



STEGOSAURUS

SPECIES NUMBER: MC-24492

FAMILY: STEGOSAURIDAE

DIET: HERBIVORE

HEIGHT: 14 FT

WEIGHT: 5 TONS

LENGTH: 30 FT

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Stegosaurus are big and docile dinosaurs which tend to move in herds apart from others. They are not violent in nature, but will defend themselves and their young very fiercely. They are armored dinosaurs, with four spikes in their tail which can be lethal to most adult dinosaurs in the islands. The plates in their backs are thermo regulatory organs which help the animal lose all the heat it produces, which would otherwise suffocate it.

ANIMAL LOCATION: Stegosaurus are usually found in damp or lacustrine environments, and often away from other dinosaurs. The two main known populations are found in Punto Alto and its surroundings and around Punto Abierto and Las Tinajitas. Tagging should be done with adults separated from the main group, and always staying in their field of vision. Otherwise it would be hazardous.

