

# Stegosaurus

(STEG-o-SAWR-us)

**Meaning:** 'Roofed Lizard'

**Length:** 9 meters long (30 feet)

**Height:** 4 meters tall (14 feet)

**Weight:** 2 Tons (about as much as an average American car)

**Diet:** Plant eater (Herbivore)

**Period:** 150 Million Years ago  
(Late Jurassic Period)

**Defense:** A strong tail with two pairs of pointed spikes.

## **Interesting facts:**

- Stegosaurus' had a brain the size of a walnut (about 1 inch long!)
- It is believed that the bony plates running along the spine of the Stegosaurus had blood vessels that could capture heat from the sun.

