

How A River Delta Is Formed

the Upper Delta, from the Diamante – Puerto Gaboto line to Villa Constitución; e5403306cf == History == e5403306cf The region is a megalopolis, and is at the southern end of a larger megalopolis running along the southern coast of China, which include metropolises such as Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Guangzhou, and Macau. The nine largest cities of the PRD had a combined population of 86 million in 2022; the PRD has become the largest urban area in the world in both size and population. The region's traditional language is Cantonese... e5403306cf The delta is a petroleum-rich region and has been the center of international concern over extensive pollution which is often used as an example of ecocide. The principal cause is major oil spills by multinational corporations of the petroleum industry. e5403306cf The delta faces several issues. Since 1883, due to land... e5403306cf The Niger Delta, as now defined officially by the Nigerian government, extends over 70,000 km2 (27,000 sq mi) and makes up 7.5% of Nigeria's land mass. Historically and cartographically, it consists of present-day Bayelsa, Delta, and Rivers States. In 2000, however, Obasanjo's regime included Abia... e5403306cf It is the largest river delta in the world. It releases one fifth of the total amount of freshwater that is discharged into the earths oceans, into the Atlantic Ocean, with some estimating that equates to 200,000 litres a second. The area has wetlands, streams, lagoons and rich ecosystems and biodiversity. It is a vital area for wildlife, with extensive mangroves in wetland forests, that cover an area of 38,304 km2 of the delta, with 75% of Brazil's mangroves located in the Amazon Delta. e5403306cf It covers about 14,000 square kilometres (5,400 mi2) and starts to form between the cities of Santa Fe and Rosario, where the river splits into several arms, creating a network of islands and wetlands. Most of it is in the jurisdiction of Entre Ríos Province, and parts in the north of Buenos Aires Province. e5403306cf

Indus River Delta Major estuaries of the Indus are home to the Indian Ocean humpback dolphin. 7 in) of rainfall in a normal year. The climate is arid, the region only receives between 25 and 50 centimetres (9. The delta is home to the largest arid mangrove forests in the world, as well as many birds, fish and the Indus dolphin. The fifth largest in the world, the Indus Delta is a designated wetland and Ramsar site, containing seventeen major creeks or estuaries and numerous minor creeks. The Indus River Delta forms where the Indus River flows into the Arabian Sea, mostly in the southern Sindh province of Pakistan with a small portion in The Indus River Delta forms where the Indus River flows into the Arabian Sea, mostly in the southern Sindh province of Pakistan with a small portion in the Kutch Region of India. The active part of the delta is 6,000 km2 in area (2,300 sq mi). The delta covers an area of about 41,440 km2 (16,000 sq mi), and is approximately 210 km (130 mi) across where it meets the sea. 8 and 19 e5403306cf

River deltas are important in human civilization, as they are major agricultural production centers and population centers. They can provide coastline defence and can impact drinking water supply. They are also ecologically important, with different species' assemblages depending on their landscape position. On geologic timescales, they are also important carbon sinks... e5403306cf == Geography == e5403306cf The Amazon Delta has a tropical climate with high humidity and high temperatures. It has a wet season with frequent flooding and a dry season... e5403306cf The total length of the delta is about 320 kilometres (200 mi), and its width varies between 18 and 60 kilometres (11 and 37 mi). It carries 160 million tonnes of suspended sediment (about half of it coming from the Bermejo River through the Paraguay River) and advances from... e5403306cf == Natural history == e5403306cf The Niger Delta is a very densely populated region sometimes called the Oil Rivers because it was once a major producer of palm oil. The area was the British Oil Rivers Protectorate from 1885 until 1893, when it was expanded and became the Niger Coast Protectorate. e5403306cf

Amazon Delta The region is 160,000 km2 and has 49 towns, with most of these being small towns with less than 20,000 inhabitants. It is located in the Brazilian states of Amapá and Pará and encompasses the Marajó Archipelago, with Marajó Island as its largest island. The main cities located in the vicinity are Belém and Macapá, each with its respective metropolitan area. Amazon Delta (Portuguese: delta do Amazonas) is a vast river delta formed by the Amazon River and the Tocantins River (through the Pará River distributary The Amazon Delta (Portuguese: delta do Amazonas) is a vast river delta formed by the Amazon River and the Tocantins River (through the Pará River distributary channel) in northern South America e5403306cf

Until the early 20th century, the Colorado River ran free from its headwaters in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado southwest into Mexico, where it flowed into the Gulf of California. Significant quantities of nourishing silt from throughout the Colorado River Basin were carried downstream, creating the vast Colorado River Delta and preventing intrusion of seawater... e5403306cf The Middle Delta, from Villa Constitución to the Ibicuy Islands; e5403306cf

Mississippi River Delta S. The river delta is a three-million-acre (4,700 mi2; 12,000 km2) area of land that stretches from Vermilion Bay on the west, to the Chandeleur Islands in the east, on Louisiana's southeastern coast. The Mississippi River Delta is the seventh-largest river delta on Earth (USGS) and is an important coastal region for the United States, containing more than 2. 7 million acres (4,200 sq mi; 11,000 km2) of coastal wetlands and 37% of the estuarine marsh in the conterminous U. Mississippi River Delta is the confluence of the Mississippi River with the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana, southeastern United States. It is part of the Gulf of Mexico and the Louisiana coastal plain, one of the largest areas of coastal wetlands in the United States. The river delta is a three-million-acre The Mississippi River Delta is the confluence of the Mississippi River with the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana, southeastern United States. The coastal area is the nation's largest drainage basin and drains about 41% of the contiguous United States into the Gulf of Mexico at an average rate of 470,000 cubic feet per second (3,500,000 US gal/s; 13,000 m3/s) e5403306cf

The Paraná Delta is conventionally divided into three parts: e5403306cf

River delta A river delta is a landform, typically triangular, created by the deposition of the sediments that are carried by the waters of a river, where the river merges with a body of slow-moving water or with a body of stagnant water. The creation of a river delta occurs at the river mouth, where the river merges into an ocean, a sea, or an estuary, into a lake, a reservoir, or (more rarely) into another river that cannot carry away the sediment supplied by the feeding river. Etymologically, the term river delta derives from the triangular shape (Δ) of the uppercase Greek letter delta. In hydrology, the dimensions of a river delta are determined by the balance between the watershed processes that supply sediment and the watershed processes that redistribute, sequester, and export the supplied sediment into the receiving basin e5403306cf

The population of the active part of the delta was estimated at 900,000 in 2003. Most of the population depends on agriculture and fishing. Mangrove forests provide fuel wood. Many former settlements have been abandoned as result of lack of water in the Indus and the encroaching Arabian Sea. e5403306cf

Ganges Delta It is also one of the most fertile regions in the world, thus earning the nickname the Green Delta. The delta stretches from the Hooghly River in the west to as far as the Meghna River in the east. The Ganges Delta (also known the Ganges-Brahmaputra Delta, the Sundarbans Delta or the Bengal Delta) is a river delta predominantly covering the Bengal The Ganges Delta (also known the Ganges-Brahmaputra Delta, the Sundarbans Delta or the Bengal Delta) is a river delta predominantly covering the Bengal region of the Indian subcontinent, consisting of Bangladesh and the Indian state of West Bengal. It is the world's largest river delta and it empties into the Bay of Bengal with the combined waters of several river systems, mainly those of the Brahmaputra River and the Ganges River e5403306cf

Paraná Delta The Paraná flows north-south and becomes an alluvial basin (a flood plain) between the Argentine provinces of Entre Ríos, Santa Fe and Buenos Aires then emptying into the Río de la Plata. The Paraná Delta (Spanish: Delta del Paraná) is the delta of the Paraná River in Argentina and it consists of several islands known as the Islas del Paraná The Paraná Delta (Spanish: Delta del Paraná) is the delta of the Paraná River in Argentina and it consists of several islands known as the Islas del Paraná e5403306cf

Yangtze Delta Today, it is one of China's most heavily urbanised regions, home to over 123 million people, and is sometimes considered a megalopolis, due to the number, proximity, size and interconnectedness of its urban areas. The Yangtze Delta is home to China's most important financial center, Shanghai, and is a global hub for manufacturing of varied goods ranging from textiles to vehicles. In 2024 the Yangtze Delta region had a GDP of approximately US\$3. Historically, the fertile delta fed large populations, allowing cities and commerce to flourish. Yangtze Delta or Yangtze River Delta (YRD; Chinese: 长江三角洲; pinyin: Chángjiāng Sānjiǎozhōu or Chinese: 长三角; pinyin: Chángsānjiǎo for short), is a geographic The Yangtze Delta or Yangtze River Delta (YRD; Chinese: 长江三角洲; pinyin: Chángjiāng Sānjiǎozhōu or Chinese: 长三角; pinyin: Chángsānjiǎo for short), is a geographic, cultural, and economic region of China, generally considered to comprise the Direct-administered municipality of Shanghai, Southern Jiangsu, Northern Zhejiang, and parts of southern Anhui. The area lies in the heart of the historical Jiangnan region (literally meaning "south of the Yangtze"), where the Yangtze drains into the East China Sea. 2 trillion (about the same size as France), making up approximately 17% of China's total GDP e5403306cf

The Lower Delta, from the Ibicuy Islands to the mouth of the river. e5403306cf

Colorado River Delta The Colorado River Delta is the region where the Colorado River once flowed into the Gulf of California (also known as the Sea of Cortez) in eastern Mexicali The Colorado River Delta is the region where the Colorado River once flowed into the Gulf of California (also known as the Sea of Cortez) in eastern Mexicali Municipality in the north of the state of Baja California, in northwestern Mexico. Historically, the interaction of the river's flow and the ocean's tide created a dynamic environment, supporting freshwater, brackish, and saltwater species. Within the delta region, the river split into multiple braided channels and formed a complex estuary and terrestrial ecosystems. The use of water upstream and the accompanying reduction of freshwater flow has resulted in the loss of most of the wetlands of the area, as well as drastic changes to the aquatic ecosystems - an ecosystem collapse. The delta is part of a larger geologic region called the Salton Trough e5403306cf

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Niger Delta The Niger Delta is the delta of the Niger River sitting directly on the Gulf of Guinea on the Atlantic Ocean in Nigeria. It is located within nine coastal The Niger Delta is the delta of the Niger River sitting directly on the Gulf of Guinea on the Atlantic Ocean in Nigeria. It is located within nine coastal southern Nigerian states, which include: all six states from the South South geopolitical zone, one state (Ondo) from South West geopolitical zone and two states (Abia and Imo) from South East geopolitical zone e5403306cf

Pearl River Delta 1 trillion) in 2024, which was around equivalent to Spain. The Pearl River Delta Metropolitan Region is the low-lying area surrounding the Pearl River estuary, where the Pearl River flows into the South China Sea The Pearl River Delta Metropolitan Region is the low-lying area surrounding the Pearl River estuary, where the Pearl River flows into the South China Sea. Most of the region is part of the Pearl River Delta Economic Zone, which is a special economic zone of China. It is currently the wealthiest region in Southern China and one of the wealthiest regions in China along with the Yangtze River Delta in Eastern China and

Jingjinji in Northern China. The GBA's combined regional GDP was RMB¥15 trillion (US\$2. Referred to as the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area in official documents, the region is one of the most densely populated and urbanized regions in the world, and is considered a megacity by numerous scholars e5403306cf

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