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AIR OPERATIONS PLANNING MAP SERIES

MAP 01: Graham Land

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Scale 1: 1 000 000, Projection: Polar Stereographic

Spheroid: WGS84 Latitude of true scale: 71°S

- Contour (interval 1000 ft)
- 2610 Estimated spot height (feet)
- 10444 Highest point on map (feet) NOT A SAFETY ALTITUDE
- All year scientific station
- Summer only station
- Camp/refuge
- Operations feature
- Airfield
- Coastline
- Lake
- Rock outcrop
- Ice shelf
- ASMA
- 109 ASPA (with number) or bird colony
- Bird colony

Guidelines for the Operation of Aircraft near Concentrations of Birds

The map shows the location of the main breeding concentrations of penguins and petrels in Palmer Land, Southern Graham Land and Alexander Island.

Low flying and unnecessary landings increase the risk of disturbance to wildlife, and in some areas will put your aircraft and crew at risk from bird strike. To minimize the risk to both wildlife and aircraft, follow the guidelines below as closely as your operational requirements allow:

Penguin, giant petrel and other bird colonies are not to be overflown below 2000 ft (~610 m) above ground level, except when operationally necessary.

Landings within 1/2 nautical miles (~930 m) of penguin, giant petrel or other bird colonies should be avoided wherever possible.

Never hover or make repeated passes over wildlife concentrations or fly lower than necessary.

Maintain a vertical separation distance of 2000 ft (~610 m) AGL and a horizontal separation of ¼ nautical mile (~460 m) from the coastline wherever possible.

Cross coasts at right angles and above 2000 ft (~610 m) AGL where possible.

For further information regarding aircraft operations near concentrations of birds see the Antarctic Flight Information Manual (COMNAP) https://www.comnap.aq/air-operations

Warnings:

This map is not an air navigation chart and it is not intended for in-flight navigation.
Contours and spot heights are in feet.
Vertical Datum – EGM08. Heights are geoidal/orthometric (mean sea level).

Data Sources:
Operations Data: COMNAP Antarctic Facilities List (November 2024).
Spot Heights - extracted from REMA v2 2m DEM and generated programatically.
Contours and Hillshade - derived from Polar Geospatial Center REMA v2 100m mosaic. Where there were holes in this dataset, these have been filled with Copernicus GLO-90 Digital Elevation Model, downsampled to 100m. This dataset was smoothed for the purposes of this map.
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Bird colony information - MAPPPD and limited local information- absence of a bird colony symbol does not indicate absence of birds. https://www.penguinmap.com/mapppd/ accessed September 2025
Coastline and Seamask - SCAR Antarctic Digital Database (ADD) Version 7.10 (2024).
Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA), Antarctic Specially Managed Area (ASMA) - www.ats.aq
Place names - British Antarctic Territory Gazetteer and the SCAR Composite Gazetteer of Antarctica. Datasets accessed August 2025.

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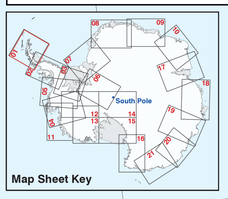
20 km 0 20 40 60 80 km

10 nm 0 10 20 30 40 nm



Map Sheet Key

DRAKE PASSAGE
SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS
BRANSFIELD STRAIT
ANTARCTIC PENINSULA
ALMER ARCHIPELAGO
DAVIS COAST
Detroit Plateau
Trinity Peninsula
Erebus and Terror Gulf
NORDENSKJÖLD COAST
Seal Nunataks
WEDDELL SEA
LARSEN ICE SHELF
FOYN COAST
BOWMAN COAST
BISCOE ISLANDS
GRAHAM COAST
Bruce Plateau
Avery Plateau
Fuchs Ice Piedmont
Arrowsmith Peninsula
Marguerite Bay
Boyd Strait
Gerlache Strait
Antarctic Sound
Prince Charles Strait
Sealers Passage
Lazer Channel
Nelson Strait
Hero Inlet
Gilbert Strait
Orleans Strait
Gustav Channel
Herbert Sound
Admiralty Sound
Croft Bay
Vega I.
Mendel (CZ)
Esperanza (Arg.)
Petrel (Arg.)
Marambio (Argentina)
Carlini (Argentina)
Comandante Ferraz (Brazil)
Arctowski (Poland)
King Sejong (Korea)
Artigas (Uruguay)
Cámara (Arg.)
Capitán Arturo Prat (Chile)
Bellingshausen (Russia)
Pres. Eduardo Frei & Escudero (Chile)
Ripamonti (Chile)
Great Wall (China)
SCRM Marsh
Machu Picchu (Peru)
Risopatrón (Chile)
Maldonado (Ecuador)
Guillermo Mann (Chile)
Ohridski (Bulg.)
Juan Carlos (Spain)
Int. Field Camp Peninsula Byers (Spain)
Decepción (Arg.)
Castilla (Spain)
General Bernado O'Higgins (Chile)
Primavera (Arg.)
Palmer (USA)
Damoy
Port Lockroy
Yelcho (Chile)
Videla (Chile)
Brown (Arg.)
Melchior (Arg.)
EGAR Rothera
Vernadsky (Ukraine)
Matienzo (Arg.)
Elephant I.
Cornwallis I.
Clarence I.
Cape Lloyd
Seal Is
Aspland I.
Gibbs I.
Mount Pendragon
Cape Lookout
Cape Bowles
King George Island
Ridley I.
Mount Hopeful
Cape Melville
Penguin I.
Bridgeman I.
Nelson I.
Robert I.
Greenwich I.
Livingston I.
Byers Peninsula
Rugged I.
Rotch Dome
Snow I.
Cape Conway
Barnard Point
Mt Friesland
Cape Shirreff
Deception I.
Smith I.
Cape James
Low I.
Cape Garry
Hoseason I.
Trinity I.
Liége I.
Brabant Island
Two Hummock I.
Lecointe I.
Mt Parry
Mt Harbour
Cape Herschel
Christiania Is
Crocker Passage
Bouquet Bay
Dullman Bay
Hughes Bay
Bluff I.
Melchior Is
Mt Buckle
Mt Nestor
Anvers Island
Mt Engelis
Wauwermans Is
Wiencke I.
Cape Renard
Hugo I.
Wilhelm Archipelago
Argentine Is
Nansen I.
Ronge I.
Kenshaw Peaks
Foster Plateau
Mt Wake
Mt Zeppelin
Herbert Plateau
Cape Longing
Pedersen Nunatak
Murdoch Nunatak
Bruce Nunatak
Christensen Nunatak
Robertson I.
Cape Marsh
Cape Fairweather
Foyn Point
Cape Disappointment
Roundel Dome
Lahille I.
Chavez I.
Leroux Bay
Vieugué I.
Renaud Island
Duchayland I.
Larrouy I.
Rabot I.
Dodman I.
Marie Louise I.
Krogh I.
Watkins I.
Cape Bellue
Auvert Bay
Holtedahl Bay
Millers Heights
Mount Zdarsky
Fontaine Heights
Barilari Bay
Pendleton Strait
Lewis Sound
Darbel Bay
Erskine Gl.
Pauling I.
Cape Mascart
Sillard Is
Liard I.
Detaille I.
Andresen Island
Hanusse Bay
Buchanan Passage
Lallemand Fjord
Lallemand Peninsula
Cornish Island GPS
Hansen I.
Graviet Peaks
Mount Reeves
Mount Bouvier
Day I.
Wyatt I.
Adelaide Island
Mount Mangin
Mount Gaudry
Mt Liotard
Leonie Is
Cape Adriasola
Jenny I.
Avian I.
Henkes Is
Dion Is
Pourquoi Pas I.
Horseshoe I
Camp Point
Mount Lyttleton
Slessor Peak
Mount Odin
Cape Casey
Cabinet Inlet
Stanley I.
Spur Point
Cape Alexander
Veier Head
Cole Peninsula
Cape Robinson
Churchill Peninsula
Mount Lagado
Mount McCarroll Peak
Basilon Peaks
Chapman Point
Cape Framnes
Mount Fitsche
Scar Inlet
JASON PENINSULA
Argo Point
Adie Inlet
Stratton Inlet
Philippi Rise
Bawden Ice Rise
Mount Daher
Mamelon Point
Cape Northrop
Whirlwind Inlet
Francis I.
Tonkin I.
Three Slice Nunatak
Mount Mangin
Mount Gaudry
Mount Liotard
Mount Reeves
Mount Bouvier
Mount Nestor
Mount Engelis
Mount Buckle
Mount Zeppelin
Mount Wake
Mount Fitsche
Mount Daher
Mount Lagado
Mount McCarroll Peak
Mount Zdarsky
Mount Lyttleton
Mount Odin
Mount Dennue
Mount Friesland
Mount Hopeful
Mount Pendragon
Mount Quilmes
Mount Snowfield
Mount Haddington
Mount Tucker
Mount Wilson
Mount Engelis
Cape Ducorps
Cape Roquemaurel
Cape Kjellman
Cape Green
Cape Juncal
Cape Lookout
Cape Bowles
Cape Lloyd
Cape Melville
Cape Longing
Cape Marsh
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