

Some Kansas Fossil Sites

At the 1989 session of KATS KAMP Bob and Randy Rose were able to collect this list of fossil sites used by KATS members. Good hunting and only collect a few at any one site.

<u>County</u>	<u>General directions to fossil site</u>
1. Atchison Co. -	Pelecypods <i>Allorisma</i> : Below dam of the county lake in northwest part of the county. Coral <i>Syringopora</i> : Along highway #7, between mile markers 48-50.
2. Chautauqua Co. -	Horn Coral: South edge of city of Elgin. Also along county road 4 miles east and 2.5 miles north of city of Cedarvale.
3. Clark Co. -	Pelecypods <i>Gryphaea</i> : East end of dam at Clark County State Lake.
4. Cowley Co. -	Brachiopods <i>Derbya</i> : Along highway #38 & #15, 20 miles east of Winfield.
5. Douglas Co. -	Fossil plants: In the spillway of Lone Star Lake. Bellerophons: In ditch along county road, 1.5 miles north of Globe.
6. Elk Co. -	Fossiliferous limestone (contains many types): 5.5 -6 miles east of Howard.
7. Ellsworth Co. -	Mummified Wood: Take Ellsworth exit off I-70 and go about 0.75 to 1 mile south. Wood is high up on the cliff on west side of the road. Fossil plant leaves can be found along many of the county roads.
8. Franklin Co. -	Fossil plants, leaf and stem impressions: Found in the Ottawa Quarry. Quarry is just south of the I-35 & Ottawa West exit.
9. Geary Co. -	Pelecypods: Take highway #77 6.5 miles south of Junction City and then 0.5 miles west on county road. Look in roadcut.
10. Gove Co. -	Sharks teeth, reptile and fish bones: Around the chalk beds at Castle Rock or the Chalk Pyramids. To get to Castle Rock, take the Quinter I-70 exit 15 miles south, then 4 miles east, and 1.5 miles north.
11. Greenwood Co. -	Pelecypods: At Quincy Lake. Fossiliferous limestone: On the southwest edge of Fall River Reservoir. Sponges: 1 mile west of Neal on highway #54 in creek bed.
12. Lyon Co. -	Bellerophons and brachiopods: Quarry on east side of road, 5 miles north of Allen. Plant fossils: 4-4.5 miles east of Olpe on county road.
13. Morris Co. -	Brachiopods: 2 miles north of Kelso.

14. Nemaha Co. - Trilobites: Take highway #75 north out of Sabetha 5 miles, then west 1 mile, then north 0.5 mile. Look along the stream bed.
15. Phillips Co. - Mammal bones: Take highway #36 east out of Phillipsburg for 5 miles. Then go north on county road for 5 miles.
16. Rawlins Co. - Mammal bones: 2-2.5 miles east of Atwood on highway #36.
17. Russell Co. - Shark's teeth: In overflow spillway of Wilson Reservoir. Look on north side, about 1/4 way up the cut.
18. Wallace Co. - Bones: 12 miles north of Wallace and 4 miles east, then 1 mile north.
19. Woodson Co. - Coral and Crinoids: Head east from Greenwood-Woodson county line on highway #54 for 4 miles then turn north on county road and go 3 miles. Turn west and go 1/4 mile. Look in creek bed.

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