# DINOS, MAMMALS & BIRDS



Hike the ROM Trail Guide While OpenROM is underway, some of the galleries and regular routes through the Museum may be temporarily unavailable. Follow this Trail to experience some of our favourites from the dinosaur world, and their mammal and bird friends.

This Trail Guide takes you through the galleries highlighting a selection of dinosaur, mammal, and bird specimens. Take your time with the trail and enjoy not only the stops, but the collections in between.

## Not sure where to start?

ROM Map Guides are a good source for gallery locations.

ACCESSIBILITY: Hike the ROM trails are designed to accumulate steps through a walking trail and includes stairs. Accessibility routes may require a visitor to backtrack through a gallery, use an elevator, or require Security's assistance with the use of ROM lifts.



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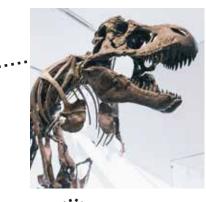
LEVEL 2 – DAWN OF LIFE

roamed the planet.

Dunkleosteus had a bite force more

powerful than a great white shark's and lived approximately 358 million

years ago - long before dinosaurs





Even from a distance, those teeth are unmistakable. Did you know that this T. rex specimen was so big that it was moved into the gallery first, before anything else? It's keeping an eye on our OpenROM construction, and we're keeping an eye on it!

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LEVEL 2 - BIODIVERSITY

One of the most recognizable

sits in front of its (much) larger

of Mauritius, the Moa lived in

New Zealand

skeletons in the gallery, the Dodo,

case companion, the extinct Moa.

While the Dodo lived on the island

Continue to the back of Biodiversity

and turn right into the Bird Gallery.

We hope you've enjoyed this Trail. Be sure to spend some time in all the galleries - maybe to make your own list of favourites.





LEVEL 2 – DINOS & MAMMALS Look ahead to the imposing Mastodon skeleton. It's big, and it's local. Did you know that Ontario is one of the best places in Canada to find Mastodon skeletons?

Continue to the end of the platform in front of the Mastodon. Look left across the gallery towards the window.



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Over 100 birds are represented in this gallery. From the large Royal Albatross at the entrance to the tiny, red-throated Mistletoe Bird (at the far end of the back case), this collection shows the diversity of birds on the planet, and their evolutionary legacy to prehistoric animals like dinosaurs

Continue past the Bird Gallery and through the doors on the right to our temporary gallery viewing platform.





### LEVEL 2 - DINOSAURS

Don't let size fool you. This was a small, fast predator with a big dino brain, large slicing teeth, and a sickle-shaped talon on each back foot - Deinonychus.

Move out of the gallery and head to the entrance to Dawn of Life. Be sure to stop en-route and look Futalognkosaurus straight in the eye! Once in Dawn of Life, can you spot the Dunkleosteus display right at the entrance?

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#### **LEVEL 2 – DINOSAURS**

Dinosaur skin! Did you know some dinosaur bones have fossilized skin on them? Here is a fossilized skin impression from a duck-billed dinosaur (and a touchable sample so you can experience how it feels).

The next stop is the smallish dinosaur at the end of the display just before leaving the gallery, opposite the construction panels.



## **TRAILHEAD STARTS HERE**

#### LEVEL 2 – DINOSAURS

This skeleton of a Parksosaurus is a very special dinosaur - it is one of the best skeletons of this type of dino, the bones are almost all REAL, and it is a holotype\* - a very big deal in palaeontology.

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LEVEL 1 - CHEN COURT

sauropods ever found.

the fan-like arch on its back?

Futalognkosaurus. This is a cast of a titanosaurian

Take the elevator (or the Stair of Wonders) to Level 2. Turn left into the Dawn of Life Gallery and head about

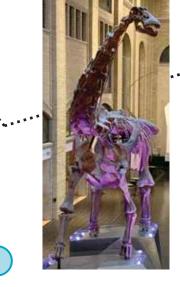
halfway back. Can you find the large skeleton with

specimen is one of the most complete giant

dinosaur discovered in Argentina in 2000. The original

Turn back past the entrance, and find the small display almost half way down the other side.

\*A holotype is the first unearthed specimen of a prehistoric species that bears its name



LEVEL 1 – CURRELLY We start with a hadrosaur (duck-billed) dinosaur - Prosaurolophus maximus. It is a hadrosaurine type of duck-billed dino, distinguished by its flat, uncrested, skull. This specimen was collected over 100 years ago.

Make your way across Currelly Gallery into Chen Court and look up. Way up.





GREAT!

Coelophysis is one of Earth's earliest dinosaurs. It was a theropod, like Tyrannosaurus rex!

Dawn of Life Gallery into the Dinosaur Gallery. Turn to the right of the entrance and find the dinosaur under glass in the alcove. Say hello to Parksosaurus.

## Continue left out of the

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Dimetrodon. It looks like a dinosaur, but it's not closely related at all. The hole located behind each eye tells us Dimetrodon had an evolutionary link to mammals - like humans.

Continue to the back of the gallery, past the red arch. Look to the display on the far right at the back. Can you find the large skeleton on the white wall mount?

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## Congratulations, you did it!

Now enjoy a relaxed stroll through the rest of our galleries and special exhibitions during your visit.

## **Become a Member**

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