



## Martine Wright

**Member of Paralympic Sitting Volleyball Team, Survivor of 7/7 Bombing**

*"A truly inspirational and remarkable speaker"*

Martine Wright lost both legs in the Circle line bombing on 7 July 2005, yet she considers herself lucky. Following this event, Martine began the arduous process of rebuilding her life. Martine became Vice Captain of Team GB Paralympic Sitting Volleyball team and proudly chose to wear the number 7 shirt to commemorate 7/7.

### TOPICS:

- Overcoming Adversity
- Teamwork
- Empowerment
- Diversity
- Achieving Your Goals
- Change

### LANGUAGES:

She presents in English.

### IN DETAIL:

It was in 2009 when Martine first tried a 'have a go' session for women's Sitting Volleyball, and then made her debut at the 2010 Kent International against the Paralympic Champions, China. She has now gained competitive experience of over 40 GB caps. Her most memorable achievement to date was beating Canada at the 2010 World Championships. In 2012 Martine was named Inspirational Woman of the Year by *Zest Magazine*, the Vitalise Woman of Achievement and at the *BBC Sports Personality of the Year* she won the Helen Rollason Award for outstanding achievement in the face of adversity. Martine has also learnt to ski, undertaken a parachute jump and includes how learning to fly solo is one of her greatest achievements. In 2013, Martine became an Ambassador for Team London's volunteer programme, building on the legacy of the Games.

### WHAT SHE OFFERS YOU:

Martine shares her story, her experiences and what she has taken out of her journey to be a Paralympian. Martine provides a springboard for anyone wanting to take on new opportunities, achieve their goals, and change their lives. Martine tailors her presentations to suit the needs of her clients, and successfully interacts with audiences, whether delivering a keynote speech or hosting an awards evening.

### HOW SHE PRESENTS:

Martine's powerful, moving and emotional story is told through her engaging and truly inspirational presentations.