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Chapter 1

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1.1 122.guide

Texified version of data for Jarvis Island.

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Jarvis Island

1.2 122.guide/Jarvis Island

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Header (Jarvis Island)

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Affiliation:
 (territory of the US)

1.4 122.guide/Geography (Jarvis Island)

Geography (Jarvis Island)

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Location:
 in the South Pacific Ocean, 2,090 km south of Honolulu, just south of the
 Equator, about halfway between Hawaii and the Cook Islands

Map references:
 Oceania

Area:
 total area:
 4.5 km²
 land area:
 4.5 km²
 comparative area:
 about 7.5 times the size of the Mall in Washington, DC

Land boundaries:
 0 km

Coastline:
 8 km

Maritime claims:
 contiguous zone:
 24 nm
 continental shelf:
 200 m or depth of exploitation
 exclusive economic zone:
 200 nm
 territorial sea:
 12 nm

International disputes:
 none

Climate:
 tropical; scant rainfall, constant wind, burning sun

Terrain:

sandy, coral island surrounded by a narrow fringing reef
 Natural resources:
 guano (deposits worked until late 1800s)
 Land use:
 arable land:
 0%
 permanent crops:
 0%
 meadows and pastures:
 0%
 forest and woodland: 0%
 other:
 100%
 Irrigated land:
 0 km²
 Environment:
 sparse bunch grass, prostrate vines, and low-growing shrubs; lacks fresh water; primarily a nesting, roosting, and foraging habitat for seabirds, shorebirds, and marine wildlife; feral cats

1.5 122.guide/People (Jarvis Island)

People (Jarvis Island)

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Population:
 uninhabited; note - Millersville settlement on western side of island occasionally used as a weather station from 1935 until World War II, when ← it was abandoned; reoccupied in 1957 during the International Geophysical Year by scientists who left in 1958; public entry is by special-use permit only and generally restricted to scientists and educators

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Government (Jarvis Island)

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Names:
 conventional long form:
 none
 conventional short form:
 Jarvis Island
 Digraph:
 DQ
 Type:
 unincorporated territory of the US administered by the Fish and Wildlife Service of the US Department of the Interior as part of the National

Wildlife Refuge System
Capital:
none; administered from Washington, DC

1.7 122.guide/Economy (Jarvis Island)

Economy (Jarvis Island)
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Overview:
no economic activity

1.8 122.guide/Communications (Jarvis Island)

Communications (Jarvis Island)
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Ports:
none; offshore anchorage only - one boat landing area in the middle of the west coast and another near the southwest corner of the island
Note:
there is a day beacon near the middle of the west coast

1.9 122.guide/Defense Forces (Jarvis Island)

Defense Forces (Jarvis Island)
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defense is the responsibility of the US; visited annually by the US Coast Guard
