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Forestry Investment Opportunities

Known for its vast resources and diverse wildlife, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is home to 45 percent of Africa's tropical forests and 6 percent of the world's tropical reserves, nearly 25 million hectares (ha) of which are protected areas. Across seven national parks, five UNESCO World Heritage sites—including Garamba National Park and Virunga National Park—and 57 reserves and hunting areas are found 1,000 bird species, more than 400 fish species, 10,000 species of plants, and three of the world's four great apes.

Following the enactment of a new forestry code in 2002, the DRC government has encouraged investment to support its objective of planting 3 million hectares of forest by 2025. Specifically, the government is currently seeking investments for the following opportunities:

- Agro-forestry
- The development of production industries for paper
- The industrial transformation of wood for sawing, cutting, plywood, beams, rafters, and other uses
- The production of wooden poles for electrical lines
- The production of transportation logs

The DRC boasts approximately 1,000 species of trees, including those in high demand worldwide. The following is a list of tree species found in the DRC, arranged by province:

- ***Kambala***
 - Equateur (Businga, Gbadolite, Bikoro, Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga, Lukolela, Monkoto, Bumba)
 - Eastern Province (Bafwasende Isangi and Opala, Ubundu, Yahuma, Banalia, Basoko, etc.)
 - Maniema (Kibombo)
 - Bandundu (Bolobo, Oshwe, etc.)
- ***Ebony***
 - Equateur (Businga, Gbadolite, Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga, Bumba)
 - Eastern Province (Bafwasende Isangi and Banalia, Basoko, Ubundu, etc.)
 - Bandundu (Bolobo and Oshwe)
- ***Sipo***
 - Equateur (Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga, etc.)

- Eastern Province (Aketi, Basoko)
- **African Mahogany**
 - Equateur (Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga, etc.)
 - Eastern Province (Aketi, Basoko)
- **Wenge**
 - Equateur (Bikoro and Lukolela)
 - Eastern Province (Opala)
 - Bandundu (Bolobo, Mushie, Inongo and Oshwe)
- **Afromosia**
 - Equateur (Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga)
 - Eastern Province (Bafuasende, and Ubundu Isangi)
- **Limba**
 - Equateur (Lukolela)
 - Bandundu (Bolobo)
- **Bomanga**
 - Western Kasai (Mweka and Demba)
 - Eastern Province (Isangi and Opala, and Ubundu Basoko)
 - Bandundu (Bolobo, Mushie, Inongo and Oshwe)
 - Equateur (Bikoro and Lukolela)
- **Limbali**
 - Equateur (Businga, Gbadolite, Bikoro, Lisala, Djolu, Bongandanga, Lukolela, Monkoto, Bumba, etc.)
 - Eastern Province (Bafuasende, Ubundu Isangi, Banalia, Aketi, Basoko);
 - Western Kasai (Mweka and Ilebo)
 - Maniema (Kibombo and Lubutu)
 - Bandundu (Mushie, Bolobo and Oshwe)