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## So Long!

The reticulated (ri-TIK-yoo-*lay*-tid) python is the longest snake in the world.



An adult reticulated python can be as long as two cars.

Adult male reticulated pythons can grow to be 33 feet (10 m) long. They can weigh more than 400 pounds (181 kg).

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## Homes Hot and Wet

Reticulated pythons live in the woods and **rain forests** of Southeast Asia.

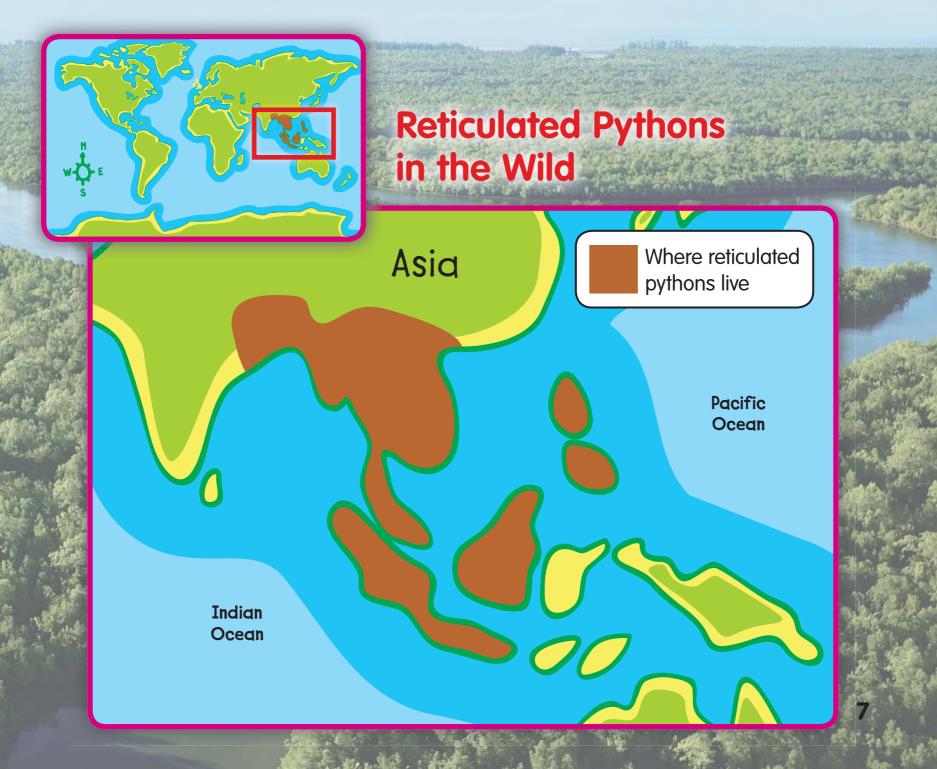
They are found in hot, wet places near rivers, lakes, and ponds.

They can also be found crawling through trees and bushes.



Reticulated pythons are excellent swimmers and spend a lot of time in water.





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### **Reticulated Python**

#### The World's Longest Snake

Reticulated pythons may not be the heaviest snakes, but they are certainly the longest. Some of them can grow to be 33 feet (10 m) long—that's about the length of two cars.

Look inside to learn more about the reticulated python. Find out where it lives, how it hunts for food, and how it hatches from an egg into the world's longest snake.

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