

MESOZOIC ERA TIMELINE

The Age of Reptiles Reference Chart

Triassic Period

252 - 201 Million Years Ago

Coelophysis Fast, bipedal carnivore. One of the earliest known dinosaurs.

Plateosaurus Early herbivore; ancestor to the giant long-necked sauropods.

Jurassic Period

201 - 145 Million Years Ago

Brachiosaurus Giant herbivore with longer front legs than back legs.

Stegosaurus Known for the kite-shaped plates along its back and spiked tail.

Allosaurus The apex predator of the Jurassic landscape.

Cretaceous Period

145 - 66 Million Years Ago

Tyrannosaurus Rex The "Tyrant Lizard King" with a massive skull and powerful bite.

Triceratops Three-horned herbivore with a large bony frill.

Velociraptor Small, feathered carnivore with a retractable sickle-shaped claw.

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