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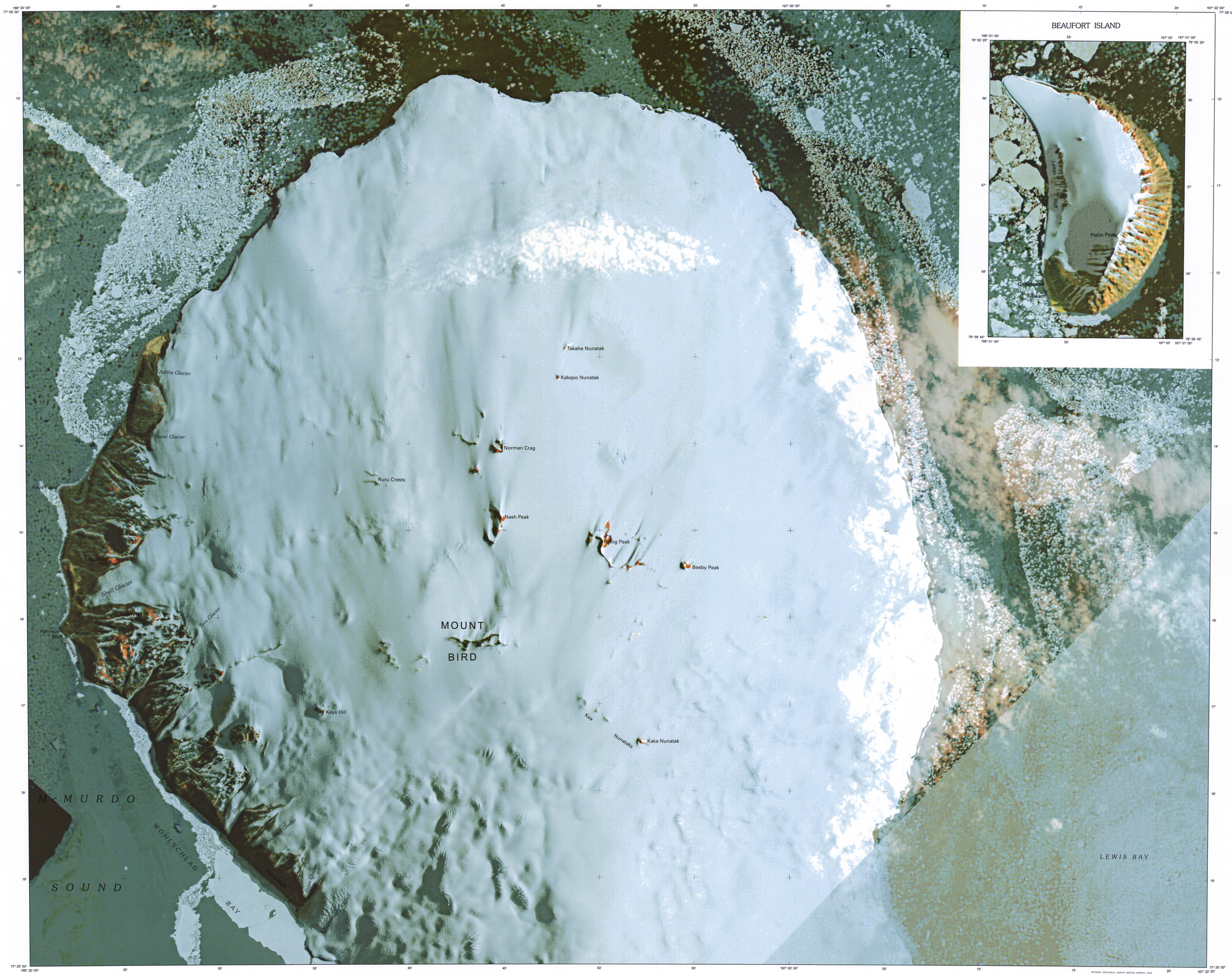
MOUNT BIRD

ANTARCTICA
SATELLITE IMAGE MAP



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DATA EXPLANATION

The satellite images were recorded by the Landsat thematic mapper in the multispectral mode and are composed of spectral bands 2 (525-605 nanometers, green-yellow), 4 (775-900 nanometers, near-infrared) and 7 (2090-2350 nanometers, middle-infrared) and by SPOT high-resolution visible recorded in the panchromatic mode.

The imagery was controlled using geodetic control points identified on aerial photographs held in the U.S. Antarctic Resource Center and supplemented by the field collection of coordinates for clearly identifiable topographic or geologic features. Satellite platform modeling was used during the geocorrections of the satellites data to ensure uniform error distribution through the scenes. The Landsat thematic mapper imagery was resampled in 15-meter cells, and the scenes were mosaicked, tone matched, and filtered using a 21x21 adaptive filter to which 85 percent of the unfiltered data were added back. The SPOT panchromatic imagery was resampled in 5-meter cells, the geocorrected SPOT scenes were tone balanced, mosaicked, and filtered ˜sing a 55x55 adaptive filter to which 50 percent of the unfiltered data were added back. The geocorrected Landsat thematic mapper data were then registered to the geocorrected SPOT panchromatic data for each map quadrangle separately, both data sets were merged using the Chavez filter method, and the resulting image was tone enhanced.

Merged bands 7, 4, and 2 are shown in red, green, and blue on the map. The two merged satellites data sets were acquired at two different times and dates, and the sun had two different azimuths and (or) elevations, creating often two different shadows for the same relief.

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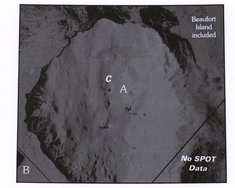

A LANDSAT TM
Path 57/ Row 115
Recorded 06 Jan.1993
Sun elevation 23°
Sun azimuth 88°
Root mean square
error: 23 meters

B LANDSAT TM
Path 54/ Row 116
Recorded 24 Dec. 1986
Sun elevation 25°
Sun azimuth 85°
Root mean square
error: 16 meters

C SPOT HRV P
K38 / J553
Of 20 Jan. 1995
Sun elevation 25°
Sun azimuth 73°
Root mean square
error: 8.6 meters

OBLIQUE PHOTOGRAPH

Right oblique photograph, 16 February 1966
(U.S. Antarctic Resource Center)

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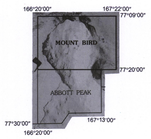
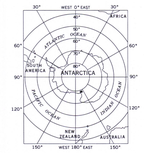


LOCATION DIAGRAM



At the image map location, this diagram and the image map are oriented in opposite directions.

SPOT Panchromatic component © CNES 1995

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SCALE 1: 25 000

1 ½ 0 1 MILES
1 .5 0 1 2 KILOMETERS

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Standard parallels 76°40'S and 79°20'S
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