

Race start
The 9th edition of the Vendée Globe race started on November 28th, 2020, with 33 sailors setting off from Les Sables-d'Olonne, France. Focus on the 8 participants who were unable to finish this voyage.

The Vendée Globe is a prestigious and grueling around-the-world sailing race that captures the imagination of sailing enthusiasts and adventurers alike. This solo, non-stop, and unassisted race demands the utmost skill, determination, and seamanship from its participants. One of the most remarkable aspects of the race is that each competitor embarks on this incredible journey alone, facing the immense challenges of the open ocean on their own. The race starts from Les Sables-d'Olonne, a picturesque coastal town located in the Vendée region of western France. From there, the sailors set off on their extraordinary odyssey, sailing through treacherous seas, enduring extreme weather conditions, and pushing themselves and their boats to the limits in pursuit of the ultimate prize — becoming a Vendée Globe champion.

Unfinished Voyages

Vendée Globe
2020
2021

ATLANTIC OCEAN

Isabelle JOSCHKE [FRA/GER]
Canting Keel Mechanism Failure, redirected without assistance to Salvador, Brazil; finished the race unofficially in 107d 20h 54m

Nicolas TROUSSEL [FRA]
Dismasted, redirected without assistance to Cape Verde Islands

Alex THOMSON [GBR]
Rudder damage, redirected without assistance to Cape Town, South Africa

Fabrice AMEDEO [FRA]
General computer failure, redirected without assistance to Cape Town, South Africa

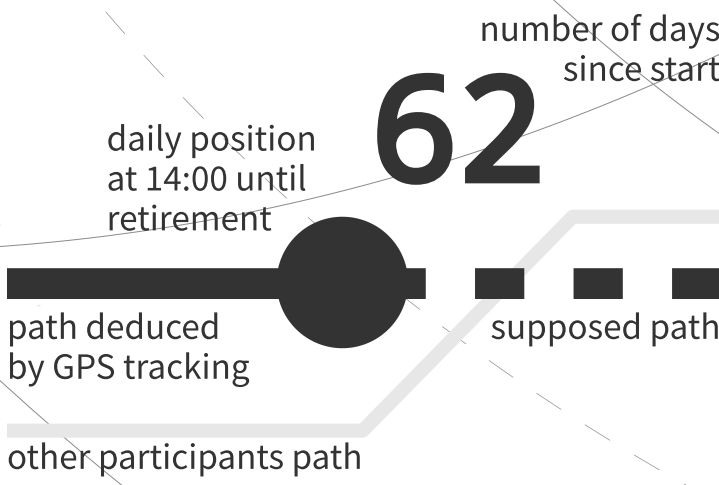
Sébastien SIMON [FRA]
Collision with floating object, redirected unaided to Cape Town, South Africa

Samantha DAVIES [GBR]
Collision with unidentified floating object, redirected unaided to Cape Town, South Africa; finished the race unofficially in 109d 23h 40m

Kevin ESCOFFIER [FRA]
Structural hull Failure, abandoned to liferaft, rescued by skipper Jean Le Cam, brought by French Navy to Réunion Island, France

INDIAN OCEAN

PACIFIC OCEAN



Sébastien DESTREMAU [AUS/FRA]
Steering and other issues, redirected, unaided to Christchurch, New Zealand