



Adopt-a-Float Newsletter

Welcome to the Adopt-a-Float program! We are looking forward to having you join us as we watch the floats on their journey through the ocean.

Date: Sept 20, 2024

Number of Floats Deployed: 198 GO-BGC floats deployed (188 operating); 296 SOCCOM floats deployed (129 operating)!

Float of the Month!

Just a reminder that it might take up to two months for your float data to show up on the [Adopt-A-Float viz site](#) as the data are checked for quality control at that point and then posted. You can view data that has not yet been checked at the regular [Float-Viz site](#).

We have 63 floats that will be deployed before the end of the year. The RV *Lindblad Explorer* (five adopted floats) will be departing soon (there will be a [blog from the Lindblad](#)). The RV *David Packard* (four floats are adopted) is scheduled to leave Spain in late October now (another delay) heading for the Panama Canal. The RV *Falkor too* (four floats), RV *Sonne* (ten floats), and the RV *Sikuliaq* (four floats) all leave port in October while the RV *Kaharoa* (14 floats), RV *Ron Brown* (12 floats), and the RV *Polarstern* (ten floats) depart in November.



The 2024 EARTH teacher workshop was in June at the University of Washington Float Lab and there are some new lesson plans (with more coming) for you to trial when the school year starts up again (<https://www.mbari.org/workshop/earth-2024-seattle-washington/>). We also adopted a float of course (see image to the left).

As the beginning of the new school year approaches, please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make data access easier. We are now accepting submissions for the [2025 next sticker competition](#). You can get more information and guidelines at <https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/2025-sticker-contest>. And we will always have more floats heading out to sea

and are looking for adopters – so feel free to adopt another float! Check out the Flickr page for photos of your floats if they have been adopted/launched.

Find your float information here: https://www3.mbari.org/gobgc/tables/GOBGC_Adopt-a-Float.html or https://www3.mbari.org/soccom/tables/SOCCOM_Adopt-a-Float.html

Find resources here: <https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/for-educators>

Follow our Flickr page: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/go-bgc/> for GO-BGC and SOCCOM floats or <https://www.flickr.com/photos/139764369@N07/> for older SOCCOM floats

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