

Camp is proud to contribute to Patrick's Berhault "3rd Millennium voyage through the Alps".

During six months, from August 2000 to February 2001, this alpinist will have a special life and he will certainly be the actor of an important alpine story, from east, starting in Slovenia, to west in Nice where the Alps reach the Mediterranean Sea.

Camp team is really happy to be partner of this adventure and wishes all the best to Patrick.

### **The third Millennium alpine trip of Patrick Berhault**

**N**ext Sunday, August 27th, Patrick Berhault will start his big alpine trip. A traverse of Alps which will lead him from Slovenia to Mediterranean shores by a high route done "by fear means", that is to say exclusively on foot or skis, including of course the ascent of 23 prestigious summits.

Patrick is, before all, an authentic alpinist. A genuine mountaineer. He loves the mountains and knows how fragile they are. Amongst the "climbing stars" of the new generation, he is the only one who never took part in competition. He prefers, for instance, to help disabled children or youngsters from the suburbs by making them discover the mountain world. Or to tackle long ascents, to "ride" over successive peaks, alone or with some close companion. Where it is not possible to cheat. With oneself nor with anybody else.....

His lifestyle, his ethics, his personality makes us believe in this utopia: the traverse of the whole alpine range in four months. Putting one step after the other and, on his way, climbing a mythic summit after an historic route.

But climbing is only one aspect of his "alpine trip of the millennium". As this trip is also linked to time, to history and to encounters.

Encounters with the men who live in and from the mountains. As for Patrick, in the mountains as well as in life, the others are the most important part of the adventure.

During these four months, he will take his time. Time to meet people along the way, in the huts as well as the villages, to feel how different and similar they are. Time to discover all the aspects of the Alps and of the alpine life. Time to fill his rucksack with traditional stories and songs, to taste alcohols and foods, to admire old houses and baroque churches.

Four months to share. With the locals but also with friends. And climbing partners, to start with. As some old friends will share Patrick's adventure. The first one, the Slovene climber **Tomaz Humar**, will greet him at home, on the slopes of the *Triglav* (the Slovenian highest summit and the first ascent of this trip).

Then, in the Dolomites, his old pal **Patrick Edlinger** will join him. Both will enjoy the superb rock-climbs of the *Tre Cime Di Lavaredo, Civetta, Marmolada, Brenta and Piz Badile*.

North faces are on the program and the "Patrick Team" could surprise us with some very interesting routes!

After, it will be time for the notorious "trilogy": *Eiger, Matterhorn (Cervin), Grandes Jorasses*, mythic ascent which he will share with another friend and great alpinist, **Patrick Gabarrou**.

Moments of friendship in the faces, but also at the bottom of the mountains, on some "check-points", where Patrick will take food and equipment supplies.

There, friends and journalists will be able to greet him and some "raw" material (photos, tapes, diary and note books) to write this saga, page after page, keeping pace with Patrick.

For more than 20 years, Patrick Berhault has been working as a technical adviser.

For Camp, the famous Italian manufacturer of mountain equipment, the society follows Patrick in his adventure and wishes him Good Luck!!

### **PATRICK BERHAULT USES CAMP GEARS**

**D**uring his great voyage through the Alps Patrick Berhault will be supported by Camp in terms of logistics and of course of gears.

Patrick has presented the summits and faces he will climb but he has not told which will be the routes that he will succeed. But Patrick has already in his mind the routes he wants to follow and for this reason has prepared a detailed list of gears for every wall and for every route of his voyage.

The first part will be on rock mainly and for this reason Patrick has chosen the lightest products that could grant him the highest performances, too. **GECKO** will be the harness he will wear, the first one manufactured with the new round sewing system®. Hanged to Gecko there will be 15 quickdraws **STEELKAR EXPRESS**.

More the new **HMS COMPACT** for the belays with **A FIGURE OF EIGHT** and **YO-YO**. Few rock pitons like the **UNIVERSAL**, the **CORNER**, the **LOST ARROW**, and the **KNIFE BLADES**. The **VERDON** hammer will be the right one for the limestone of *Dolomites*. Quickness and safety during the climbing will also be supported by the **FLEX** and the **SPIDER**, the innovative friends of Camp. A special request of Patrick: **TRICAMS** for the holes of the south face of *Marmolada*. What will he have in mind ? A set of **STOPPER** will complete the range of chocks. The **STARTECH** helmet will recover the thoughts of Patrick during the climbing.

A pair of **HANDLES**, a  $\frac{3}{4}$  **BOTTLE**, and a pair of technical **GLOVES** will find place in Patrick's **SCOTT PEAK** rucksack.

After *Piz Badile* Patrick will begin to find on his path also snow and ice. The ascents of the north faces of *Eiger*, *Matterhorn* and *Grandes Jorasses* will oblige him to use the **TIBURON** ice axes, and the **ICE RUNNER EVOLUTION** crampon. Hanged at the **NUMBAT** harness will appear the **RAPIDO** ice screws.

For the accesses to the walls Patrick will bring with him the **FLYERS** lightweight ice axe and the **ICE RIDER** crampon. The **COMPACT** sleeping bag or the **HIGH MOUNT** one will keep Patrick warm during some of the expected and very cold bivouacs. A special **TENT** for walls will be developed for him. Other accessories like the **GAITERS** or the **LUNCH BOX** will help Patrick to keep himself in health for his wonderful voyage.

*Camp will support Patrick with its know-how, with the suggestions of Patrick and with the flexibility to manufacture special products with the highest resistance features for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium Voyage through the Alps.*

### **The Alpine voyage program**

**This voyage will lead to 23 big walls and famous peaks, which are part of the Alpine legend and history...**

Departure August 27th 2000

1 - **Triglav**, north face (2864m)

It is the highest and emblematic peak of Slovenia. The north face is 3kms wide and 1000 to 1500m high.

2 - **Cima Grande**, north face (2999m)

3 - **Cima Ovest**, north face

The "Tre Cime di Lavaredo", ( Cima Grande, Cima Ovest, Cima Piccola ) is one of the most outstanding Dolomites landscape. On their faces there are some of the major Dolomite's routes.

4 - **Civetta**, north-west face (3218m)

The Civetta's big wall is the most impressive of the Dolomites: vertical, bright, and high. It is the real big Wall..

5 - **Punta Tissi**, north west face (2992m)

After the name of the famous local climber Tissi.

6 - **Cima Su Alto**, north west face (2951m)

In the Civetta wall. A splendid monolithic.

7 - 8 **Marmolada d'Obretta**, south face (3342m)

This is definitely the most difficult Dolomite face. In this mythic wall there are many historic routes as those of Igor Köller and J. Sustr among others.

9 - **Crozzon di Brenta**, north-east pillar (3135m)

This is also an historic Dolomite group in which many difficult & classic routes have become world famous.

10 - **Brenta Alta**, north-east face (2960 m)

11 - **Piz Cengalo**, north face (3370 m)

The highest face in the central Alps

12 - **Piz Badile**, east face (3308 m)

Badile is the most famous face in this Dolomite area.

**This is the end of the first part of the Alpine Voyage, essentially rocky, perfect for free climbers. This part will be climbed with my friend PATRICK EDLINGER**

**In the EIGER north face it will begin the "Alpine" climbing, and my friend Patrick Gabarrou will join me.**

13 - **Eiger**, north face (3974m)

If it is not the highest Alps north face it is by sure the most difficult and the most famous...

**14 - Matterhorn**, north face (4477m)

This is probably the most famous mountain through the world. The most difficult routes are on the north face.

**15 - Grandes Jorasses**, north face (4208 m)

Five kilometres long...with the Walker route. The north face is one among the most difficult in the Alps .

**16 - Mont Blanc**, south face (4807 m)

This mountain is of course "the roof of the Alps ", and the mountain from which the modern alpinism started. This is the meeting point for climbers from all over the world.

**17 - Aiguille de l'Epena**, north face (3421 m).

It is the most interesting mountain in the Vanoise massif. The elegant north-west face has been the longest in the Alps for a long time.

**18 - Aiguilles d'Arves**, (3363m - 3509m - 3510m)

It is a superb trilogy. A real "must".

**19 - Meije**, north face (3983 m)

It is a myth in the French Alps. All the routes are as hard as this mountain is beautiful.

**20 - Ecrins Barre**, north west. (4101 m)

This is the highest pick in the "Ecrins" . All the routes are extremely difficult.

**21 - Mont Viso**, north face (3841 m)

It is a superb pick, isolate, with a severe north face 1200m high.

**22 - Corno Stella**, north face (3050 m)

It is a beautiful and austere pick. The north face is sharp and very vertical.

**23 - Marguareis** (through the Scarason pick 2651 m north face)

The most important pick in the "Ligurian Alps".

That is it. The end of the Alpine Voyage. 23 Peaks and 4 to 6 months adventure.

**Patrick BERHAULT**

**Mountain guide (E.N.S.A.) : Instructor at the National School of Skiing and mountaineering, in Chamonix.**

**Technical Adviser for CAMP (Italian Hardware manufacturer), for Peak Performance and for Vertical-Roc, French Magazine.**

**EXPEDITIONS****HIMALAYAS**

1980	Pakistan	Nanga Parbat	8125 m - Attempt on the Rupal Face
1982	Nepal	Jannu	7982 m - Attempt on the north face
1988	Tibet	Shisha Pangma	8046 m - Chinese route

**ANDES**

1985	Peru	Alpamayo	6000 m - South West face
1993	Argentine	Aconcagua	6960 m - East face of the Polish Glacier, first complete traverse West -east of all ridges.

**AFRICA**

1981	Algeria	Hoggar	New routes
1992	Tanzania	Kilimanjaro	5895 m - Ascent as a guide for a team of five blind climbers
1995	Tanzania	Kilimanjaro	5895 m - by the Heim - Glacier

**ROCK CLIMBING****LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Toit d'Auguste (La Turbie): VIII
- Quoi de 9 ? (Mont -Dore - Capucin) : VIII
- Lisa - Marie (Baou de St-Jeannet): VIII

## **ALPINE CLIMBS**

### **OUTSTANDING ASCENTS**

In the Mont Blanc but also in other alpine ranges (first solo and winter ascents) "Enchainements" (a serie of ascents in a row) with a climbing partner.

### **SOME ACHIEVEMENTS**

- **September 1991**  
Complete traverse, solo, of the Mont Blanc range by difficult routes.  
Opening of a new route on Mont Rouge de Peuterey (Italian Face of Mont-Blanc)  
Peuterey ridge, complete Central Pillar of Frêney.  
Traverse of Mont-Blanc and the Aiguilles de Chamonix : Grepon, Grand Charmoz, Aiguilles de l'M.
- **August 1992**  
With Fred Vimal, non-stop climbing, in a single day of: Super Integrale of Peuterey, West face of Aiguille Noire, Gervasutti route on Aiguille Gugliermina, Central Pillar of Frêney.
- **March 1996**  
First solo winter ascent of the Fourastier route in the North face of Rateau (Oisans range)
- **From January 28th to February 3rd, 1997**  
With Francis Bibollet, successive winter ascents in the Mont-Blanc range
  - Les Droites North Face (Colton route)
  - Grandes Jorasses, North Face (Mac Intyre ice "goulottes")
  - Grand Pilier d'Angle, North Face (Cecchinel-Nominé-route)
  - Mont-Blanc, Hyper-couloir
  - An achievement rewarded by the Cristal F.F.M.E. 1998 (French Federation of Mountaineering)
- **From February 12th to 18th, 1998**  
With Bruno Sourzac, successive ascents in the Oisans range
  - Pelvoux, North Face (Ginel-Pinard route), including a new alternative route in the middle part
  - Pic sans nom, North Face (Georges Russenberg route)
  - Coup de Sabre North Face with an important new alternative route in the first part of the face.
  - Ailefroide, North-West face (Devies-Gervasutti route).
- **November 1998**  
**Elected by the press medias " Mountain Professional of the Year", awarded by the Cairn 1998**

## **FILMS**

- 1979** Voie Express (Laurent Chevalier)
- 1980** Nanga Parbat (Laurent Chevalier)
- 1980** Overdon (Jean - Paul Jansen)
- 1981** Over - Ice (Jean - Paul Jansen)
- 1981** Oversand (Jean - Paul Jansen)
- 1981** Devers (Laurent Chevalier)
- 1983** Paroi en coulisse (Laurent Chevalier)
- 1985** Histoire de l'alpinisme (Bernard Choquet)
- 1985** Pirates - (Roman Polanski - doublage)
- 1987** La chance de grimper (Bernard Giani)
- 1987** Métamorphoses (Bruno Soldini)
- 1987** Météores (Guy Meausoone)
- 1989** Grimpeur Etoile (Laurent Chevalier)
- 1990** Fortune Express (Olivier Schatzsky - doublage)
- 1992** Les voies de l'équilibre (Pierre Ostian)
- 1998** Premier de Cordée (Edouard Niermans)
- 1998** La Grande Crevasse (Edouard Niermans)

## **DANCING AND CLIMBING SHOWS**

- 1984** Finale Ligure (Italie)  
**1985** Vaulx-enVelin  
**1986** Antibes  
**1988** Modern Opera, "Fragments de Montagne" by Michel Pastore, in Cavaillon and Chateaufallon  
**1990** Special Show in the opening of Vaulx en Velin climbing tower, Choreography by Olivier Farges  
**1992** Show at the "Pyramides" in Port Marly.

## **SETTING UP A CLIMBING CENTER**

In 1990, setting up of the associative "Centre d'Escalade" de Chabreloche", a village in Puy de Dôme (Massif Central). The climbing wall is opened to members of the association (adults and children) as well as to different groups.



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