

PRESS RELEASE

GUILLIN partners Fabrice Amedeo: after a successful Transat Jacques Vabre race, he's on course for the Vendée Globe 2024!



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Having just arrived in Martinique after 16 days of racing on the Atlantic Ocean alongside his co-skipper Andreas Baden, Fabrice Amedeo set off again this Thursday 30 November to take part in the solo transatlantic race "Retour à la Base", a qualifier for the Vendée Globe 2024.

The transatlantic race of resilience. One year almost to the day after the loss of his Imoca off the coast of Portugal in the last Route du Rhum, it is a great victory to have completed this Atlantic crossing on a brand new boat, despite a late first launch. It's a victory over adversity, achieved thanks to exceptional mental strength and faultless teamwork. In record time, this boat, previously designed for Mike Golding, was fitted with a new keel, new daggerboards, revised ballast tanks and a redesigned cockpit. She also underwent many other transformations to make her more reliable and lighter, with the dual aim of simplicity and sobriety.

"A big thank you to the team who did a superb job in the final stretch and above all a big thank you to my partners who put their trust in us and enabled us to set sail again under magnificent colours and with a beautiful boat" declares Fabrice AMEDEO.

"Fabrice and I share the same values: performance, excellence, team spirit and respect - fundamental concepts when it comes to leading teams to victory time and time again..." adds Sophie Guillin, CEO of the GUILLIN Group.

A successful civic challenge. An important aspect of the project, alongside the sporting challenge, is carbon sobriety: thanks to its solar panels, which charge even on grey days, and its batteries, which store energy for more than thirty-six hours, the boat will not have had to rely on fossil fuels, a goal that will be renewed next year around the world and that Fabrice Amedeo will be trying to achieve during the return transatlantic race, despite the difficult weather forecast.

"Our boat made this first crossing of the Atlantic without using fossil fuels, and its salinity, temperature and CO2 sensor worked 24 hours a day. We've collected invaluable data for the international scientific community," says Fabrice Amedeo.

"Fabrice Amedeo and I share the same vision of ecology: modern, progressive and reasoned. Since its creation, the GUILLIN Group has been linked to a natural territory that we have been preserving for 50 years by limiting our emissions as much as possible, in particular by using the energy from our machines to heat our buildings," explains Sophie Guillin, CEO of the GUILLIN Group.

GUILLIN partner 2024. GUILLIN is alongside Fabrice Amedeo for this new return transatlantic race, this time single-handed, a crossing that will take place not in the Trade Winds but in the winter lows of the North Atlantic... and in 2024 on the route to the next Vendée Globe!

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