

# Rainforest Layers

More than two-thirds of the world's plant species can be found in rainforests. The wide variety of plants can be found at different levels in the forest and can support lots of different types of animals.

## Emergent Trees

Some taller trees poke out of the canopy. The trees in this emergent layer can grow to over 50 metres high.

Taller trees, growing up to 30 or 40 metres high, form the canopy. Lots of animals live in this thick leafy layer in the trees' crowns.

## Canopy

## Understorey

Shrubs, ferns and small trees grow here. When an old tree falls down, a small tree might get enough light to grow taller.

Few plants grow on the forest floor because it receives very little light. It is hot and damp and the ground is covered in rotting vegetation.

## Forest Floor