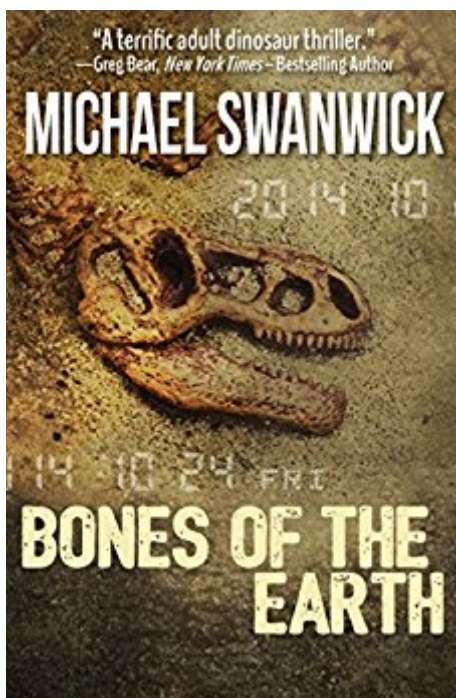


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Bones Of The Earth



Synopsis

Modern technology is pitted against ancient dinosaurs in this scientific thriller James Rollins calls "Jurassic Park set amid the paradox of time travel." Paleontologist Richard Leyster is perfectly content in his position with the Smithsonian excavating dinosaur fossil sites and publishing his findings. . . until the mysterious Harry Griffin appears in his office with a cooler containing the head of a freshly killed Stegosaurus. The enigmatic stranger offers Leyster the opportunity to travel back in time to study living dinosaurs in their original habitats "but with strings attached." Soon, the paleontologist finds himself, along with a select team of colleagues "including his chief rival, the ambitious and often ruthless Dr. Gertrude Salley" making discoveries that would prove impossible working from fossils alone. But when Leyster and his team are stranded in the Cretaceous, they must learn to survive while still keeping alive the joy of scientific discovery. This shocking novel spans hundreds of millions of years and deals with the ultimate fate not only of the dinosaurs but also of all humankind. Nominated for the Locus Award, the Hugo Award, and the Nebula Award for Best Novel, *Bones of the Earth* cements author Michael Swanwick as an author who "proves that sci-fi has plenty of room for wonder and literary values" (San Francisco Chronicle).

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It starts out like a bad version of an already Mediocre Michael Chrichton script. But it gets better, a great deal better. The author appears actually to have thought somewhat carefully about the nature of time and reality. And perhaps a bit about human relationships as well. Along side the metaphysics is a lot of wonderful paleontology. If you happen to be a creationist, it would really be good for you to read this book; on the other hand, if you are a creationist, you probably won't want to read this book. Read it anyway — and if you are a student in the sciences, perhaps with academic aspirations, or philosophy, this might make a good piece of auxiliary reading.

This book is literally incoherent. Oh sure, you can read it, but any idea of a plot line, intrigue or something at all to hold your interest simply isn't there. You've been warned. Don't waste your time.

Time travel, dinosaurs and survival. When our hero was offered a chance without information and he would not be able to tell anybody about it. He was left with a small ice chest to help him decide.

I liked paleontology as the setting for his well thought through time travel experience. A little sexy at times, fair character development, and easier than one might expect to follow.

Not the more commercial read I was expecting i.e. Jurassic Park. I disliked the omnipresent politics that muddy a good adventure but loved the overall story and very much loved the characters. Although I don't usually care for the subject of time travel but this one was intriguing because of where they were traveling. Dinosaurs are a winner every time!

An interesting premise but it becomes very technical. I was hooked with dinosaurs and time travel in one book but more action would have resulted in a more engaging story.

I loved this book, but don't really know that much about individual dinosaurs, or relate to their nomenclature. However the book was so interesting, it was worth it totally.

Ah to travel through time, what I wouldn't give to do that. Michael Swanwick enabled me to do that. If you want to be a time traveler read Bones of the Earth.

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