

SUE: The *T. rex* Experience



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Exhibition Overview

Encounter SUE—the largest, most complete, best-preserved *Tyrannosaurus rex* ever found—and the world SUE lived in as never seen before.

Featuring a new, fully articulated SUE cast with added gastralia (“belly ribs”), a one-of-a-kind narrated show, and realistic computer animated scenes, *SUE: The T. rex Experience* is a journey through Hell Creek, SUE’s home and one of the most well-documented ecosystems from the age of dinosaurs. Touchable fossil replicas, scent stations, and a naturalistic soundscape create an immersive, multi-sensory experience.



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Fossil Discovery

Investigate how SUE was transformed into a fossil after death and learn about SUE’s discovery millions of years later. Follow the process of extracting the bones and their eventual preparation and display by the Field Museum, and put yourself in the boots of paleontologists by trekking across a life-sized quarry map.

2

Scientific Research

Understand the importance of SUE as a research specimen. Get up close with a replica of SUE’s unrestored skull, just as it looked when it came out of the ground. Learn what scientists have discovered from studying the most complete *T. rex* ever found, and test your knowledge with a digital quiz—are you a *T. rex* expert?

3

Predator and Prey

The exhibition’s centerpiece is a cast of SUE’s 40.5-foot-long skeleton, paired for the first time with a complete replica skeleton of *T. rex*’s nemesis, *Triceratops*. Touchables and interactives provide opportunities for exploration and hands-on learning. Experience the SUE Show, a dramatic narrated program showcasing the evidence that this fierce predator lived a dangerous life, but survived to old age against the odds.

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SUE’s World

Experience SUE’s environment through realistic animated scenes of Cretaceous South Dakota. Then, see fossils of dinosaurs, mammals, turtles, plants, and more that informed this detailed reconstruction. Feel the textures and discover the smells and sounds of this ancient world.



Exhibition Specifications

Size

5,000 ft2 (465 m2)

Ceiling height

14 ft (4.27 m)

Security

Exhibition requires a limited-access, lockable space with security staff during public hours

Shipping

One-way, inbound, paid by host venue

Languages

All text in English and Spanish; language may be converted by host venues

Rental fee

Please inquire

Features

- New, fully articulated cast skeleton of SUE with added gastralia
- Full-scale replications, and touchable models
- Mechanical and digital interactives
- Large media elements and videos, including a one-of-a-kind SUE Show
- Gallery-wide soundscape
- Optional add-on package includes fossils from the Field Museum collections, ranging from tiny fish scales to giant dinosaur bones, and even some real pieces of SUE

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