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Tin cans

Crossing an ocean alone in a little metal boat I often thought about the International Space Station and looked for it on the night sky. A sailboat and the ISS doesn't really compare ... but we can still dream, right?

So, check out this video by Commander Chris Hadfield and dream:

Chris and the crew of Expedition 35 will be returning to earth today after 142 days in space. Welcome back guys!

Just for laughs: an Ocean crossing is about 3000nm long, and most sail-boats travel about 150nm a day, with a spacing of one to seven days, depending on the season etc. The ISS orbits the earth approx. 220nm above the surface (in 93 minutes!). Therefore it is quite possible that at some point during the voyage the Astronauts on the ISS are actually the closest human beings to a lone sailor in the middle of the ocean.

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