## Worlds Tallest Trees



Coast Redwoods


## Hyperion

- Hyperion was discovered August 25, 2006, by naturalists Chris Atkins and Michael Taylor.
- The tree was verified as standing $115.55 \mathrm{~m}(379.1 \mathrm{ft})$ tall by Stephen Sillett.
- The tree was found in a remote area of Redwood National and State Parks purchased in 1978. It is estimated to contain $530 \mathrm{~m}^{3}(18,600 \mathrm{cu} \mathrm{ft})$ of wood.
- The Park also houses the second tallest tree Helios, and the third tallest Icarus. Sillett estimates Hyperion to be 600 years old while others report it to be roughly 700-800 years old.
- The exact location of Hyperion is kept secret to protect the tree from damage.
- Researchers stated that woodpecker damage at the top may have prevented the tree from growing taller.


## How big is 116 m ?



St Paul's Cathedral 113m

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## How old is Hyperion?

- Hyperion is already somewhere between 600-800 years old and still growing. Barring damage from wind or woodpeckers, it should keep doing so for centuries to come.
- Other exceptionally tall redwoods are currently shorter than Hyperion but growing at a faster rate. So while Hyperion holds the crown for now, it's likely to be overtaken in the next few decades. It will therefore probably be a different tree that breaks the 400 foot barrier for the first time since logging decimated these forests.



## Amazing Trees

- Oldest Tree
- Tallest Tree
- Biggest Tree


