYDAY SHORTS
For beach vacations, days at the lake, or mellow flip-flop strolls, our water-repellent, quick-drying shorts feature a bit of stretch for getting after it on land or in water. Zippered back pocket stows important items securely. Average inseam length of 10" provides surf-short style. UPF 50+. Nylon/spandex.

REG 30, 32-35, 36-40 EVEN B29 122 0660 **\$49.95**
LONG RISE 34-42 EVEN B29 122 0661 **\$54.95**◆

[2] SOLARFOIL HOODIE
A loose-fitting, breathable UPF 30+ hoodie that shades skin from sun whether in the mountains or on the beach. Oversized hood. See p20 for full description.

[3] TRAVEX ESSENTIAL T-SHIRT
Breathable, quick-dry performance. Moisture-wicking. Cotton/spandex.
REG S-XXL B33 122 8185 **\$24.95**
TALL M-XXL B33 122 8186 **\$27.95**◆

[4] TEVA® MUSH® II FLIP FLOPS◆
Contoured Mush topsole. Nylon upper. EVA sole. Sizes 8-15 (whole sizes only). Onyx. B19 122 2788 **\$25**

[5] TRAVEX WAVE BOARD SHORTS
Quick-drying polyester. Interior coin/key pocket; zip security cargo pocket.
REG 30, 32, 33, 34-40 EVEN B29 122 0643 **\$49.95**

[6] RAY-BAN® WAYFARER SUNGLASSES
Timeless style plus reliable sun protection. Plastic frame; UV 400 lenses. Slight wrap. Made in USA. C22 122 2676 **\$145**

PHOTOGRAPHER: Reggie Crist

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REG. S-XXXL B38 122 0040 **\$149**



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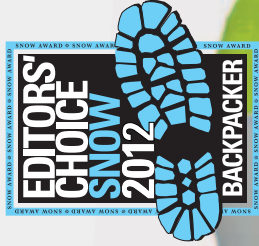
Full-on, ultralight protection for elevated activity in extreme conditions. Packs into its own pocket. Chest pockets double as heat vents. 800 fill Premium European Goose Down; microchannel quilting for less bulk. Breathable WeatherEdge® Pro. StormRepel® DWR finish. Rated to 20K/20K. Nylon shell.

REG. S-XXL B88 122 0531 **\$299**
TALL. M-XXL B88 122 0532 **\$319** ♦

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REG. S-XXXL B38 122 0039 **\$199**
TALL. S-XXXL B38 122 0091 **\$219** ♦



« [WOMEN'S]

[1] AHNU® MONTARA HIKING BOOTS ♦

Waterproof nubuck/suede upper with eVent® membrane. Dual-density EVA midsole. Vibram® rubber sole. Sizes 6-10, 11.
B20 122 5223 **\$150**

[2] SALOMON® XR MISSION TRAIL SHOES ♦

An ideal shoe for road or trail. Sensi-fit technology accommodates for swelling on long runs. EVA midsole. Synthetic upper/rubber sole. Sizes 6-10, 11.
B20 122 4862 **\$110**

[3] MERRELL® BARE ACCESS ARC 2 SPORT SHOES ♦

Synthetic and mesh upper. Merrell Float midsole keeps you in touch with the ground. Vibram rubber sole. Machine washable. Sizes 6-10, 11.
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[4] SANUK® TRIPPY TOES BALLET FLATS ♦

Woven textile upper/lining. EVA sockliner. Super-flexible rubber sole. Vegan/vegetarian construction. Sizes 6-11 (whole sizes only).
B20 122 5553 **\$50**

[5] AHNU KARMA SLIP-ONS ♦ See p.26.

« [MEN'S]

[6] MERRELL GEOMORPH MULTISPORT SHOES ♦

Suede and nubuck upper. Mesh lining with breathable waterproof membrane. Merrell Air Cushion in the heel absorbs shock. Vibram rubber sole. Sizes 8-12, 13, 14, 15.
B19 122 2924 **\$140**

[7] MERRELL MOUNTAIN KICKS CHUKKAS ♦

Nubuck leather/suede upper. Mesh lining; EVA anatomical footbed. Merrell Air Cushion in heel. Sticky rubber sole. Sizes 8-12, 13, 14, 15.
B19 122 3119 **\$110**

[8] SALOMON XR MISSION HIKING SHOES ♦

Synthetic upper with quick-lacing system and small tongue pocket for tucking lace ends. Dual-density EVA midsole. Rubber sole. Sizes 8-12, 13, 14.
B19 122 2660 **\$110**

[9] MERRELL MOUNTAIN MOCS ♦

Nubuck leather/suede upper. Mesh lining. EVA anatomical footbed. Merrell Air Cushion in heel. Sticky rubber sole. Sizes 8-12, 13, 14, 15.
B19 122 3118 **\$95**

[10] KEEN® OWYHEE SANDALS ♦

Washable. Polyester webbing upper. Compression-molded EVA midsole. Rubber sole with multi-directional lug pattern and razor siping. Sizes 8-12, 13, 14, 15.
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OUTDOOR MENTORSHIP ORGANIZATION TEACHES YOUTH THE VALUE OF WILDERNESS STRUGGLE

For many of us, the environment of the outdoors has played a powerful role in the direction of our lives and the empowerment of our souls. Yet, with many economic and geographic barriers, not everyone is granted the perspective of the woods, the rivers, and the mountains. Big City Mountaineers is working to change that by changing young lives with wilderness mentoring programs in six locations throughout the United States.

We first learned of Big City Mountaineers through Eddie Bauer First Ascent guide Ed Viesturs, who champions their mission. This work includes a volunteer contingent of

BCM adult role models who guide young people to increase outdoor activity and overcome challenges on the trail in an effort to teach them to face adversity, make positive decisions, instill character, and find success in life.

The core of the effort is a weeklong wilderness mentoring expedition led by professional instructors where under-resourced urban youths experience powerful, catalyst experiences and gain critical life skills such as conflict resolution. To learn more about Big City Mountaineers and their Summit for Someone program—which offers a VIP fundraising climb of Mt. Hood with Ed himself—visit bigcitymountaineers.org.

EB GIVES BACK 2% OF THE NET SALES FROM THE SPRING OUTFITTER BOOK WILL BE DONATED TO BIG CITY MOUNTAINEERS.

BIG CITY MOUNTAINEERS



» Big City Mountaineers' wilderness mentoring program in action

PHOTOS: Courtesy of Big City Mountaineers



» Wilderness immersion and a helping hand



» BCM's Wilderness Mentoring 101 in Colorado's Rocky Mountains



FINDING FAMILY IN INDIA

THE NORTONS' VACATION ON THE SUBCONTINENT

At first, she was scared. The small, dusty courtyard at the school was alive with interest. There were gaggles of people gawking, touching, reaching, laughing, pinching, inquiring about this strange being in their midst. It was the first time many of them had seen anything like her. Lila—our 14-month-old daughter—was the focus of it all, her bright blond curls matted to her head with sweat from a low-grade fever and the indefatigable heat of coastal West Bengal, as she clutched her prized possession—a tattered Taggies™ blanket—to her chest.

Sagar Island is not the standard vacation spot for those traveling with a toddler. Sitting in the Bay of Bengal, two hours outside of Kolkata, it is a place of reverence for Hindus, an island of beauty and poverty, wildlands and villages—and a focal point of my wife Wende's work with Water For People. It is the latter which brought us

there, combined with a conscious decision to expose our children to the world.

We knew from the start this journey would not be easy, that jet lag, new food, curious people, and strange bugs would combine into a potent stew fit to overwhelm most adults, let alone a young child. But we also knew it would be an important trip, one that would—consciously or unconsciously—build, grow, and shape our daughter's world view.

Wende and I have always been travelers, living and working in many disparate places around the world. As parents, we've made travel a focal point of our parenting: a concerted effort to show our kids not just the beautiful places in our world, but also the beautiful people in it. We've wanted to show them that as different as people may be on the surface, down deep all people are fundamentally the same, whether they live in Golden, Colorado, or South 24 Parganas, West Bengal.

So we've traveled with our kids as much as we can. From India to Costa Rica, Mexico to Borneo, we've tried to get off the beaten track and into the villages and small towns, to find families where we can interact, share the common language of all humanity, and understand both our differences and our similarities.

By the end of that first day on Sagar Island, Lila was speaking. Not in Hindi, not in English, and not even in words. Rather, she was speaking the only way she could... by sharing. Surrounded by hundreds of kids, all jostling for position to see her and touch her, she made a simple gesture of friendship, holding out her Taggie to share with everyone, a delicate smile arcing across her face and mirrored in a hundred more around her. A connection was made. As we pulled away hours later, her small hand touched other hands through the glass of our rusting Jeep. She smiled, they smiled, and Wende and I smiled...it was all worth it.



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Lila Norton sharing her Taggie with new friends on Sagar Island, India



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