

# Nicholas GILLESPIE 37 years old, Sunshine Coast, Australia

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# WEB DEVELOPER JAVASCRIPT FULLSTACK

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Node.js, Express, MongoDB, Restful API Fluid Designs, CUBE CSS, Every Layout Google Web Dev practices, A11Y ally

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#### **PROFILE**

Former British Royal Marines Commando with diverse skills that include excellent attention to detail, teamwork, and the ability to adapt quickly to changing circumstances. Experienced in diverse environments & cultures, both as part of a team and independently.

Proficient in web development with knowledge and experience in back-end technologies such as Node.js, Express, MongoDB, and Restful API, as well as front-end technologies such as Fluid designs, CUBE CSS, Every Layout and Google's Web Dev practices.

#### **EXPERIENCES**

# **Fullstack Web Developer**

Expedition Brewery - St-Germain-en-Laye, France. 2023 Designed, developed, and managed a Node.js, Express, and MongoDB website for a microbrewery, including the creation of a custom API that the website consumes. Leveraged responsive design principles and intuitive layout strategies to build a highly functional, flexible, and user-friendly interface.

# **Marketing and Communication Manager**

Self-employed - Paris, France. 2018 / 2020 Identification, conceptualization, development, and management of a project enabling an amateur freediving apnea athlete to obtain the necessary funds to finance full-time training, participation fees in international competitions, and generate income through sponsorships.

# **Manager of Freediving Center**

Freediving Lanzarote - Canary Islands, Spain. 2015 / 2018 Creation, development, and management - in all aspects - of a freediving training and coaching centre (management, marketing, sales, operations, administration, etc.).

#### **Data Manager**

Foreign & Commonwealth Office - London, UK. 2014 / 2015 Offered comprehensive data management & administrative support for the subcontractor management unit as part of a developed vetting role.

#### **Data Manager**

Ministry of Defense - London, UK. 2013 / 2014 Responsible for developing computer systems for the Deployment and International Operations departments using secure military networks with Top Secret clearance.

# **Royal Marines Commando**

43 Commando, S Squadron - Faslane, UK. 2008 / 2014 Deployed during the Libyan crisis in 2011 as a commando and member of the Fleet Standby Rifle Troop, serving as 2IC of one of the intervention teams, responsible for securing the operation zone and enabling the successful repatriation of identified citizens.

#### **WEB DEVELOPMENT**

#### Front-end

Experienced in creating fluid and dynamic layouts that adjust seamlessly to different devices and screen sizes while adhering to accessibility guidelines. Proficient in developing well-designed user interfaces that provide an inclusive experience for all users, using HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript ES6.

#### Back-end

Proficient in developing backend systems using Node.js, Express, and MongoDB to create secure and scalable Restful APIs. Skilled in database management, integrating security measures and performing CRUD operations. Experienced in creating CMS using content-focused databases such as MongoDB. Capable of implementing user authentication, email communication, and file uploading and downloading functionalities.

# **Other Technologies**

PHP, MySQL. AWS, GitHub. Photoshop, Figma.

#### **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

Fullstack JS Web Developer O'clock, Grande École Du Numérique Paris, France, 2022.

Web & Mobile Web Developer Doranco, École Supérieure des Technologies Créative Paris, France, 2021.

#### **LANGUAGES**

English native French native Spanish intermediate Russian beginner



# ROYAL MARINES TESTIMONIAL

Official No: 30073894

Rank: Marine

Name: Nicholas Gillespie

Date of Discharge: 24 Feb 2014

Marine Gillespie joined the Royal Marines in November 2008 and successfully completed the 32 week training course at the Commando Training Centre Royal Marines at Lympstone, Devon. This mentally and physically demanding cause taught him self-discipline, responsibility, good citizenship, and instilled in him the importance of teamwork and self-confidence. On completion of training he was reported to be a hard working and selfless individual who consistently performed to an extremely high standard.

Marine Gillespie passed for duty in July 2009 and was assigned to 43 Commando Fleet Protection Group Royal Marines. Here he was employed as a General Duties Rifleman, tasked with the protection of UK Strategic Nuclear Assets. In March of 2010 Marine Gillespie joined the Fleet Standby Rifle Troop, a highly trained, high readiness team to deploy at short notice to respond to emerging crises across the globe. As such was deployed in April of 2011 as part of UK Forces supporting NATO operations in the Mediterranean against the Libyan Regime. Given his language skills Marine Gillespie was rapidly identified as a key individual and tasked with interpreter duties to Coalition Partner Nations. During this busy period he was noted as being an individual with the highest professional standards and one who maintained a positive outlook throughout what was a period of very demanding training and operations.

After returning to the United Kingdom he was selected to sub-specialise as a Clerk and attended specialist training back at the Commando Training Centre Royal Marines in October 2010. Thereafter he re-joined 43 Commando and resumed his role as a Rifleman, participating in a series of large scale training exercises in support of wider Defence activities, before transitioning into the role of Squadron Clerk. He was solely responsible for the Administrative Care and Global Travel of up to 120 persons, of a Squadron conducting Boarding and Search operations as part of the international effort to defeat Piracy and Criminality at sea .

In March 2012 Marine Gillespie was posted to the Ministry of Defence, based at Regents Park Barracks. He was accountable for the development of the IT Systems for the Campaigns & Global Operations departments using Top Secret secure military networks; he communicated effectively with multiple external agencies including the Foreign & Commonwealth Office, Consulates and Embassies. In September 2013 he joined Headquarters 3 Commando Brigade Marines and he has excelled in providing interpreter support to the Brigade Commander as the Royal Navy and Royal Marines strengthen ties with French counterparts.

Marine Gillespie has proved himself to be a high calibre individual who embraced the challenges posed by the often difficult, demanding and dangerous work that he has undertaken. He leaves the Royal Marines having gained a breadth of experience and skills in both the land and maritime environments. He is a highly capable and motivated individual, and I would recommend him unreservedly to any future employer.

Lt Col C S Middleton MBE RM

Commanding Officer

30 Commando (Information Exploitation) Group Royal Marines

Date: 24 January 2014