

# Scientists discover what's left of the oldest Antarctic creature

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The fossil remains of a 150 million-year-old Plesiosaur living in the Antarctic region have been excavated by scientists in the Antarctic Peninsula, in an ancient paleontological deposit about 113 km away from Argentina's Marambio Airbase. km to the southwest.

The giant prehistoric marine species is believed to be the first of the Antarctic species and the oldest creature ever found on this continent.



It is a giant carnivore with four fins, nearly 12 meters long and is believed to have survived the Jurassic period.

Newsweek quoted paleontologist Soledad Cavalli, who works at the National Council for Scientific and Technical Research in Argentina, saying: *"Here you can find a lot of fish, ammonium, and some puree. But, we don't expect to find this plesiosaur."*

He added: *"This discovery is extraordinary because the rocks in the area are considered to be not conducive to bone conservation, just like these marine reptiles, but everything is very good"*.

Scientists have discovered that these giant marine creatures used to swim underwater like penguins and sea turtles.

According to the researchers, the campaign to excavate ancient creatures around the area began in the summer of 2016 and lasts for 40 days.

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