

Amazon River



The Amazon is in South America and is the largest river by discharge of water in the world. The Amazon drainage basin is the largest drainage basin in the world, and accounts for one-fifth of the world's total river flow.

Length	6,453km
Discharge	209,000m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	6,915,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	6

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River Thames



The Thames is the longest river in England and the second longest in the United Kingdom. It is best known for flowing through London but also flows alongside Oxford, Reading and Windsor.

Length	346km
Discharge	65.8m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	12,935km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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River Nile



The Nile is generally regarded as the longest river in the world. It flows through northeastern Africa, almost entirely through the Sudanese desert towards Egypt and ends in the Mediterranean Sea.

Length	6,853km
Discharge	2,830m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	3,400,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	11

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Yangtze River

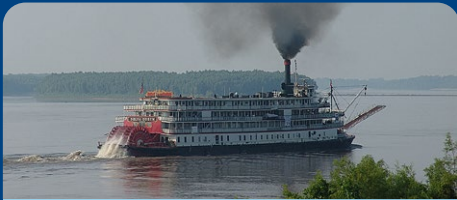


The Yangtze River is the longest river in Asia and the third longest in the world. It flows from the glaciers on the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau to the East China Sea at Shanghai.

Length	6,300km
Discharge	30,166m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	1,808,500km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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Mississippi River



The Mississippi River has the largest drainage system on the North American continent. It flows entirely within the United States, beginning in Minnesota and ending at the Mississippi Delta at the Gulf of Mexico.

Length	3,734km
Discharge	16,792m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	2,981,076km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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River Ganges



The Ganges flows through India and Bangladesh, starting in the western Himalayas and ending in the Bay of Bengal. It is the third largest river by discharge.

Length	2,525km
Discharge	16,648m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	1,080,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	2

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River Volga



The Volga is the longest and largest (in terms of discharge) river in Europe. It flows through central Russia and into the Caspian Sea. Eleven cities, including Moscow, are in the Volga's drainage basin.

Length	3,692km
Discharge	8,060m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	138,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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Rhine River



The Rhine is the second longest river in Central and Western Europe. It begins in the Swiss Alps and eventually ends in the North Sea in the Netherlands.

Length	1,230km
Discharge	2,900m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	185,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	6

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River Loire



The Loire is the longest river in France. It begins in the highlands of the Massif Central and ends in the Atlantic Ocean.

Length	1,012km
Discharge	835.3m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	117,000km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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Murray River



The Murray River is Australia's longest river. It begins in the Australian Alps and empties through the Murray Mouth into the Indian Ocean.

Length	2,508km
Discharge	767m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	1,061,469km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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Congo River



The Congo River is the world's deepest river with measured depths of 200m. It begins in the highlands and mountains of the East African Rift and ends in the sea at the small town of Muanda.

Length	4,700km
Discharge	41,000m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	4,014,500km ²
Countries Flowed Through	6

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River Severn



The River Severn is the longest river in the United Kingdom. It begins at an altitude of 2,001 feet in the Cambrian Mountains of Mid Wales and ends in the Atlantic Ocean.

Length	354km
Discharge	61.17m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	11,420km ²
Countries Flowed Through	2

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Tyne River



The River Tyne begins in North East England. The river is formed by the North Tyne and the South Tyne joining.

Length	118km
Discharge	44.6m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	2,933km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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Tees River



The River Tees begins in northern England. It flows eastwards until it reaches the North Sea.

Length	137km
Discharge	20.4m ³ /s
Drainage Basin	1834km ²
Countries Flowed Through	1

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