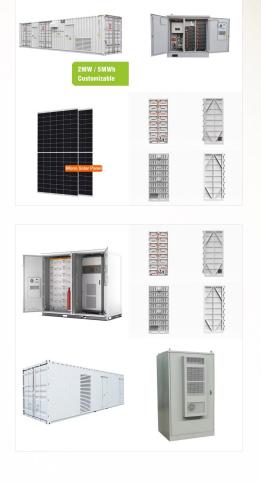
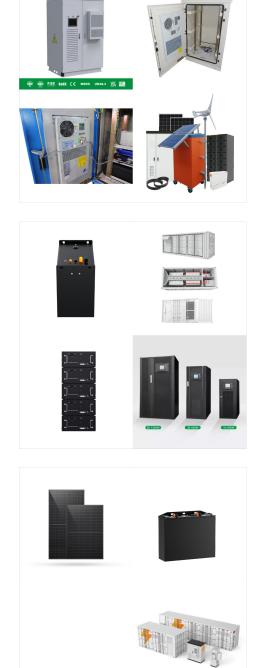
The Heard and McDonald Islands are interesting from a historical perspective because they are one of the few places in the world where two claim lines intersect. There is an ongoing dispute between Argentina and Chile over who has sovereignty over these islands. as well as dynamic glacial changes in the coastal and underwater environment



Many vascular plants are also found on the Heard and McDonald Islands. Elephant seals in Heard Island. Image source: Heard Island Expedition/laikolosse/Flickr. The main native fauna of the Heard and McDonald Islands include several insects along with large populations of seals, penguins, petrels, albatrosses, and other seabirds.

Flag of Heard Island and McDonald Islands: This Australian external territory does not have an official flag but is often represented by the flag of Australia, which is a blue field with the Union Jack in the canton, and a large white seven-pointed star below it, ???





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Management plans also explain what the objectives are for managing the area, and what the managers will do to help meet those objectives.. It is a requirement of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (the EPBC Act), under which the Heard Island and McDonald Islands (HIMI) Marine Reserve was declared, that a management plan be prepared ???

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L''isola Heard e le isole McDonald sono isole disabitate che si trovano nell''Oceano Antartico, a circa due terzi di distanza tra il Madagascar e l''Antartide.Esse costituiscono un territorio esterno australiano dal 1947 e contengono i due soli vulcani attivi presenti sul territorio australiano, uno dei quali (Mawson Peak) ? anche la montagna australiana pi? elevata, con 2.745 metri.





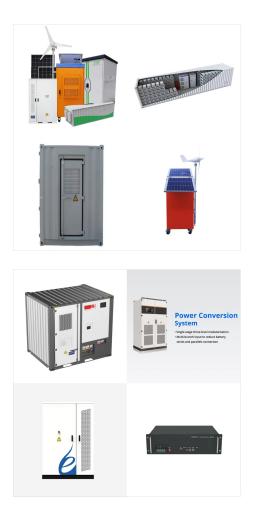
Heard Island and McDonald Islands is the only sub-Antarctic island group with almost no human-introduced species. Beyond "the shallows" ??? the case for expanding the reserve When the original reserve was designed it was noted that future management should consider whether sufficient representation of the different kinds of habitats

Heard and McDonald Islands are home to glaciers, wetlands, Australia's only active volcanoes, and diverse and significant populations of penguins, seals and albatrosses. This decision comes after extensive consultation with researchers, conservationists and the fishing industry. The design supports the sustainable, well-established fishery in



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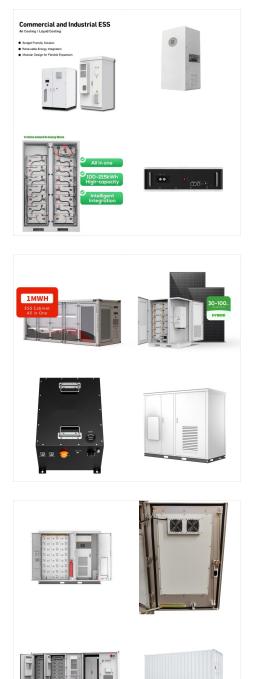
The Australian Government has expanded the sub-Antarctic Heard Island and McDonald Islands Marine Reserve, to protect this unique environment. Heard Island and the McDonald Islands are home to truly unique flora and fauna that survive in a dynamic natural environment dominated by volcanic activity and glaciers.

Heard Island and McDonald Islands are uninhabited, barren, Subantarctic islands in the Southern Ocean, far due south of India and roughly 400 km southeast of Kerguelen of the French Southern and Antarctic Lands.The islands are administered by Australia and listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site.Although it's administered by Australia, the islands are approximately 4,000 ???



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McDonald Island is much smaller (2.5 km 2), about 100 000 years old and totally ice-free, and is predominantly composed of phonolitic rocks. 9, 10 During the campaign, signs of volcanic activity









Heard Island and McDonald Islands are located in the Southern Ocean, approximately 1,700 km from the Antarctic continent and 4,100 km south-west of Perth. As the only volcanically active subantarctic islands they "open a window into the earth", thus providing the opportunity to observe ongoing geomorphic processes and glacial dynamics.

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