《美国男子执念成魔,去了全球15,000家星巴克,终于喝恶心了》 dedication [ded 'ke ()n]

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Visiting every Starbucks on the planet takes dedication, patience and a serious caffeine addiction.

A man named Winter has visited at least 15,061 Starbucks locations on four continents since 1997, he claims. And what started as a quest for espresso became his ticket to the world.



"I call it an extreme hobby," he told CNN of the quest to reach them all.

Winter kicked off his mission 22 years ago at a Starbucks in Plano, Texas. There were only about 1,500 locations in the US at the time, and he thought he could visit each and every one of them.

As as the company grows, so has the length of Winter's quest: The 30,000th Starbucks just opened in Shenzhen, China. It's gotten tougher for Winter to keep up with new stores and still find time to visit the independent coffee houses he favors.

He usually asks for a sample of drip coffee wherever he goes. If they don't have that, he'll take an espresso. tjqzz

He'll snap some photos, add them to his website and go visit another one. He's repeated this 15,000-plus times, and he's only halfway through.

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But at this point he's committed. He's got to keep going.

He used to dedicate every weekend to "Starbucking," excitedly driving hundreds of miles to visit a new store, or flying to countries like Denmark or Qatar to see how they brew it.

After drinking Pike Place and Verona roasts for 22 years, he's understandably grown bored with their offerings. He hasn't even tried everything on the menu, he said.



"It's hard to talk about a favorite Starbucks item because I don't enjoy the taste of Starbucks anymore," he said. "It's either tolerable or OK, but it's never good or great coffee anymore."

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To be successful takes hard work and dedication.

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