



FARMING THE FOREST:

*nourishing our
community through
hands-on agroforestry*

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Elder Tree harnesses the power of nature to promote human health, wholeness and well-being.

5 ELDERS.

10 ACRE CHURCH FOREST.

5 TEENS.

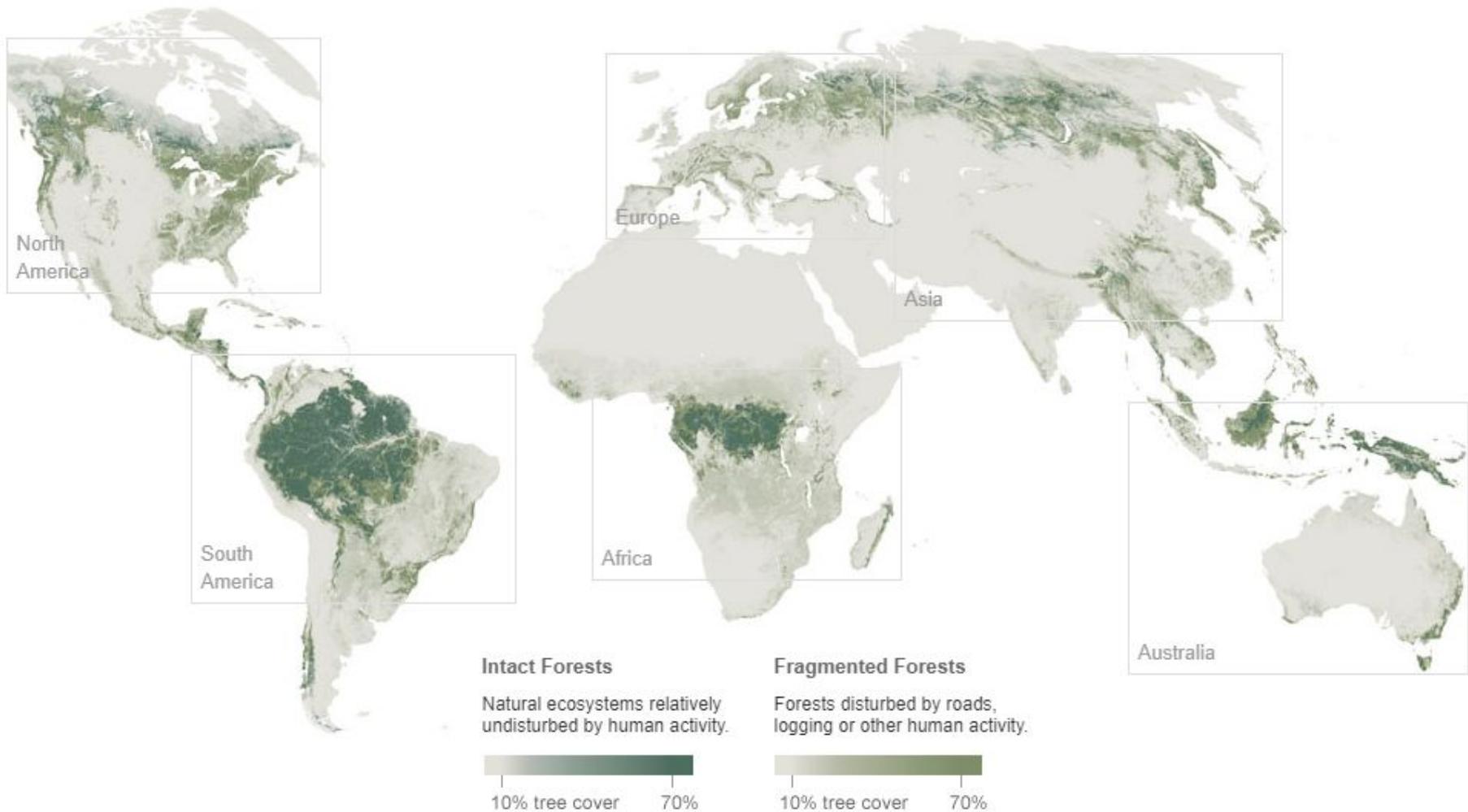
20 TWENTY SOMETHINGS.

40 WONDER SPROUTS.

200 SAPLINGS.

Why AGROFORESTRY?





RESTORE THE FOREST

Land Stewardship
Saturdays
9AM-12 NOON



Stage One:

- Engage Community
- Remove Invasives
- Build the soil





Learn from local farmers:

- Boulder Berry Farm
- Once in a Blue Moon Farm
- Farm on Central



Learn from local experts:

- American Chestnut Foundation
- Central State Agriculture Extension

Stage 2

- Plant Non Timber Forest Products (NTFPs)
- Create Educational Programs



What are Non-Timber Forest Products?





AMERICAN CHESTNUT

AMERICAN PERSIMMON





ELDERBERRY

PAW PAW



WINE CAP MUSHROOMS





AMERICAN GINSENG



GOLENSEAL

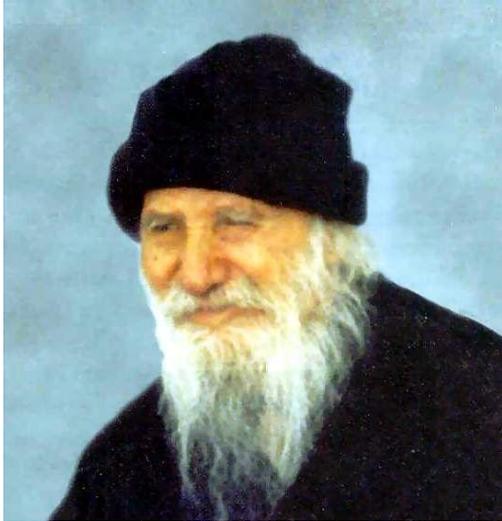


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MEDICINAL FOREST CROPS



How can agroforestry programs be used to cultivate relationships between the generations?



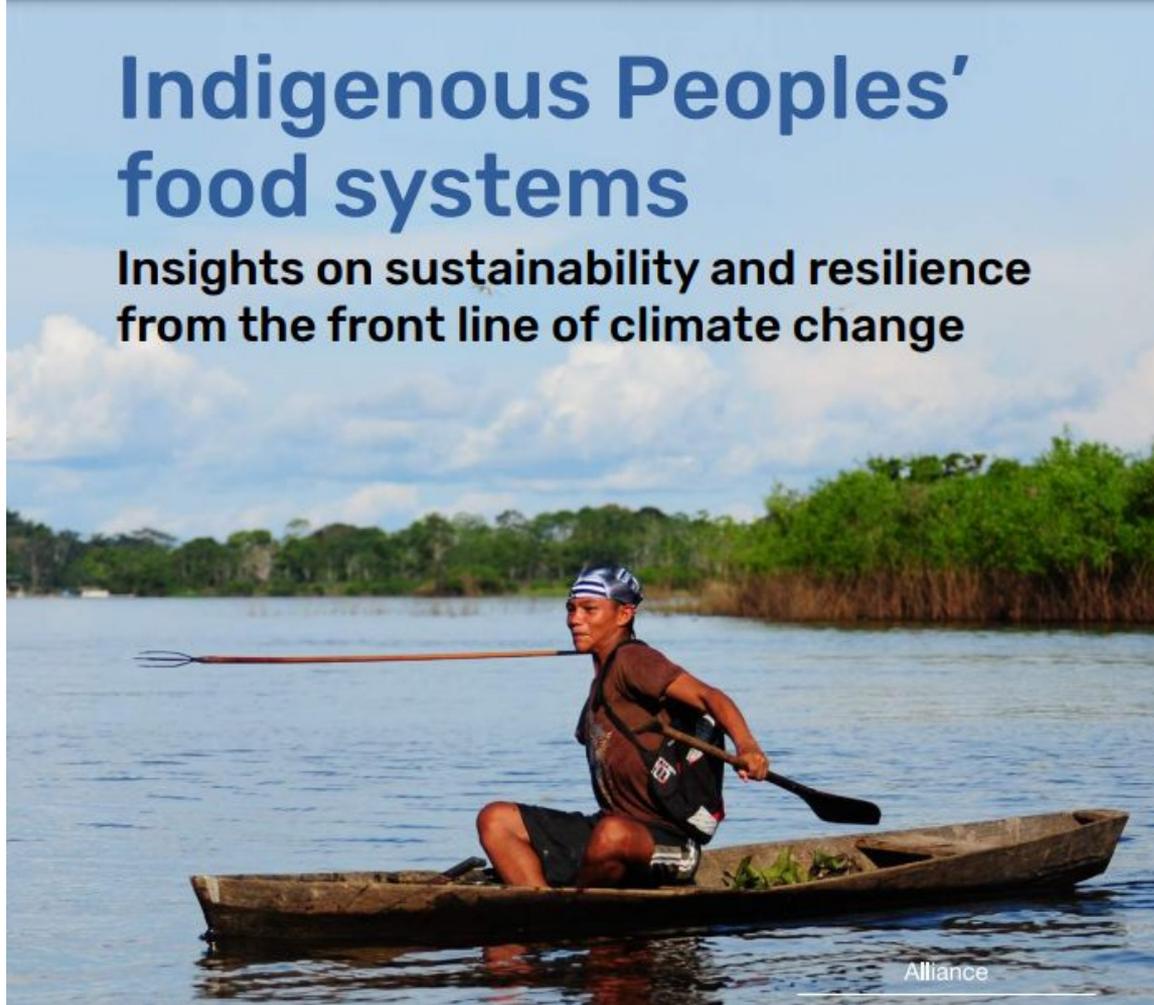
WHAT IS ELDERHOOD?

How can we find
new ways to
nourish
ourselves that
are
grounded in old
ways of
knowing?



Indigenous Peoples' food systems

Insights on sustainability and resilience
from the front line of climate change





WHO ARE MY ELDERS?



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