

Changes to Uotsuri Island

Deterioration of topographical features caused by damage to vegetation

Changes to vegetation from the coast to the ridge. Based on photographs from 2012, we can see that grassland and shrubs have disappeared from the coast, and only the fountain palm (*livistona chinensis*) forest has survived.

1978

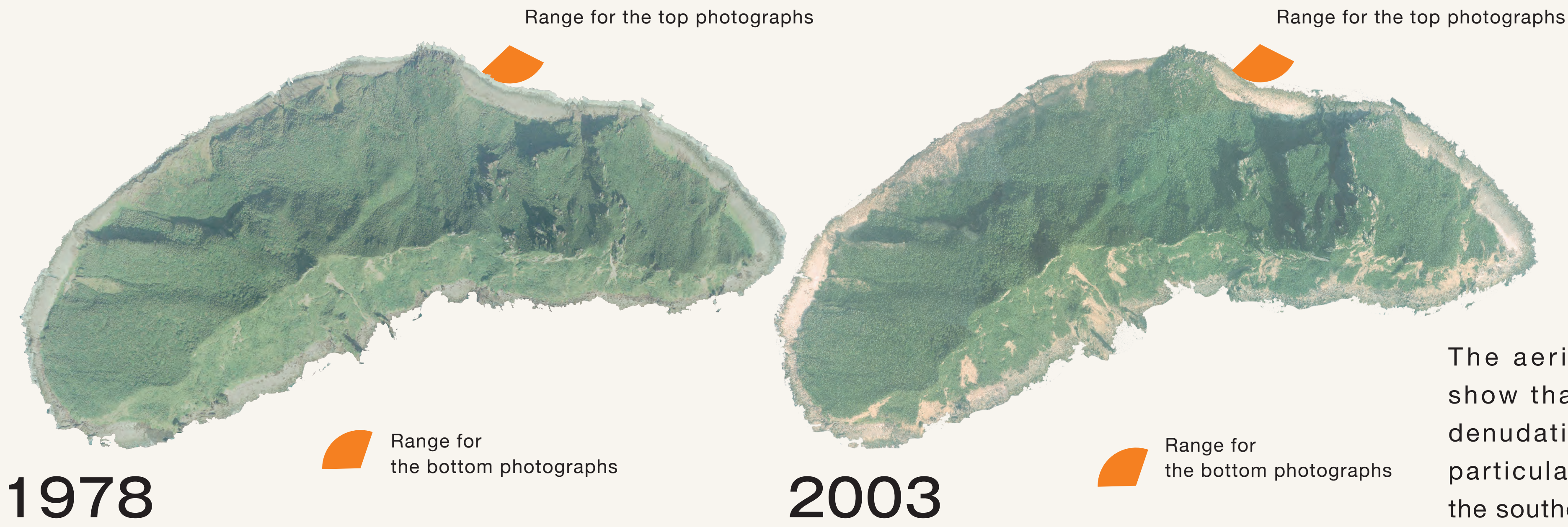
2012



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The aerial photographs show that the increasing denudation of the land is particularly prominent on the southern slopes.

