

Where are Heard and McDonald Islands?

Introduction Welcome to the guide for Heard and McDonald Islands, a remote archipelago in the Southern Indian Ocean.

How big is Heard Island & McDonald Islands?

The group's overall land area is 372 km² (144 sq mi) and it has 101.9 km (63 mi) of coastline. Discovered in the mid-19th century, the islands lie on the Kerguelen Plateau in the Indian Ocean and have been an Australian territory since 1947. Heard Island and McDonald Islands contain Australia's only two active volcanoes.

Are McDonald Islands and Heard Island Australian external territory?

Together with Heard Island, they make up the Australian external territory of Heard Island and McDonald Islands. The McDonald Islands are the emergent peaks of submarine volcanoes and are Australian external territory. Prior to 1992, there had not been an eruption in the previous 75,000 years.

Does Heard Island have a harbour?

Heard Island and the McDonald Islands have no ports or harbours; ships must anchor offshore. The coastline is 101.9 km (63.3 mi) in extent, and a 12 nmi (22 km) territorial sea and 200 nmi (370 km) exclusive fishing zone are claimed. [2]

Does Heard Island have a volcano?

Geography and History Heard Island is the largest and most volcanically active of the two islands. It has a glacier-covered central volcano, Big Ben, which last erupted in 2019. The island's unique landscape features ice caps, active volcanoes, and a wide variety of birdlife.

Is Heard Island a subantarctic island?

The fauna of the freshwater pools, lakes, streams and mires found in the coastal areas of Heard Island are broadly similar to those on other subantarctic islands of the southern Indian Ocean. Many species reported

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from Heard Island are found elsewhere.



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En general, una visita a las Islas Heard y McDonald es una experiencia ?nica y memorable para aquellos que buscan aventura y naturaleza virgen. En resumen, las Islas Heard y McDonald son un tesoro natural en el Oc?ano ?ndico, con paisajes impresionantes, una rica biodiversidad y una historia fascinante.

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Heard Island and the McDonald Islands are free from introduced predators and provide crucial breeding habitat in the middle of the vast Southern Ocean for a range of birds. The surrounding waters are important feeding areas for birds and some scavenging species also derive sustenance from their cohabitants on the islands.



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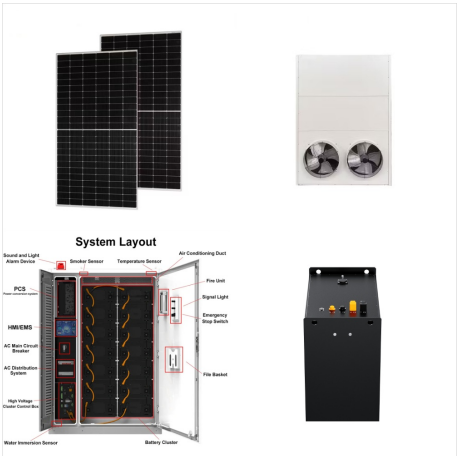
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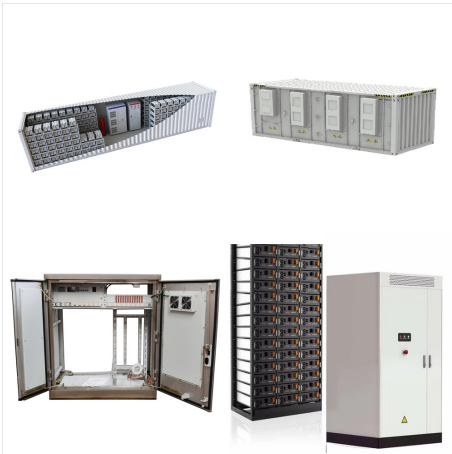


The Heard & McDonald Islands site in Australia was
inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1997. As the
only volcanically active sub-Antarctic islands, Heard
and McDonald provide the opportunity to observe
ongoing geomorphic processes and glacial
dynamics.

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Heard y McDonald son islas deshabitadas del sur del océano Índico. Pertenecen a la Commonwealth de Australia, a más de 4.000 kilómetros de distancia, y están gestionadas por el Departamento de Medio Ambiente y Energía del país.



The McDonald Islands comprise three islands: McDonald Island, Flat Island (which later merged with McDonald Island) and Meyer Rock. The islands are mostly composed of phonolitic low-silica pumice, dikes and lava domes, and sit atop a submarine plateau, the Kerguelen Plateau. They are located about 75 km from Heard Island.



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