

Adrian Eichhorn

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Adrian Eichhorn has been in love with flying for as long as he can remember. Born in Stuttgart, Germany on December 14, 1955, Eichhorn set his sights on military flying, inspired by his dad, a decorated U.S. Army pilot who served in the Korean War. In 1980, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers and served a distinguished 20-year career with the Army.

Despite his best efforts, he served his entire military career in non-flying positions with his final assignment on the Joint Chiefs of Staff as the Strategic Nuclear Advisor to President William Clinton.

Adrian's career as a professional pilot after he retired from the Army included stints with the Washington Redskins and later the Commanders, General Dynamics, FAA, NASA, JetBlue Airlines, and Leidos, where he flew special mission aircraft destined for the U.S. Army.

Adrian is also an accomplished flight instructor, aviation mechanic, adventurer, and aviation educator who has flown over 25,000 hours to fifty-four different countries. In 2016 Adrian completed a 24,000-mile solo flight around the world and in the Spring 2021, he completed an epic 21-hour nonstop solo flight from Reykjavík, Iceland, across the North Pole to Fairbanks, Alaska.