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WEBLINKS RESULTS

**Forest ecology**

**Forest ecosystem** - 22717  
The Global **Forest** Society has produced a site that looks at the **forest** ecosystem in six easy to read pages, describing **forest** homes, animals dependence on the oxygen and food that **forest**s produce and people's dependence on **forest**s.  
<http://www.gfawesome.org/school/lessons/DISCOVERING_ECOLOGY/05_-_The_Forest_Ecosystem/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Forest conservation portal** - 642  
This site has information on **forest**s, **forest** conservation and biodiversity.  
<http://forests.org/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Global forest watch** - 9464  
The World Resources Institute, Global **Forest** Watch website has information about the state of the world’s **forest**s and the extent of de**forest**ation. The site includes online publications such as 'State of the **forest**: Indonesia' and 'Last intact **forest** landscapes of Northern European Russia'.  
<http://forests.wri.org/project_description2.cfm?ProjectID=58>

**Forests and forestry - Australia**

**Australia's National Association of Forest Industries** - 643  
The Australian Association of **Forest** Industries site has information related to the development of **forest**ry in Australia. The site includes **forest** industries Woodchip and pulp paper, as well as information about the **forest** environment.  
<http://www.nafi.com.au/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Intact forest landscapes** - 21963  
This website shows the extent of intact **forest** landscapes in the world. You can also download a map in Google Earth format. This is the first global assessment of large undeveloped **forest** areas based on high spatial resolution satellite imagery.  
<http://www.intactforests.org/>

**Timber industry**

**Forest products in Australia** - 6125  
The **forest** products industries are Australia's second largest manufacturing industry. This site is a compilation of undergraduate student work at the Australian National University.  
<http://sres.anu.edu.au/associated/fpt/fp/fp.html>

**Permaculture**

**Food forest: permaculture farm and learning centre** - 7357  
The Food **Forest** is being developed by the Brookman family to demonstrate how an ordinary family can grow its own food. The site includes fact sheets about crops, dehydrating food, preserving by smoking, fermentation, composting toilets etc.  
<http://foodforest.com.au/>

**Ross River fever**

**Ross River and Barmah Forest** - 19871  
The Department of Medical Entomology at Sydney University gives scientific information for the lay person about Ross River virus and Barmah **Forest** virus, both transmitted to humans through mosquitoes. The natural history of the mosquito species responsible, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and prevention are discussed. Links within the text lead to additional reading including statistics from the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (Australia) web page.  
<http://medent.usyd.edu.au/fact/ross%20river%20&%20barmah%20forest.htm>

**Adaptation (Biology)**

**Plant adaptations** - 21224  
This overview of how plants adapt for survival in different climatic conditions looks at the biomes of desert, grassland, tropical rain **forest**, temperate rain **forest**, temperate deciduous **forest**, taiga, tundra and water.  
<http://www.mbgnet.net/bioplants/adapt.html>

**Pinus radiata**

**Radiata pine** - 12423  
A fact sheets from the Tasmanian **forest** industry about the properties of radiata pine.  
<http://www.privateforests.tas.gov.au/publications/farm_forestry_info_sheets>

**Forests and forestry - Australia**

**Forestry** - 2611  
Australia's **Forest**s has been established by the Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and **Forest**ry. It describes the **forest**s, their location, **forest** policy, benefits, conservation, industry, plantations, woodchipping and regional **forest** agreements.  
<http://www.daff.gov.au/forestry>

**Forests and forestry**

**Global canopy programme** - 19023  
The Global Canopy Programme website provides an overview of the benefits of **forest** ecosystems, factsheets (on **forest** ecosytems, climate change) and full-length reports eg. rain**forest** case study.  
<http://www.globalcanopy.org/>

**Forests and forestry - Tasmania**

**Gunns Limited** - 17633  
The website of the large Tasmanian **forest** industry company, Gunns, has information about its timber products, pulp mill operations, company information and history.  
<http://www.gunns.com.au/>

**Forests and forestry**

**About State Forests of NSW** - 10378  
This website provides information about the **forest**s of NSW, their use and management. The education section of the site has activities including 'Wild **forest** adventure' for primary aged students.  
<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/forests>

**Environment**

**Wilderness Society** - 107018  
Links to environmental issues including the campaign to conserve **forest** such as old-growth **forest**s in Tasmania.  
<http://www.wilderness.org.au>

**Glaciers**

**Glaciers and icefields** - 20920  
The glaciers of Alaska's Tongass National **Forest** are described with general information about glaciers and an annotated diagram of the anatomy of a glacier.  
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r10/tongass/forest_facts/resources/geology/icefields.htm>

**Rainforests**

**In search of the ways of knowing trail** - 14974  
The Brookfield Zoo in Illinois, USA has devised this interactive exploration of the Ituri **Forest** in central Africa. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
<http://www.brookfieldzoo.org/pagegen/wok/ways_index.html>

**Global warming**

**Mercury rising** - 9792  
Mercury Rising - Bearing Witness to Climate Change provides a photo-documentary expedition into the Monteverde Cloud **Forest** of Costa Rica, to get a glimpse at Earth's response to global warming.  
<http://www.oneworldjourneys.com/climate/>

**Biofuels**

**Chinese biofuels expansion threatens ecological disaster** - 19722  
A 2007 report from the World Watch Institute about the environmental dangers of the expansion of alternative energy biofuels production in **forest** areas of China.  
<http://www.worldwatch.org/node/4959>

**Forests and forestry**

**History of Australian forests** - 8166  
The Wilderness Society has compiled a history of Australia's **forest**s (including Tasmania), information about why **forest**s should be saved, the threat of logging and facts about **forest**s and logging.  
<http://www.wilderness.org.au/campaigns/forests?utm_source=topmenu&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=forests>

**International Year of Forests, 2011**

**International Year of Forests, 2011** - 24389  
The International Year of **Forest**s 2011 website has a calendar of events and links to the United Nations and related websites.  
<http://www.un.org/en/events/iyof2011/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Old growth forests** - 10380  
This website provides information about the old growth **forest**s of Western Australia. Topics covered on the website include the nature of old growth **forest**s, location, distribution, logging, use, threatened species and future.  
[http://web.archive.org/web/20040206231544/http://schools.wafa.org.au/index.html](http://web.archive.org/web/20040206231544/http:/schools.wafa.org.au/index.html)

**Forests and forestry**

**Forests** - 644  
This site has information services on conservation and sustainable use of the world's **forest**s. The site has a searchable data base of information including country-specific maps and some national statistics.  
<http://www.unep-wcmc.org/forest/homepage.htm>

**Forests and forestry**

**Greenpeace ancient forests** - 9465  
Greenpeace has compiled information about the destruction of ancient **forest**s around the world. Information covers de**forest**ation in Africa, the Amazon, Europe, Asia-Pacific, North America and South America. The website highlights key threats and solutions.  
<http://archive.greenpeace.org/forests/>

**Biodiversity**

**On borrowed time** - 23279  
This resource from, the Purves Environmental Fund and the CSIRO has 'four inquiry-based teaching and learning units and two decision-making interactives which allow students to reflect, consider and make decisions relating to Australia's biodiversity.' Topics include: Adaptation, **Forest**s, Fire and Farming. The website includes teacher resources and worksheets. The interactive are: Eco farm and Eco **forest**. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
<http://www.publish.csiro.au/onborrowedtime/sections/>

**Animals - Homes**

**Humans and animal habitats** - 18165  
This is an interactive activity that allows the user to check whether different animals are suitable for the different climates of Antarctic, desert, savannah grassland, temperature farmland, temperate **forest**, pond, the sea and tropical rain**forest**. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
<http://www.activescience-gsk.com/module2/home.html>

**Bushfires**

**Introduction to wildland firefighting** - 23555  
This site discusses ways to prescribe fire for control, safety and to improve the **forest** habitat and as a means to prevent wildfire in a US context. A photo essay of a prescribed (controlled) burn and information about fire behaviour and weather will have broad interest.  
<http://forestry.about.com/od/forestfire/a/firefighting.htm>

**Ecology**

**World biomes** - 6463  
WorldBiomes.com covers 5 of the major world biomes, aquatic, desert, **forest**, grasslands, and tundra. Each biome is briefly described, with colour photographs and links to topical sites.  
<http://www.worldbiomes.com/>

**Ecology**

**Biomes** - 8544  
The world's biomes page is an introduction to the major vegetation biomes of the Earth: aquatic, desert, **forest**, grassland and tundra. The site is largely text with few images and no world map.  
<http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/glossary/gloss5/biome/index.html>

**Inventions**

**Technology at home** - 9592  
This activity takes students back through the 20th century to find out when everyday inventions such as radio, TV, computers, video recorders, micro wave ovens etc first appeared in homes. Links are provided to Wallace Carothers, Lee de **Forest**, Guglielmo Marconi, William Shockley and Stephen Wozniak. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
[http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aso/tryit/tech/#](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aso/tryit/tech/)

**Endangered species**

**World's rarest mammals** - 9773  
This webpage provides a list of some of the world's rarest endangered mammals and their estimated populations. In addition to the list the site offers profiles of each mammal. Animals include the black footed ferret, kouprey or Cambodian **forest** ox, Seychelles sheath tailed bat, northern hairy nosed wombat, Javan rhino, baiji orYangtze River dolphin, Malabar large spotted civet, faced lion tamarin, Philippine deer, saola, hirola or Hunter's hartebeest, wild yak, Tonkin snub monkey, tamaraw, dwarf water buffalo, African ass, Ethiopian wolf, Simien jackal, Comoro flying fox, Mediterranean monk seal, Arabian oryx, addax, Sumatran, golden, Iberian lynx, eared lemur, riverine rabbit etc.  
<http://www.animalinfo.org/rarest.htm>

**Rainforests**

**Rainforest animals** - 23923  
This website provides descriptions and characteristics of animals that can be found in tropical rain**forest**s around the world. Animals described include: Africa **Forest** Elephant, Bengal Tiger, Chimpanzee, Common Palm Civet or Musang, Dawn Bat, Golden Lion Tamarin, Harpy Eagle, Jambu Fruit Dove, King Cobra, Kinkajou, Linn's Sloth, Orangutan, Proboscis Monkey, Red-shanked Douc, Silvery Gibbon, Slender Loris, Sumatran Rhinoceros, Toco Toucan, Vampire Bat and Wagler's Pit Viper.  
<http://www.blueplanetbiomes.org/rnfrst_animal_page.htm>

**Environment**

**Eeko world** - 14038  
EekoWorld (Environmental Education for Kids Online) invites children to 'explore, experiment, and collaborate as they learn about conservation and the environment.' Topics include the elements of ecosystems (deserts, grassland, wetland, tundra and **forest**), causes of pollution and the effects of pollution on plants and animals, as well as the land, air and water, recycling and conservation. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
<http://pbskids.org/eekoworld/>

**Biomes**

**Learn about biomes!** - 19277  
Biome Basics contains information and maps about the main biomes of the world: desert, grassland, ocean, rain**forest**, taiga, temperate **forest** and tundra. Each site has information about climate, plants and animals and links to other sites.  
<http://oncampus.richmond.edu/academics/education/projects/webunits/biomes/biomes.html>

**Bushfires**

**Understanding bushfire behaviour** - 21922  
CSIRO led research into bushfire behaviour, aims to help in the prediction of high intensity fire behaviour in dry eucalypt **forest**, particularly rate of fire spread (which has tended to be underestimated). The website includes a link to the CSIRO's bushfire information.  
<http://www.csiro.au/science/Vesta.html>

**Timber industry - Australia**

**Plantations 2020** - 12459  
Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision is a strategic partnership between the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments and the plantation timber growing and processing industry. The aim of the partnership is to promote the **forest** plantation industry.  
<http://www.plantations2020.com.au/>

**Woodchip industry**

**Woodchipping Australia** - 223  
The campaign against woodchipping in Australia. Includes case studies of major companies and advice for action, consumer investment campaign manual, amcor, north, boral, **forest**, wood, paper, environment.  
<http://www.green.net.au/boycott/bwchome.htm>

**Forests and forestry - Tasmania**

**Trees not Gunns** - 17635  
The Rain**forest** Action network has devised this online campaign to highlight the issues related to devastating logging practices in Tasmania's **forest**s.  
<http://treesnotgunns.org/home/>

**Forests and forestry**

**World Rainforest Movement** - 9466  
The World Rain**forest** Movement website from Uruguay, provides information about the state of the world's **forest**s. The site examines the causes of de**forest**ation, international processes and actors involved and the defenders of **forest**s (particularly indigenous peoples).  
<http://www.wrm.org.uy/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Tropical deforestation fact sheet** - 9463  
The NASA Earth Observatory website has information about tropical de**forest**ation. Topics on the website include the reasons for de**forest**ation, the rate of destruction, effects global processes such as warming, watercycle and biodiversity and the consequences.  
<http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/Library/Deforestation/>

**Forests and forestry - Queensland**

**Forestry, timber and wood** - 1351  
Links to maps, text and images relevant to all aspects of **forest**ry in Qld.  
<http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/forestry/>

**Forests and forestry**

**Deforestation in Sub-Saharan Africa** - 7506  
This Africa Technology Forum article contains information about de**forest**ation in Sub-Saharan Africa.  
<http://web.mit.edu/africantech/www/articles/Deforestation.htm>

**Rainforests**

**Children's tropical forests** - 22481  
Children's Tropical **Forest**s is a UK charity focused on the protection, conservation and regeneration of the world's tropical **forest**s by means of education and direct action in the **forest**s themselves. Information about Charles Darwin and specific rain**forest** projects is provided.  
<http://www.tropical-forests.com/>

**Biofuels**

**Forests and energy: key issues** - 19577  
The role of **forest**s and energy in the global debate on climate change are discussed in this report from the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations. It pays particular attention to bioenergy production (including biofuels), the contribution of wood energy to future energy demand and effects on poverty and land use. Numerous tables illuminate the accessible text for students.  
<http://www.fao.org/docrep/010/i0139e/i0139e00.htm>

**Rainforests**

**Children's tropical forests** - 14975  
Children's Tropical **Forest**s offers an interactive way to learn about rain**forest** animals and plants. This website provides information about the physical environment, plants, animals, peoples, destruction, conservation and consequences of destruction. The website includes factsheets, news and projects.  
<http://www.magikbirds.com/ctf/index.htm>

**Rainforests**

**Queensland tropical rain forests** - 12941  
This National Geographic webpage provides brief information about the Tropical Rain**forest** bio-region of Australasia. Suitable for study of Australian biomes.  
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/wildworld/profiles/terrestrial/aa/aa0117.html>

**Rainforests**

**Southwestern Amazonian moist forests** - 9926  
This National Geographic website describes the rain**forest** region in the southwestern reaches of the Amazon River Basin. This ecoregion has a rich biodiversity. A clickable map provides information about plants and animals. A brief summary describes the region and its importance.  
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/wildworld/amazon/index.html>

**National parks and reserves - Queensland**

**National parks and forests Queensland** - 1510  
Information about Queensland National Parks includes feature articles on Fraser Island and the Great Barrier Reef. There is also some basic information on the other Parks in Queensland.  
<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/>

**Woodwork**

**WoodLink** - 1203  
The Victorian Woodworkers' Association site with carpentry links to woodwork sources, Australian woodworkers, timber and **forest**s, and health and safety.  
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~woodlink/woodlink.htm>

**Biomes**

**Wild Kids** - 16838  
The Australian Museum has devised this website that describes the animals, birds and insects that commonly inhabit ecosystems such as coasts, **forest**s, freshwater, deserts, urban areas, woodlands and Antarctica.  
<http://australianmuseum.net.au/Wild-Kids>

**Ocean**

**Oceans** - 8492  
Temperate ocean topics on this site include zonation, light zones, **forest**s, patterns, how the ocean refreshes itself, food, dolphin safe tuna and ocean animals.  
<http://mbgnet.mobot.org/salt/oceans/main.htm>

**Australia - Geography**

**Terretrial eco-regions Australasia** - 10336  
This National geographic webpage provides links to the bio-regions of Australasia. The regions include Tropical; Subtropical Moist Broadleaf **Forest**s, Temperate Broadleaf and Mixed **Forest**s, Tropical and Subtropical Grasslands, Savannas and Shrublands, Deserts and Xeric Shrublands etc. Each bio-region is exemplified with case study examples such as Queensland tropical rain **forest**s, Tasmanian temperate rain**forest**s, Kimberley tropical savanna, Eyre and York Mallee and Gibson Desert. Suitable for the study of Australian biomes.  
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/wildworld/profiles/terrestrial_aa.html>

**Geography**

**InfoNation choose countries** - 13358  
This UN site has statistics on every country under the 5 main headings: Population, Economy, Health, Technology, Environment. You can compare data for up to 6 countries at at time, and have a chart instantly created. There are figures on population growth rates and density, refugees, gdp, tourism, poverty, educational spending, birth rate, infant mortality, communications, internet use, CO2 emissions, energy consumption, **forest**s, farming, water resources and threatened species.  
<http://cyberschoolbus.un.org/infonation3/menu/advanced.asp>

**Sacred sites**

**Global sacred sites** - 14487  
This website provides information about the history and conservation of the world's most famous sacred places. Places include: stone circles in Britain, Chartres, lands of the Sami, Arctic Russia, Jerusalem, Mt Kenya, Kaya **forest**s, Sacred Groves in India, Ganges river, Mt Kailash, Mt Fuji, Papua, Uluru, Lake Cowal, Tikal and Machu Picchu.  
<http://sacredland.org/index.php/home/resources/sacred-site-reports/>

**Biomes**

**World's biomes** - 19278  
Freshwater, marine, deserts, **forest**s, grasslands and tundra biomes are described on this site from The University of California Museum of Paleontology. The site also considers the importance of biomes and their conservation and preservation.  
<http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/exhibits/biomes/index.php>

**Environment NEW**

**ABC environment** - 24508  
The ABC Environment Portal provides a comprehensive array of news, video, audio, opinion and feature articles. Topics include climate change, energy, food, **forest**s, green business, green living, health, land management, Murray Darling Basin, nature, oceans, reefs, pollution, transport, waste, water and weather.  
<http://www.abc.net.au/environment/default.html>

**South Africa - Environmental aspects**

**Earthwire Africa** - 8806  
Earthwire Africa is an environmental news portal that contains current and archived articles, taken from a variety of publications, about environmental issues in Africa. Topics include agriculture, biodiversity, climate and atmosphere, coastal and marine issues, environmental impacts, **forest**s and woods, pollution, waste and transport.  
<http://www.earthwire.org/africa/>

**Programming (Computers)**

**Teen second life** - 16948  
Second Life users manoeuvre their stylized avatars, or alter egos, through a three-dimensional landscape of **forest**s, mountains, and plains, typing chat messages to other users, and interacting with them at parties, events, etc. Second Life is entirely user created and residents literally build the world together with the 3-D construction and programming tools provided for them, a process that resembles a group session of Lego building.  
<http://teen.secondlife.com/>

**Global warming**

**Climate Action Network Australia** - 10118  
Warnings from the Bush, is a website about the impact of climate change on the nature of Australia. Topics include the problems that climate change causes for wildlife, effects on **forest**s, marine ecosystems, rangelands and tropical savannahs, the Great Barrier Reef and alpine regions. The website includes solutions to climate change and recommendations.  
<http://www.cana.net.au/bush/default.htm>

**Environment**

**Environmental Investigation Agency** - 9782  
The Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA) is an independent, international campaigning organisation committed to investigating and exposing environmental crime. The organisation has campaigns addressing threatened species such as bears, tigers, whales, elephants and orangutans as well as **forest**s and ozone deopletion.  
<http://www.eia-international.org/>

**Serengeti National Park (Tanzania)**

**Serengeti National Park** - 8293  
The official site of the Serengeti National Park offers succinct but valuable information about the wildlife and geographyof the park.The site contains images and text on the great migration, the big five, the little five, plant life and night life. Geographic information covers volcanic formations, koppies, woodlands, plains, rivers and **forest**s of the park.  
<http://www.serengeti.org/>

**Bangladesh**

**Bangladesh** - 7297  
This travel site for Bangladesh provides general information about the country, its society, culture, flora and fauna. Regional areas such as the Sundarbans mangrove **forest**s, hill tracts, tea plantations and other areas are also described.  
<http://www.bangladeshtourism.gov.bd/>

**Environment**

**Earth trends** - 6167  
EarthTrends has searchable databases, data tables, country profiles, maps, and feature articles under ten topics. These include Coastal and Marine Ecosystems, Climate and Atmosphere, Agriculture and Food, **Forest**s and Grasslands, Water Resources, Energy and Biodiversity.  
<http://earthtrends.wri.org/>

**Endangered species**

**Leadbeater's possum page** - 1656  
Leadbeater's Possum is a marsupial of the tall eucalyptus **forest**s of Central Victoria, Australia. The animal is in danger of extinction and this site provides information about the animal's habitat and survival.  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leadbeater's_Possum>

**Environment**

**Facts on environmental matters** - 17014  
The Green Facts glossary provides information about health and the environment. It deals with topics such as **forest**s, AIDS, arctic climate change, desertification, alcohol, nutrition, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's), phthalates (additives that are widely used in plastics and other materials), genetically modified crops, biodiversity, tobacco, Chernobyl, ecosystem change, dioxins, climate change, endocrine disruptors, aspartame, respiratory diseases, arsenic and fluorides. The GreenFacts studies are summaries of scientific consensus documents.  
<http://www.greenfacts.org/glossary/#About>

**Trees - Environmental aspects**

**BillionTree Campaign** - 23384  
The United Nations Environment Programme web site has details about The Billion Tree campaign, which encourages the planting of billions of trees world-wide. The site has facts and figures about **forest**s and global de**forest**ation. It also features material on trees and humanity and tree planting tips.  
<http://www.unep.org/billiontreecampaign/index.asp>

**Materials - Problems, exercises, etc.**

**Materials and their properties** - 22459  
This site from National Grid for Learning Wales (NGfL Cymru) has lesson plans flipcharts and PowerPoint resources about materials and their properties. Topics include local trees and **forest**s, Michael Faraday's candles, rocks, floating and sinking and an online soil experiment. Suitable for interactive whiteboard.  
<http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/eng/vtc-home/vtc-ks2-home/vtc-ks2-science(2)/vtc-ks2-science-the_sustainable_earth/vtc-ks2-science-the_sustainable_earth-materials_and_their_properties.htm>

**Numeracy - Problems, exercises, etc.**

**Numeracy** - 22475  
This numeracy site has been developed for students in vocational education (VET) by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and Canberra Institute of Technology. It contains practice in the real life mathematical numeracy skills required for success in the automotive trades, business and finance, construction and telecommunications, retail and wholesale food, the **forest**s, rural and mining sector, manufacturing and engineering, tourism, sport and recreation.  
<http://www.dest.gov.au/archive/ty/litnet/numeracy/home/nh_0000.htm>

**Ocean**

**National Marine Sanctuaries media library** - 22476  
The US National Marine Sanctuaries Media Library has an online collection of video clips and still images relating to the underwater word around America's coast. Topics are human impact on marine ecology, heritage, fish species, ocean **forest**s, scenery and education.  
<https://marinelife.noaa.gov/media_lib/index.aspx>

**Statistics**

**Environmental economics and indicators: Little green data book** - 17849  
The 240 page Little Green Data Book represents a succinct collection of information of world development indicators. Statistical data is provided on a regional and country basis for population, agriculture, economic development, **forest**s, energy, pollution, water, sanitation, environmental indicators, poverty etc.  
<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/TOPICS/ENVIRONMENT/EXTEEI/0,,contentMDK:20906023~pagePK:210058~piPK:210062~theSitePK:408050,00.html>

**Rainforests**

**Rainforest plants** - 23924  
This website provides descriptions and characteristics of plants that can be found in tropical rain**forest**s around the world. Plants include: Bengal Bamboo, Bougainvillea, Curare, Coconut Tree, Durian, Jambu, Kapok Tree, Mangrove **Forest**s, Strangler Figs and Tualang.  
<http://www.blueplanetbiomes.org/rnfrst_plant_page.htm>

**Ocean**

**Marine Education Society of Australasia** - 18273  
The Marine Education Society of Australasia provides information from its brief monthly newsletter about aspects of seas and oceans. Topics include : Southern Ocean, Ocean Exploration, The Blue Layer, Sand Dunes, Southern Saltmarshes and Mangroves, Great Barrier Reef, Kelp **Forest**s, Rocky Reefs and Open Beaches.  
<http://www.mesa.edu.au/habitat/default.asp>

**Australian Conservation Foundation**

**Australian Conservation Foundation** - 109246  
Information about the ACF and key areas of its concern including: Climate change, anti nuclear, **Forest**s, World Heritage Area, Healthy Rivers, Save The Bush (biodiversity incentives), Greenhouse Sustainable Cities (urban transport and planning) northern Australia, corporate responsibility and Clean Industry.  
<http://www.acfonline.org.au/>