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Thomas Marent, a self-taught photographer who has dedicated half his life to capturing images of rainforest life, tells the story of his journey through these spectacular photographs. Join him as he travels across five continents for an up-close view of the astonishing variety and fascinating behavior of rainforest plants and trees, reptiles, birds, amphibians, insects, and mammals.

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Cemeread says

rainforest is a DK book that was reviewed in the Oprah magazine O. As with any DK book the pictures are very important and these are great pictures! The pictures start with a few panoramic views. You'll see animals you recognize and some you don't. In the Arms and Armor section you might be left asking, "What's that?" See if you can find all the critters hiding in the Deception section. There are a few pictures of creatures being eaten by another and mating, but none are graphic in any way. Lots of colorful frogs, snakes and butterflies. Also a full spread sequence series of a cicada coming out of it's shell. Check out the bats living inside a leaf on page 323, or the fantastic shot of a strangler fig on page 160 (Guess how it got that name.) or maybe say eehhh when you see the millipede on page 344. This photographer definitely spent numerous hours in the rainforest. Wonder how many mosquito bites he has? Just check out the pictures of other animals that have to endure mosquitoes too.

Bottom Line: This book has amazing pictures of all kinds of rainforest animals and plants (mostly animals) with just a few sentences about each picture. There is a page or two of text at the beginning of each section. Read it if you want to learn more or just skip it and read the captions as you enjoy the pictures. This book is worth the trouble of placing a hold to see it. You'll want to share it with friends or family so you can eeww and wow together. And yes parents this adult book really is ok for children of all ages.

Nicole says

This book is a visual joy and journey through the various rainforests of our wonderful planet. A collection of breathtaking animal and plant portraits and the short but meaningful and fascinating stories behind them.
A great book which I enjoyed much.

Danielle says

Some of the most gorgeous pictures I've ever seen!

Eileen says

Breathtaking Photos

Freda Mans-Labianca says

This book is a beautiful display of photography.
Yes, there is writing inside, explaining each photo, and even snippets written here and there describing the

journey it took to get some of these shots.

For me though, this book was all about the photos.

With that said, I was somewhat disappointed in the ones that took both pages. I found the photo got lost in the binding at times, and the ones that were a single page were more vivid and complete.

A great picture book still. One I think photographers would enjoy.

Joey says

This is a book that I want to own, I'm a photographer and this book is very motivating to me..its a beautiful, well-laid out, pictorial adventure into the Rainforest! This book is a great coffee table book or a great gift for anyone that appreciates the beauty in nature!

Ben says

This books has fantastic photos and facts of a large number of exotic wildlife found throughout the Rainforest. Thomas Marent is an extraordinary photographer.

Taylor Cayes says

Incredible photos that will blow you away no matter how much rainforest footage you've seen. Great insights into the workings of rainforest ecosystems as well.

Chris Gager says

A stunner... and free! Picked up pretty much brand new at the town transfer station on Wednesday. I was looking this morning. Amazing photography...

Maria says

Rainforest” is a testament to the tenacity and passion that Thomas Marent has for his photographic art and nature. The book is an explosion of colour and characters that inhabit rainforests around the world in Australasia, Asia, Africa and South America.

The photography is stunning and enhanced by the anecdotes written throughout the pages about the lengths Thomas went to capture the images. Hours and days of patience, keeping awake through nights, immersing himself in water and mud, covered in leeches – there seem to be few obstacles that keep this man from capturing an image.

This book covers all facets of life in a rainforest by dividing the images into five sections on panorama, diversity, survival, cycles and society. We are taken on a top down view from the canopies and rivers, to

animals, insects, plants and parasites. It shows the interconnectedness of all the elements and that a rainforest is truly a delicately balanced system.

As beautiful as this is as a coffee table book it is more importantly a document and record of a fragile environment that needs urgent protection. I hope many people can be as touched and moved by these images as I have been and take steps to preserve the rainforests as places of intrinsic value in themselves. Thomas Marent is a wonderful ambassador and I hope to find more of his books.

Ashleigh says

One does not necessarily "read" this book, though it does have informative little snippets here and there, more so one dabbles through it. I wanted to throw it in here because it is one of my favorite pieces of eye candy; it is my go-to book on late nights with friends or inspiration for my next art piece or something to just generally put me in a good mood. The photos never cease to amaze me and the story in the front about the great lengths the author & photographer went to to even get the photos is mind blowing. Browse this book next time you're at the bookshop. I promise it will not disappoint!

Mansour Sadhan says

This book offers the best visual rainforest safari one can get, a safari enjoyed at the comfort of a living room! I've seen some other rainforest books and i can safely say that this one by far, when it comes to a visual experience and some accompanying information, the best on offer. Thomas Marent's eye for the beautiful diversity of rainforests is unmatched! This book offers a photographic journey into the most important rainforests in the world, including the many types of a rainforest. The book is not divided by each included rainforest location, Instead, it tackles the many qualities shared by the many types of rainforests (such as diversity, survival...etc) by a beautiful collection of photographs taken by Marent from 1990 to 2006. This book is dream come true for all lovers of nature and photographers alike! One of those rare books that should not be missed.

Den says

This is a wonderfully bright book which brings the rainforest to life. I am not into photography or art but this engaged me for hour son end. It is just a wonderful book and I appreciate how much work went into the making of it.

Jennifer says

My nieces and I looked through this book and they loved all the bright big pictures of the different frogs, mushrooms, and animals. They didn't like all the spider pictures though. Super cool.

7jane says

This is a really beautiful book of photographs of life in the forest: plants and animals. Over 500 taken over 16 years on 5 different continents, and the result is beautiful. My copy came with a CD of rainforest sounds worldwide; haven't yet listened to it, but looks promising.

The pictures are categorised: scenery, variety of species, survival tactics, life circle (reproduction, food, recycling), and group life. At the end are details on the world's rainforests, and short writing on rainforest photographing. With many photographs there are also small background stories on taking the pictures and such things.

It is a magnificent journey of pictures: there is so many colors and shapes (and to think there are still places with new stuff that is not yet found...). The photos are taken with different distances and at different times of day.

You feel like you really learn new things as you gaze at it all. Traveling with a book is sometimes the best way to appreciate a good photographer, and you get to travel without the tough parts of being there: wetness, heat, being bitten/stung/lost... But the main point is: this is travel book and a visual book, and a beautiful book, and you don't want it to end. A great experience.
