



# FRANCIS TAPON

PRODUCER, AUTHOR, SPEAKER, CONSULTANT

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## WHO IS FRANCIS?

Francis Tapon, author of *Hike Your Own Hike* and *The Hidden Europe*, is creating a video series, documentary, and book called *The Unseen Africa*, which is based on his five-year journey across all 54 African countries.

## SPEAKING HIGHLIGHTS

- TEDx Harker: "Bring Out Your Inner Black Sheep" - Video in 2019 - Keynote speaker
- TEDx Fillmore: "How and Why Travel Can Transform You" - 100,000 views
- Microsoft: "Hiking Your Own Hike at Work"

## AWARDS AND DIPLOMAS

- Nominated to the California Outdoor Hall of Fame twice
- Triple Crown Award for having hiked across USA 3 times
- MBA, Harvard Business School
- BA, Amherst College

## LANGUAGES

English, Spanish, French

## HIGHLIGHTS

- 2001: Thru-hiked the Appalachian Trail
- 2004: Explored 25 countries in Eastern Europe
- 2006: Thru-hiked the Pacific Crest Trail southbound,
- 2007: First to do a round-trip on the Continental Divide Trail
- 2009: Hiked across Spain twice
- 2008-11: Explored 40 European countries
- 2013: Traversed the High Atlas Mountains in Morocco
- 2015: Traversed the Drakensberg in South Africa and Lesotho
- 2016: Hiked across Madagascar, 2,000 miles
- 2013-18: Traveled nonstop overland to all 54 countries in Africa and climbed the highest peak in 50 of them,
- Traveled to 120 countries.

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