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Russia's wild Kamchatka Peninsula



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The last 36 residents left in 1930. Now the eight islands, more than 40 miles from the Outer Hebrides, are home to the world's largest colony of gannets. Wander past ruined houses and imagine the harsh lives led on this beautiful spot.

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