



Leaellynasaura LEE-ell-in-a-SOR-a

Scientific Name: L. amicagraphica

Name Origin: Named after Thomas H. Rich and Patricia Vickers-Rich's daughter Leaellyn

Discoverer: 1987 by a team led by Thomas H. Rich and Patricia Vickers-Rich

Type of Dinosaur: Ornithopod

Geological Period: Early Cretaceous (Aptian)

Age: ~100–110 million years ago

Height: ~60–90 centimeters (23.6–35.4 inches) adult hip height, 30 centimeters (11.8 inches) juvenile hip height

Length: 2-3 meters (6.56-9.84 feet) adult, 1 meter (3.28 feet) juvenile

Mass: 3–10 kilograms (6.6–22 pounds)

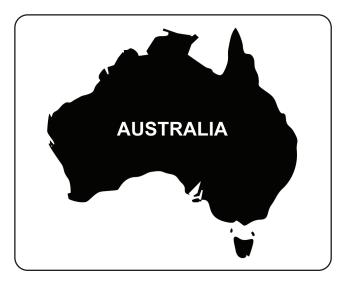
Diet: Herbivore

Location: Australia

Fun Facts: Dinosaurs are very rare in Australia; just over 20 dinosaur species have been described. When Leaellynasaura lived, Australia was farther south than it is today.

Further Investigation: Leaellynasaura has really large eyes for an animal of its size. Why do you think *Leaellynasaura* eyes may have been so big?





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