

Oviraptor

20 Cool Facts about The Oviraptor!



1. The name “oviraptor” means “egg thief”. This is because the first fossil of this animal was found near a clutch of eggs.
2. However later studies found Oviraptor sitting on top of its own eggs, so instead of eating them it might have been protecting them!
3. Oviraptor was about 5.2 feet in length (1.6 meters) and would have weighed up to 88 lb (40kg)
4. Oviraptor was discovered in 1923 in Mongolia by Roy Chapman Andrews,
5. The Oviraptor was an omnivore dinosaur. Carnivores eat meat, herbivores eat plants and omnivores eat both
6. Oviraptor is thought to have been fully feathered like similar small theropod dinosaurs
7. Oviraptor did not have teeth, it had a wide beaked mouth

8. It had a tail like other raptors, but it was shorter and at the end it had long feathers that were probably used for display to attract mates
9. The head of the oviraptor was about 8 inches long, and maybe longer. The head would have had a crest on top of it
10. Oviraptor was alive at the End of the age of the dinosaurs and fossils found are between 75 and 71 million years old.
11. It is believed that Oviraptor laid eggs and incubated them like a bird.
12. Even through oviraptor would have had feathers it would not have been able to fly, its arms / wings were to small and it did not have enough muscles.
13. Oviraptor had strong hind legs and would have been able to run quite fast,

14. Alectrosaurus and Alioramus lived at a similar time in Mongolia as Oviraptor and were not as big as a T-rex but big enough to eat an Oviraptor.
15. Many other famous dinosaurs lived in Mongolia during the late cretaceous period, Therizinosaurus, Gallimimus and Velociraptor..
16. Oviraptor lived in what is now Mongolia, which was thought to dry and sandy
17. Oviraptor was probably warm blood to a degree.
18. Oviraptor lived around the same time and place as the velociraptor it is unlikely to have been prey for the tiny terror.
19. Oviraptor walked on its back legs.
20. Oviraptor is one of the easier dinosaur names to say. it has four syllables, and you say it like this. ‘Oh-Vee – Rap-Tor

