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Scientific Name: *G. libratus*

Name Origin: Gorgos “fierce” or “terrible”, saurus “lizard” libratus “to balance” in reference to the animal’s probable well-balanced and easy gait. Named by Lawrence Lambe from the Canadian Geological Survey

Discoverer: 1913 Charles M. Sternberg, Jr.

Type of Dinosaur: Theropod

Geological Period: Late Cretaceous (Campanian)

Age: ~77-75 million years ago

Height: ~3 meters hip height (10 feet)

Length: 9 meters (~29.5 feet)

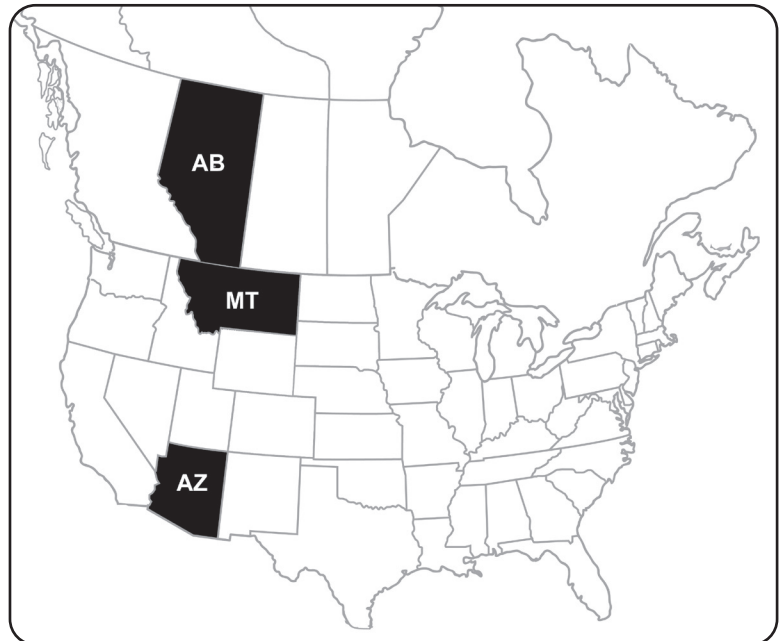
Mass: 2.5-2.9 tonnes (5512-6393 pounds)

Diet: Carnivore

Location: Canada: Alberta.
USA: Montana and possibly Arizona

Fun Facts: The *Gorgosaurus* at The Children’s Museum of Indianapolis has many healed injuries and is a good example of how tough it was for a predatory dinosaur. Many *Gorgosaurus* skulls have injuries on them. Modern carnivores, like wolves and bears, have the same types of injuries.

Further Investigation: The *Gorgosaurus* belonged to a group of theropod dinosaurs called the tyrannosaurids. Research different types of tyrannosaurids to find out their similarities and differences.



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