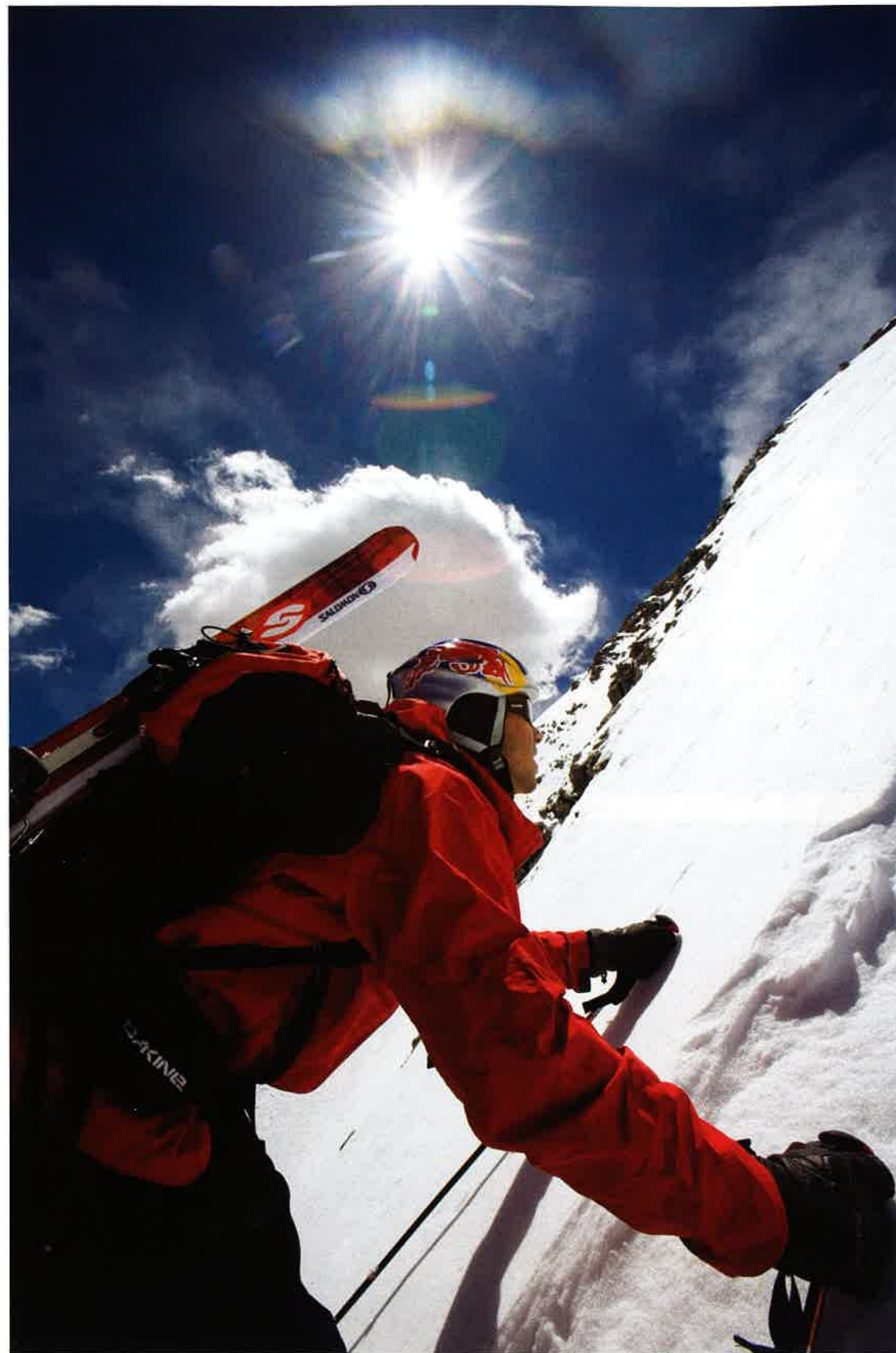


CHRIS DAVENPORT



A two-time World Champion skier, Chris Davenport continues to be widely regarded as one of the premier big mountain skiers in the world.

He has many ski mountaineering achievements including skiing all 54 of Colorado's 14,000-foot peaks in one year. He has numerous first descents under his belt and guided and skied on Mount Everest four years ago.

After racing for New Hampshire's Holderness School and the University of Colorado, Davenport got involved with the newly established big mountain competition scene. He rapidly made his name by winning the 1996 World Extreme Skiing Championships, the 1998 24 Hours of Aspen, and a medal at the 98 XGames. He would repeat his Extreme World Champs victory in 2001, a year after having reached the podium in every competition he entered. His consistent success, coupled with his skill as a spokesman and his involvement

in the film and print media helped to usher in the modern era of big mountain free ride skiing. He has been featured in nearly 40 Warren Miller and Matchstick film productions.

He is also a television commentator for ESPN, ABC Sports and Outside Television along with doing announcing at many World Cup and World Championship events. He was the host announcer for alpine skiing at the 2010 Olympic Games in Vancouver.

He tours as a professional speaker, lecturing on risk management as it relates to the business of mountain sports and has also been the author of two popular coffee table books: *Ski the 14ers* and *Fifty Classic Ski Descents in North America*. In the world of athlete sponsorship, he was the first North American in any sport to be sponsored by the famous Red Bull company, and is also an owner of the famous Austrian brand, Kastle Skis.



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Chris Davenport

Born Jan. 4, 1971

Resides in Colorado

Career Awards & Highlights

1996
World Extreme Skiing Champion

1998
ESPN X-Games bronze medal winner; 24 hours of Aspen Champion

2001
World Extreme Skiing Champion

2002
Powder Magazine Reader's Pole Award (*Repeated in 2004 and 2005)

2006-2007
First person to ski all of Colorado's 14,000-foot mountain peaks

2011
Skied the Lhotse face of Mount Everest

2013
Named among ESPN's Ten Greatest American Freeskiers of All Time