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[First Beta of Go 1.9 Released](#) NEWS

[Builds here](#) or use [this process](#) to install with Go itself.

CHRIS BROADFOOT

[The Draft Go 1.9 Release Notes](#)

The first beta is out, and these work-in-progress notes will bring you up to speed with what's new, including type aliases, parallel compilation, and GC speedups.

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[Advanced Command Execution with os/exec](#)

Covers simple execution to handling stdout and stderr separately to showing progress, all with just the standard library.

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[A Theory of Modern Go](#)

A case for dependency injection over of global variables and init() functions.

PETER BOURGON

[Imagining Go Without Package Scoped Variables](#)

A thought experiment in that applies Peter Bourgon's approach of having no package-level variables or init functions to the standard library.

DAVE CHENEY

[Design Philosophy On Data And Semantics](#)

Explaining the use of value vs pointer semantics with philosophy, specific guidelines, and examples from the standard library.

WILLIAMKENNEDY

[Deploying a Go App with systemd Socket Activation](#)

Serving an HTTP API via systemd and socket activation, which allows for continuous, hot deployments.

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[Don't Defer Close\(\) On Writable Files](#)

Even though it's a common Go idiom, using defer to call `Close()` on writable files can lead to hard-to-find bugs.

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[Why Go is Great for Portable Apps](#) **TUTORIAL**

Why cross-compilation is a good thing and how Go gets it done.

JOHANAN LIEBERMANN

[Closures are the Generics for Go](#) **TUTORIAL**

When a closure can (almost) support similar idioms as generics do in other languages.

CAPITAL ONE DEVEXCHANGE

[Go Internals: Autogenerated Functions \(and How to Get Rid of Them\)](#) **TUTORIAL**

A situation where the compiler has to jump through some costly execution hooks for little/no benefit.

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[Custom Range Iterators in Go](#) **TUTORIAL**

Implementing a custom iterator using channels, a la Python's range.

CHARLES FRANCOISE

[Go Packages in R Packages](#) **TUTORIAL**

A simple example using cgo in order to call Go code from R.

ROMAIN FRANÇOIS

[Blocking Go Readers and Writers](#) **TUTORIAL**

Readers and Writers in Go are blocking, which caused an issue for Heroku. See their solution here.

DAMIEN MATHIEU

[A Look at Resource Pooling Techniques in Go](#) **TUTORIAL**

JESSE ALLEN

[Evergreen Continuous Integration: Why We Reinvented the Wheel](#) **STORY**

How Go proved itself so useful in building Evergreen that we went on to rewrite our Cloud agents and the MongoDB tools using it.

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[Fun with Channels in Go](#) **VIDEO**

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[Package Oriented Design](#) **VIDEO**

An engaging talk on the benefits of putting code into packages.

WILLIAMKENNEDY

[Reconfigure.io: Program FPGAs with Go](#) **TOOLS**

Code in Go, and easily build, test and deploy to FPGAs in the cloud.

AYUP

[Daisy: A Private Blockchain Where Blocks Are SQLite Databases](#) **CODE**

IVAN VORAS

[A List of Non-Trivial Go Apps and Libraries](#) **CODE**

The aim is to provide a list of projects to study / learn from.

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[Router: A 'Lightning Fast' and Flexible HTTP Router](#) **CODE**

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[simple-httpd: A Simple HTTP Server](#) **CODE**

A replacement for Python SimpleHTTPServer, providing automatic TLS via Let's Encrypt.

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[gopher-os: A Proof of Concept OS Written in Go](#) **CODE**

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