

## Giants of the plant world



**Bamboo** grows very fast. It can grow as much as three feet in a day-the same height as a five year old child.

**Rafflesia arnoldi** is the *largest flower* in the world. It grows in the rainforests of south-east Asia. It can grow up to three feet cross and can weigh as much as seven kg.



**Titan arum** is the world's *tallest flower*. It is almost nine feet tall, taller than than the tallest man on earth.

**Coast redwoods** of *California* are one of the tallest species of trees. They can grow taller than a skyscraper with 25 floors.



The heaviest living thing on our planet is a **giant sequoia** tree called the *General Sherman*. It weighs as much as 19 blue whales. One blue whale is equal in weight to about 40 adult elephants.