

National Nature Reserves in the Falkland Islands

The Falkland Islands has **19 National Nature Reserves** (NNRs) designated between 1964 and 2017. Some reserves are owned by the Falkland Islands Government and some are owned by organisations and private individuals. They protect a range of native habitats including offshore islands, tussac grasslands, peatlands, wetlands and freshwater ecosystems. Many reserves are also recognised through international scientific designations including Important Bird Areas (IBA), Important Plant Areas (IPA), Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) and Ramsar wetlands of international importance. National Nature Reserves are legally protected under the Conservation of Wildlife and Nature Ordinance 1999.

National Nature Reserves at a glance:

- 19 National Nature Reserves
- 47,500 hectares protected
- 8 reserves owned by FIG, 11 reserves owned privately
- Most reserves were designated between the 1960s and 1990s

National Nature Reserve	Area (hectares)	Ownership	Location	Significance
Arch Islands	378	FIG	South of West Falkland	Important offshore island ecosystem
Beauchêne Island	150	FIG	South of East Falkland	IBA, KBA
Bird Island	130	FIG	South-west of West Falkland	IBA, KBA
Bleaker Island	783	Private	South-east of East Falkland	IBA, KBA
Cape Dolphin	977	Private	East Falkland	Habitat restoration site
East Bay	11,767	Private	West Falkland	Wetland and freshwater habitats
Jason Islands	1,287	FIG	North-west of West Falkland	IBA, KBA
Kidney & Cochon Islands	42	FIG	Berkeley Sound entrance	IBA, KBA
Low Island	81	Private	North-west of West Falkland	IBA, KBA
Middle Island	163	FIG	King George Bay	IBA, KBA
Moss Side	1,458	Private	East Falkland	Wetland habitats
Narrows	3,900	Private	West Falkland	High habitat diversity
New Island South	607	Falklands Conservation	West of West Falkland	IBA, KBA
Patricia Luxton	911	Private	Chartres, West Falkland	IPA

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Sea Dog Island	35	FIG	South-west of West Falkland	Offshore island ecosystem
Sea Lion Island	945	FIDC	South-east Falklands	Ramsar, IBA, KBA
Stanley Common & Cape Pembroke Peninsula	7,878	FIG	Stanley	IPA
The Twins Islands	23	Falklands Conservation	West Falkland	IBA, KBA
Volunteer & Cow Bay	4,100	Private	East Falkland	IBA, KBA

Map of the National Nature Reserves in the Falkland Islands (includes the Hill Cove Mountains National Park)

