

Join the Australian Age of Dinosaurs team in the most productive Fossil Preparation Laboratory in the Southern Hemisphere and learn how to prepare real dinosaur fossils for display.

Working with dinosaur bones involves patience, a good eye and a steady hand. Work undertaken in the Museum’s Fossil Preparation Laboratory includes mechanical preparation of bones, restoration, repairs, consolidation of specimens, sieving, sorting of matrix for micro-fossils and helping to put pieces of the dinosaur puzzle together.

<i>Prices current until 31 December 2023</i>				
			Prep-A-Dino rates (per person, per day)	
Prep-A-Dino experience	Mandatory		Single rate (max 1 PAX)	Twin rate (min 2 PAX)
	Online induction (valid for one year)	Museum membership (valid 1 Jan to 31 Dec)		
Honorary Technician refresher	\$30	\$24	\$0	\$0
Prep-A-Dino participant	\$34	\$24	\$65	\$55.25

Inclusions with all experiences

- A guided tour of the Fossil Preparation Laboratory, Collection Room and Dinosaur Canyon.
- An online induction and training with a senior Museum technician (safety gear provided).
- Membership to the Australian Age of Dinosaurs society including the latest copy of the AAOD Journal.
- A once-in-a-lifetime experience working with 95-million-year-old dinosaurs bones!

Qualify as an Honorary Technician!

A Prep-A-Dino participant can qualify as an Honorary Technician after completing ten days of preparation and training with the Museum. These days do not need to be consecutive so feel free to book as you go! To qualify as an Honorary Technician, participants are assessed for competence and aptitude by a senior Museum technician. Once you become an Honorary Technician you are able to Prep-A-Dino free of charge, provided you participate in a refresher training session every 12 months. Honorary Technicians still need to book their prepping times, especially during peak tourist session (May to September), as spaces are limited. Positions are allocated on a “first-in” basis.

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Qualify as an Honorary Technician (10-day Prep-A-Dino experience)	\$34	\$24	\$65	\$55.25
Total			\$708	\$610.50

Note Participants aged 12 to 15 years must be accompanied by an adult at all times while working in the Laboratory.