

# The Science behind the ST. AUGUSTINE Alligator Farm<sup>®</sup> ZOOLOGICAL • PARK

## Bite Force of Crocodilians



Dr. Greg Erickson getting a measurement from an African Slender-snouted crocodile.



Dr. Erickson getting a measurement from an Australian Saltwater crocodile.



National Geographic partnered with Greg Erickson, Kent Vliet, and the St. Augustine Alligator Farm Zoological Park to find out just how much force crocodiles have in their bites. The original question was, "How much force did Sarchosuchus (Super Croc) bite with?" To answer this we had to learn what bite force all the living species of crocodilians were capable of.

