It's a prehistoric jungle out there

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There's a largeinosaur dinosaur roaming around Clup French Park, while not quite, but there are replicas of real dinosaur bones emerging out of and hidden inside the sand in the exploration area of the park.

"The whole habitat is there, but it's in pieces," said Marcos Feitosa, superintendent of recreational services. "Kids can dig through sand and discover it and look at it. There are two suitcases there and what you'll find in the suitcases is what you can actually tell them, it's really cool."

The whole area is open, which officially opens today, has a dinosaur theme.

"We went with the prehistoric theme partially because we started working in the park every year that we see in this park at least 10 times a year. They named it that area, that top area, Stone Ridge and that's really where we started coming up with the dinosaur theme," Fedis told.

The prehistoric park includes an exploration area, which is like a big sand box with cast replica of real dinosaur bones, a coloured surface on a fully accessible playground, a multi-tool, an information board, a pond and patio area, an observation room, a water play area, a dog friendly 2k and ice skating in the winter, and the kids in Orilla Lean on Dog Zone.

"I think the dogs are going to like it because they can run leashless, I think people around the community will like it because they can't take their dogs there," said Fedis, "They can run, they can throw it to them and they can exercise. And there's a dog fountains there, so you don't have to worry about bringing water with you."

Miss Maggie, a Pembroke puppy, was enjoying her time running around the dog park, chasing her owner Susan D'Julan.

"I'm really happy about it, she doesn't have a background to go around in. It's nice to be able to take her outside where she can run around freely and know that she's safe," D'Julan said. "She's been attacked by several bigger dogs when we went out for walks, here I know she's safe and this is nice."

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