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**Scientific Name:** *Alamosaurus sanjuanensis*

**Name Origin:** *Alamosaurus* is named for the rock formation where it was found – the Ojo Alamo Formation. *Alamo* means 'Poplar' in Spanish.

**Discoverer:** A team led by Charles Gillmore in 1921

**Type of Dinosaur:** Sauropod

**Geological Period:** Late Cretaceous

**Age:** 70-66 million years ago

**Height:** 20 feet (6 meters) shoulder height

**Length:** 85 feet (26 meters)

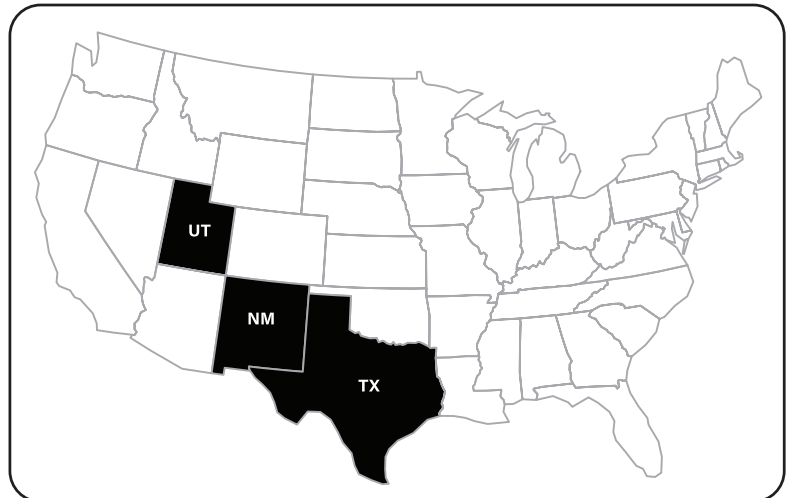
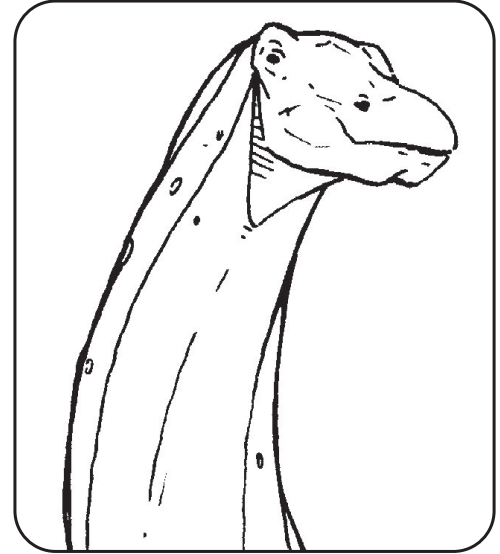
**Mass:** 83,775 pounds (38 tons)

**Diet:** Herbivore, plants

**Location:** USA - New Mexico, Texas, Utah

**Fun Facts:** *Alamosaurus* had bony plates in their skin called osteoderms. Their osteoderms were 9 inches long, 4.5 inches wide and up to 3.5 inches thick. *Alamosaurus* is the last known sauropod in the US before the extinction of the dinosaurs.

**Further Investigation:** Research osteoderms and how an *Alamosaurus* could have used them in different ways.



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