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Is South Georgia a small island?

It is a remote and inhospitable collection of islands,consisting of South Georgia and a chain of smaller islands known as the South Sandwich Islands. South Georgia is 165 kilometres (103 mi) long and 35 kilometres (22 mi) wide and is by far the largest island in the territory.

Who owns South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands?

The United Kingdomclaimed sovereignty over South Georgia in 1775 and the South Sandwich Islands in 1908. The territory of "South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands" was formed in 1985; previously,it had been governed as part of the Falkland Islands Dependencies.

Where is South Georgia located?

The South Georgia Group lies about 1,390 kilometres (860 mi; 750 nmi) east-southeast of the Falkland Islands,at 54°S;-55°S;36°W;-38°W. It comprises South Georgia Island itself,by far the largest island in the territory,and the islands that immediately surround it and some remote and isolated islets to the west and east-southeast.

What is the ccTLD for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands?

The Internet country code top-level domain (ccTLD) for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands is .gs. The parts of the islands that are not permanently covered in snow or ice are part of the Scotia Sea Islands tundra ecoregion.

Why is South Georgia a marine protected area?

On 23 February 2012,to protect marine biodiversity,the territory's government created the South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands Marine Protected Area - comprising 1.07 million km² (410,000 sq mi). After the Falklands War in 1982,a full-time British military presence was maintained at King Edward Point on South Georgia.

Are South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands mountainous?

South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands are a collection of islands in the South Atlantic Ocean. Most of the islands,rising steeply from the sea,are rugged and mountainous. At higher elevations,the islands are permanently covered with ice and snow.

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Wild, remote, and uninhabited, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands house a remarkable ensemble of life. The volcanic South Sandwich Islands and heavily ice-covered South Georgia island lie sequestered in the South Atlantic Ocean, 1,400 km east of Falkland Island and 1,700 km from the southern tip of South America.

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South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands are a collection of exceptionally remote islands in the Southern Atlantic. Although considered as one entity they represent two physically distinct island groups, with the South Georgia cluster ranging between 560 and 800km west of the South Sandwich Island arc (Figure 1).

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