

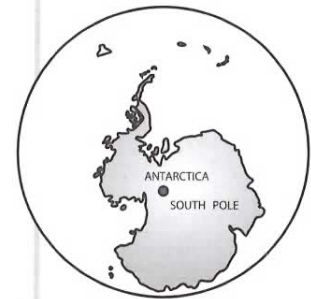
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## An Extreme Continent

The continent of Antarctica is a land of extremes. It is located farther south than any of the other six continents and includes the geographic South Pole. Although 98% of Antarctica is covered with ice, this icy continent actually boasts the world's largest desert. That's because a desert is defined as an area that receives less than 254 millimeters (10 in.) of rain or precipitation each year. Antarctica receives only about 50 millimeters (2 in) each year.



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The coldest temperature ever recorded on Earth was measured on Antarctica; it was  $-128.6^{\circ}$  Fahrenheit. It's no surprise therefore that the ground on this continent is frozen. Very little moisture evaporates in Antarctica so the snow that falls stays on the ground. Over time, it has built up into a massive sheet of ice that covers most of the continent. The rest of the continent about 2% is rock.



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although it may seem hard to believe antarctica was not always located over the South pole. Scientists believe that antartica was located near Earth's equator about 500 million years ago the continents climate was very different than it is today so life on the continent was also very different. Dinosaur fosills found in antarctica show how dramatically the continent has changed?



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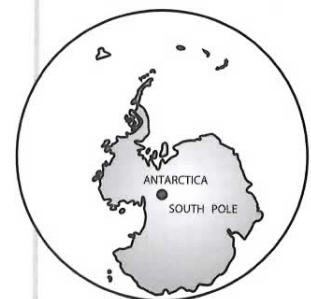
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today however there is no trees or bushes on Antarctica. Plant life is limited to mosses lichens and algae. most of the regions larger animals such as penguins and seels spend most of there time in the waters around the frozen continent. Mites ticks and worms are among Antarcticas most common land animals There aren't no permanent human residents on the continent, although scientists spend time at research bases



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