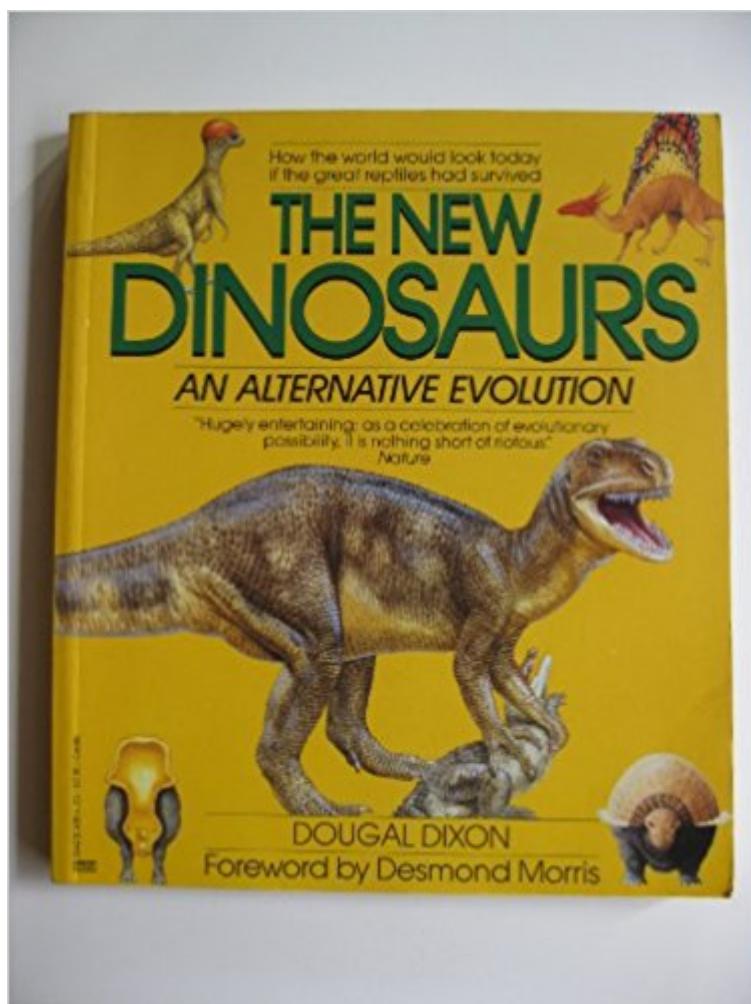


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The New Dinosaurs: An Alternative Evolution



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In what PW termed "a marvelous excursion into a fantasy that has the trappings of reality," Dixon gives a straightforward account of dinosaur extinction theories. Then, denying that the Great Extinction took place, he introduces us, through animal-encyclopedia-style text and superb illustrations, to his nearly credible creatures of evolutionary projection. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Many sf writers have created worlds where dinosaurs still walk the earth, but Dixon's new book pursues the premise in the most realistic way yet. In *After Man: A Zoology of the Future* (LJ 10/15/81), Dixon meticulously described a future earth biota 50 million years hence, but in this book he uses a world setting with today's climate and continental configurations, in which the mass extinction that closed the Mesozoic era has not occurred. Dinosaurs and the like have diversified consistent with zoogeographic and evolutionary principles and their own known fossilized morphology and diversity; mammals are small and secretive, and no humanoid has appeared. Intriguing to all. Margery C. Coombs, Univ. of Massachusetts, AmherstCopyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

A childhood friend had this book at her house when I was growing up. I loved it then and have

remembered it ever since, but I never took note of what it was called or who it was by, so every time it crossed my mind I would wonder to myself, "what was that book?" I finally couldn't stand it anymore and did a very extensive Google search on "fantasy dinosaur encyclopedia art book" until I finally was able to identify it. I promptly bought it. Still just as good as I remember, maybe even better now that I am actually old enough to read it all!

Such a wonderful book, lush illustrations and in-depth scientific descriptions and analysis of an Earth just like our own...but still populated by dinosaurs. It's a fantasy encyclopedia for the ages, part scientific hypothesis, part pure imagination.

This book by Dougal Dixon asks, 'What would the Earth be like if dinosaurs had not kicked the bucket?' The first chapters deal with evolution in general and with real dinosaurs, where they came from, how they changed and why they might have died out. This is followed by chapters that deal with the different regions of Earth, how they have changed over the millions of years and what the animals are like. Not just dinosaurs either, but also creatures evolved from birds, pterosaurs, sea-reptiles and other animals. As in 'After Man' the whole book has been designed like a non-fiction text book, or a nature guide, but doesn't seem as detailed or as fun. While Dixon's 'The New Dinosaurs' seems slightly more realistic than 'After Man' which had such weird creatures as parashrews, it also seems to have less imagination.

A splendiessay on evolution with solid Natural History background. Delicious Reading.

So I got this book as a child and loved it. But I lost it during the course of one of my moves and it's no longer in print. Super happy I found it here!

My nephew is still talking about it after three months. He won't stop. Can you help?

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