

# Day 2 - Entry 1 : Kapok Tree

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We walked into the forest together. It was wonderful being in the forest in the daytime! When we looked up, we saw plants and trees everywhere.



*Phil and Mariana in Rainforest*



*Kapok Tree*

We saw a tree with a very wide trunk. It is a Kapok tree. Its trunk can be 10 feet wide. It can grow to almost 200 feet, which is as big as a fifteen-story building. It is a giant in the rainforest!

Phil told Mariana that the big tree is at the heart of a food chain. The tree makes its own food. Insects eat its leaves and bark. An iguana feasts on all those tasty insects, But wait – a snake glides by and eats the iguana. And then a big bird dives down, grabs the snake, and carries it away to eat.

“All that can happen in one tree - and there are so many trees here!” said Mariana.

“You bet,” said Phil, “The rainforest is a busy place.”





*Phil and Mariana at Kapok Tree*