

Gold-Spewing Volcano of Antarctica

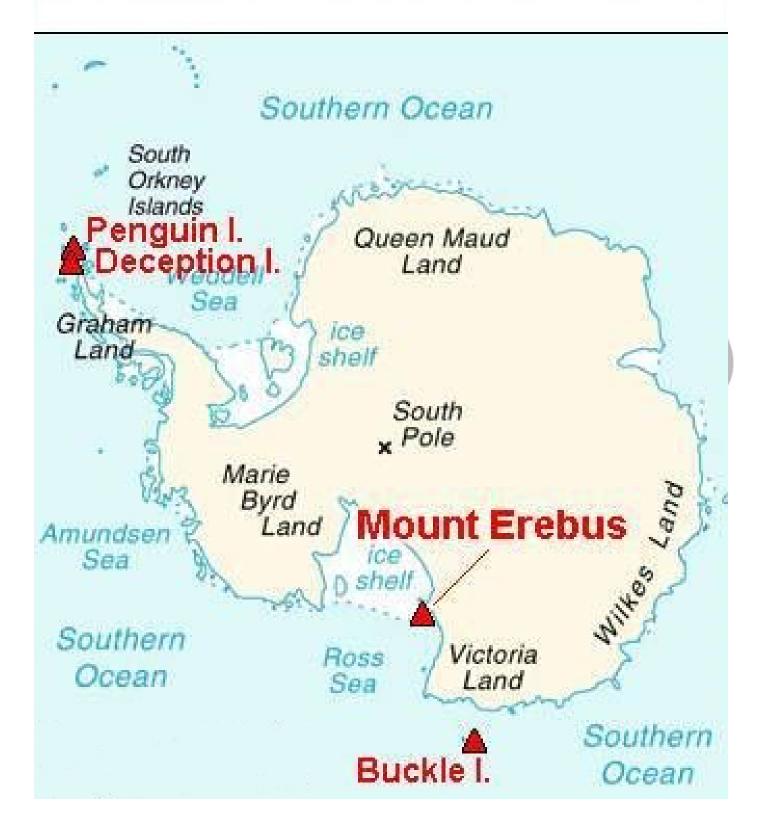
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Recently a study found out that **Mount Erebus**, **in Antarctica**, expels pockets of gas containing roughly **80 grams of crystallised gold daily**, worth about USD 6,000.

- Mount Erebus and Deception Island are the only two active volcanoes out of a total of 138, present in Antarctica.
- The **wind carries this glittering treasure** for hundreds of miles, with traces detected as far as 621 miles away.
- It's been in a constant state of eruption since at least 1972, a fiery anomaly amidst the frozen continent.
- Mount Erebus exhibits a particular eruptive style known as <u>Strombolian eruptions</u>. These eruptions are characterised by moderate intensity, with bursts of gas and ash shooting skyward.
- Mount Erebus hosts a lava lake at its summit crater which is a rare phenomenon. This molten rock pool remains unfrozen at the surface due to specific conditions within the volcano.



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