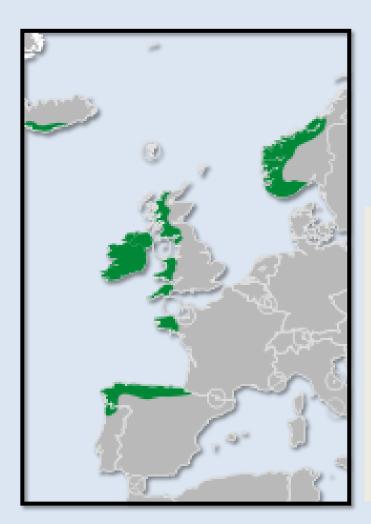
Scotland





Temperate rainforest can be found on the West Coast of Scotland, and in the Highland glens. This type of rainforest is very rare, as it only covers 0.1 % of the earth. It has been managed by humans for timber and fuel, and is subsequently very endangered.



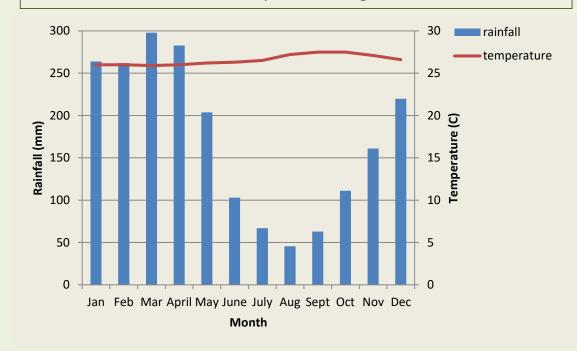
Climate data for Fort William, Scotland

South America





The Amazon rainforest covers a large amount of South America, and is the largest expanse of tropical rainforest anywhere in the world. This rainforest contains more species of plant and animal than anywhere else, with more than 1/5 of all bird and flowering plant species and 1/10 of all mammal species living here.



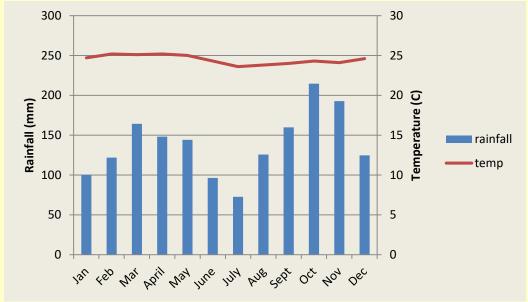
Climate data for Manaus, Brazil

Africa





Africa has a huge area of tropical rainforest in the centre of the continent. It has approximately 17,000 different species of flowering plants, however this rainforest has less species than both American or Asian rainforests. This is because during the ice ages the area became much drier, which meant that many species of animal and insect died out. The last ice age ended about 12,000 years ago, which allowed the rainforest to spread across the country again.



Climate data for Mbandaka, Democratic Republic of Congo

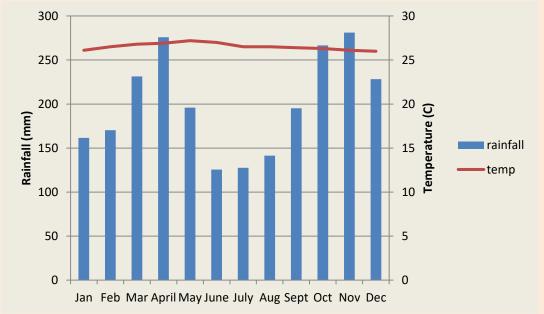
Asia





The tropical rainforest in Asia is partly mainland, but its also made up of lots of different islands which range in size.

Some of these islands have hardly any natural rainforest left, others are almost entirely untouched by humans. Jungle is derived from a Hindu world "Jangal" meaning impenetrable forest and undergrowth around settlements.



Climate data for Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia