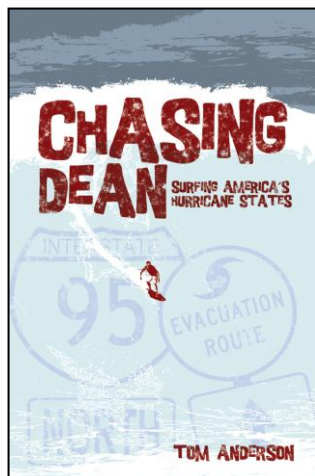


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Extreme adventure - surfing the biggest storm since hurricane Katrina!



CHASING DEAN

SURFING AMERICA'S HURRICANE STATES

Tom Anderson

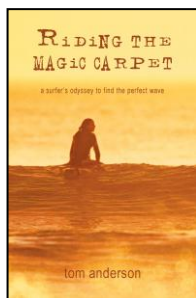
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"For several seasons now I had been monitoring hurricanes as a surfer, seeing them in a different light to just about anyone else who didn't ride waves for a hobby. I knew about the chaos they could wreak on tin-roofed Central American towns, but it was hard for me and my fellow surfers to emotionally attach ourselves to these horror stories. For most of us, Atlantic hurricanes meant one thing: surf."

Two childhood friends from small-town Wales meet in Miami for a summer road trip they've always dreamed of: to chase the swell of Hurricane Dean all the way up the US East Coast in search of once-in-a-lifetime surf. They embark on a hilarious journey of self-discovery and a travel experience like no other.

Mixing the humour of *Sideways* with the extreme conditions of *The Perfect Storm*, this new book by one of the UK's favourite new travel/surfing writers is a quirky travelogue destined to become a cult classic.

"... the thought of chasing these storms to whichever locale was the best placed along a vast coastline was something I couldn't help but feel drawn to – something that just didn't happen in Europe"



Chasing Dean is the follow up to Tom Anderson's debut book ***Riding the Magic Carpet*** (Summersdale, 2006, £7.99) which described his quest to ride the waves at J-Bay in South Africa - an almost mythical wave that every surfer dreams of riding at least once in their lifetime. Here's what the press said then:

- ***"... will appeal not merely to surfers but to fans of travel writing generally"*** The Times
- ***"Of all the surf books available today, Riding the Magic Carpet is clearly head and shoulders above the rest – a fantastic read!"*** Elliot Dudley, European Longboard Champion
- ***"Anderson shares with the reader his enthusiasm... Well written."*** Adventure Travel

Author, Tom Anderson, 28, lives in Porthcawl, South Wales and was awarded an Academi Writers Bursary for the journey that became *Chasing Dean*. He is a successful competitive surfer and writes regularly for several surfing magazines, as well as being a senior committee member of the Welsh Surfing Federation.

Notes to Editors: ***Chasing Dean*** is published by Summersdale and available through all good bookshops and internet booksellers or by telephoning Summersdale. **To request a review copy or to be put in touch with the author** please contact Dean 'not in any way related to the hurricane' Chant on: 01243 771107 or email dean@summersdale.com



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