

Kélonia, the sea turtles observatory is glad to announce the next release of a green turtle *Chelonia mydas* named Lili.

It is an exceptional release on several points:

- Lili was born on Tromelin, 20 years ago. This young turtle now weighs 152 kg for a Curve Carapace Length of 107 cm, and grew up in captivity. Her aggressive behaviour toward her kin and her good health have motivated the decision of Kélonia to release her to the wild.

- Releasing turtles into the wild is a rare event. And as such, Lili was sponsored by a class of 24 children from a primary school of St Leu. These children have been involved into different actions for the protection of marine turtles and their habitats for months.

- This turtle will be equipped with a satellite tracking device to follow her movement through the ocean on a regular basis. Scientists at Kélonia are also interested in her migratory behaviour. The analysis will determine if a captive turtle will have the same migratory behaviour as a wild turtle.

If you wish to join us for this wonderful moment, meet us at the beach lining Kélonia around 11am on Thursday 30th October.

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