



Pterosaurs (Winged Lizards)

Also called "Winged Lizards", *Pterosaurs* were a group of flying reptiles that ranged in size from having a wingspan of a few inches (primitive *Pterodactyls*) to over 40 feet (more advanced *Pterosaurs* called *Pterodactyls*).

Description: Pterodactyls were reptiles, but not considered dinosaurs because they did not have an upright stance. They were lightly built with hollow bones, long curved necks, long skulls and small bodies. *Pterosaurs* had large brains, and good eyesight. Some had short tails, some had no tails.

Size: *Pterosaurs'* wingspan was from 10 feet to 36 feet depending of the kind of *Pterosaurs*.

Period: The *Pterosaurs* lived during the late Jurassic period and died out during the Cretaceous, about 65 million years ago.

Habitat: North America, Europe, Africa and Australia

Diet: The *Pterosaurs* were carnivores; some had bristle-like teeth, some had no teeth. They ate fish (which they caught at the surface of the oceans), mollusc, crabs, perhaps plankton.

