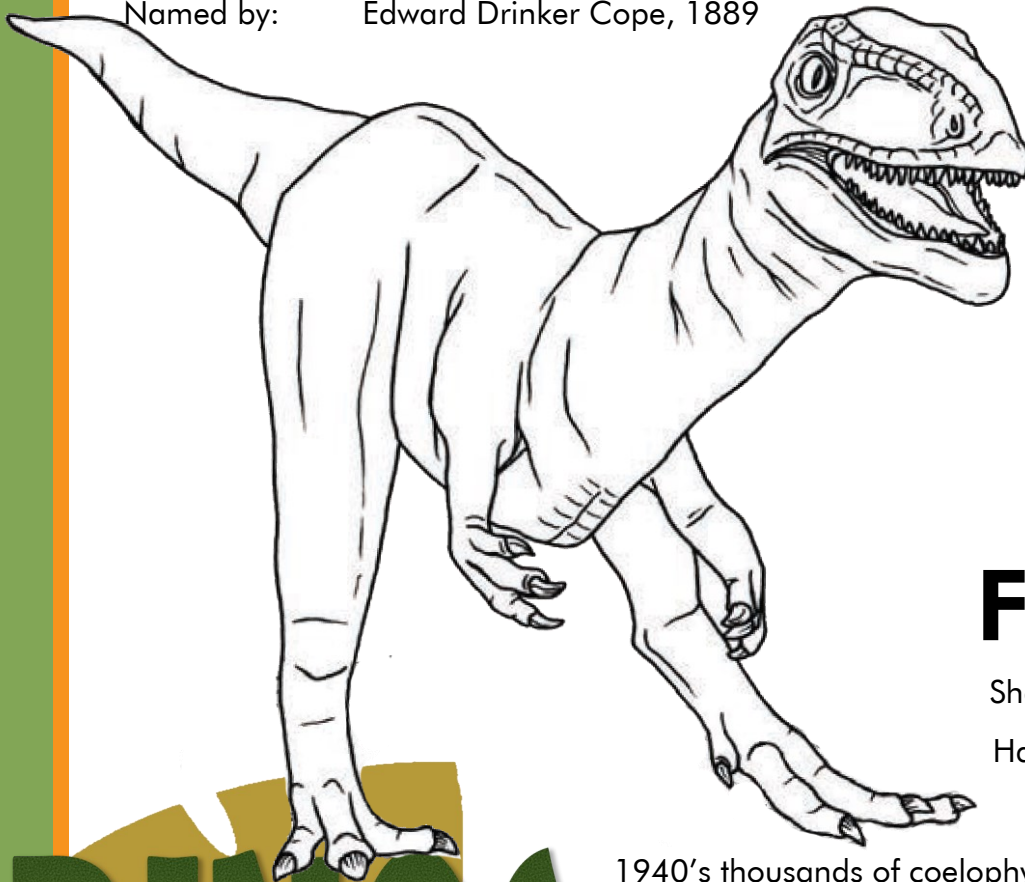


Coelophysis

Pronounced:	See-low-fye-siss
AKA:	"Hollow Form"
Time period:	Late Triassic (220 million years ago)
Size:	10ft long, 100 lbs
Locomotion:	Bipedal
Diet:	Carnivore
Location:	North America
Taxonomy:	<i>Dinosauria, Saurischia, Theropoda, Ceratosauria, Coelophysoidae,</i> <i>Coelophysis</i>
Named by:	Edward Drinker Cope, 1889



Fast Facts

Shared features with early birds

Hollow bones, beak-like mouth

Quick and agile

1940's thousands of coelophysis fossils were discovered in
Ghost Ranch, NM

Possible flash flood or other natural disaster may have
occurred

Lived in large groups

Possibly cannibalized young