

A day watching the wind turbine

What is the world's largest wind turbine?

The world's biggest wind turbine has broken the record for single-day power generation. The world's largest wind turbine has smashed the record for the most power produced by a single turbine in a day. Offshore from Fujian Province, China, the giant Goldwind GWH252-16MW towers above the sea.

What is the world's largest offshore wind farm?

Meet the engineers who maintain 174 turbines that make up the world's largest offshore wind farm, off the coast of Yorkshire. They live on a ship in the North Sea for 14 days at a time, working 12-hour shifts. Each turn of a turbine blade can provide enough electricity for an average UK home's day.

Where do wind turbines work?

Wind turbines work best in open places where no obstacles block the wind. They are often part of larger wind farms which are often high up on hills or out at sea. Onshore wind is Scotland's main source of renewable energy. In 2020 about 70% of electricity generated in Scotland came from onshore wind.

How does a wind farm work?

First let's start with the visible parts of the wind farm that we're all used to seeing - those towering white or pale grey turbines. Each of these turbines consists of a set of blades, a box beside them called a nacelle and a shaft. The wind - even just a gentle breeze - makes the blades spin, creating kinetic energy.

How do humans use wind energy?

Humans have been using the energy of the wind for thousands of years for example as sails for boats, as windmills to grind grain and make flour, and windpumps to pump water. How do wind turbines work?

How long does it take a wind farm to pay back energy?

This was the finding of an evidence review published in the journal Renewable Energy, which included data from 119 turbines across 50 sites going back 30 years. The Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) states that the average wind farm will pay back the energy that was used in its manufacture within 3-5 months of operation.

How does a turbine generate electricity? A turbine, like the ones in a wind farm, is a machine that spins around in a moving fluid (liquid or gas) and catches some of the energy passing by. All sorts of machines use turbines, ...

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