



# “CHILE VERDE”

David, another newcomer to this year's Classic, hails from Pittsburgh where he is self-employed as a software developer. Formerly from New Mexico, he has been ballooning for fourteen years, logging 167 hours in the air. His most memorable moment was recently when he flew down into Rio Grande Gorge near Taos, New Mexico. Spot him in the air in his uneven green and white horizontal striped balloon. Since the green chile is a regular part of your diet in New Mexico, he chose the name Chile Verde (hence green chile). Welcome Dave!

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