



# *Rills*

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## Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> Source: Park plaque at the viewpoint before the road descends into the river valley.

<sup>2</sup> Source: <https://albertaparks.ca/parks/south/dinosaur-pp/information-facilities/nature-history/john-ware/>

<sup>3</sup> Source: Wikipedia - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rill>

## Tools

All images were captured using Nikon D7100, AF-Nikkor 35mm f1.8, Sigma 10-20 mm f3.5 at Dinosaur PP, except for the cover image which was captured using a borrowed Sony a7r iii, Sony 100-400m, f4.5-5.6 at Hoodoos Trail.

## Guidance on Viewing

As in previous digital monographs, I suggest viewing this one using Adobe Acrobat Reader in full screen mode (Ctrl / Cmd + L). Pages are presented as double page spreads.

## History

"Dinosaur Provincial Park, which was nominated by Canada on behalf of Alberta, was placed on the World Heritage List at the 1979 meeting of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee as a site of outstanding universal value forming part of the natural heritage of mankind.

Dinosaur Park contains the largest and most comprehensive collection of Upper Cretaceous dinosaur fossils in the world and specimens are on display in major museums everywhere. It also contains excellent examples of Badlands and an important Riparian ecosystem supporting a wide variety of flora and fauna."<sup>1</sup>

Dinosaur Park is also the site of John Ware's Cabin. Ware "was an African-American born into slavery on a South Carolina plantation around 1845"<sup>2</sup>, who made his way to Alberta, and became a legendary cowboy in the 20 years before Alberta entered confederation (1905).

## Introduction

During the week of September 20, 2021, I had the pleasure and luxury of wandering around parts of Dinosaur Park. I love the way time, wind, and water has sculpted this area of Alberta. In the evenings a group of us, who were camping together, toasted the sky, the stars, and the fire. During the day I tried to capture the touch of water on this semi-arid part of Alberta. "In hillslope geomorphology, a rill is a shallow channel (no more than a few tens of centimetres deep) cut into soil by the erosive action of flowing water. Smaller incised channels are known as micro-rills; larger incised channels are known as gullies."<sup>3</sup>

This new monograph is also a next step in refining my approach to presenting my photographs. I hope you enjoy this monograph and thank you for being part of my journey.

Love, Sean / September 2021















































