

What is HCVF?



Every forest has some environmental and social values. The values it contains may include rare species, water or resources used by local people. Where these High Conservation Values (HCVs) are of outstanding significance or importance the forest can be defined as a High Conservation Value Forest (HCVF).

For the Soekhoe and Sons Ltd forests in Tibiti in the district of Para these are the HCVs identified:

Generic HCV	Description
1.1 - Protected Areas	Special protected forest
	Biodiversity reserve
1.2 - Threatened/Endangered Species	Presence of endangered species (e.g. jaguar)
1.3 - Endemic Species	Presence of endemics
4.1 - Forests critical to water	Catchment drainage
5.0 - Forests providing basic needs	NTFPs (e.g. fruits, medicines etc)

It is important that these HCVs are protected:

- Practice Reduced Impact Logging (RIL)
- No hunting or trapping of endangered species
- Preserve biodiversity areas
- Protect Non-Timber-Forest-Products (NTFPs)

