

Colorado fossils shed light on ice age mastodons

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(AP) -- Scientists say an excavation site in western Colorado has unearthed fossils for ice age mastodons of all ages.

The Denver Museum of Nature & Science said Friday they've found the skull of an infant mastodon, the skull of a juvenile, and the thigh bone of what may have been a fetus. The skulls range in size from a basketball to a beer keg.

Scientists have also discovered 26 mastodon tusks, indicating that there were at least 13 to 20 different [mastodons](#) at the Snowmass Village site.

Researchers say there have only been three other [mastodon](#) fossils found in Colorado until now. They've said they can only speculate why so many bones have been found at the excavation site, which used to be a lakebed.

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