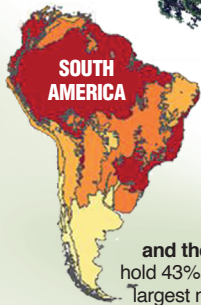
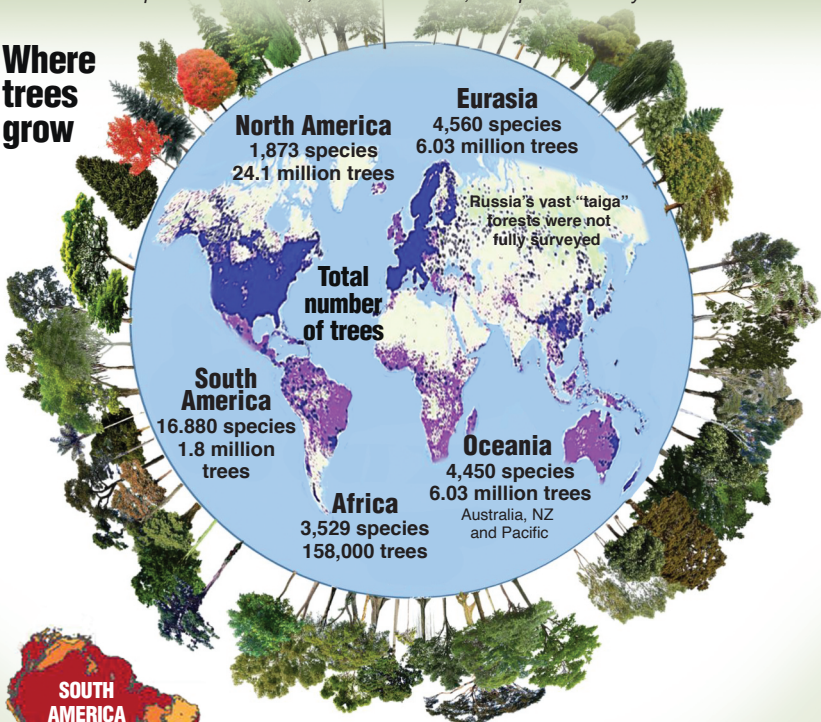


World has 73,000 species of trees

A worldwide collaboration of scientists has made the first ground-based estimate of the number of tree species – about 73,300. More than 9,000 species have yet to be discovered.

Where trees grow



Earth's richest reservoir of tree species

Amazonia's jungles and the coastal rain forests hold 43% of all tree species and largest number of rare species

International scientific survey

Inventory of Earth's stock of trees surveyed more than 38 million trees located in 90 countries and 100 territories

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