

# Toothy Facts

## Fact 1-3

- The Saber -Tooth tiger [also known as the smilodon] had an unknown, fur-coat pattern and colour.
- Also, the Saber-Tooth tiger could open its jaw to an impressive 90 degree angle.  
*That's one mighty bite!*

## Fact 4

Although it has tiger in its name, it is only actually related to leopards and cheetahs. How peculiar !

## Did You Know?

Did you know that this impressive beast is 2x faster than a modern day cat and stronger than one with its long tusks [ the daggers.]



# Dawn of The Saber- Tooth Tiger

The Sabre-Tooth tiger, also known as the Smilodon Fatalis, first appeared 8200 years ago during the Ice Age period. It was feared amongst every herbivore during its ages and lived in grassy areas. This vulpine creature lived a life of solitude, ambushing its prey to survive. Read on to find out why this predacious beast no longer walks the earth.



# Physical features

The Saber-Tooth has 2 long tusks that it uses to kill its prey. “It is believed that the creature had a tawny colour like a lion or cougar but it may not be true as I still believe that the Smilodon is still here and we would know if we explored more of the globe [mostly Antarctica] to find this killing-machine”, stated Sam Saber.



# How do they raise their young?

Unfortunately, not much is known about how they raised their young but it is known that the mother would of been pregnant for 8 months prior and mate in the spring. Interestingly, the Saber-Tooth Tigers two long tusks grew fully when they were approximately 3 to 4 years of age, that's a long time!



# A Home Like No Other

Normally, these meat-grinding predators typically lived in snowy areas; shrubby places,; pine forests and grasslands. They lived in these areas as large herbivores[plant eaters] roamed that land and there were many areas to hide so they could catch their prey off guard . That's one smart carnivore ! Fascinatingly, they only lived in some parts of the world like: North America; Europe; Asia; Africa and South America. Also, during their lifetime, the extinct predator lived between the Miocene Era and the Pliocene Era.



# Bon Appetit

The Saber-Tooth Tiger was a vicious carnivore that ate mostly herbivores such as: bison, horses and mastodons. Ambushing its prey instead of chasing it, this death-devouring cat would then pin their food to the ground and stab it in its vital organs with its overlong fangs. OUCH!  
That must have hurt.

