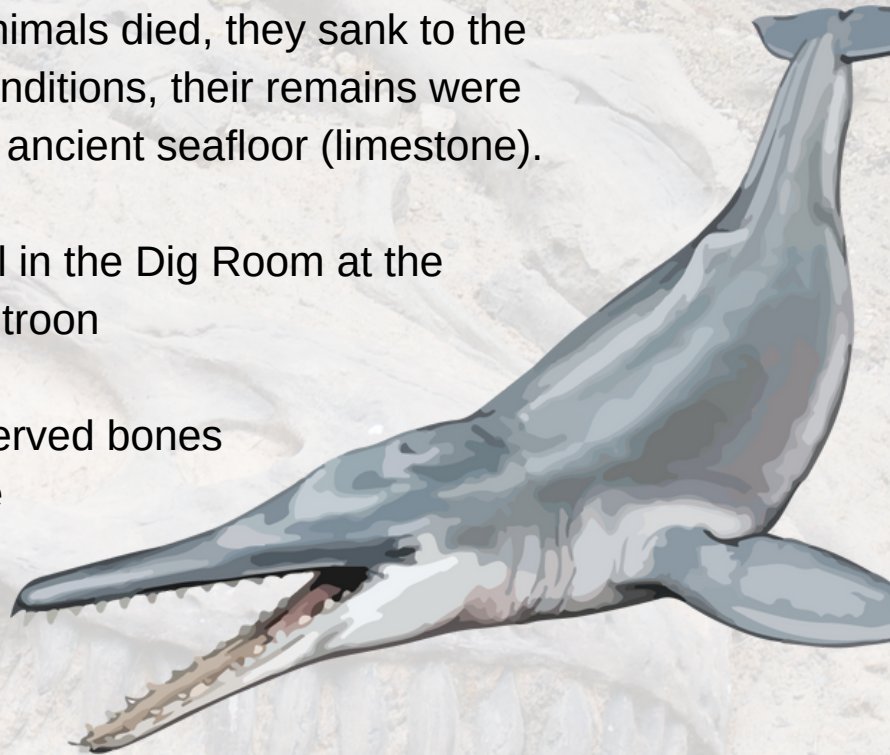


FOSSILS

- Where: Duntroon area
- What: Variety of marine fossils - including ancient dolphins, whales, sharks and penguins
- When: Around 25 million years ago
- How: Ancient marine creatures lived in this area when it was under the sea. When these animals died, they sank to the seafloor. With just the right conditions, their remains were preserved as fossils within the ancient seafloor (limestone).
- Discover your own shelly fossil in the Dig Room at the Vanished World Centre in Duntroon
- Visit Anatini to see some preserved bones of a whale still in the limestone



WAIPATIA MAEREWHENUA

- Only one fossil of this dolphin has been found – and it was in our Geopark!
- Around two metres long
- You can see a cast of the skull of *Waipatia maerewhenua* at the Vanished World Centre in Duntroon

Ref: Fordyce, R E, 'Waipatia maerewhenua – a small archaic dolphin from the Oligocene of New Zealand' accessed 9 March 2020