



Nature in France

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France: its departments and overseas departments



There is 13 departments
in the French metropolis

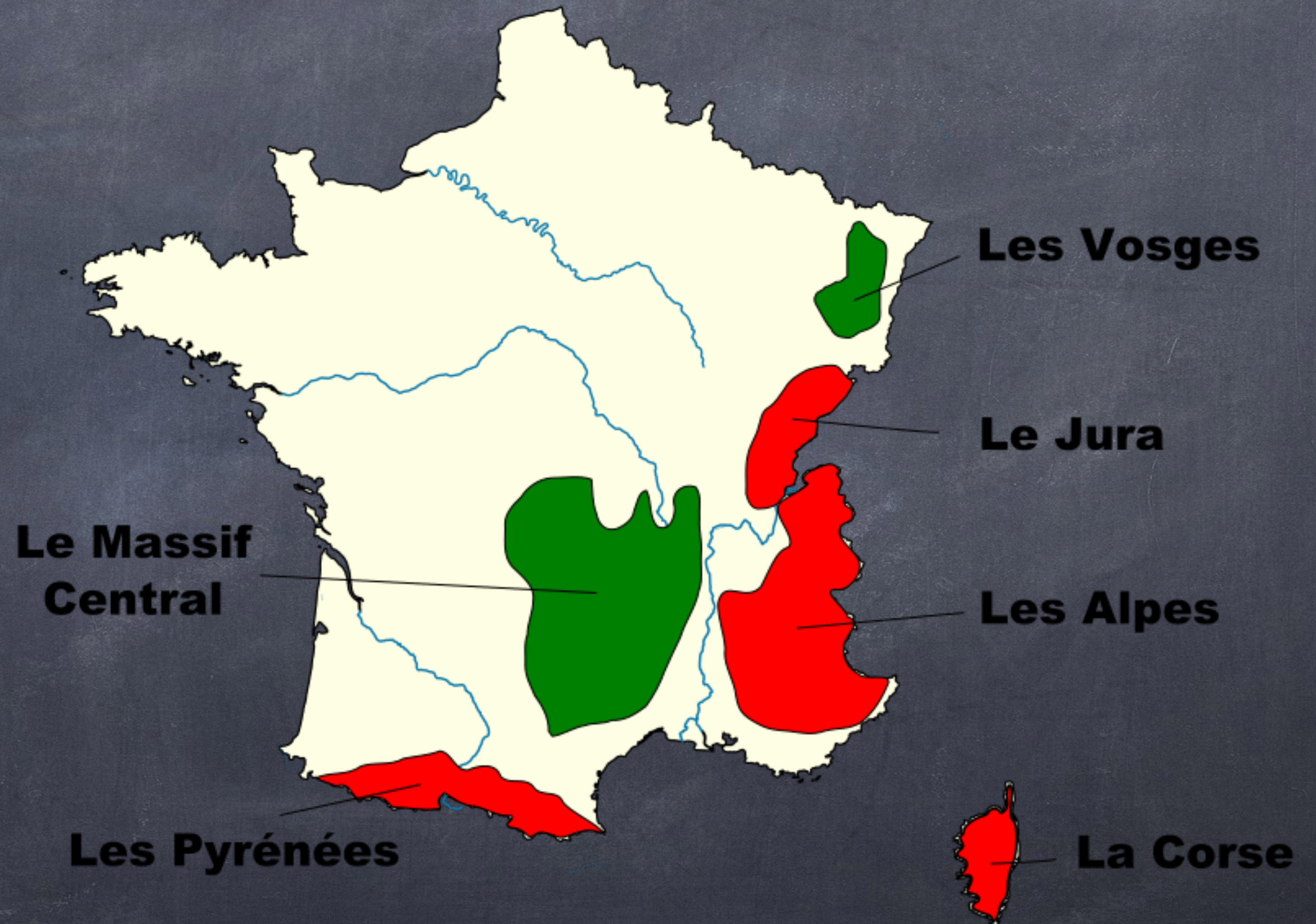
and

5 overseas departments

The French Mountains

Les montagnes françaises

In France we count 6 high mountains which are the Vosges, the Jura, the Massif Central, the Alps, the Pyrenees, and the Corsican Massif.



The Vosges

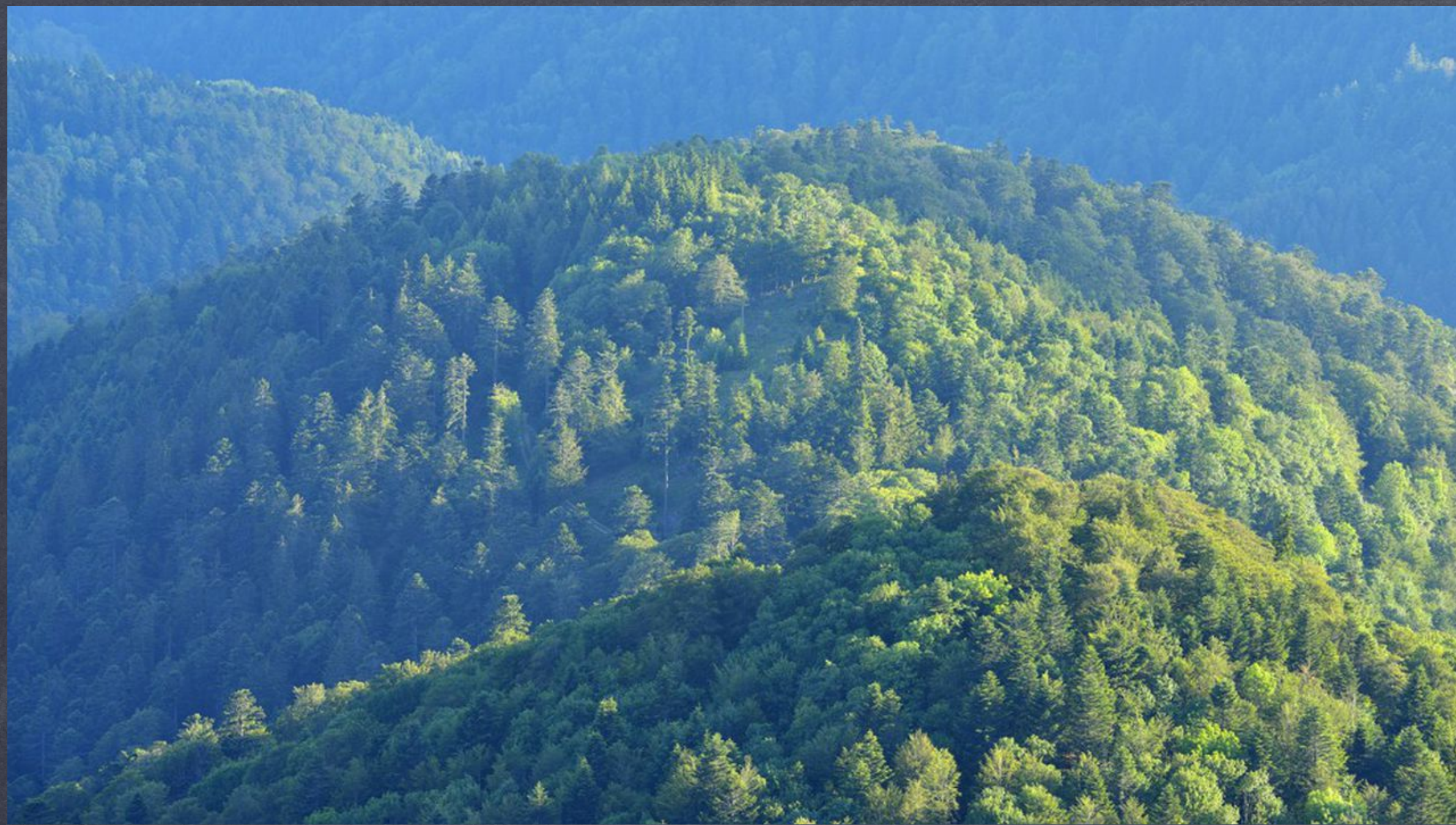
The Vosges are a range of low mountains in the Grand Est (this is the region in which we live). The **Grand Ballon** is the highest peak culminating at 1,424 m



The Alps

In Auvergne Rhône Alpes there is a big chain of mountains called Alps. The Mont Blanc is the highest point of these mountains, he do 4809 meters





The Forest

The mountains are covered with a thick forest mostly composed of fir trees, pine trees, spruces and beeches. About 60 % of the massif is wooded. While walking in the forest we can meet roe deers, beavers, chamois, lynx and wild cats.



Rivers

The main French rivers are the Rhine, the Rhone, the Garonne, the Loire and the Seine.

The Seine is the most famous river because it crosses Paris.



The Rhine

The Rhine is 1,320 km long. It takes its sources in the Swiss Alps and flows into the North Sea, in the Netherlands. In France, it forms the border with Germany on 188 km long. It's the closest river to

US.



The Rhone

The Rhone river is a river of 812 km. It takes its sources in the Swiss Alps.

The Loire river is a river of 1006 km. It is the biggest river in France. It takes its sources in Mont Gerbier-de-Jonc.



Lakes

In France there are many lakes. Here is a picture of some of the lakes in our region.

The Vosges have many lakes, the most famous ones are:



The sea



France is surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea, the Atlantic Ocean and the English Channel.

The beach

There are magnificent beaches of fine sand but also of gallets. We can find there many shells.



The most famous French are the landing beaches and the dune of Pilat.

The agriculture

The agriculture offers a natural landscape in France with its fields, its livestock farming...

LA RÉGION GRAND EST DÉVELOPPE SES GRANDES FILIÈRES AGRICOLES



The illustration shows a vibrant farm scene with a red barn, a tractor, and a sun. Below the illustration, five agricultural sectors are highlighted with icons and labels.

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Cow breeding



Beekeeping

Equin breeding



Pig breeding



Viticulture



Corn field



Wheat field



Nature in painting



The Normandy coastline was a favourite with France's Impressionist painters, particularly Étretat which has been depicted in many Monet paintings. Étretat is part of the Alabaster coast, known for its dramatic white cliffs.

A kilometer off the coast of Normandy, along the border with Brittany, is the iconic Mont-Saint-Michel. An UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of France's most-visited attractions, Mont-Saint-Michel is a must-visit.

