

The Brilliant Green

"I Think I Shall Never See"

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3000 years ago the world was a giant place.
Expansive forests untouched lands
Skies were for the birds, trees were forever
And nature's worst invention had yet to form a plan
But our population grew
And with it grew ambition and desire to conquer all we
can
Own what we cannot, throw the unnecessary away
Today only 5% of the forests in our country exist
Of what there was just 200 years ago
And beautiful feats of nature formed
By thousands of years of patient practice
Are destroyed without a second thought for "precious"
resources
That will make the economy grow
My grandparents had never seen a plane,
A skyscraper, or a motor car or a cellphone or tv
My parents worked so hard to destroy the gifts given to
us
Now my grandchildren will never see a tree
Someday I'll take a small child
Down to the last grass covered hill in my town
And say "the whole world was once like this and more"
But words and photographs won't make them
understand
The dinosaurs have been around for thousands of
more
Years than we could ever hope to be
And isn't it ironic we're the ones destroying earth
Instead of the planet killing me
A friend of mine used to deep sea dive
But he doesn't do it anymore
He gets tears in his eyes when you ask him why and
says
"the ugliest stretch of ocean floor 10 years ago
Is a thousand times more beautiful than the most
beautiful today"
That was just ten years ago
Only ten fuckin' years ago

