

Jean and Ric Edelman Fossil Park



LOCATION

Sewell, New Jersey

OPENING

March 2025

COST OF PROJECT

\$75 million

DESIGN CONSULTANTS:

KSS Architects

Ennead Architects

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

Dobco Inc.

PROJECT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Rowan Facilities, Planning & Operations

Introducing the Jean & Ric Edelman Fossil Park

This project, named the Jean & Ric Edelman Fossil Park after its donors, involved the development of a 65-acre parcel located at 66 Million Mosasaur Way in Mantua, the museum rises above the former marl quarry at the center of EFM grounds. There, researchers and visitors have unearthed more than 100,000 fossils from some 100 different species, from large aquatic reptiles like sea turtles and mosasaurs – which grew as big as a school bus – to dime-sized invertebrates and prehistoric sharks' teeth.

The new museum features immersive, world-class galleries that bring the age of the dinosaurs to life with stunning reconstructions of giant species and their environments. Visitors will explore Discovery Forest, engage with live animals, and interact with exhibits. EFM also offers a free-roaming virtual reality experience, museum store, café, theater, nature trails, and paleontology-themed playground. A fossil dig experience is available from May to October.

The fossil park incorporates principles of sustainability and green infrastructure as an intrinsic part of its development, it will provide faithful stewardship of our environment and strong leadership on issues pertaining to sustainability.