Plants of the World

Learning Objective:

To be able to identify the location of plants around the world.





How many different plants can you name?

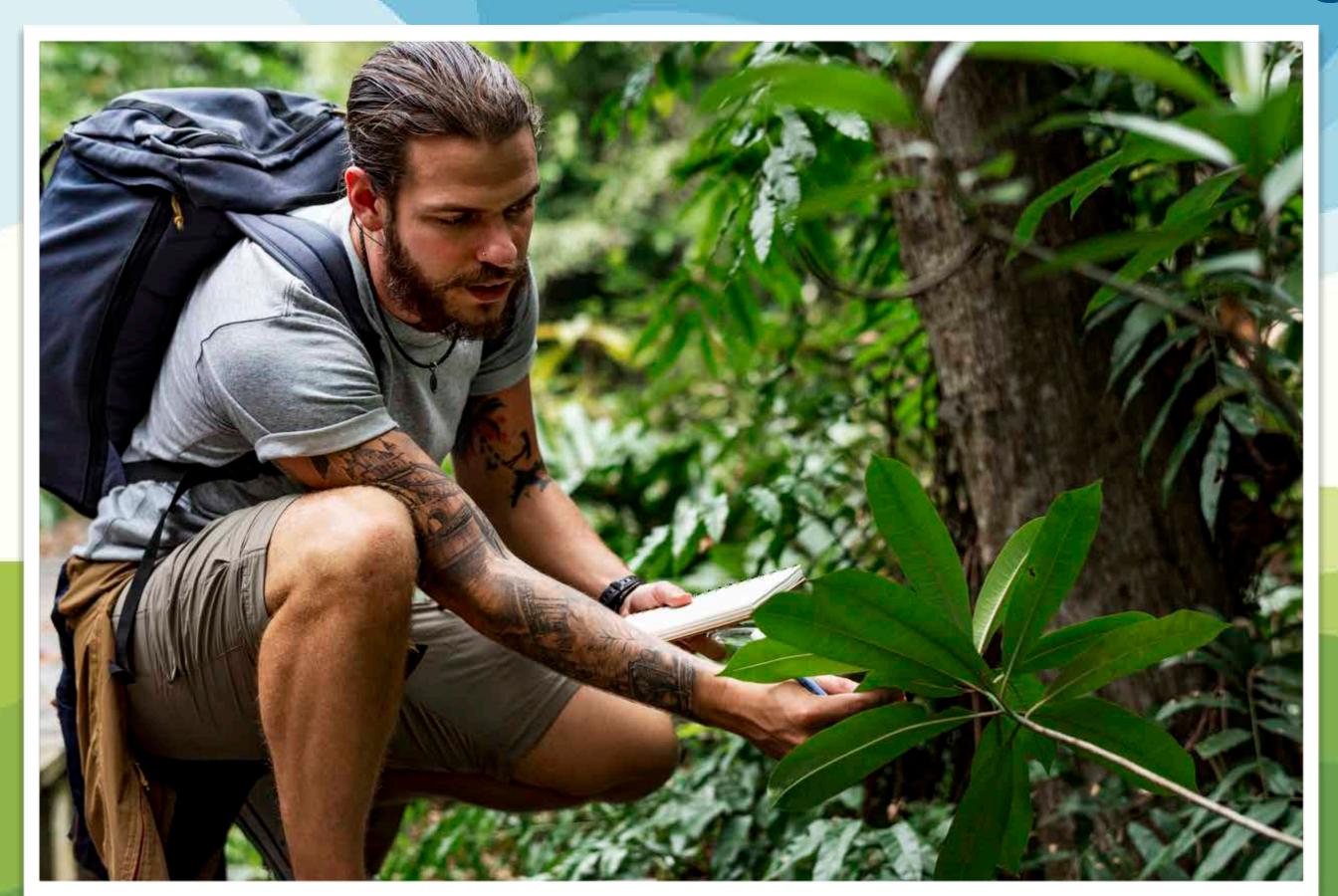
You have two minutes to list as many as you can with a partner!

How many did you think of?

Plants we know:



Scientists know that there are more than 390,000 species of plants in the world, and new species are being discovered all the time. Around 2000 new species of plants are discovered every year. The world is full of amazing plants!



Did you know...?

A scientists who studies plants is called a botanist.

What is the strangest plant you have ever seen?



Hi! My name is Boris and I'm a botanist. I have travelled all over the world looking for interesting species of plants. Can you remember the names of the seven continents of the world? Which one is which? NORTH NORTH PACIFIC PACIFIC ATLANTIC OCEAN OCEAN INDIAN SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN OCEAN SOUTHERN OCEAN SOUTHERN OCEAN SOUTHERN OCEAN BACK NEXT Antarctica



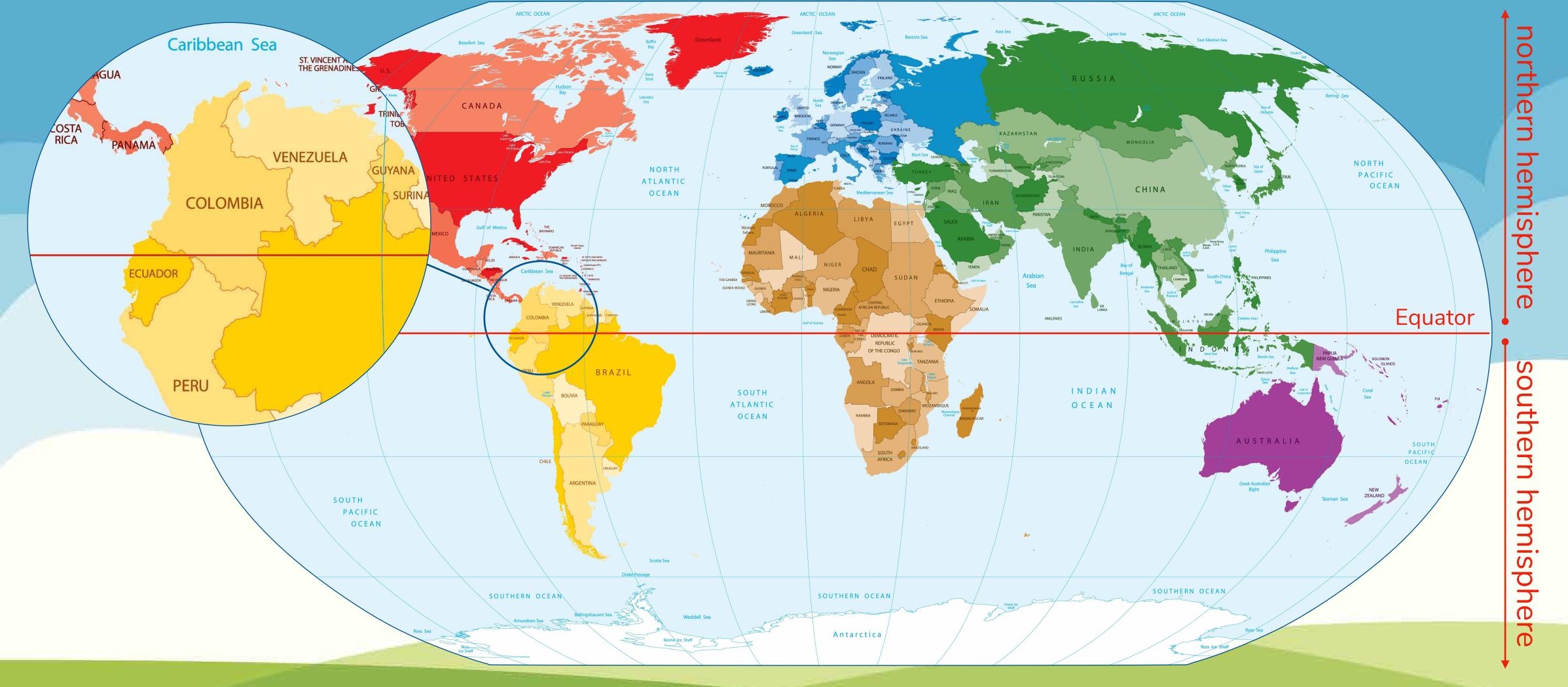
This plant is called 'Dracula benedictii'. I love it because it looks like a monkey's face! I saw this plant in Colombia.

Where in the world is Colombia?

Which continent is it in?

Is it in the northern or southern hemisphere?





Colombia is in the continent of South America. Colombia sits on the equator (the imaginary line that runs around the middle of the globe) so it is both in the northern and southern hemisphere.

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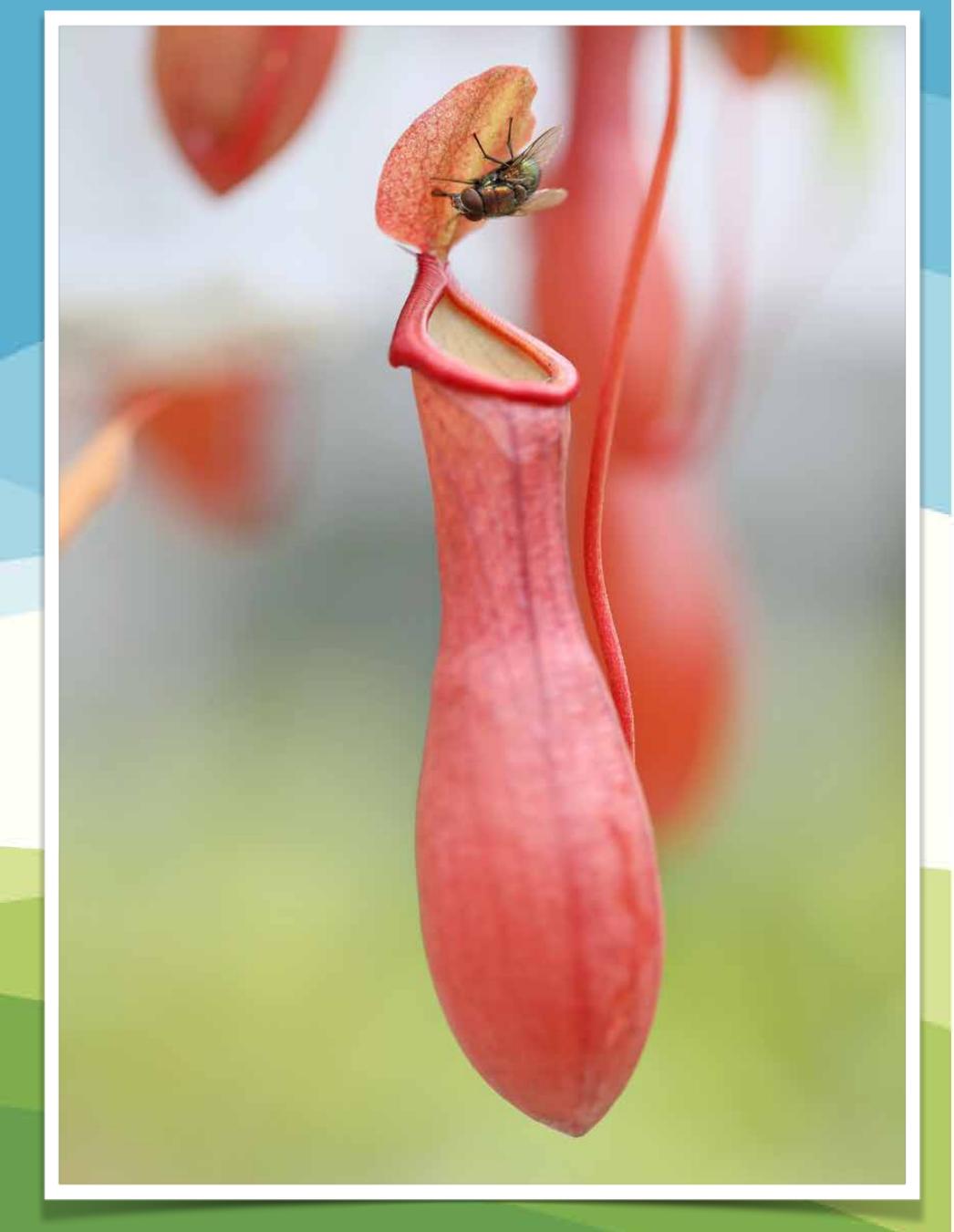
This cool plant is called a tropical pitcher plant. It eats insects by trapping them in its pitcher. I saw this plant in Sri Lanka.

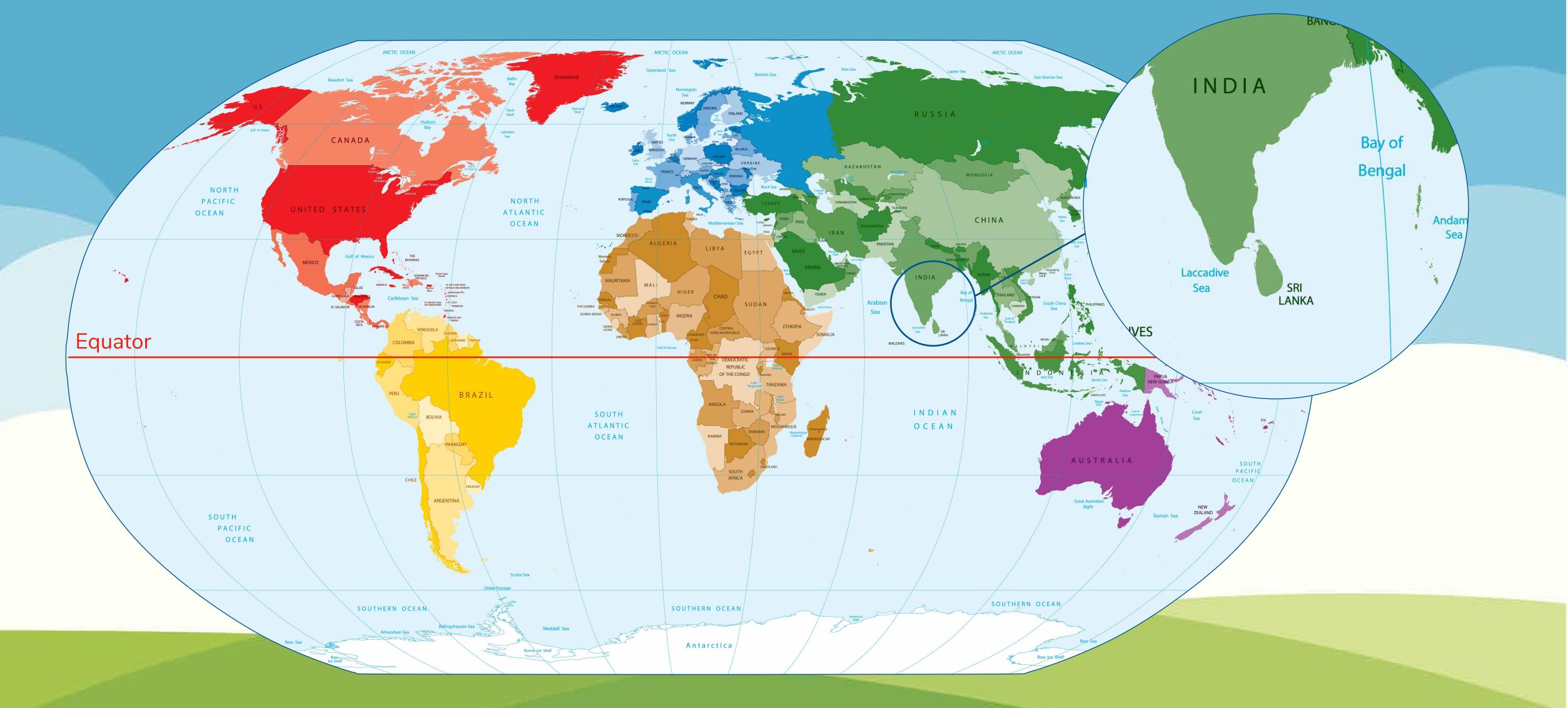


Which continent is it in?

Is it in the northern or southern hemisphere?







Sri Lanka is an island to the south of India. It is in the continent of Asia and is in the northern hemisphere.

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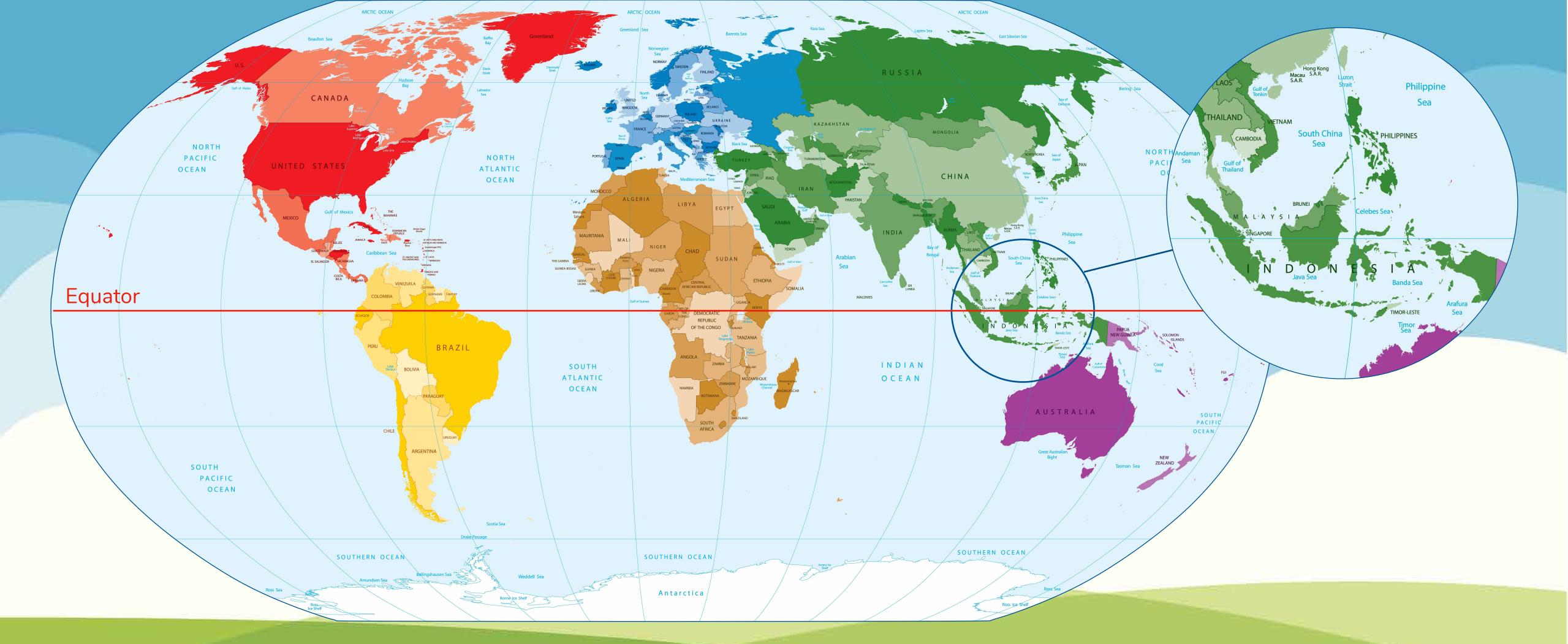


This plant is known as the corpse lily. This is because it smells like rotting flesh. Yuk! I found this plant in Indonesia.

Where in the world is Indonesia?

Which continent is it in?

Is it in the northern or southern hemisphere?

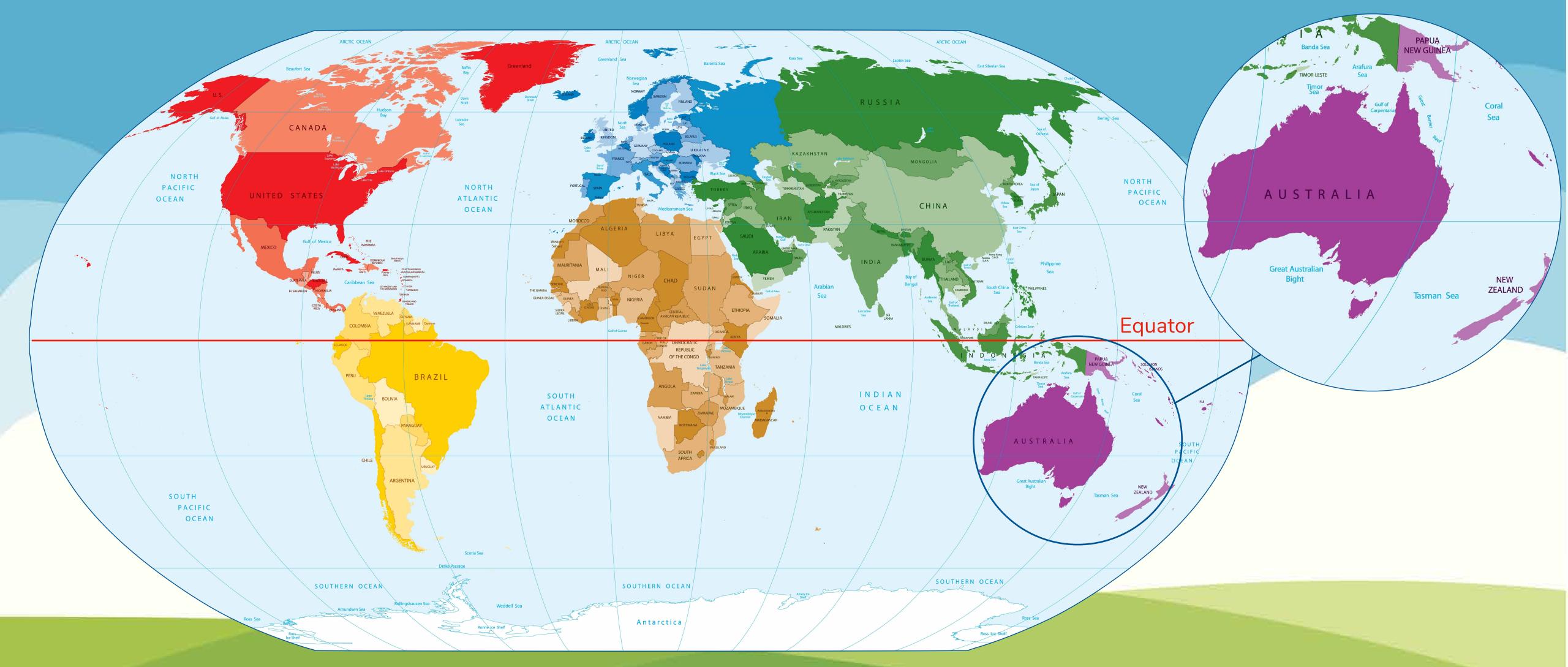


Indonesia is in the continent of Asia. It is a country made up of lots of different islands. Indonesia also sits on the equator so it is both in the northern and southern hemisphere.

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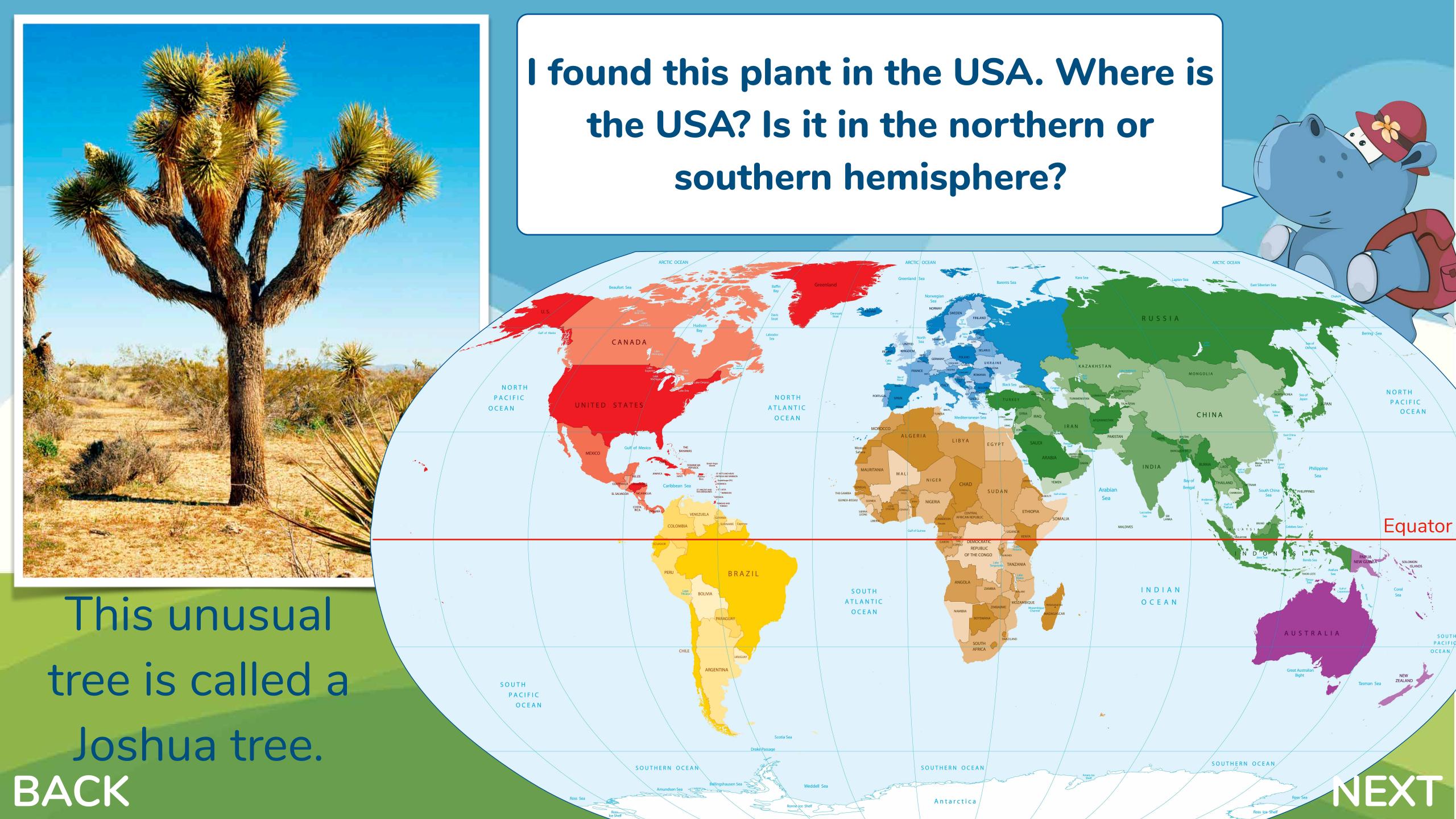
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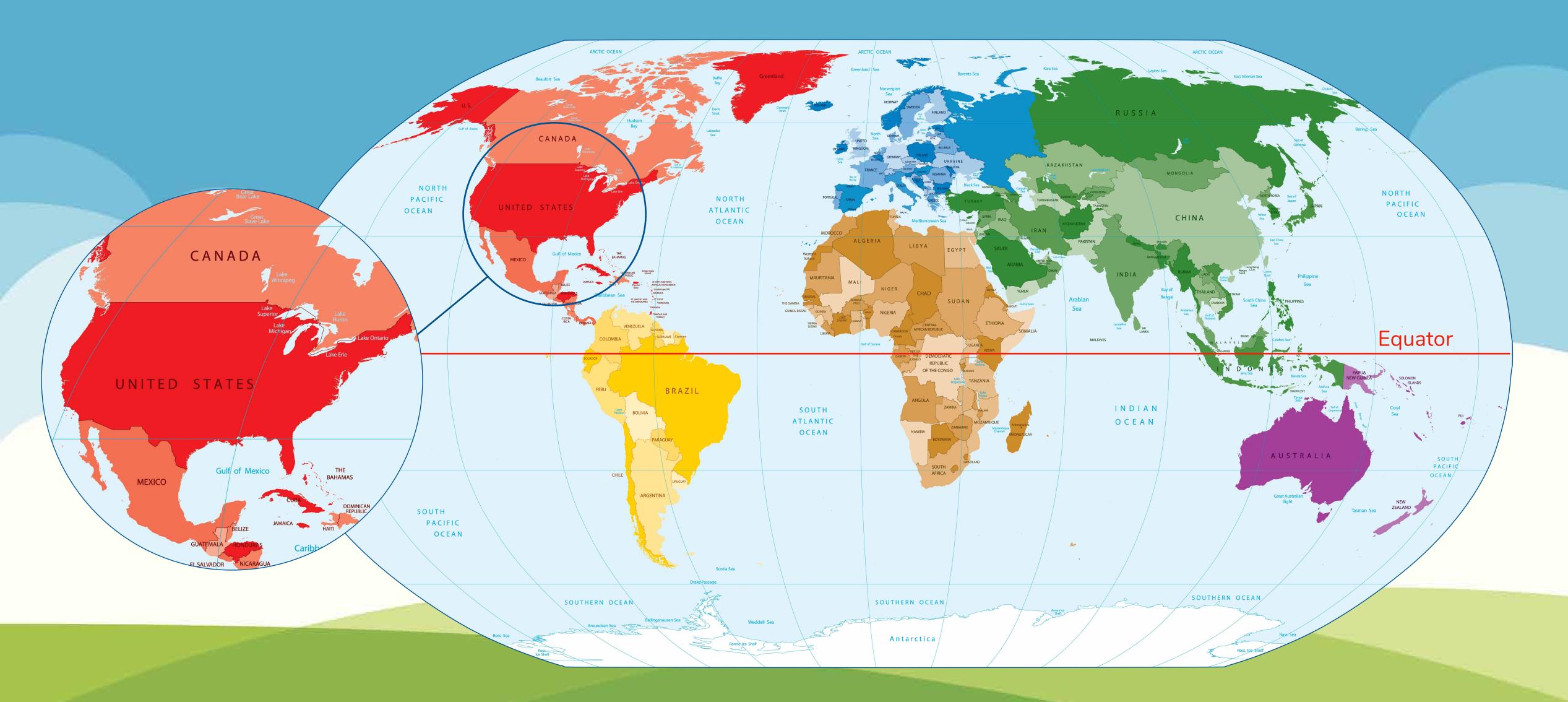




Australia is in the southern hemisphere. Australia is the name of a country, but also a continent. The continent of Australia is sometimes referred to as Oceania or Australasia. NEXT

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The USA (United States of America) is in the continent of North America. It is in the northern hemisphere.

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Today you're going to be using maps to find out where some of the most weird and wonderful plants in the world live.



Are you ready to do some exploring?

