

ISLAND BIOGEOGRAPHY AND CONSERVATION

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Key Questions

Key questions conservation biologist have attempted to address include:

1. How large should nature reserves be to protect species?
2. Is it better to have a single large reserve or many smaller reserves?
3. How many individuals of an endangered species must be protected in a reserve to prevent extinction?
4. What is the best shape for nature reserve?
5. When several reserves are created, should they to be close together or far apart, and should they be isolated from one another or connected by corridors?



Principles of Reserve Design

