

ROWING THE ATLANTIC 2005/2006

If we consider the first two failed attempts, the story of the rowing across the Atlantic ocean is 2 years long. Alex took such a long time to succeed to become the first man in the world to rowing the Mediterranean and the Atlantic together.

In 2004, Alex started from Genoa –Italy-, but after only 6 hours he was forced to return to land due to bad weather.

Eleven days later he tried again, but the 23rd day he was shipwrecked on the island of Formentera. Alex saved his life by a miracle, and the boat was completely destroyed. The year 2005 was luckier for him. For his third attempt he bought a new boat, and after 226 days and more than 11,000 km he landed in Fortaleza (Brazil). It was the 2nd of may 2006.

Thanks to this achievement Alex enters in the history of rowing. The full story of his crossing is written into the book "Mi chiamavano montanaro" Longanesi, published in 2007.