

Triceratops

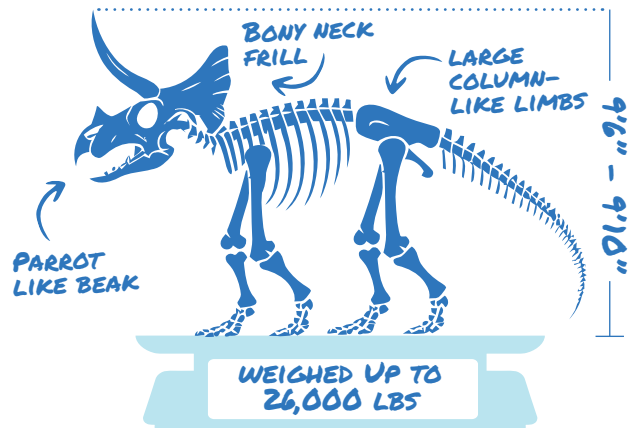
Triceratops horridus

Triceratops are **extinct large, four-legged dinosaurs**, known for their "three-horned face", that lived during the **very end of the Late Cretaceous Period**, approximately 68 to 66 million years ago.

Triceratops had a lifespan between **30 - 60 years**.



What did they look like?



Fun Facts!

- they had **around 800 teeth**, using them to grind down plants
- they **lived and traveled in small herds**, or groups, similar to elephants

Where were they found?

Triceratops fossils are found in **western North America**, primarily in Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming. They have also been found in Colorado and Canada. The first Triceratops fossil was discovered in the spring of 1887.



What did they eat?

Triceratops were **herbivores** that fed on low-lying Cretaceous vegetation, including **ferns, cycads, and palms**. It likely consumed a wide range of plants using its immense size to knock over trees.



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