

AFRICAN VEGETATION ZONES

Geographical Reference Chart

VEGETATION ZONE	CLIMATE CHARACTERISTICS	COMMON FLORA
Tropical Rainforest	High humidity, heavy rainfall year-round, constant warmth.	Teak, Mahogany, Ferns, Orchids, Rubber trees.
Savanna (Grasslands)	Distinct wet and dry seasons, hot temperatures.	Acacia trees, Baobabs, Elephant grass.
Sahel (Semi-Arid)	Steppe transition zone, sparse rainfall, hot and dry.	Thorny shrubs, Jujube, hardy grasses.
Desert	Extremely low rainfall, extreme temperature fluctuations.	Cacti, Date palms (Oases), Welwitschia.
Mediterranean	Mild, rainy winters; hot, dry summers.	Olive trees, Cork oak, Scrub herbs (Maquis).
Montane (Highlands)	Cooler temperatures varying by altitude.	Bamboo, Heathers, Lobelias, Evergreens.

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