

BioBlitz 2014

Muir Woods National Monument



Save The Redwoods
LEAGUE



Stephen Sillett and Marie Antoine climb and measure a coast redwood at Muir Woods. Photo credit: Tonatiuh Trejo-Cantwell.

On March 28-29, 2014, as part of the National Park Service BioBlitz, a research team from Humboldt State University and University of California Berkeley became the first scientists to climb the trees in Muir Woods and survey life in the canopy. Researchers climbed a coast redwood tree and a Douglas fir tree in Cathedral Grove.

Coast Redwood Tree

height	76 m (249 ft)
total dry mass	35.5 Mg \pm 0.7
millions of leaves	129.8 \pm 15.1
estimated age	740-800 years old

41 total species found, mostly lichen

(Redwood data collected by Stephen Sillett, Marie Antoine, and Jim Campbell-Spickler. Tree Ring data processed by Stephen Sillett and Allyson Carroll)

Douglas Fir Tree

height 70 m (230ft)

58 total species found, mostly lichen and one juvenile arboreal salamander

(Douglas fir data collected by Rikke Reese Næsborg and Cameron Williams)



Rikke Reese Næsborg and Cameron Williams climb and survey a Douglas fir tree at Muir Woods. Photo credit: Tonatiuh Trejo-Cantwell

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Douglas Fir Species

LICHENS

Alyxoria varia
Bryoria fremontii
Buellia muiriformis
Calicium abietinum.
Carbonicola myrmecina
Chrismofulvia dialytoides
Chrysothrix xanthina
Cladonia bellidiflora
Cladonia transcendens
Cyphelium inquinans
Evernia prunastri
Flavoparmelia caperata
Fulgidea oligospora
Hypogymnia apinnata
Hypogymnia enteromorpha
Hypogymnia heterophylla
Imshaugia aleurites
cf. Lecania naegelii
Lecanora cf. jamesii
Lecanora strobilina
Lepraria sp.
Loxosporopsis corallifera
Ochrolechia juvenalis

Parmelia sulcata
Parmotrema arnoldii
Parmotrema perlatum
Parmotrema stippeum
Placynthiella uliginosa
Platismatia glauca
Platismatia herrei
Protoparmelia ochrococca
Punctelia jeckeri
Pyrrhospora quernea
Ramalina menziesii
Sphaerophorus tuckermannii
Trapeliopsis flexuosa
Tuckermannopsis orbata
Usnea ceratina.
Usnea chaetophora
Usnea cornuta
Usnea hirta
Usnea longissima
Usnea rubicunda
Usnea subfloridana
Unknown spp.
Variolaria amara

LIVERWORTS

Cephaloziella sp.
Frullania nisquallensis
Frullania sp.
Porella navicularis
Radula bolanderi

MOSSES

Dicranoweisia cirrata
Hypnum circinale
Isothecium cristatum
Isothecium stoloniferum
Orthodicranum tauricum

VASCULAR PLANTS

Polypodium glycyrrhiza

AMPHIBIAN

Aneides lugubris

Coast Redwood Species

LICHENS

Alectoria imshaugii
Calicium spp.
Carbonicola myrmecina
Chrysothrix xanthina
Cladonia bellidiflora
Cladonia transcendens
Cyphelium inquinans
Flavoparmelia caperata
Flavopunctelia flaventior
Hypogymnia apinnata
Hypogymnia enteromorpha
Hypogymnia heterophylla
Hypogymnia physodes
Lecanora sp.
Lepraria sp.
Menegazzia subsimilis

Ochrolechia spp.
Parmelia hygrophila
Parmelia sulcata
Parmotrema arnoldii
Parmotrema perlatum
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Isothecium cristatum
Orthodontium gracile

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