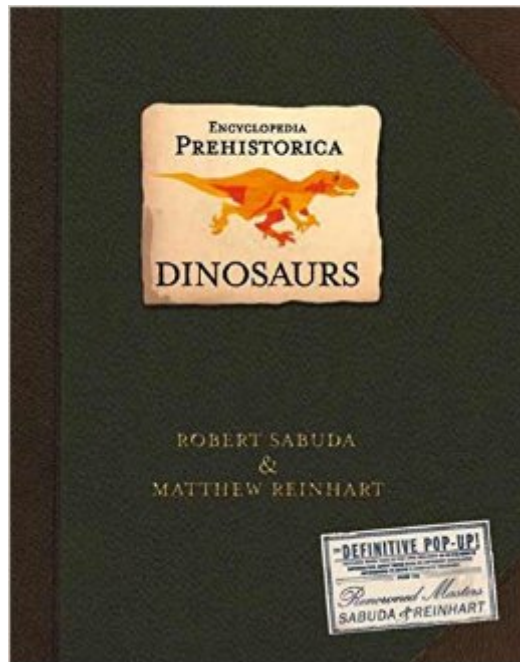


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# Encyclopedia Prehistorica Dinosaurs : The Definitive Pop-Up



## Synopsis

From renowned pop-up masters Robert Sabuda and Matthew Reinhart comes an awe-inspiring tribute to the world's most beloved extinct animals and their 180-million-year reign on our planet. Open this book and a massive T. REX springs out, flashing a startling jawful of jagged teeth. Turn the next spread and a ravishing raptor unfurls and appears to fly off the edge of the page. Inside the amazing *ENCYCLOPEDIA PREHISTORICA: DINOSAURS* are "shield bearers" in full-body armor, creatures with frilly headgear, and weighty, long-necked giants. There are even amusing tidbits on the history of paleontology itself — like a pop-up version of a Victorian New Year's dinner in the belly of a dinosaur model, or a pair of scientists locked in a literal tug-of-war over bones. Full of fascinating facts and lighthearted good humor, this breathtaking book includes fascinating, up-to-the-minute information about popular dinosaurs as well as many lesser-known varieties. With each of six spreads featuring one spectacular, large pop-up as well as booklets of smaller pop-ups and text, *ENCYCLOPEDIA PREHISTORICA: DINOSAURS* is a magnificent display of paper engineering and creativity — an astonishing book that will be read, admired, and treasured forever.

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## Customer Reviews

Back in 1994, before Robert Sabuda had fully gotten into the flow of pop-up picture book art, he created some early pop-ups with names like, "The Mummy's Tomb" and "The Knight's Castle". Even with these fledgling efforts, Sabuda impressed himself on the critics. Said Publisher's Weekly of Sabuda's 1994 titles, "It's rare to find a pop-up book in which the paper-engineering is the servant, not the master, of the art". Fast-forward to 2005 and here we have Mr. Sabuda creating more pitch-perfect pop-up wonders than anyone else in America. Candlewick Press must be hugging itself with glee to have wrested Sabuda from the claims of other publishers. I've avoided reviewing Sabuda pop-up books until this moment for the simple reason that it is very hard to be subjective in the face of his work. On a first reading of "Encyclopedia Prehistorica: Dinosaurs" (which is only the first in the "Encyclopedia Prehistorica" series) I kept trying to assess the factual content of the book alongside the quality of the illustrations. Instead, I'd turn a page and find myself yelling to my husband, "Honey, look! The dinosaur's pulling the guts out of this brontosaurus!!! Come watch!". And he would and I'd try to read some other passage in the book and then yell, "Honey, look! You can make the two little men fight over the dinosaur bones with this one!!! Come watch!". And he would and this would go on for about 40 minutes. Very few picture books have the ability to be precisely as cool to their adult consumers as to the children who are the supposed audience. Sabuda's books are the exception to the rule and this dinosaur book is gonna knock the little suckers dead.

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