How fossils are made



What are they and how are they made?

Fossils are the stone remains of animals or plants that were once alive, but died millions of years ago. But fossils can also be actual dead animals. For example, a Saber Tooth Tiger could get frozen in a block of ice somewhere really cold, and not be found for a very long time. The ice would preserve its body, and when someone finds it, the animal would be nearly exactly the same as it was the day it died. Also, something like an insect could get trapped in some tree sap, and not be able to break free. The sap hardens into a clear material called amber. The bug does not survive because it has no food, and stays preserved in the amber.





