

Polar Adventurer

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Jade Hameister, 16, lives in Melbourne, Australia. But she isn't particularly interested in sun and surfing. Jade dreams of polar cold.



**Made it!
Jade at the
South Pole.**

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In January 2018, Jade became the youngest person to ski to the North and South Poles and across Greenland.

Jade loves outdoor sports. At the age of 12, she trekked to the base camp on Mount Everest. She met two inspiring women adventurers and decided to try her Polar Quest.

Jade loves the Arctic and Antarctic and she is very interested in the environment. Her expeditions show people the environmental problems caused by climate change.

Brave Not Perfect

Jade wants to encourage other young people to be brave and try new things. She says we often think we have to be perfect. But that makes us afraid. "Be courageous," she says. "It's okay to try and make mistakes."



This is Jade's sledge, tent, skis and other equipment.



Jade pulled a 100 kg sledge with her tent and food.

The trek to the South Pole and back took Jade 75 days. She normally listens to music when she is skiing, but her music player stopped working after nine days.

After the Antarctic, Jade's next challenge was going back to classes for her final two years in high school!

Jade's Polar Quest

- 1. April 2016:**
Skiied to the North Pole.
- 2. June 2017:**
Skiied 550km solo across Greenland.
- 3. January 2018:**
Skiied solo to the South Pole.

