

# Heard and McDonald Islands storage for solar power

Where are the Heard and McDonald Islands located?

The Heard and McDonald Islands are remote subantarctic volcanic features located in the Southern Ocean, halfway between Australia and South Africa. They are approximately 1700 km from the Antarctic continent and 4000 km southwest of mainland Australia (Australian Government 2016 ). Heard Island is 43 km long and 21 km wide.

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 (63.3 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.

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.

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]

What is the difference between Heard Island and McDonald Island?

Heard Island - 80% ice-covered, bleak and mountainous, dominated by a large massif (Big Ben) and an active volcano (Mawson Peak); McDonald Islands - small and rocky fish Mawson Peak, an active volcano, is on Heard Island

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).

L'isola Heard è di gran lunga la maggiore del gruppo, con una superficie di 368 km<sup>2</sup>; è brulla e montuosa, coperta per l'80% di ghiacci e dominata dal Mawson Peak, un vulcano alto 2.745 m che fa parte del massiccio chiamato Big Ben. Mawson Peak è uno dei due soli vulcani attivi del territorio australiano; l'altro si trova sull'isola McDonald. Anche uno dei monti più elevati dell'...

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Commonwealth of Australia since 1953. The Heard Island and McDonald Islands Act 1953 provides the legislative basis for the Territory's administration. Administration of the Territory is the responsibility of the Australian Government department that administers the Heard Island and McDonald Islands Act 1953. This responsibility has ...

Power is supplied by small diesel generators, solar cells and wind generators. Wastes are stored for return to Australia, incinerated (where combustible and non-toxic) or, in the case of human wastes and washing water, disposed of ...

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 ...

The solar arrays are co-located with 380 MW of four hour battery storage to provide customers with 1,400 MWh of clean, reliable power after sundown. A DC-coupled storage configuration enables the energy storage system to charge directly from the solar panels to enhance efficiency and maximize on-site capture and storage of solar energy.

Big Ben has erupted several times over the past two decades. McDonald Island lies 43.5 kilometres due west of Heard Island, and is the major island in the McDonald Islands group. It is a mere 186 metres high and it too has an active volcano. The McDonald Islands are so volcanically active they have doubled in area since 1980.

The Philippines has a population of 115 million people across over 7,500 islands; geographical location can make total electrification difficult - especially on a single central grid. Therefore, microgrids that serve local communities have been gaining traction. These systems easily incorporate solar power to ensure access to clean energy.

Work started in mid-June 2012 on the one megawatt Tokelau Renewable Energy Project, which is comprised of three individual solar power systems with battery storage. Each system alone is among the largest off-grid solar power systems in the world, and together they are capable of providing 150% of current electricity demand in Tokelau, a much ...

Location and Values: The Heard and McDonald Islands are remote sub-Antarctic volcanic islands located in the far south of the Indian Ocean, about 1,600 km from Antarctica and half-way between Australia and South

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Africa. They lie a little to the south of the French Austral Lands and Seas, and include an extensive surrounding marine reserve (which accounts for 94% of the ...

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. ...

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 ...

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Public consultation paper 1 Purpose of this document The Proposal to expand Heard Island and McDonald Islands Marine Reserve - Public consultation paper ("proclamation proposal") has been prepared to support public consultation on the proposed design of an expanded Heard Island and McDonald Islands (HIMI) Marine Reserve.

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