



## THE REDWOOD RAP

Yo, this looks like a trail to me  
So everybody just follow me  
Now the Redwood trees grow out on the coast  
Where the fog is thick and it rains the most  
It's the Redwood Rap it's straight and true  
I'm Grand Master \_\_\_\_\_ and I'll rap it with you.  
*(insert your rap name)*

What's this tree I'm gonna tell you about?  
We call it Big Red, it'll make you SHOUT!  
People they be comin' from miles around  
To see this giant growin' outta the ground

### SHOUT! BBB-BBB BIG RRR-RRR RED!

It's truly amazing, it's one of a kind  
It's so big it'll blow your mind  
It's tall, tall, tall to the sky  
To see the top you'd have to fly

There's another tree that'll never annoy ya  
It goes by the name of the Giant Sequoia  
Not quite as tall but hecka fat  
Sierra Nevada is where it's at

Here's a little fact that'll truly amaze ya  
There's a third redwood, it comes from Asia  
This little tree it's truly fine-a  
It comes from the far away land of China  
This little redwood is the Dawn  
It's been growin' since the breaka-breaka dawn

### SHOUT! BBB-BBB BIG RRR-RRR RED!

For millions of years these trees have been chillin'  
After lots of loggin' these trees are really illin'  
'Cuz after many years of hackin' and hackin'  
There ain't many left, they're really lackin'

But lookin' around I got this feelin'  
We can save these trees if we are willin'  
The time has come, you got to pay attention  
Before there's no Big Red to mention  
I said the time has come, you got to pay attention  
Before there's no Big Red to mention

### SHOUT! BBB-BBB BIG RRR-RRR RED!

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## 3 Different Redwoods:

### Which Is Your Favorite?



### COAST REDWOODS: The World's Tallest Trees

### GIANT SEQUOIAS: The Biggest Around

### DAWN REDWOODS: The Smallest Redwood

Grow more than **360 feet tall** and have trunks up to **24 feet wide** near the ground.

Have trunks up to **30 feet wide** near the ground and grow up to 310 feet tall.

Are **small** compared to other redwood species, but are still large trees.

Can live more than **2,000 years**.

Can live more than **3,000 years**.

Can grow up to **140 feet tall** and have trunks up to **6 feet wide** near the ground.

Grow naturally only on the **Pacific coast** from southern Oregon to central California.

Grow naturally only on the western slopes of the **Sierra Nevada mountains** of California.

Once thought to be extinct, were found in 1944 growing in a **remote part of China** — the only place they live naturally.

New trees can grow from seeds or can sprout from stumps or roots of a dead tree. Wildfires, windstorms and floods help make space for baby redwoods to grow.

New trees can only grow from seeds. Regular **wildfires** make space for baby sequoias to grow.

Unlike the other two redwoods that keep their leaves all year, the dawn redwood's **leaves** turn rusty-brown and **fall off in autumn**.

Many people think the bright yellow **banana slug** is the coolest animal in a coast redwood forest!

Long-horned beetle larvae help spread around the giant sequoia's seeds!

The Chinese people admire the dawn redwood almost as much as the giant panda!

Learn much, much more about redwoods! Visit [SaveTheRedwoods.org/aboutredwoods](http://SaveTheRedwoods.org/aboutredwoods).



## 3 Species of Redwoods

All three species of redwoods have cones and red-colored wood and are part of the same tree family. Their ancestors grew all over North America more than 144 million years ago, when dinosaurs may have walked among them. Like the members of your family, the three redwoods have some differences that you can use to tell them apart.