



Styracosaurus

Means "spiked lizard"

Scientific name: *Styracosaurus albertensis*

Period:

Late Cretaceous (~ 75.5 – 75 Ma - {Mega annum, or million years ago})

Diet:

Herbivore (plant eater)

Current day location found:

North America

More information:

- A ceratopsian dinosaur like Triceratops, but from a different sub-family
- Triceratops was from the chasmosaurinae family which had larger brow horns & smaller nose horns
- Styracosaurus was from the centrosaurinae family which had large nose horns & smaller brow horns
- Both groups had large frills, though each species had its own distinctive frill
- Styracosaurus had a frill with 4 – 6 long horns pointing out
- This spiky frill that gave the dinosaur its name
- Because Styracosaurus have been found in large groups in bone beds, it is suggested that they were herd animals and travelled in large groups
- Nose horn up to 60 cm (2 ft) long and 15 cm (6 in) wide
- Height up to 1.8 m (6 ft)
- Length up to 5.5 m (18 ft)
- Estimated weight 2.5 tonnes (about the same as 4 dairy cows)

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