



The Diverse Flora & Fauna of Old-Growth Forests



Cerulean Warblers reach their greatest breeding potential in old-growth forests.

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Silver-haired Bats and pregnant Black Bears prefer to hibernate in old, hollow trees.



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Look up

Look outside



Look at eye level

Invertebrates depend upon lichens on old trees for camouflage. Do you see it?



Look inside

Old-growth forests have hollow logs for wildlife like this Red Fox pup.



Look down

Chanterelles are yummy mushrooms, part of the extensive and diverse fungal network from crown to ground in Old-growth Forests.

Look underneath



Yellow-root, like Ginseng, is a low-growing, popular medicinal plant that reaches its best growth potential in old-growth forests.

Many fossorial animals, like Slimy, Spotted, and Long-tailed Salamanders are most abundant in the undisturbed soils of old-growth forests.

