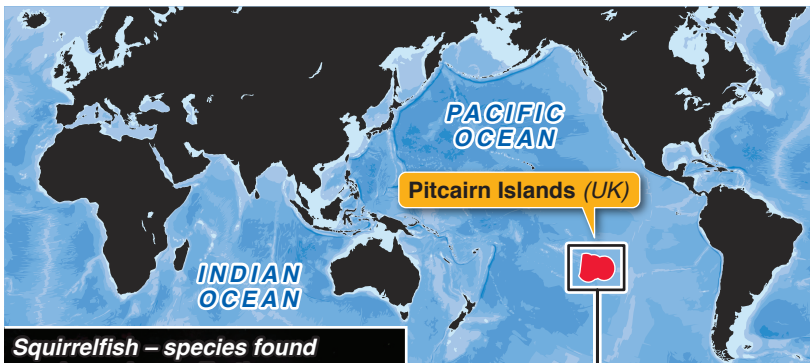


UK to create world's largest marine reserve

Britain says it will establish the world's largest continuous marine reserve – covering an area almost three-and-a-half times bigger than the landmass of the United Kingdom – in the Pacific Ocean



Squirrelfish – species found nowhere else on Earth



PITCAIRN ISLANDS MARINE RESERVE

834,334 sq km

Marine reserve boundary



PITCAIRN ISLANDS

■ Among most remote island groups in world. Population around 60, mostly descended from sailors who staged mutiny on ship *HMS Bounty* in 1789

■ New reserve aims to protect near-pristine ocean habitat from illegal fishing activities. Waters are home to at least 1,249 species of marine mammals, seabirds and fish



300km
185 miles

United Kingdom
on same scale
243,610 sq km

