

Emergent layer

Rainforests make up 6% of the Earth's surface yet are home to over 50% of our discovered plants & animals!

Canopy

Two-toed sloth
Choloepus didactylus

Kamehameha butterfly
Vanessa tameamea

Rainforests provide us with natural resources such as oxygen & water, powerful medicines including anti-cancerous drugs, & irreplaceable biodiversity of plants & animals

The four key forest layers starting at the top are: emergent, upper canopy (where most of the animals live), understory, & the forest floor.

Deforestation is a huge threat to rainforests all over the world; which includes logging, mining, and clearing for ranching & agriculture.

Sumatran rhino
Dicerorhinus sumatrensis

How you can help!

as a consumer, be aware of what you buy & where it's from

study in the field of wildlife conservation

support sustainable companies

volunteer at a conservation minded facility

Asian elephant
Elephas maximus indicus

Palm

Understory

O'ahu Tree snail
Achitinella

Forest Floor

Biome: Rainforest