

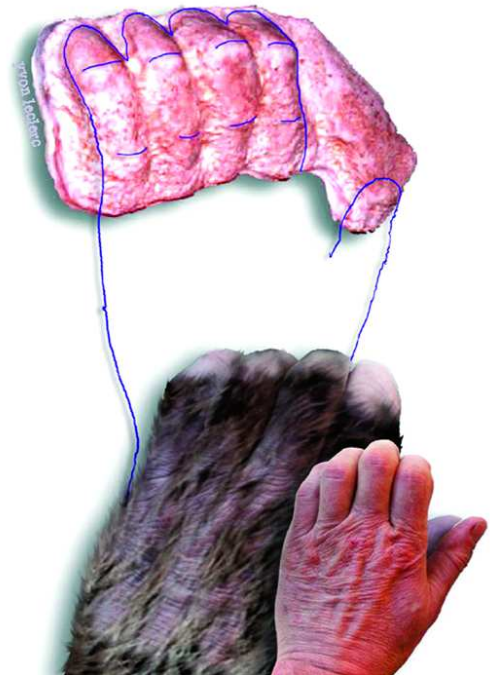
## Hand Print Gallery

There is no doubt that sasquatch leave handprints as they look for food near rivers and streams. However, the possibility of finding handprints and being able to produce a plaster cast from them is very slim. Footprints alone are rare, but the creature walks on its feet, so there are many situations in which it will make a footprint impression. Nevertheless, alleged sasquatch handprints have been found and highly remarkable casts have been produced.

The illustrated casts of a knuckle print and hand print were made from impressions found by Paul Freeman in the Blue Mountains, Washington. The knuckle print was found in 1982, and the hand print in 1995. A footprint, 16 inches (40.6 cm) long, was found near the hand print. The human hand shown is that of a large man, about 6 feet (1.8 m) tall and weighing about 215 pounds (97.4 kg).

Concerning the hand print, Dr. Henner Fahrenbach states that the accompanying footprint indicates a creature about 7 feet, 4 inches (2.2 m) in height. His analysis of the hand print is as follows:

The fingers may appear shorter and more pointed than they are in reality since sand had started to drift down into the holes left by the fingers. The print is remarkable for the absence of the thenar pad (the bulge at the base of the thumb) and the visibility of the finger tendons within the palm if the cast is held at an angle to a sharp light, both factors indicating a low level of opposability of the thumb. Its width at the palm is also fairly low in comparison to the largest, though less complete, prints that have been found.

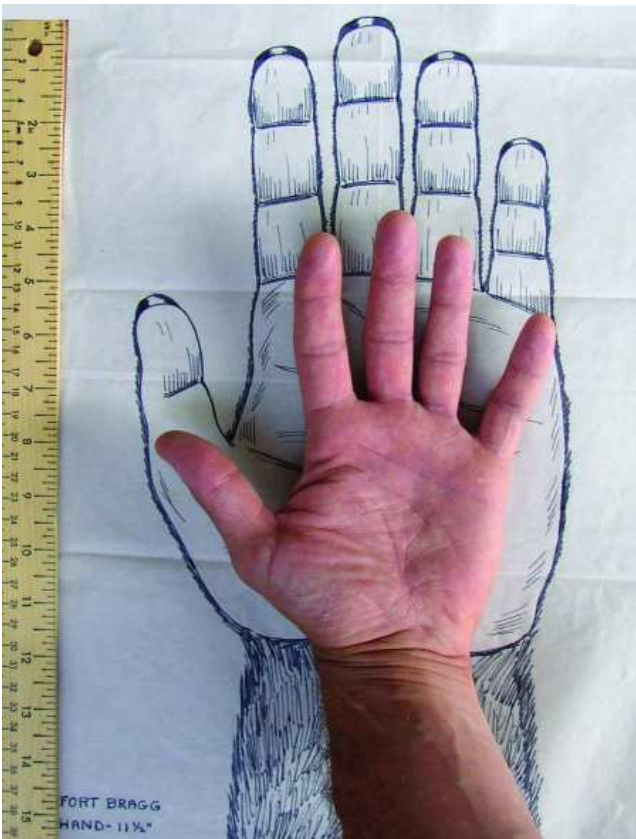


*The lower images are illustrations created by Yvon Leclerc for clarity. It needs to be noted that the top right illustration should be a left hand rather than a right hand.*

*(Right) A shape comparison between a cast of my own hand and the alleged sasquatch hand cast. I photographically enlarged my hand cast to the same size as the sasquatch cast. The differences are highly obvious.*



*(Above) Cast of a hand print found by Bob Titmus in the mud at the bottom of a shallow pond, Onion Mountain area (Laird Meadow), California (1982). Titmus drained the pond to make the cast. The length of the print from the tip of the fingers to the end of the palm is about 12 inches (30.5 cm).*



*This is what I believe is a scale drawing of the hand that made the Fort Bragg hand print. I have compared it with my own hand. I am 6 feet (1.83 m) tall and have weighed as much as 215 pounds (97.4 kg). The drawing came to light in one of John Green's files. He provided me with some documents to look at and it slipped out of an envelope.*



*In February 1962, a sasquatch left a muddy hand print on the side of a white house in Fort Bragg, California. The creature tried to enter the house. The 11.5-inch (29.2-cm) print was traced and compared to a man's hand.*

*Photograph showing what could be a sasquatch hand print, and is more in line with what one would expect to see for such prints—in other words, a flat print, indicating the creature put its hand flat on the ground. This print was found in Adams County, Ohio, in May 1995 by two sasquatch researchers. The print measured about 10 inches (25.4 cm) from the tip of the longest finger to the end of the palm.*

