

Fascinating Facts!

Amazing Actuality!

In the Sabertooth Tiger's mouth, due to the presence of the HYOID BONE, they were able to roar extremely loudly.

Cover your ears it's going to get noisy!

Super Solidity!

Although this feline, irascible beast has the word 'TIGER' in it, this prowling predator is not actually related to the modern day tiger that we all well know.

I can't believe it! It's a waltz with words!

Who Knew?

Did you know that - compared to humans - the Saber Tooth Tiger is considerably smaller but has a much larger mass.

You might be large but your not very lanky!

The Saber Tooth Tiger

The ferocious Saber Tooth Tiger was a frightening predator that roamed the earth over 23 million years ago. It is also known as, in Latin, the *Smilodon fatalis*. These vulpine carnivores hunted in packs: this could insure that every member of their ambush - the collective noun for the species- were well fed (including the old, ill and injured). The size of a modern day African Lion is the same as our historic hunter which might surprise a few. This predacious, muscular cat was feared by all and ruled many continents across the world leaving nowhere safe left. Despite their menacing physique, scientists believe that this mighty big-cat was not quite as intimidating and vicious as originally thought.



Scary but Super!

These predators had two long canines that, at full length grew up to 20 cm long. The Saber Tooth Tiger, from their heads to toes, was roughly 175 cm and their short, stumpy tail alone was already 35 cm. Another impressive measurement is that the shoulders of these felines were 100cm high (equivalent to 1m). Since this not so colossal creature was 55 to 400 kilograms, its top speed was estimated to have been 25 to 30 miles per hour.

Expert paleontologist, Samuel Saber, quoted “The first time I ever saw the remains I was in total shock. It was the best thing I experienced!”



Where do the Saber Tooth Tigers call home?

Scheming for their chance to strike, the extinct specimen was found mostly in North America and Europe during its time on the planet; although later on the prehistoric animal would advance its territory through more continents. Once the Pliocene Epoch came to a stop (around 2.58 million years ago), these dagger-toothed beasts separated and left to occupy Asia and Africa. Later in the Pleistocene Era, South America was found not out of harm's way as it was invaded by the notorious, silent-footed feline known as the Saber Tooth tiger.



Rearing their cubs

Just like other fascinating creatures the Saber Tooth Tigers were also good at raising their cubs. The pregnancy period for these caring mothers was approximately eight months. When impregnated, the maximum litter of these feline creatures was around three at once. Helplessly, the young of this species was very similar to modern day cats and is - unlike other classes of animal - was fascinatingly born blind.

