



Section 5 - Theropod Eggs

A case of mistaken identity is revealed. The first dinosaur eggs ever discovered were originally thought to belong to the ceratopsian dinosaur *Protoceratops*. More recent discoveries prove the eggs were laid by a caring parent that was wrongly accused of stealing and eating the eggs. It was misnamed oviraptor meaning egg thief when, in fact, it was protecting its eggs like modern birds do.

Displays, images and interactives in this section

- Theropod Eggs Section Panel
- Were oviraptors good parents?
- Artwork shown right and below
- Theropod - oviraptor film
- Real theropod eggs of various sizes
- A complete circular nest of 33 cast dinosaur eggs
- Theropod egg dig pit



Embryo Model by Dennis Wilson



An assortment of individual eggs and groups of eggs



Pecking Order (above) by Luis Rey

