Cal Currier sails alone for the first time across the Atlantic Ocean.

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8 days at sea. Sailing through the sunset, Cal Currier absorbs the salty air of the Atlantic. From Cape Cod, Massachusetts to agos, Portugal, Currier went on an expedition of a lifetime.

While some people spend a lifetime training for a sail like his, Currier learned everything within the span of a few months.

The idea first came to him in January 2022 and by the next month he had started his course in how to sail. He learned the inner and outer workings of the boat he would be using, prepared for his trip only a few months away.

"I was inspired to do this for fun," Currier said "I wanted a project to do over the summer."

sail purely because he wanted to have fun, and complete a solo project over summer break.

"I didn't mentally prepare, I just winged it," Currier said.

Through many days alone at sea, Currier made the most of what he had and took in the beautiful scenery which surrounded him.

"I didn't have any books so a typical day looked like me listening to music staring at the waves," Currier said.

Currier recalls his favorite moments of the trip, including when he reached the Azores, an autonomous region in the

boat. Currier was motivated to **(1) (a) (a) (b) (c) (c)** over the summer." CAL CURRIER ('24)

Portugal islands

"The only major thing that we<mark>nt wrong was that</mark> my water tank got moldy. But I had extra water on

board in case that happened," Currier said After his training, Currier was prepared for anything, and continued on his voyage

Nevertheless, the trip wasn't all

smooth sailing, and Currier ran into a

few problems with the mechanics of his

across the globe. Currier is a fearless student who traveled with alone with the freedom to change his plan.

"I was lonely for sure, but never scared," Currier said.

What started as a fun project to fill his summer turned into landing him a record as the youngest person to complete the 28-day trip.

EXPLORING amca

Evie Kramer spends two weeks on a safari in Tanzania.

(left) CAPTURING THE MOMENT Evid Kramer (*23) takes a 0.5 selfie midway through the car ride. "We would be in th car for at least four hours every day but we would stop for sightseeing," Kramer said (right) ENJOYING THE WILDLIFE Evie Kramer ('23) snaps a photo of a monkey hanging on a tree. Kramer's trip would have been incomplete with her guides knowledge. "Our guide had a degree in zoology and was super well versed in the animals," Kramer said. Photos courtesy of Evie Kramer

bgot to learn a lot more about animals. I've never been in an environment with the trees, the ground and the sky. I was kind of obsessed with the hippos. I thought they were really cool." EVIE KRAMER ('23)



notos courtesy Cal Currier

he girls water polo team got the opportunity this summer to travel over 6,000 miles to play the sport they love in Italy.

A typical day in Italy for the team consisted of waking up at 5:45 a.m. to walk about a mile to the pool where they would be practicing for two hours. They got to experience a new way of playing water polo.

"Not only were the facilities we were playing in beautiful, but they we also a place where we learned and connected with each other," junior Eliza Gaither said.

After the practices the day included five miles hikes through towns around Camogli and playing against

"We would finish off the day with dinner and some exploring in the town we were staying in," sophomore Lydia Mitz said. "The team definitely benefited from going on the trip," Mitz said. "I think living, eating, sleeping, playing wopo and doing everything else together really brought us up together as a team." TAKING TIME OFF of the long practices in the Italian pools, the team explores Camogli. "I really liked going on all of the hikes around the town since they had super cool views of the ocean

sophomore Lydia Mitz said. Photo courtesy of Lydia Mitz

AYING THE FINAL (left) goodbyes to other, Cal Currier ('24) stands with grandfather. Currier was inspired to I across the Atlantic since his father nd grandfather had done the same DMIRING THE VIEW (right) from the oat, Cal Currier (*24) watches one of e last sunsets on land before his trip.

> *My* favorite shop is this one tea house where the owners are also *artists so they* sold their own work in the shop. ALISHA **CHANG ('24)**



(left) WALKING THROUGH THE streets of Jiufen, Alisha Chang ('24) stops into the shops with her mom. "Jiefen is known for the old street with food stalls and tea houses," Chang said. (right) TAKING IN THE VIEWS outside of the window at one of Alisha Chang's ('24) favorite spots, the tea houses Photos courtesy of Alisha Chana

Milo Sabina adventured all over Europe this past summer and these are his favorite stops.

(right) SITTING IN THE sun on a Catamara with his family in th Mediterranean Sea, M Sabina (*25) takes the view. Sabina and h family traveled all ov Greece for weeks. "7 water was really v so we all got to j off and swim and saw beautiful fis us " Sabina

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eft) MEETING NEW FRIENDS, in ope. Sabina spends time with a local ily that supplies wine to his family's aurant located here in Palo Alto Michael's Alley, "My friend Leopold me his favorite places in his . Burgundy France." Sabina

(right) SABINA TAKES A selfie with his mo viewpoint. Sabina met up with his mom in Fr after he spent a little over a week in Denmark his friend who used to live there. "Spendi in Europe with my mom really made us cl I am really thankful that I was able to do a







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