

# Japanese Homecoming for Lido #6329



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When Ward Schmidt was just a boy, he and his family sailed Lido 14 #443 in Santa Barbara, California. Now living near Lake Kitaura in Japan, Ward thought it was time to have a new Lido of his own. Prompted by the fond memories of sailing the family's blue 1960s Lido, he ordered Lido 14 #6329 with a "classic" blue hull and named her *Bluesette*.

*Bluesette* left our factory on February 12, bound for the Port of Los Angeles, where it would prepare for an overseas adventure to the Tokyo Container Port. Three weeks after its departure, the Lido reached its final destination- Kashima City, Ibaraki, Japan- in perfect condition. *Bluesette's* proud new owner has posted the details of the journey and several fantastic photos on his blog, available at: <http://pacific-islander.blogspot.com/2009/03/das-boot.html>