

## NOTABLETRAVELERS

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As an experienced traveler, reaching the goal of completing a travel list after 54 years is a remarkable achievement. Starting the journey back in 1970 would have been the beginning of a lifetime of adventures, each step bringing me closer to this moment. The passion for exploration required to accomplish this feat are truly commendable. Each destination visited, each experience gained, all culminating in the fulfillment of a goal once thought unimaginable. This milestone serves as a testament to the enduring spirit of travel and discovery that has guided your path throughout the decades.

Spiekermann Travel has made possible all the difficult and nearly impossible places on the planet. Afghanistan, Iraq, central Africa and notably Libya were all completed with your help. Even Somaliland and Western Sahara.

Completing visits to the Comoros Islands and Malawi, the last two countries on the 193 UN list, stands as a remarkable achievement. Notably, Malawi's recognition as #300 on the Travelers Century list marks a significant double milestone in my explorations.



Ihab, thank you for playing an essential role in achieving my goal. Your support has meant a lot to me. As I reflect on this accomplishment, I am filled with gratitude and excitement for the adventures that lie ahead. There is still so much more of this incredible world to see, and with your continued support and encouragement, I am confident that I will explore it all. Thank you once again.