

Figure 2.14  
The long flat essential shape typical of ruminant and perissodactyl herbivores.

## Skulls and Bones

### A Guide to the Skeletal Structures and Behavior of North American Mammals

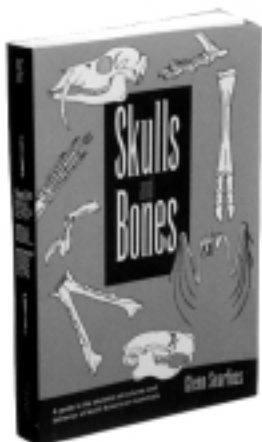
An animal becomes hard to identify when time whisks away its spirit, and the elements strip away its fur and meat, so that all that is left is bones. It would be wonderful to have a field guide to bones, but this isn't it. Until one is written, you can try thumbing through this book—which considers only mammals of North America, and that spottily—to get a sense of the distinctions between the bones of species. This is more like paleontology of the recently deceased.

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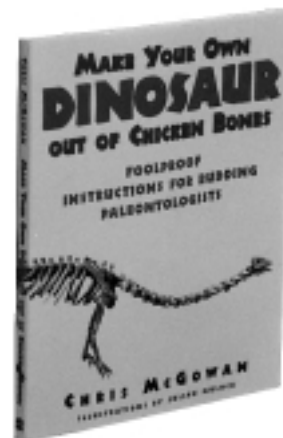
Glenn Searfoss  
1995, 277 pages  
\$19.95  
Stackpole Books



## Make Your Own Dinosaur Out of Chicken Bones

Yep. Totally cool. Birds are distant descendents of dinosaurs, so you should be able to make a miniature dinosaur skeleton using three dead chickens. Right? This book tells how to. How to nip and tuck the chicken bones to modify them into the needed dino bones, and then how to assemble the skeletal frame. In the process you'll learn amazing amounts of dino anatomy, and a new appreciation of chickens. We made it a family project; took several months.

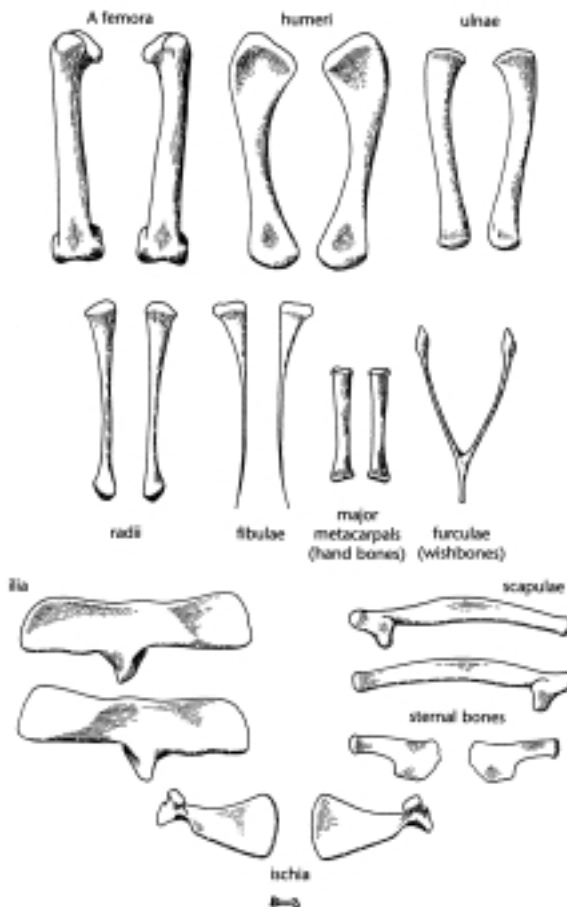
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### Foolproof Instructions for Budding Paleontologists

Chris McGowan  
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A complete set of required bones from a single chicken (see page 28 also).