

## Matt McFadyen

Youngest Australian to Reach the North Pole

Matt McFadyen is a world-class storyteller who addresses adventure, leadership, team work, motivation, and inspiration. From dragging heavy sleds to the North Pole, to sailing small yachts through some of the world's deadliest oceans, adventurer Matt McFadyen has pushed himself and others to the ends of the earth, testing the limits of human potential. He has been a part of and a leader to teams in some of the toughest conditions on the planet. This includes three record-breaking expeditions to the North Pole and two long-haul sailing expeditions to Antarctica.

**Expedition and Adventure.** In 2004, accompanied by four like-minded individuals, 22-year old McFadyen set sail onboard a 43-foot yacht bound for Antarctica. The 54-day expedition would take him and the crew across one of the most deadliest and dangerous oceans on the planet – The Great Southern Ocean. Storms of mammoth intensity engulfed the small yacht for days on end, testing the resolve of the five weary sailors. On the return voyage, one thousand miles from land, a fifty-foot wall of water exploded in the darkness and threw the tiny yacht upside down. This near-fatal capsizing was the catalyst for change in McFadyen's life, and he still uses it as his drive to continue raising the bar for himself and others.

Eighteen months after returning from Antarctica, he became the youngest Australian to reach the North Pole. McFadyen later returned to the North Pole on two other occasions as an expedition leader.

**Motivational Speaker.** As a keynote speaker and facilitator McFadyen has worked with organizations all over the world to engage, align, and inspire leaders and their teams. Using his unique personal experiences in the adventure world, he has delivered over 300 presentations on four continents and partnered with organizations across all sectors of business. He also has a virtual presentation designed specifically for remote attendees.

Matt McFadyen's passion for life, his overall presence, and his unique ability to connect with any audience make him a must see individual and speaker.