

Di Westaway

Business Woman, Philanthropist, Women's Health Expert & Keynote Speaker

Di Westaway is a proven success in business, adventure and life. She is the Chief Executive Officer – otherwise known as the Chief Adventure Chick – and Founder of Wild Women On Top and of Coastrek. Recognised in 2016 as one of the Australian Financial Review/Westpac Top 100 Women of Influence in Business Enterprise, Di is a global leader who has inspired over 20,000 people to achieve goals they never thought possible.

Di is also a ground-breaking futurist, who has led the charge for 'wild wellness'. Since using an extreme mountain climb to motivate her off the couch and into nature in 2000, she has created a social enterprise that has transformed millions of lives. In the process, Di has raised almost \$20 million for charity.



Di knows how to help women find not just happiness, but fulfilment. A highly inspirational and indemand speaker for conventions and corporate conferences, her presentations are informative, practical, inspirational and dynamic. She speaks to audiences with wisdom, delivering anecdotes and stories of her team's successes as well as the immense challenges she's had along the way. Her corporate clients include Citibank, Barclay's Capital, Adobe, Allen's Arthur Robinson, Filex and ORIC.

More about Di Westaway:

Di does work she loves, with people she loves, the way she loves, and she's keen to help families, friends and workers to achieve more and go further.

When she's not freaking people out by doing handstands on knife-edge summits, she leads teams on a mission to connect, inspire and empower, and motivates them to lead adventurous lives they love, creating pleasure, power and productivity from active adventures with friends in nature.

Di is the author of *Natural Exhilaration* and *How to Prepare for World Class Treks*, a motivational speaker and three time Telstra Businesswoman of the Year nominee. She has written for *HuffPost Australia*, *Thrive Global*, *Essential Kids*, *Great Walks*, and *AG Outdoor*. She has also climbed many extreme altitude peaks and holds the record for the world's highest handstand on Mt Ama Dablam, 6,982m, Nepal.





In addition to being National and runner-up Australian National champion in three different sports, Di has worked as a teacher, journalist, radio producer and project manager.

Client testimonials

- "Di Westaway is hard core. .. She relentlessly pushes her charges to take them to new heights. Yet her steel is tempered by a warm heart which reaches out when needed. Through her unique style and enormous experience, Di creates not only individual strength but also a deep team spirit in the groups she trains.
- Voila! Brigitte Muir O.A.M.
- "Thanks for taking the time to share your story with us. I for one left that night feeling a little lighter and with a feeling of anything is possible firmly within my grasp and I know I wasn't the only one! The number of guestions you fielded on the night clearly demonstrated the fact that you had struck a chord with so many women and I have received quite a few emails thanking us for the inspiration you provided.
- Working Women's Network
- "Di's rivetting stories kept our finance department spell bound as they relived the adventures of her amazing Wild Women. She proved to us that we can all achieve remarkable goals if we "never, never, never give up" and that an extreme adventure challenge will inspire us to be the healthiest we've ever been.
- Citigroup
- Thank you Dianne and your Wild Women on Top team for a great day out. Your talk inspired us all to look for our personal and professional mountains to climb and motivated several of our team players to plan their trek on the real rock versions. Every player on our team enjoyed the walk. There was something in it for everyone. For those with their ego on their sleeve they could go hard and fast. For those who wanted to swing along in the sun we could chat and engage. Following our wild experience we used many analogies and metaphors from the day to talk about team, goals, purpose, and vision. You are a real warrior against sedentary death syndrome. Thank you!
- Australian Institute of Fitness
- Wow I get it. We've tried all sorts of social activities, drinks nights and things. Trying to get the staff communicating better. But nothing has ever worked like a Wild Walk.
- Stellar Group



Di's energy and vitality came oozing through every word she spoke, passion and commitment was never in question. The fact that she conveyed her message that every 'woman' (really everyone) has their own mountain discover it and go conquer it but never never give up on yourself.

- WIMBN

"Just wanted to Thank you for a fantastic presentation today. Your energy was so contagious, and what appealed to me the most was that the stories (both yours and your team's) reflect every day, ordinary women achieving their dreams and goals. Very inspirational.

- Personal Mortgage Advisor

It was an absolute pleasure to have you inspire and motivate some of the women in our workplace. It was a brilliant way to start the day and the things you talked about really resonated with a lot of us working in a career in finance which is so time intensive. I have learned that I can push a little harder and fit more things into my day if I want to. We appreciate you coming in an offering some insight into how you set and achieve what seem like "unattainable" goals. It just shows that us ordinary people who never never never give up can really have it all!

- Barclays Capital, Commodities

Di clearly has some brilliant concepts and ideas, is a dynamic and inspiring presenter. I think her sharing some of her personal story showed great guts, courage, self awareness and conviction.

- Anonymous

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