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A very large herbivorous sauropod dinosaur of the genus *Diplodocus* of the Jurassic Period, having a long neck and tail and a small head, and hind legs longer than the front legs.

[New Latin *Diplodocus*, genus name : Greek *diplo-*, diplo- + Greek *dokos*, beam; see **dek-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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