



species, including the Schultze's Stream Frog, and the Mourning Frog. This region is part of an ancestral Jaguar corridor stretching from the United States to Argentina.

In [Democratic Republic of the Congo \(DRC\)](#), Rainforest Trust worked with local partner Strong Roots to protect 636,308 acres of dense tropical rainforest. This landscape includes high altitude, dense tropical forest, and old-growth forests, known to hold significant quantities of carbon. Protection of this area will safeguard habitat for species like the Critically Endangered Grauer's Gorilla, Chimpanzees, and African Forest Elephants.

In [Indonesia](#), Rainforest Trust worked with Yayasan Adudu Nantu Internasional (YANI) to safeguard 15,340 acres, creating the Nantu Community Conservation Forest, and adding to the existing 127,289-acre Nantu Wildlife Sanctuary. Located within the northern peninsula of Indonesia's Sulawesi island, this area is critical habitat for Endangered Mountain and Lowland Anoa, Sulawesi Babirusa (VU), Heck's Macaque (VU), Snoring Rail (VU), and the Red-knobbed Hornbill (VU).

Studies show that protected areas are one of the most cost-effective ways to safeguard nature, vulnerable human populations, and climate—provided they are well-managed and respect the rights and needs of Indigenous populations and local communities. Strong working relationships with local partners is critical to Rainforest Trust's conservation work. Together, Rainforest Trust and its partners develop plans to establish and maintain protected areas that are based on science and best practices for each location. Ninety-nine percent of the forest area Rainforest Trust has protected remains standing post protection.

In September of 2021, Rainforest Trust made a \$500 million commitment to reverse biodiversity loss by 2030, joining the largest ever private funding commitment to biodiversity conservation. This pledge highlights the increasing importance of protected areas, and the role they play in the future of conservation, and species loss. The organization has protected more than 40 million acres since its inception and is well on its way to protecting 125 million additional acres of habitat by 2025.

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