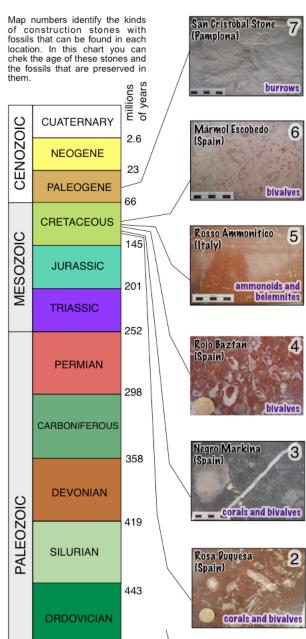
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Identification guide



Corals

Corals are marine animals that build skeletal structures made of calcic carbonate. Some corals build colonies made of thousands of individual animals that contribute to the formation of reefs, not only today, but also in the past.



Ammonoids

Ammonoids are an extinct group of cephalopods closely related to squids and octopuses. These animals protected their soft tissues inside spiral shells made of





Belemnites are an extinct group of organisms closely related to ammonoids. These animals had internal, bullet-shaped shells that are very common in the fossil record.

Bivalves



Bivalves are molluses that protect themselves within shels made of two symmetrical valves that are articulated. Clams and mussels are living members of this group.



Rudist are an extint group of bivalves that were very succesfull in the Cretaceous. Unlike most bivalves, the shells of rudists were not symmetrical: one of them was very large and cup-shapped, whereas the other one worked as a lid.

Echinoids (sea urchins)



Sea urchins are marine organisms that live inside a spherical shell made of articulated pieces or calcium carbonate. The spines that surround this shell are commonly preserved separately.

Crinoids (sea lilies)



Crinoids are agroup of animals closely related to sea urchins and sea stars. Crinoids had an internal skeleton made of articulated pieces of calcium carbonate that are very common in the fossil record.

Burrows

Burrows are fossilized holes excavated by animals in order to create a space suitable for habitation. Burrows can reange from simple and short tubes to complex networks of interconnecting tunnels.

Urban fossils of Pamplona / Iruña



Some construction stones preserve the fossil remains of extinct organisms that lived millions of years ago. Discover with this guide these urban fossils on the streets of Pamplona / Iruña.

Became an urban paleontologist following these steps:

- 1) Find on the map sites with urban fossils. The photographs indicate the kind of fossils and the stone where they are preserved.
- 2) Check the geologic time scale the age of these rocks and the fossils that are preserved in them.
- 3) Check the identification guide to classify the fossils that you find.

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