

Habitats Around the World

Tundra Tundra is a habitat that is too cold for trees to grow. You can find tundra in Alaska and other places far north.

Tundra in fall



Tundra in spring



Polar Bear

Here are some animals that live in the **tundra**:



Caribou



Arctic Hare



Snowy Owl

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Desert Desert is a habitat that gets very little rain or snow. Deserts can be very hot or very cold at different times of the day or year. You can find deserts in the southwest United States and many other places in the world.

Mojave Desert, California



Sonoran Desert, Arizona



Black-tailed Jackrabbit

Here are some animals that live in the **desert**:



Greater Roadrunner



Desert Bighorn Sheep



Desert Tortoise

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Wetland Wetland is a habitat where the land is covered in shallow water. This water can either be there all the time or only at certain times. You can find wetlands in many different places throughout the world, including coastal and inland areas.

Coastal wetland



Inland wetland (peat bog)



American Alligator

Here are some animals that live in **wetlands**:



North American Beaver



Great Blue Heron



Red-eared Slider

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Lakes Lakes are areas of water surrounded by land. Lakes can be big or small, freshwater or saltwater, and often are connected to the ocean by rivers and streams.

Large mountain lake



Aerial view of small lake



Bullfrog

Here are some animals that live in **lakes**:



Mallard Duck



Common Loon



Muskrat

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Forest A forest is an area of land covered in trees and other types of plants. There are many kinds of forest. They are named for the climate conditions and types of trees and other plants that grow there.

Forest in winter



Forest in summer



White-tailed Deer

Here are some animals that live in the **forest**:



Black-capped Chickadee



Eastern Gray Squirrel



Copperhead Snake

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Prairie Prairies are habitats covered by grasses and grass-like plants. They don't have many trees or shrubs. Prairies are often found in dry, windy, and hot climates.

Tallgrass prairie



Grassland prairie



Bobolink

Here are some animals that live in the **prairie**:



Greater Prairie Chicken



American Badger



Coyote

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Rainforest Rainforests are very dense forests that are often hot and humid and have a lot of rainfall. Many of the world's rainforests are located near the equator.

Rainforest, Central America



Tropical rainforest, Malaysia



Spider Monkey

Here are some animals that live in the **rainforest**:



Jaguar



Toucan



Emerald Tree Boa

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Oceans Oceans are large bodies of salty water. Oceans can be found all over the world, from the coldest to the warmest places on Earth. Three-quarters of our planet's surface is covered with ocean!

Atlantic Ocean



Ice floe in Arctic Ocean



Green Sea Turtle

Here are some animals that live in the **ocean**:



Humpback Whale



Reef Shark



Cuttlefish