

The Huon Peninsula



Geologically . . .

- An incredible story of crustal plate movements, subduction and uplift
- With volcanism, earthquakes, landslides, tsunamis, and changing climates
- The finest set of coastal terraces in the world

A remarkable natural laboratory

- For dated studies of crustal plate uplift, uplift of the terraces, growth of coral reefs, and climatic changes over the last 300,000 years
- The terraces are protected by a layer of volcanic tephra which preserve and protect their history

And the human record . . .

- The earliest record of human occupation in Melanesia
- Investigation is in an early stage, but many suites are now known

A Rich Biodiversity

- Fragmented into many habitat areas
- Rich Forest flora and Fauna, including more mammal species than any other region



You have just seen
the famous
Matschie's Tree
Kangaroo and here it
is again



And now, two portraits
of *Zaglossus*

*The Tree Kangaroo
is only found on the
Huon Peninsula, and
both of these animals
are endangered
species*

