



Desert

Average Temperature:

between -4°C to 49°C , depending on the type of desert

Average Rainfall:

less than 50cm per year

Characteristics:

- lack of rainfall
- can be hot or cold

Well-Known Deserts:

- Sahara Desert (Africa)
- Gobi Desert (Asia)
- Simpson Desert (Australia)



Coverage:

approximately 20% of Earth's terrestrial environment

Flora & Fauna:

Cactus varieties have adapted to the desert by storing water in their stems. Most desert animals, such as the Greater Bilby, are nocturnal and survive underground during the hot days.

Did you know that Australia has ten deserts that make up almost 1/5 of the continent? This makes it the driest inhabited continent in the world!