

British Antarctic Monument Trust

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The British Antarctic Monument Trust is a registered charity which aims to:

- commemorate the achievements of the men and women whose exploration of the British Antarctic Territory has led to new understanding of our planet, and honour those amongst them who did not return.
- increase the public understanding of how British exploration and scientific work has contributed to our knowledge of the natural environment.
- create unique and significant works of art.

The Trust is committed to raising the funding required to create and erect a monumental sculpture in the UK and the South, to place a memorial tablet in St Paul's Cathedral and to develop educational programmes and other activities.

You can see more about the Trust and information about those who did not return on the website – www.antarctic-monument.org

Please get in touch if you would like more information or if you can help in some other way. We are particularly anxious to contact the families and friends of those who died.

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The British Antarctic Monument Trust has been set up to celebrate the achievements of the men and women whose scientific exploration in the British Antarctic Territory has led to new understanding of our planet, and to honour those amongst them who did not return. It will inspire a broader interest in the Antarctic and a deeper understanding of the fragility of our environment and the interdependence of our world.

We are:

- placing a memorial tablet in the crypt of St Paul's Cathedral
- ensuring that all those who have lost their lives have an Antarctic geographic feature named after them
- creating a monumental sculpture, one part sited in the UK and the other in the South.

The Antarctic is the highest, coldest, and windiest continent: remote, hostile and uninhabited. Yet it is a key part of the fabric of the Earth. Processes taking place in

the Antarctic affect the world's climate and its oceans, linking the continent inextricably to ourselves.

Research by British scientists and explorers contributes to our understanding of many phenomena of vital importance. These include how continents drift apart; communications are affected by solar flares; polar ozone holes are formed; weather systems are linked globally; climate change is reflected in ice cores; and marine ecosystems are affected by fishing.

Since the British government established its first permanent research base in Antarctica in 1944 at Port Lockroy, over 2000 men and women of the British Antarctic Survey and its predecessor the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey have worked in the world's most treacherous conditions to help us understand the world in which we live. Twenty-eight men and one woman have died in the pursuit of this scientific knowledge.

The memorial plaque designed* for the crypt of St Paul's Cathedral is a circular disc, 1100mm diameter, made of riven Welsh slate with a map of Antarctica inset in Carrara marble. A huddle of Emperor penguins is carved at the base. The inscription "*For those who lost their lives in Antarctica in pursuit of science to benefit us all*" is cut into the smoothed periphery of the disc. Around the rim the title "*British Antarctic Territory*" and its motto "*Research and discovery*" is cut.

The Antarctic monument has been designed† in two parts, the one made of British oak representing the mould from which the other stainless steel needle is cast. The oak sculpture is to be placed in the grounds of the Scott Polar Research Institute in Cambridge and the steel needle in the South. The sculpture represents both the environmental link and the emotional and physical distance between the two places on the Earth's surface.



* Artist Graeme Wilson with sculptor Fergus Wessel

† Sculptor Oliver Barratt