NOTE

'Rain forest' or 'rainforest'?

We do not write, nor are we likely to, of dryforest, moistforest, thornforest, temperateforest, evergreenforest, monsoonforest, Mediterraneanforest, seasonalforest, temperatedeciduousforest...

It is therefore inconsistent and illogical to run together the noun and adjective when referring to that forest type which occurs in perhumid tropical climates.

In my view, therefore, 'rain forest' is strongly to be preferred to 'rainforest'.

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