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## Gunnar Garfors

Gunnar Garfors (born 29 May 1975) is a Norwegian media professional, traveller, and author. He has worked with broadcasting and new media developments since 2001. Garfors has visited every country in the world and is the youngest hobby traveller to have done so. He is also the



first to visit every country twice. On 18 June 2012 he set a Guinness world record



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together with Adrian Butterworth from Britain by being the first to visit five continents in the same day. He beat another world record in September 2014 with friends Øystein Djupvik and Tay-young Pak when they visited 19 countries in 24 hours. Garfors still doesn't think such world records count as travel, merely calling them records in logistics. Normally he travels at a relaxing pace, taking his time to properly explore every destination and getting to know those that live there.



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