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12 of the best treetop homes around the world

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Amazing homes hidden among the treetops



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Ever wanted to live up in the treetops away from the hustle and bustle with spectacular views over some of the world's most beautiful landscapes? These luxury retreats offer just that, without sacrificing any creature comforts you'd expect from a stunning concept-led home.

From tropical jungles to atmospheric pine forests, read on to discover some of the most incredible treetop homes around the world.

environmental footprint and support sustainable construction practices.

Cantilevered cabin, Quebec, Canada



Scott Norsworthy/Kariouk Architects

While some forest homes are designed to seamlessly integrate with the natural landscape, this innovative cabin by Canadian firm Kariouk Architects was designed to stand out. The studio argues that a separation between architecture and the organic environment can offer a more sustainable blueprint for the construction of wilderness homes.

In keeping with the architects' ethos, the house floats among the treetops, supported by a single steel mast and a small concrete footing. Creating minimal points of contact with the landscape, the home protects the site's flora and fauna and helps prevent the erosion of the hillside.

Cantilevered cabin: protecting the natural world



Scott Norsworthy/Kariouk Architects

While the house is distinct from the surrounding woodland, it sits in harmony with it, elevated some 65 feet (20m) above the ground in the undisturbed tree canopy.

The structure of the cabin is made from low-waste cross-laminated timber panels and glulam beams. The unit was prefabricated offsite and then lifted into place to avoid damaging the landscape with large construction machinery.

Cantilevered cabin: bathed in light



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Featuring vaulted 12-foot-high (4m) ceilings clad in exposed timber, the home feels airy and spacious. Floor-to-ceiling glass envelops the south and east walls, bathing the interior in natural light that shifts throughout the day.

front of the cabin to the bedroom and bathroom at the rear.

Cantilevered cabin: a home for wildlife



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In addition to its high-efficiency wood stove, the cabin is kept at a comfortable temperature all year round thanks to the innovative design of its south-facing glazed wall. In the summer months, the tree canopy shades the interior from the hot sun, while in the winter months, the bare branches allow sunlight to stream through and warm the living spaces.

As well as providing a welcoming place to live for its residents, the cabin also offers a home to the region's brown bats. Bat pods were integrated into the metal support mast to give the endangered species a safe space to roost.