

# Heard and McDonald Islands solar and electric

Where are Heard Island and McDonald Islands located?

The islands are a territory (Territory of Heard Island and McDonald Islands) of Australia administered from Hobart by the Australian Antarctic Division of the Australian Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

What's happening on Heard Island & McDonald Islands?

Landing stores, Atlas Cove, Heard Island with Rogers Head in background Photo: Alan Campbell-Drury Due to the extreme isolation of Heard Island and McDonald Islands (HIMI), together with the persistently severe weather and sea conditions, human activities in the region have been, and remain, limited.

How big is Heard Island & McDonald Islands?

The group's overall land area is 372 km<sup>2</sup> (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.

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]

Are there scientific studies on Heard Island?

Although hindered by the extreme isolation and unfavourable working conditions, scientific studies have been carried out on Heard Island since the first research visit by scientists from the HMS Challenger in 1874. See the Research Expeditions pages in the History section of this website for more information.

How many people have landed on Heard Island?

Since the first landing on Heard Island in 1855, there have been only approximately 240 shore-based visits to the island, and only two landings on McDonald Island (in 1971 and 1980).

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Heard and McDonald Islands. In fact Heard and McDonald Islands are far to the south west of mainland Australia, in the south of the Indian Ocean (near Kerguelen Island, approximately 73 degrees east, 53 degrees south -- reference: The Times Atlas of the World) There was a scientific base on Heard Island in the 1950s but it is not currently staffed.

De Heard en McDonaldeilanden (Engels: Heard Island and McDonald Islands (HIMI)) zijn een onbewoonde onherbergzame subantarctische eilandengroep in het zuiden van de Indische Oceaan op de breedtegraad van Vuurland en op dezelfde lengtegraad als Mumbai.Ze liggen op 1700 km van Antarctica en op 4100 km zuidwestelijk van Perth eilanden vallen onder de ...

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