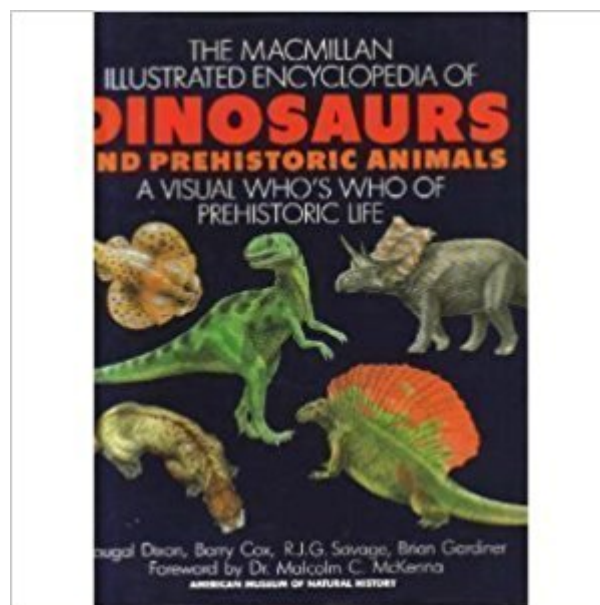




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# Macmillan Illustrated Encyclopedia Of Dinosaurs And Prehistoric Animals: A Visual Who's Who Of Prehistoric Life



## Synopsis

In a who's who of prehistoric life, readers take a visually spectacular trip through our evolutionary past going back more than 500 million years. All creatures are depicted in full-color paintings based on the latest paleontological information.

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## Customer Reviews

These are happy hunting days for lovers of dinosaur paraphernalia. As such, the Macmillan encyclopedia has something for everyone: colored reconstructions of the animals matched with a text whose style is accessible to most enthusiasts but whose content is extensive enough for more serious students. Both newly discovered and classic fossil animals are included, and there is background information to put each animal in time, place, and taxonomic perspective. The book's strongest feature is its inclusion of vertebrate animals other than dinosaurs. The variety of fossil fish and mammals should convince the skeptical that dinosaurs had no monopoly on bizarre structure. (See also R. McNeill Alexander's *Dynamics of Dinosaurs and Other Extinct Giants*, reviewed in this issue, p.00.)-- Margery C. Coombs, Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst  
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I have 2 sons that are obsessed with dinosaurs. We originally borrowed this book from the local public library, and it was in their hands every single day. I decided to come online and find it used. It is put together well, and the illustrations are well made, too. It is laid out in a fashion that shows the

animals in full color on a few pages, then has their information on the following pages, with a small black and white insert of the same images from the previous pages. They like to use it to play dinosaur war games (They make them up; I can never follow how they play!), look up information on different dinosaurs when they hear of one on tv or online, and memorize facts about weight, height, length, etc. If you or someone you know wants a book that has lots of general information about not only dinosaurs, but other prehistoric animals, this comes highly recommended!

I purchased this book as a diversion for the daughter of one of my dearest friends. Together we wanted to help her develop her keen interest in science and nature. I confess I "sequestered" it for a couple of weeks myself. Just like any kid, I dove into the T-rex and velociraptor entries and worked my way forward and back. The magnificent artwork and accompanying facts are a work of professional passion. Fortunately, the Encyclopedia is now in the possession of the rightful owner, who often chooses passages from The Encyclopedia as her bedtime story. I encourage a progressive publisher to commit the required resources to turn this treasure into an electronic version that can entertain and educate countless thousands in the future. Contrary to popular belief, I think that eBook circulation will create a greater demand for the print edition and elevate it to heirloom status. If the current publisher cannot pay fitting tribute to the authors, editors, contributors and readers of the existing work, then maybe they will bestow rights to someone who values it more. The alternative (I suppose) is to let others re-discover this information on their own. In tablet form (pun intended) this scientific, artful and informative work can serve as an inspiring basis for inquisitive and scientific minds of all ages. Imagine this work in the hands of a university with the priorities to devote editorial, graphic and business student resources to re-energizing (and receiving acknowledged credit) the existing assets and text. Both the Hardcover and (please! electronic versions) should be available at every library in countries who place value on education. I suggest purchasing the book for the same reason I did, and I guarantee you that you will not be able to resist cracking it open for several hours as well. My compliments and gratitude to all who made the existing work possible.

Thank You!

I needed this book for a school project, and I can say without a doubt it did not disappoint. I needed it for the information, but more importantly the illustrations. And in both respects, it really provided me with everything I needed. This is a very complete book with hundreds of illustrations of

prehistoric creatures. There are plenty of dinosaur books out there, but what's nice about this book is it has loads of other creatures from the prehistoric era. It is divided into family classifications and chronology. It gives brief information about the families as well as the individual species. I really have no complaints. The illustrations in this book are just superb. Well worth the price I paid for it! Thorough.

The book came on time and was in the condition that it was expected to be in. This book is great for anyone interested in prehistoric life, from the young dinosaur fan to the seasoned paleobiologist (although it should be noted that some of the entries in the book are outdated)

As a child, I must have checked this book out of the library nearly a hundred times. It's got great illustrations and lots of good information. Obviously, advancements have been made in the field of paleontology and some of the information or graphics are no longer accurate, but it's still a good book, especially for a child who is interested in dinosaurs.

Extremely good book with a ton of information, I recommend this book to any dinosaur fan, it is a welcome addition to my Dinosaur library!!

Great book!!!

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