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Book Review

Green Planet: Life in our Woods and Forests

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Rating

Excellent

Level

Preschool, Primary

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32

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Green Planet and its companion book, Blue Planet, are part of Moira Butterfield's Colors of the World series. The book explains the anatomy and importance of trees, as they provide homes to more than half of the world's plant and animal population. The introduction also gives examples of different types of extreme trees. Most of the book is dedicated to the wildlife found in Earth's woods and forests. It covers a wide range of animals, from grizzly bears and pine martens to ground beetles and goliath bird-eating spiders. The last pages are dedicated to the many uses for wood, including treehouses that people use as homes of their own.

This book is a good general introduction to the natural world. It covers many facets in a logical order and uses language appropriate for young readers. Concepts are simply explained using a combination of big, colorful graphics and short explanations. Green Planet is visually appealing in many different aspects. The covers are attractive and there are colorful illustrations on every page, including the title page, dedication page, table of contents, and index. The typeface is easy to read and the text is broken up with headings, white space, and illustrations. This book educates on the vital role of trees and the importance of protecting them, making it a nonfiction resource that would add value to any library.