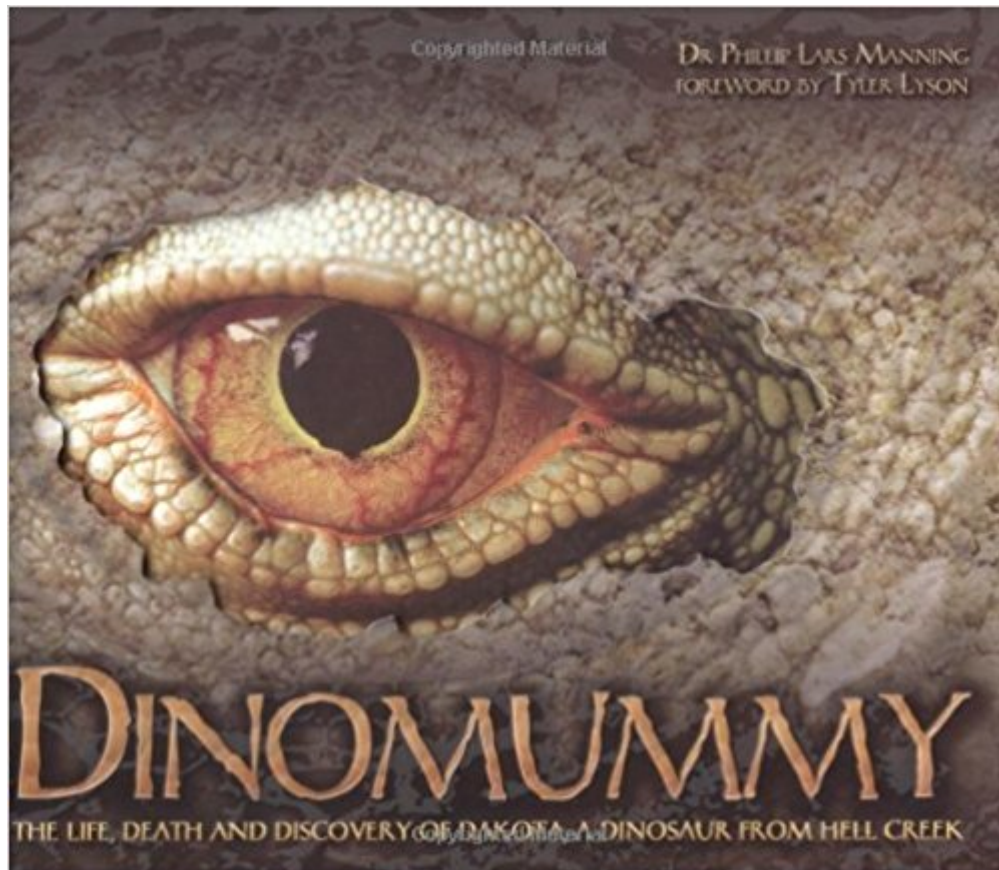




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Synopsis

In 2000, teenage dino-hunter Tyler Lyson stumbled across the fossil remains of a hadrosaur in the remote hills of the Hell Creek Formation in North Dakota. More than a collection of fossilized bones, Tyler discovered a three-dimensional mummified dinosaur—a dino-mummy. He and a paleontologist from the University of Manchester in England, Dr. Phil Manning, led an excavation that would change the way we think about dinosaurs. Named for its place of discovery, "Dakota" was gradually uncovered and moved to a lab for further excavation and analysis. Tyler and Phil's enthusiasm, expertise, and years of work blend as this paleontological detective story unfolds. Stunning computer-generated artwork, based on fieldwork and laboratory studies of the hadrosaur specimen, brings Dakota and its environment back to life on the pages of this amazing book. Travel back in time to explore Hell Creek 65 million years ago, when herds of hadrosaurs migrated across vast floodplains. Dakota died during the Late Cretaceous Period on the floodplains of North America and its body was locked in a rocky tomb. But Dakota's story was far from over. From the rugged badlands of Hell Creek to high-tech scientific labs, photographs document the incredible story of two men and a very special dinosaur. --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

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"[T]he...audience...should be captivated by...the dramatic account of prehistoric life and the up-close look at a modern dig." PW 12/24/07 (Publishers Weekly, Starred) --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

Dr. Phil Manning is a paleontology lecturer and a research fellow at the University of Manchester in

England. He has appeared and consulted on numerous television shows, and he presents public lectures and exhibitions at schools, universities, and science festivals around the world. He regularly writes for academic journals and the media. --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

This is a wonderful non-fiction book! Any child, (or adult for that matter,) interested in dinosaurs will find it amazing and full of information. A Hadrosaur, with nearly complete skin and soft tissue, was discovered in Hell Creek, North Dakota by a 16 year old who'd been fascinated with dinosaurs since he was 6. After he realized what he had found, he wrote an e-mail describing his discovery and including a picture, to Dr Manning, a paleontologist at the University of Manchester in the U.K.! An army of specialists soon surrounded the site. The book has pictures and descriptions of the recovery and moving of the mummy, and the results of the studies. At the end of the book, there are pages showing the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous dinosaurs, and also drawings and descriptions of the various fossils found at Hell Creek. It's also a beautiful, imaginatively bound book.

About half of this book consists of captivating illustrations of dinosaurs and the other half is photographs of the present day process of finding and analyzing fossils. The last few pages contain an illustrated glossary of dinosaurs. Certainly not an exhaustive list, but a nice spread. This book is aimed at young readers, I would guess in the 8-12 range, but even as an adult I find it interesting enough, mainly for the visual aspects. Our 2.5 year-old loves the illustrations and will listen to a "reading" of the book.

I got this book because of the readability factor. When it arrived today, I immediately asked my 9 year old girl to take a look and let me know what she thinks. She retorted that reading about dinosaurs is more for boys. I smiled and said that I disagreed with her since there can be female scientists and anthropologists and there should be nothing stopping her. After she started diving into this book, she got real excited and periodically would summarize to me what she read and understood from the book. Great book!!!

I bought this book on sale, and for the price I didn't expect much. My son likes dinosaurs though, so I figured I would give it a try. My 3 1/2 year old LOVES it! The text is a bit much so I kind of paraphrase it for him, but he wants to hear it over and over and over again. This is based on a real discovery, but there is an added story line to it. My son is just fascinated that the scientist found his first fossil when he was six.

It's like a brand new book. Excellent condition!

My 9 year old is an avid dino fan and absolutely loves this book. Great graphics and info.

when I got this book, it was brand new. as soon as I pulled it out it ripped\tore in several places. I don't know if the envelope was too snug or what happened but I did go ahead and donate it.

My son is an avid dinosaur geek and this book does not dissappoint, has a lot of new info not repetitive stuff like a lot of the other books I've gotten for him.

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