Let's Hunt Dinosaurs

Here is a listing of some of the museums around the country where you can see dinosaur fossils. We have also given you a little bit of information about each one.

**California**

1. California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco: Model of a canyon wall with real fossils; several full-scale models and a life-size diorama.
2. Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, Los Angeles: Fossils and casts, including a skeleton of a dinosaur discovered in China.

**Utah**

3. Utah Museum of Natural History, University of Utah, Salt Lake City: Several fossil skeletons and casts of eggs.
4. Earth Science Museum, Brigham Young University, Provo: Huge Ultrasaurus and Supersaurus shoulder blades.
5. Dinosaur Quarry Visitors Center, Dinosaur National Monument, Jensen: A cliff wall with more than 2,000 dinosaur bones and several skeletons.

**Montana**

7. Museum of the Rockies, Montana State University, Bozeman: See paleontologists working to restore the most complete Tyrannosaurus rex ever found. A new dinosaur hall opens soon.
8. Carter County Museum, Ekalaka: One complete skeleton of an Anatosaurus that was found nearby.

**Wyoming**


**Colorado**

10. Denver Museum of Natural History, Denver: Six fossil skeletons and an area to view restorers working on bones.
11. Museum of Western Colorado, Grand Junction: Some of the world’s oldest fossilized eggs; dinosaur skeletons and six animated dinosaurs.

**New Mexico**


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A as in amphibian
Amphibians are a type of cold-blooded animal. Frogs and toads are both amphibians. Frogs have smooth skin and are usually green or brown. Toads have dry skin that is usually brown and covered with warts.

Rookie Cookie’s Recipe
Mushroom and Lima Bean Salad
You’ll need
• 1 15-ounce can lima beans, drained
• 4 tablespoons onion, diced
• 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
• 1/3 cup Italian dressing

What to do:
1. Place lima beans, onion and mushrooms in a medium bowl. Mix well.

Mushrooms in Canada

Visitors to the Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology in Drumheller (1) examine a Triceratops skeleton.

Here are two of Canada’s museums that have dinosaur displays.

The largest collection of complete dinosaur skeletons in the world is in Canada. The Tyrrell Museum near Calgary, Alberta (1) has a collection of 35 complete skeletons.

Most of these skeletons are not real fossils. They are bones made from molds of the real thing. These copies are called casts.

It is very rare that complete skeletons are found. Paleontologists often complete skeletons with man-made bones. These are sometimes lighter in color than the real thing.

The Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto (2) has 11 skeletons on display. Of those 11, only two are casts.
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(Sent in by Reid Vicars)

Q: What are young termites?
A: Babes in the wood.

Q: A comet is a star with a tail. Can you name one?
A: Mickey Mouse.
13. Museum of Natural History, the University of Kansas, Lawrence: The world's largest mounted skeleton of a Pteranodon (not a dinosaur, but a flying reptile).


15. Dallas Museum of Natural History, Dallas: Displays only dinosaurs found in Texas.

16. Fort Worth Museum of Science and History: Two fossil skeletons and also models of eggs and hatchlings. The museum is assembling a Tenontosaurus discovered by a 7-year-old boy and his father.


18. Texas Memorial Museum, Austin: Several fossils and a full skeleton of a Dimetrodon and dinosaur footprints.


20. Field Museum, Chicago: One of our country's finest dinosaur collections, including the world's first skeleton mounted with no visible supports.

21. Exhibit Museum, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: Casts of seven dinosaurs and fossilized footprints.

22. Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland: The only skeleton of a new species named the Haplocanthosaurus (nicknamed "Happy").


25. American Museum of Natural History, New York: Has more dinosaur fossils than any other museum in the world. Also has footprints and eggs.


27. Peabody Museum of Natural History, New Haven: Several skeletons and an award-winning mural, "Age of the Reptiles."

28. Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, Cambridge: Skeletons of several dinosaurs, including a complete Apatosaurus.

National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.: Murals, footprints, a restorer at work on fossils, eggs, and a towering Diplodocus.

29. Pratt Museum of Geology and Natural History, Amherst: Dinosaur tracks and several casts.

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A Tyrannosaur, one skeleton from the American Museum of Natural History (25). This museum has the largest dinosaur collection in the world.

The Field Museum (20) has the world's first skeleton without supports you can see.

The Academy of Natural Sciences (23) has a copy of a dinosaur footprint that kids can sit in.

Some museums, such as the National Museum of Natural History (22) have dinosaur murals, or large paintings.

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Teacher's Guide

For use by teachers and parents at home and at school.

For use with issue: Let's Hunt Dinosaurs

Main idea: This issue is about museums that feature dinosaur exhibits. The following is a list of activities to be used with this issue. They are listed in order of difficulty, with the easier pre-reader assignments listed first. Ask the children to do the following:

1. Count the number of photos of dinosaur exhibits. How are they alike and different? Which would you most like to visit?
2. Have you ever been to a museum that features dinosaurs? What about the exhibit did you like the most and why? If you were to help design a dinosaur exhibit for a museum, what would you include? What do you think people most want to see at a dinosaur exhibit?
3. Pretend you have discovered a dinosaur that will be featured in an exhibit at a museum. Draw a picture of your discovery.
4. Draw a line from each museum description to its location on the map.
5. Pretend you are visiting a museum from this issue. Create a postcard to send a friend back home. Draw a picture and write a description of an exhibit you have seen.
6. Which state has the most museums with dinosaur exhibits? How many states have one museum? Which museum mentioned in this issue is nearest to you?
7. Look in the weather section of your paper to find out the weather for the cities mentioned in this issue.

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