



# Coelophysis

Means "hollow form"

Scientific name: *Coelophysis bauri*

## Period:

Late Triassic (~ 203 – 196 Ma -  
{Mega annum, or million years ago})

## Diet:

Carnivore (meat eater)

## Current day location found:

South West United States

## More information:

- Multiple complete skeletons found
- Would have been a fast runner
- Based on its teeth and jaws, likely preyed on small agile prey such as lizard-like creatures
- One of the earliest dinosaurs to evolve
- Has been known to science for over 100 years
- It is the state fossil of New Mexico
- Estimated length about 3 m (10 ft)
- Estimated weight about 15 kg (33 lbs)