

A photograph of a dense forest with tall, slender trees. Sunlight filters through the green canopy, creating a bright, dappled light effect. The text "FORESTS IN FRANCE" is overlaid in blue at the bottom.

FORESTS IN FRANCE

French Forests

Forests area has doubled since 1850.

Forests in France cover 16.3 million hectares

Each year, 80 million trees are planted in France,
2.5 trees per second!

French forests in Europe

French forests represent 10% of the forested area in Europe.

France is the fourth European country for its forest area after Sweden and Finland and Spain.

French overseas departments

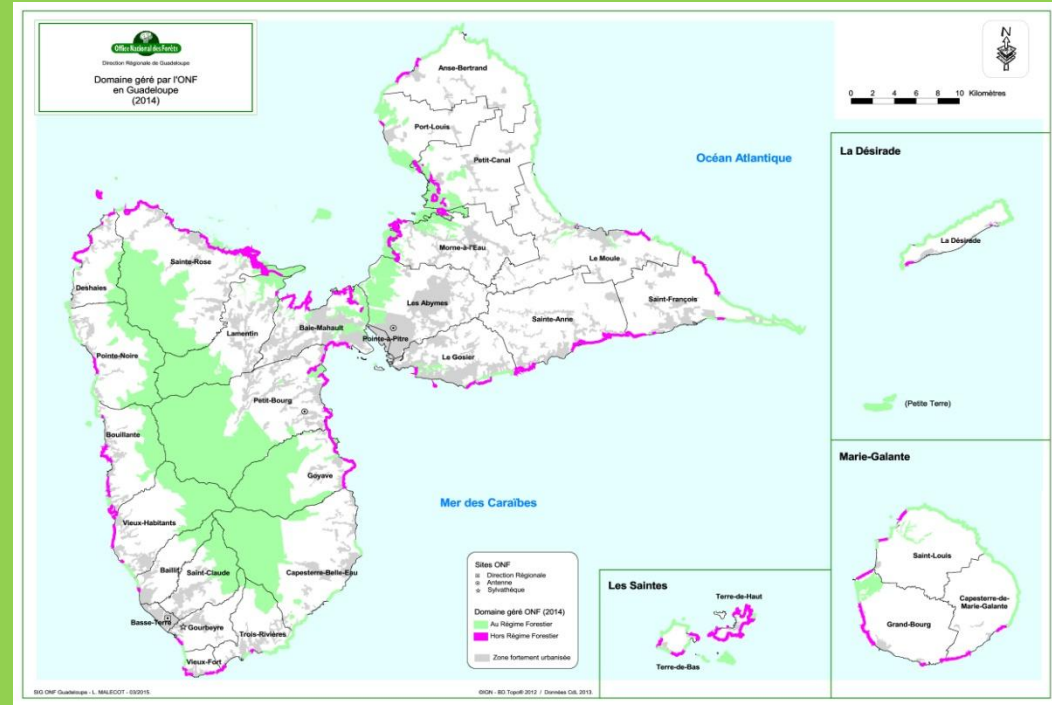
- La Guyane: 83,000 km² amazonian forest, (96 % of its area) ;
- La Réunion : 1,370 km² of forests (53 % of its area) ;
- La Martinique : 490 km² of forests (46 % of its area) ;
- Mayotte : 140 km² of forests (37 % of its area) ;
- La Guadeloupe : 640 km² of forests (39 % of its area).



A lush tropical forest landscape in Guadeloupe. The foreground is filled with dense green foliage, including several palm trees with long, feathery fronds. The background shows a hazy view of distant hills under a bright, cloudy sky. The overall scene conveys a sense of a diverse and vibrant ecosystem.

Biodiversity of plants in Guadeloupe

- The Guadeloupe National Park is located in Basse-Terre
- With a surface area of 17,300 ha, it's the largest park in the Antilles. Its central zone protects primary forests among the best preserved in the Antilles.



Species

- In the park, there are no less than 2,500 species of flowering plants, 274 ferns and over a hundred species of orchids.



Types of vegetation in Guadeloupe

- wet forest,
- dry forest,
- tropical mountain environment,
- coastal zone,
- beach,
- cliff,
- mangrove.



main hardwood species

mango



coconut tree



banana tree



breadfruit tree



avocado



ONF

- Public forests are ruled by the ONF.
- It was created in 1964.
- It ensures the sustainable management of French public forests, nearly 10 million hectares of forests and woodlands in metropolitan France and overseas.



A photograph of a multi-tiered waterfall cascading down mossy, reddish-brown rocks in a lush green forest. The water is white and frothy as it falls. The surrounding vegetation is dense and vibrant green, with various types of leaves and ferns visible. The scene is misty at the top of the waterfall.

Come and enjoy our forests!