

Life in a rain forest ecosystem

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11 Amazing Rainforest Animals

The two primary types of rainforests are tropical and temperate.

Rainforest Ecosystem

In Central Europe, 94 percent of the nitrogen supplies exist in the soil and only six percent are contained in the biomass.

Rainforest

As such, they have a warm and humid climate with lots of rainfall.

Rainforest Soil

The amount of average annual precipitation is also similar between tropical monsoon forests and tropical rainforests. The rain and moderate temperatures give rise to a profusion of plant life, including epiphytes -- plants that grow on other plants, often depending on fog for moisture -- ferns, mosses, liverworts, fungi and lichen, all sprouting from moist branches, trunks and decaying trees, as well as the ground.

Life in the Tropical Rainforest

Gorillas are primates that move throughout the dark, dense rainforest as well as more sun-dappled areas. Each layer of a rainforest is linked to the others, and without its health, the rest of the forest would perish.

Rainforest Ecosystem

Temperate rainforests are located in regions such as the northwest portion of the United States, called the Pacific Northwest.

The Ecosystems in Temperate Rainforests

A portion of the plot may be left fallow for months or years.

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