

# Introduction to the Trilobita

Gone, but not forgotten. . .



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Among famous groups of extinct organisms, trilobites probably rank second only to the [dinosaurs](#) in fame. Their fossils are instantly recognizable and often strikingly beautiful. In fact, prehistoric people liked them as much as we do. At Arcy-sur-Cure in France, a 15,000-year-old human settlement, one of the artifacts found by archeologists was a trilobite that had been drilled to be worn as an amulet.

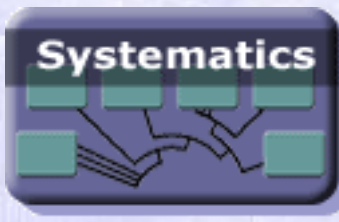
Although the last few trilobites went extinct about 245 million years ago, they are one of the best-known and most-studied groups of fossil [arthropods](#).

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