
Kester Haynes



- Development engineer, test pilot and flight instructor at [Parajet International](#).
- Race director for the Icarus Trophy at [The Adventurists](#).
- Logistics and expedition leader at [Tour de Force](#).
- Aerial cameraman and TV presenter for Cinemaro/[CanalOff](#) in Brazil.

Since crossing the Sahara at the age of 3 with my family, I have fostered a passion for adventure and travelling via various means of transport. This includes paragliders, paramotors, motorbikes, 4x4's, jet boards. Even outside of work, I still find myself designing and developing various flying machines and looking for the next expedition opportunity!



I apply this passion and skill set within work projects, whether developing a new aircraft for [Gilo Industries Group](#), or filming over an active volcano for [Cinemauro TV](#).

My first big adventure and experience of Africa was a 3000 mile trip across the Sahara desert with my family in a flatbed 2 wheel drive Mercedes lorry. Although very young this set me on a life path of adventure; and having been lucky enough since to travel worldwide, Africa is still very special to me.



Recent projects include

- 2008 Paramotor expedition India, Bangalore across the Western Ghats to Northern Goa
- 2009 SIV with Jocky Sanderson, Lake Annecy
- 2010 Paragliding in Morocco
- 2011 SIV/Acro/XC in Pokhara Nepal
- 2012 Paragliding tour in the Pyrenees, French alps, Italian alps, Slovenia, Bavaria and Austria.
- 2013 Parajet Skycar testing in Utah USA and Oman training the Royal Oman Police
- 2014 Parajet flying display in Ecuador, Brazil and the first-ever paramotor display at Farnborough air show. Flying for Heroes expedition 4 weeks flying across Kenya with paratrikes and 8 wounded war veterans. Tandem pilot for Bear Grylls production Yorkshire and Scotland
- 2015 Norway adventure tourism tandem pilot,
- 2016 Parajet display India, Okavango delta circumnavigation, Botswana. Kuala Lumpur Redbull production Red Pole paramotor expedition, Australia. Philippines and Cambodia Canal Off production
- 2017 France, Italy, Sicily and Oman Canal Off production. Icarus Trophy USA, Speedflying in the French Alps. Botswana balloon stunt.
- 2018 Hawaii and Namibia Canal Off production, SA, Botswana, Zimbabwe Icarus Trophy. Brazil Icarus trophy recce and filming at Lençóis Maranhenses
- 2019 Maldives paramotor expedition 1500 km over the ocean. Namibia Aerial Safari, Motorcycle rally Balkans, 4x4 rally Namibia

