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Portuguese navigator who sailed the west coast of Africa exploring and establishing trading relationships with the Africans. He sailed up the Gambia River in 1458 and traded with the leader of the region. In 1462 Gomes and Antonio de Noli discovered the Cape Verde Islands; Gomes explored all 10 of the islands with Noli and other captains.