The Camarasaurus is considered the most common sauropod of the late Jurassic (150 million years ago). Compared to other sauropods, the 60-foot long Camarasaurus was fairly small and had relatively short neck and tail. It had a massive body, bulky legs, and a blunt snout. Its front legs were slightly shorter than its hind legs, making its back almost flat. Its chisel-like teeth were large and strong, indicating a diet of tough vegetation.

Its name means “chambered lizard” because of the large holes in its vertebrae. These holes or chambers allowed it to stay light despite of its size.