

# Glorioso Islands

(possession of France)

## Geography

Location: Southern Africa, group of islands in the Indian Ocean, northwest of Madagascar

Area:

total area: 5 sq km

land area: 5 sq km

includes Ile Glorieuse, Ile du Lys, Verte Rocks, Wreck Rock, and South Rock

Land boundaries: 0 km

Coastline: 35.2 km

Maritime claims:

exclusive economic zone: 200 nm

territorial sea: 12 nm

Climate: tropical

Natural resources: guano, coconuts

Land use:

arable land: 0%

permanent crops: 0%

meadows and pastures: 0%

forest and woodland: 0%

other: 100% (all lush vegetation and coconut palms)

Environment:

current issues: NA

natural hazards: periodic cyclones

Population: uninhabited

## Government

Names:

conventional long form: none

conventional short form: Glorioso Islands

local long form: none

local short form: Iles Glorieuses

Capital: none; administered by France from Reunion

Independence: none (possession of France)

Economy

Overview: no economic activity

Transportation

Ports: none; offshore anchorage only

Airports:

total: 1

Defence Forces

Note: defence is the responsibility of France