

*BONES OF THE  
UPPER and LOWER LIMBS*

# OBJECTIVES

- ***At the end of the lecture the students should be able to:***
- **Classify the bones** of the three regions of the upper and lower limb.
- **Memorize the main features of the**
  - Bones of the **arm** (humerus), of the **thigh** (femur & patella)
  - Bones of the **forearm** (radius & ulna ), of the **leg** (tibia & Fibula).
  - Bones of the **hand** ( carpal, metacarpal, phalanges), of the **foot** (tarsals, metatarsals and phalanges)
- **Recognize the side and position of each bone**

***The Bones of UL are:***

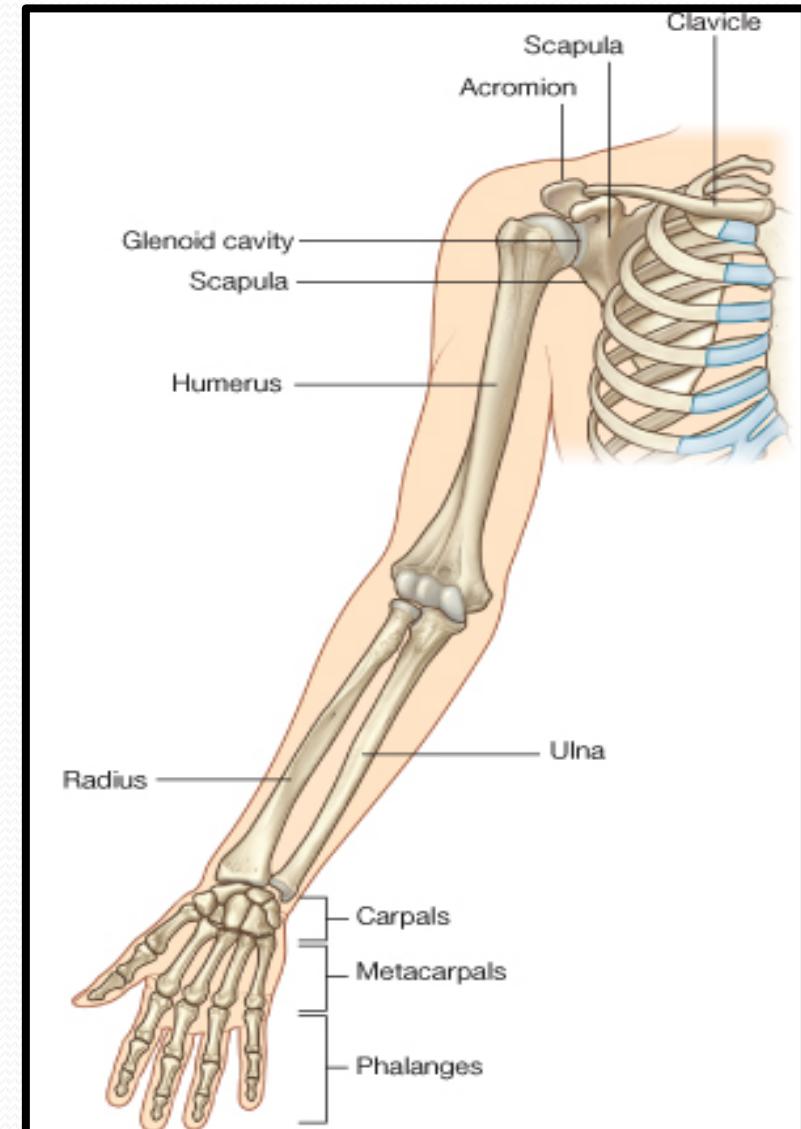
**Pectoral Girdle.**

**Arm : Humerus.**

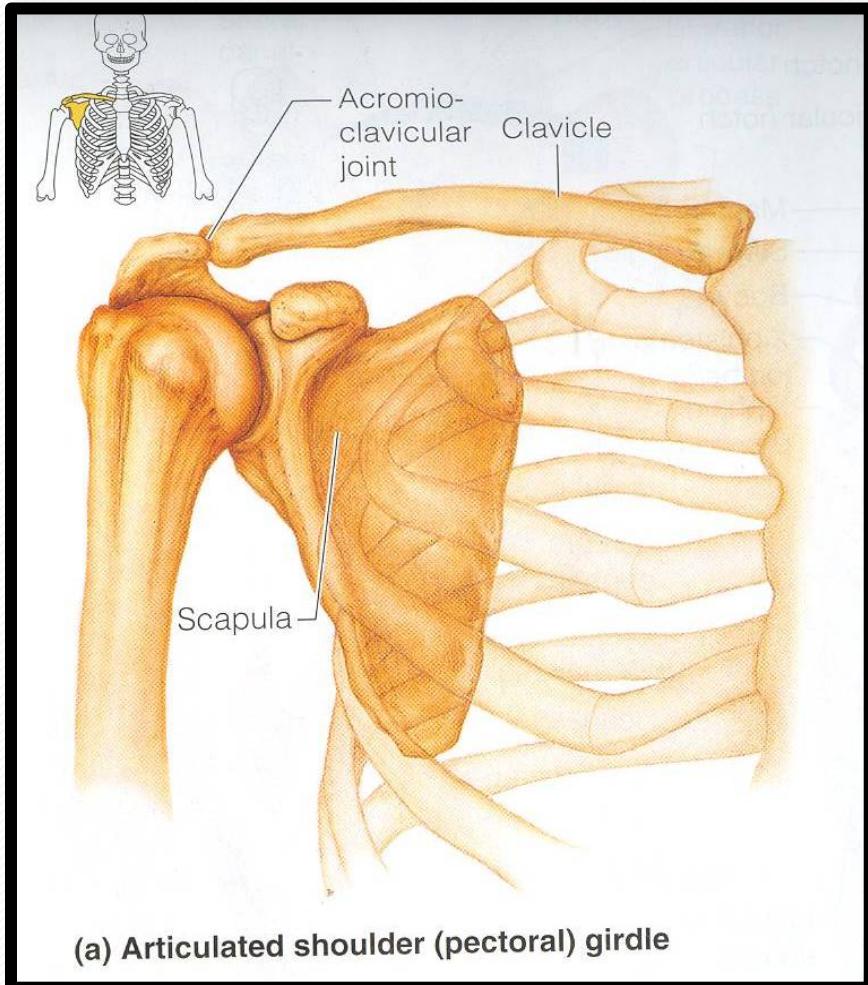
**Forearm : Radius & Ulna.**

**Wrist : Carpal bones**

**Hand: Metacarpals &  
Phalanges**

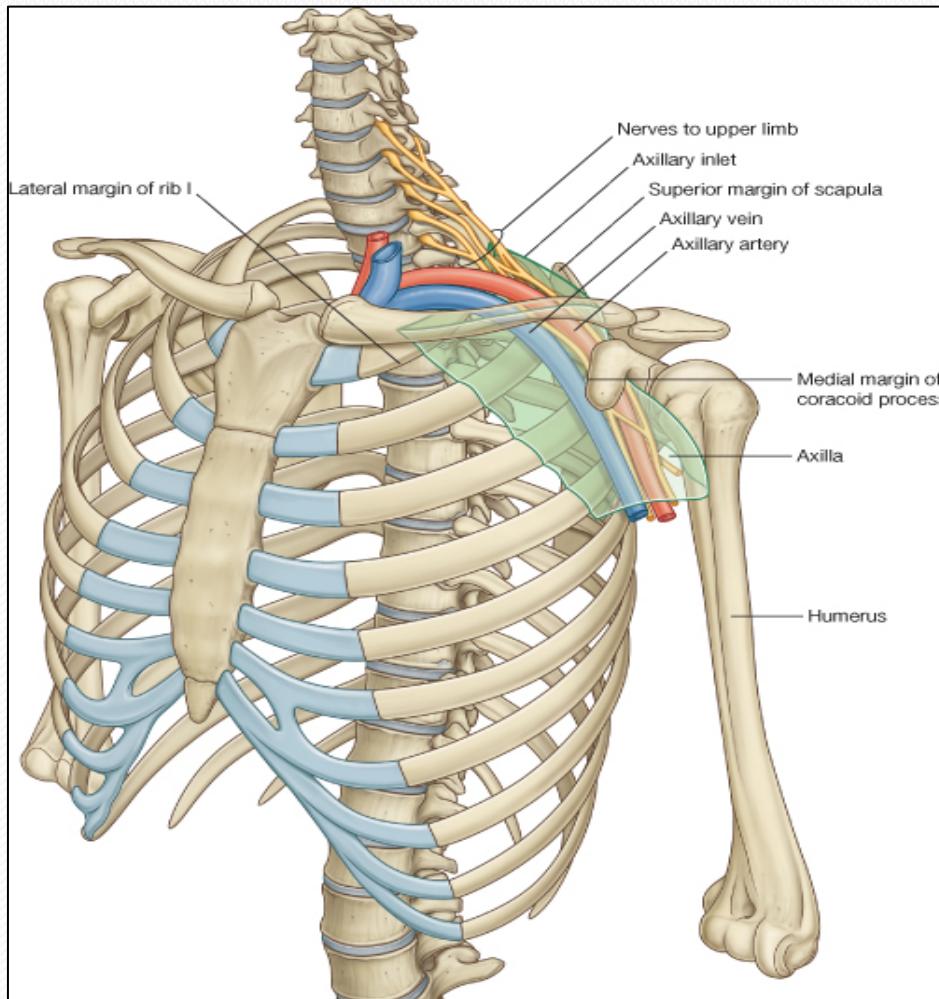


# Pectoral Girdle



- **Formed of Two Bones:**
- **Clavicle (anteriorly) and Scapula (posteriorly).**
- **It is very light and allows the upper limb to have exceptionally free movement.**

# Clavicle



- It is a doubly curved long bone lying horizontally across the root of the neck
- It is subcutaneous throughout its length.

**It has Two Ends:**

**Medial (Sternal) : enlarged & triangular.**

**Lateral (Acromial) : flattened.**

**Body (shaft):**

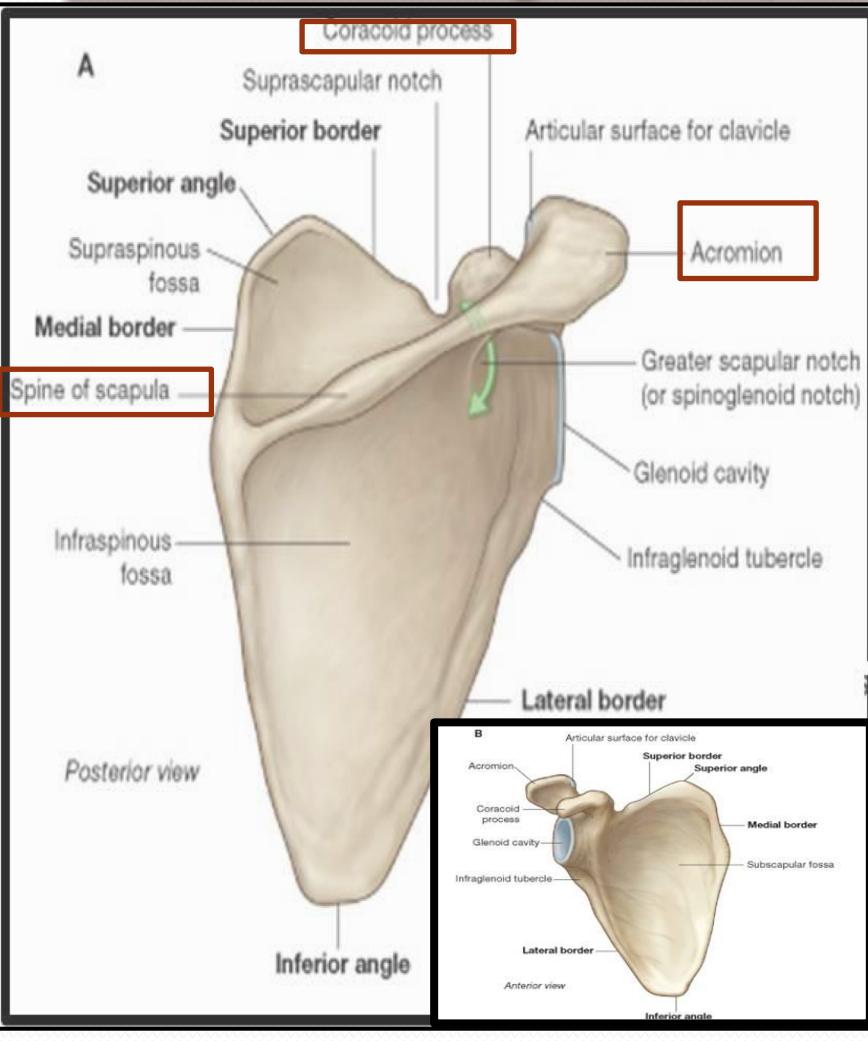
**Its medial 2/3 is convex forward.**

**Its lateral 1/3 is concave forward.**

**Surfaces:** **Superior :** smooth as it lies just deep to the skin.

**Inferior :** rough because strong ligaments bind it to the 1<sup>st</sup> rib.

# Scapula (Shoulder Blade)



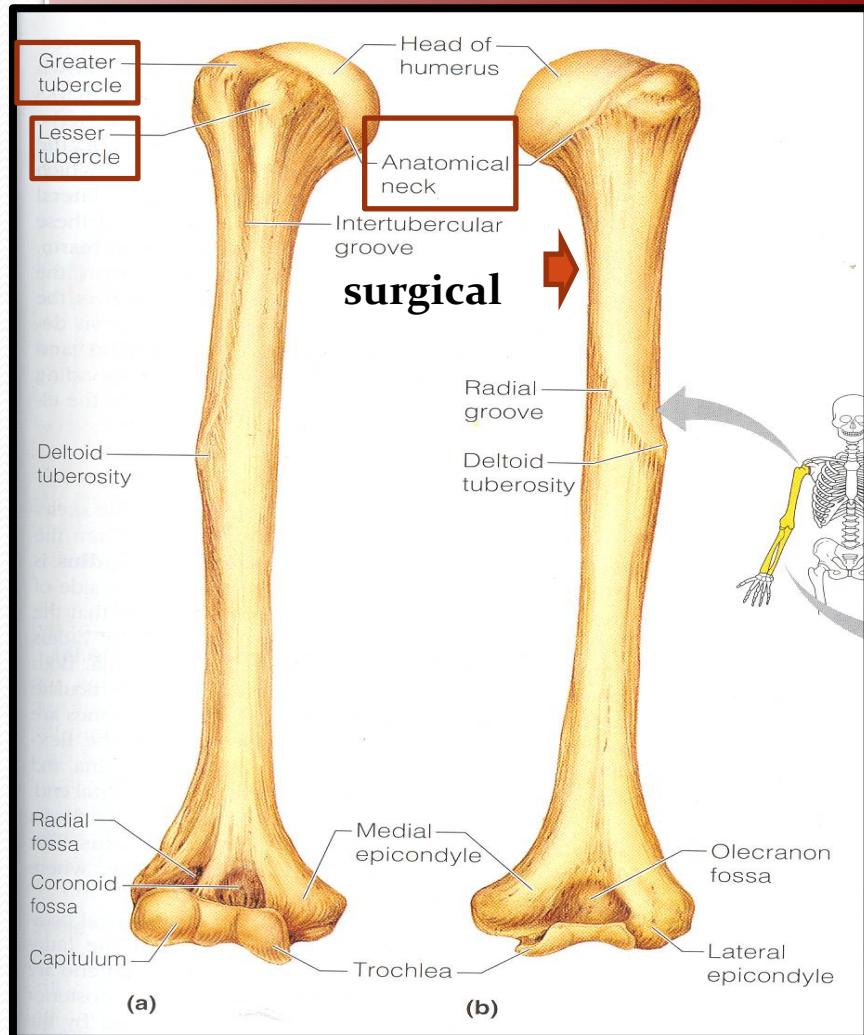
- It is a triangular **Flat** bone.
- Extends between the **2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> ribs.**
- It has :
- **Three Processes:**
- **(1)Spine, (2) Acromion, (3) Coracoid**
- **Three Borders:** Superior, Medial (Vertebral) & Lateral (Axillary)
- **Three Angles:** Superior, Lateral (forms the Glenoid cavity), Inferior.

## Two Surfaces:

**Convex Posterior, Smaller Supraspinous Fossa (above the spine) and the larger Infraspinous Fossa (below the spine).**

- **Concave Anterior (Costal)**

# Humerus



**Typical Long bone.**

**Proximal End:** Head, Neck, Greater & Lesser Tubercles.

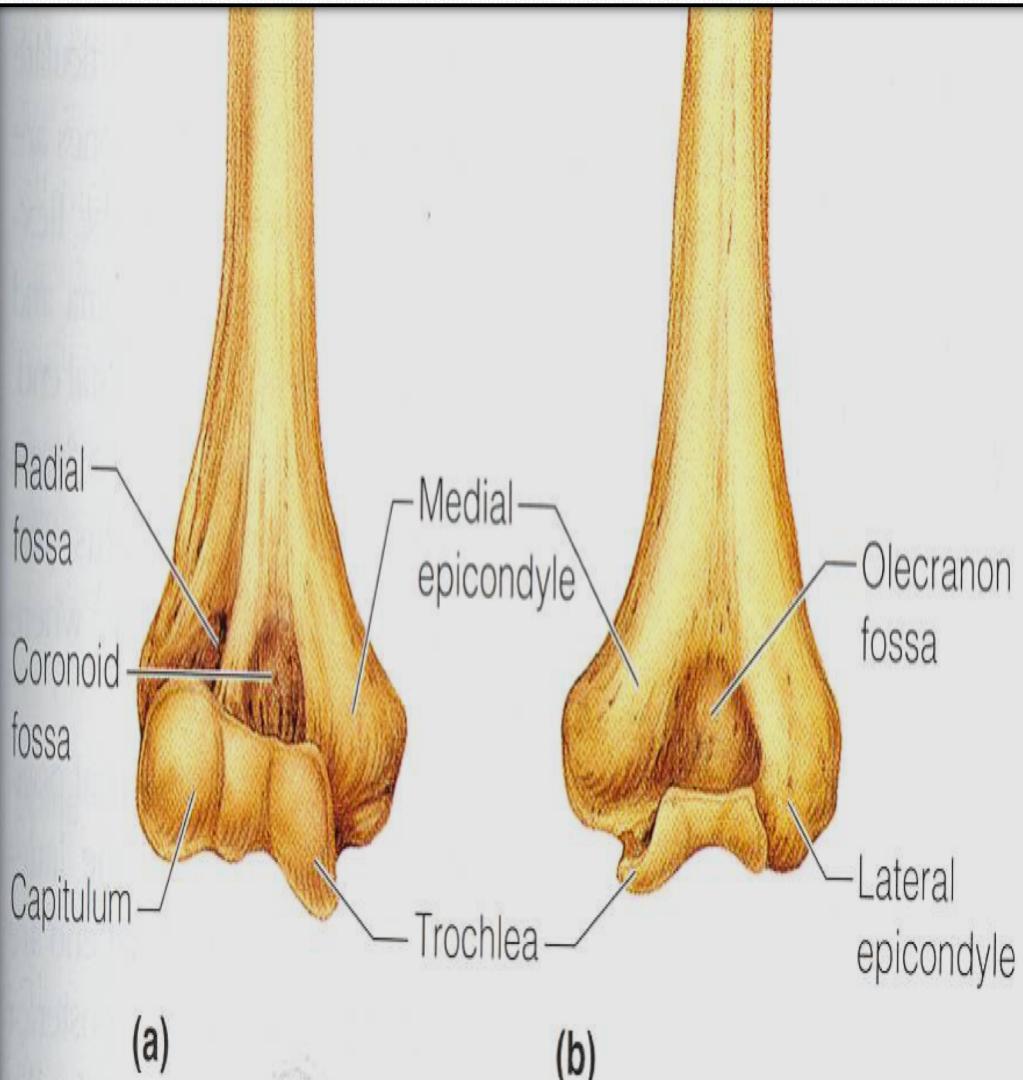
**Intertubercular Groove.**

**Anatomical neck:** formed by a groove separating the head from the tubercles. **Surgical Neck:** a narrow part distal to the tubercles.

**Shaft (Body):** Has two prominent features:

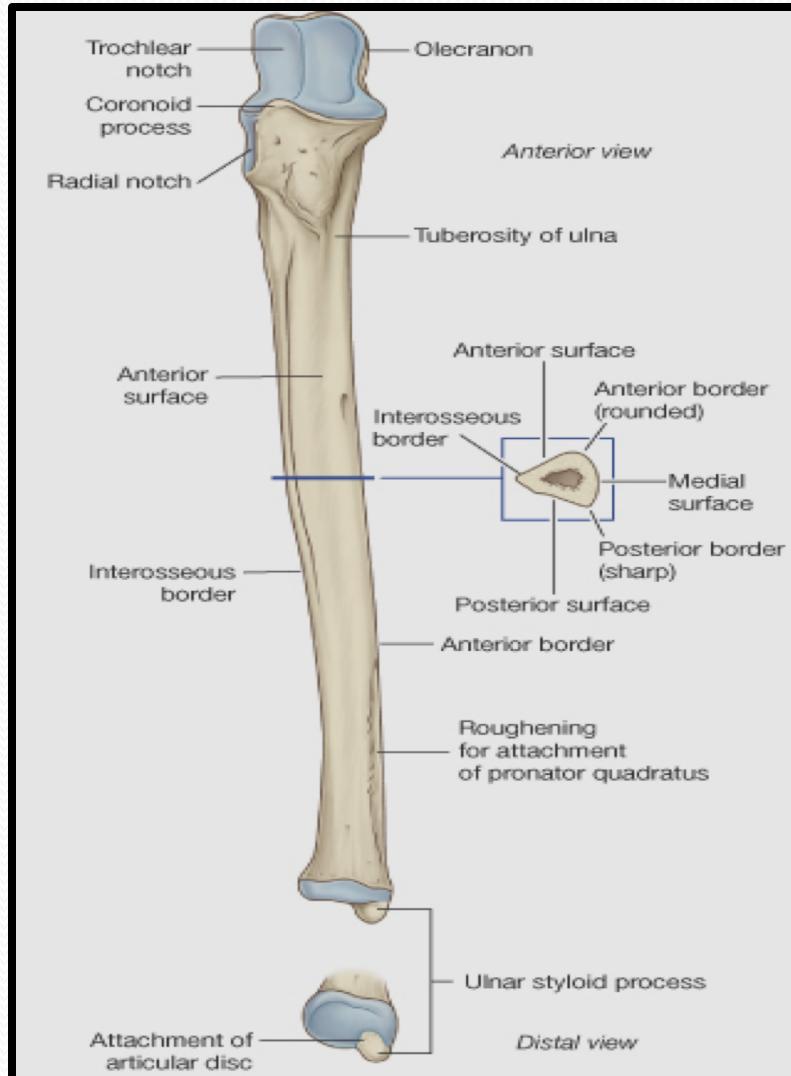
1. Deltoid tuberosity:
2. Spiral (Radial) groove:

**Distal End:** Medial (can be felt) and Lateral Epicondyles.



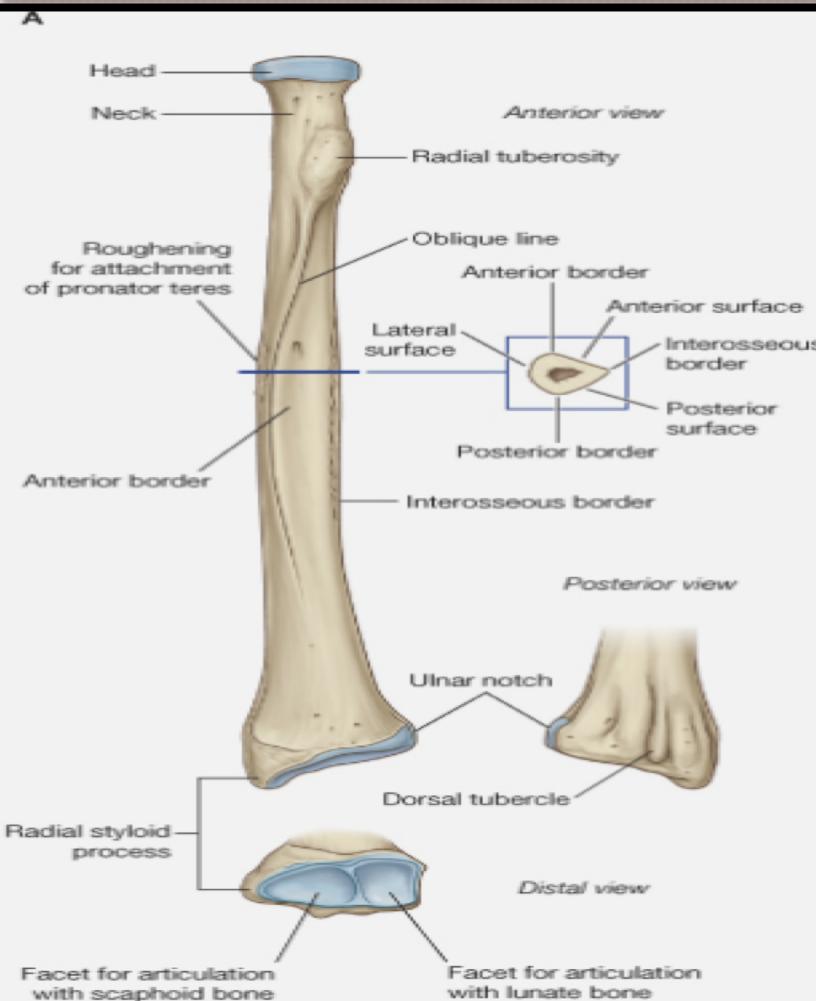
- **Structures at Distal end:**
- **Anteriorly:**
- **Trochlea: (medial)** for articulation with the ulna
- **Capitulum: (lateral)** for articulation with the radius.
- **Coronoid fossa:** above the trochlea.
- **Radial fossa:** above the capitulum.
- **Posteriorly:**
- **Olecranon fossa:** above the trochlea.

# Ulna



- It is the stabilizing bone of the forearm.
- It is the medial & longer of the two bones of the forearm.
- **Proximal End**
- **1. Olecranon Process :**
- **2. Coronoid Process :**
- **3. Tuberosity of Ulna:**
- **4. Trochlear Notch:**
- **5. Radial Notch :**
- **Shaft :**
- Thick & cylindrical superiorly but diminishes in diameter inferiorly
- It has Three Surfaces (Anterior, Medial & Posterior).
- Sharp Lateral Interosseous border.
- **Distal End:** Small rounded
  - **1. Head:** lies distally at the wrist. .
  - **2. Styloid process:** Medial.

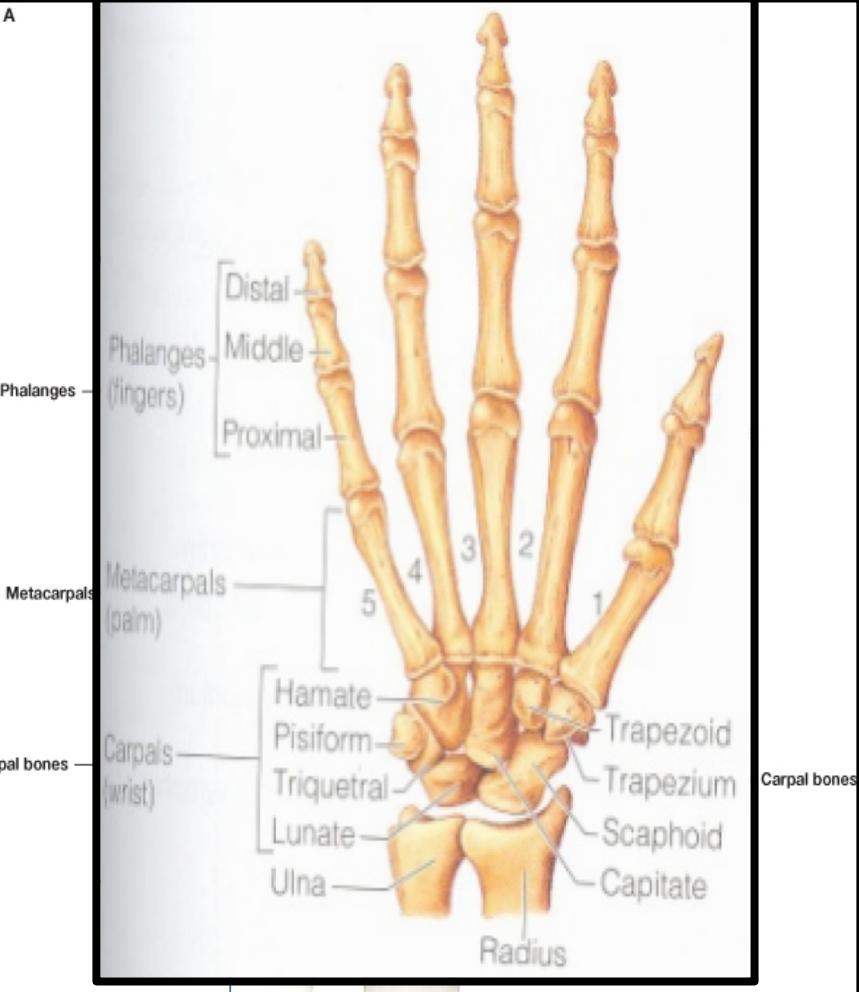
# Radius



- It is the shorter and lateral of the two forearm bones.
- Proximal End:**
  - 1. Head:** small & circular
  - Its upper surface is concave for articulation with the Capitulum.**
  - 2. Neck.**
  - 3. Radial (Bicipital) Tuberosity :** medially directed and separates the proximal end from the body.
- Shaft:**
  - Has a lateral convexity.
  - It gradually enlarges as it passes distally.
- Distal (Lower) End:** It is rectangular
  - 1. Ulnar Notch :** a medial concavity to accommodate the head of the ulna.
  - 2. Radial Styloid process:** extends from the lateral aspect.
  - 3. Dorsal tubercle:** projects dorsally.

# Carpal Bones

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- Composed of **Eight short bones**
- **Proximal row (from lateral to medial):**
- Scaphoid, Lunate, Triquetral & Pisiform bones.
- **Distal row (from lateral to medial):**
- Trapezium, Trapezoid,
- Capitate & Hamate.
- **Five Metacarpal bones**, each has a Base, Shaft, and a Head.
- **Each digit has Three Phalanges**
- **Except the Thumb which has only Two**

*The Bones of LL are:*

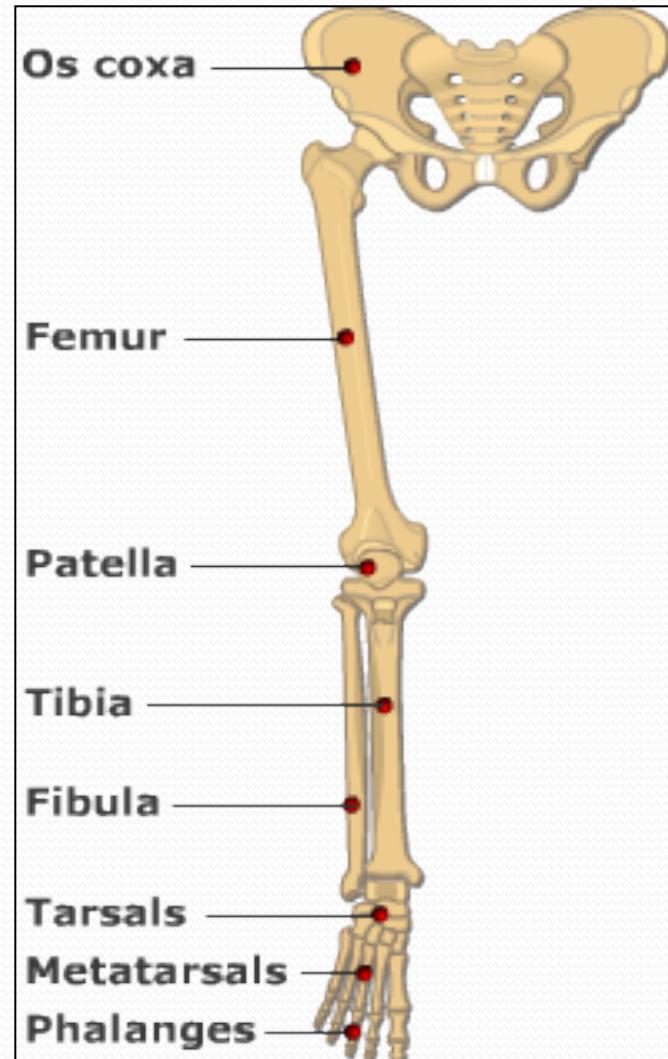
**Pelvic Girdle:** Hip bone  
& Sacrum

**Thigh:** Femur & Patella.

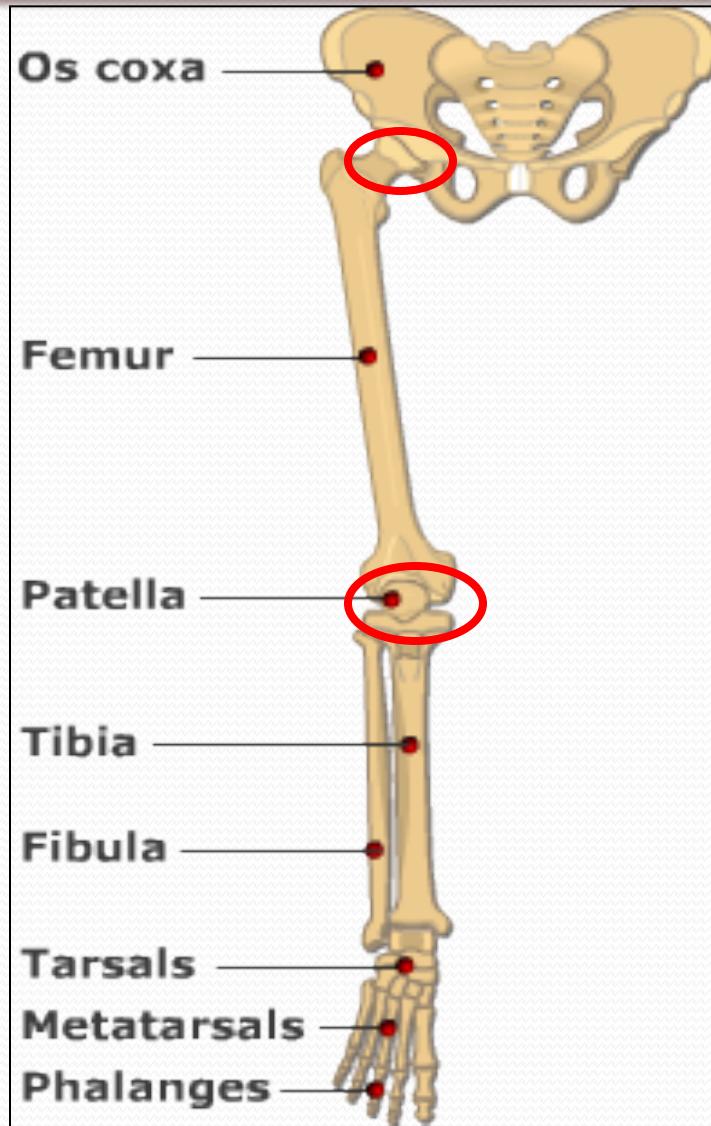
**Leg:** Tibia & Radius.

**Ankle:** Tarsal bones

**Foot :** Metatarsal &  
Phalanges.



# BONES OF THIGH (Femur and Patella)



## Femur:

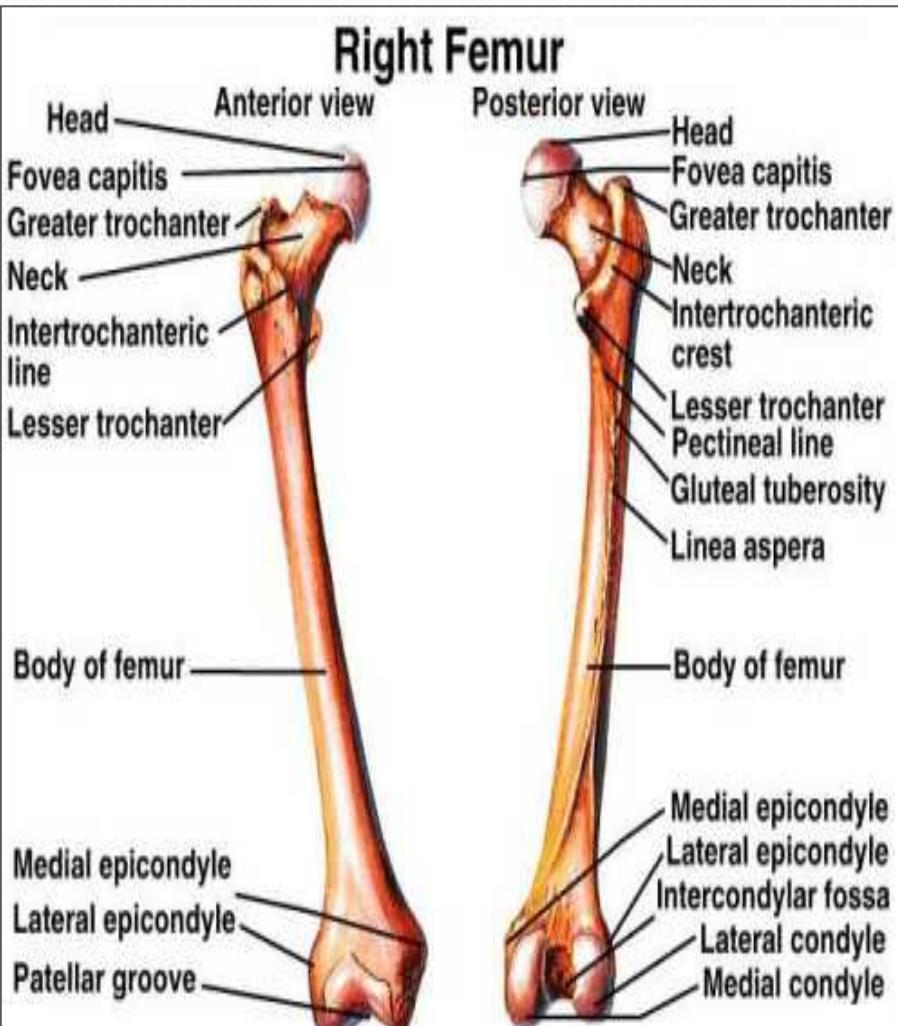
- Articulates above with acetabulum of hip bone to form the **hip joint**.
- Articulates below with tibia and patella to form the **knee joint**.

## ● Femur :

**Consists of :**

- **Upper end**
- **Shaft**
- **Lower end**

# UPPER END OF FEMUR



- **Head :**

- It articulates with acetabulum of hip bone to form hip joint.

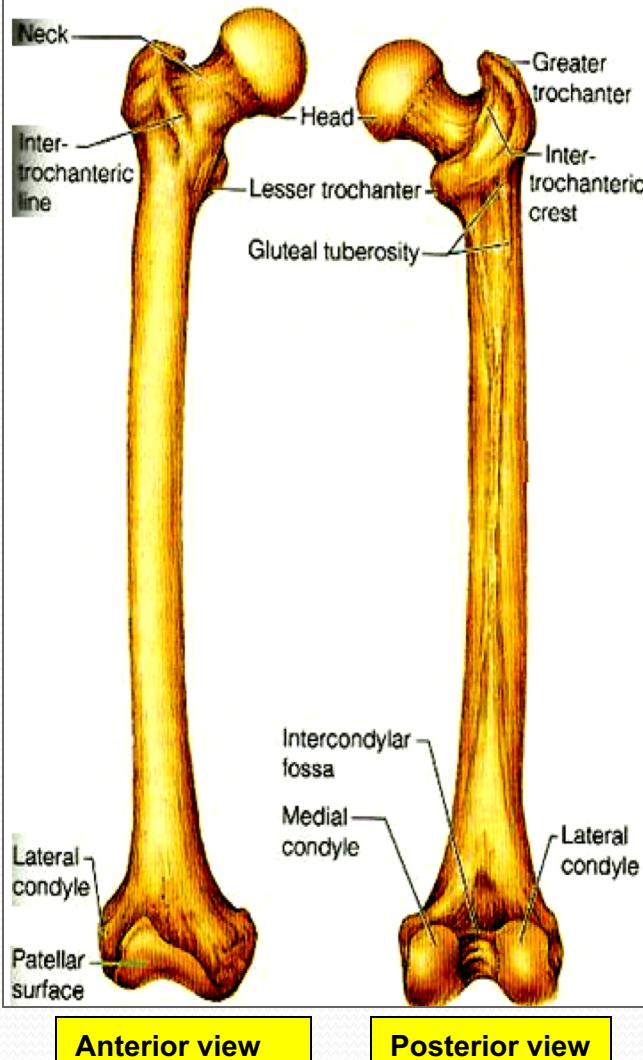
- **Neck :**

- It connects head to the shaft.

**Greater & lesser trochanters :**

- **Anteriorly**, connecting the 2 trochanters, the **inter-trochanteric line**, where the **iliofemoral ligament** is attached.
- **Posteriorly**, the **inter-trochanteric crest**, on which is the **quadratus femoris muscle**.

# SHAFT OF FEMUR



**It has 3 surfaces**

Anterior

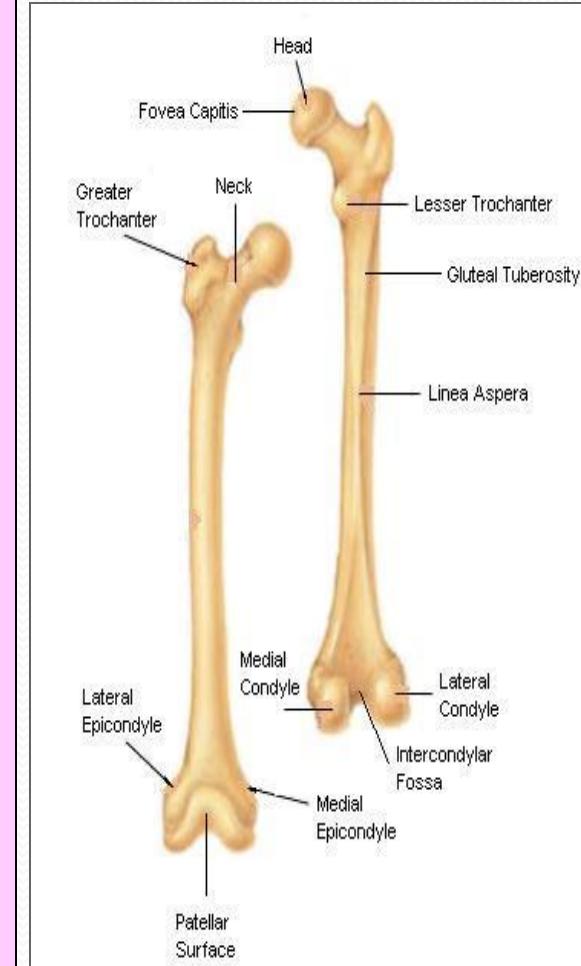
Medial

Lateral

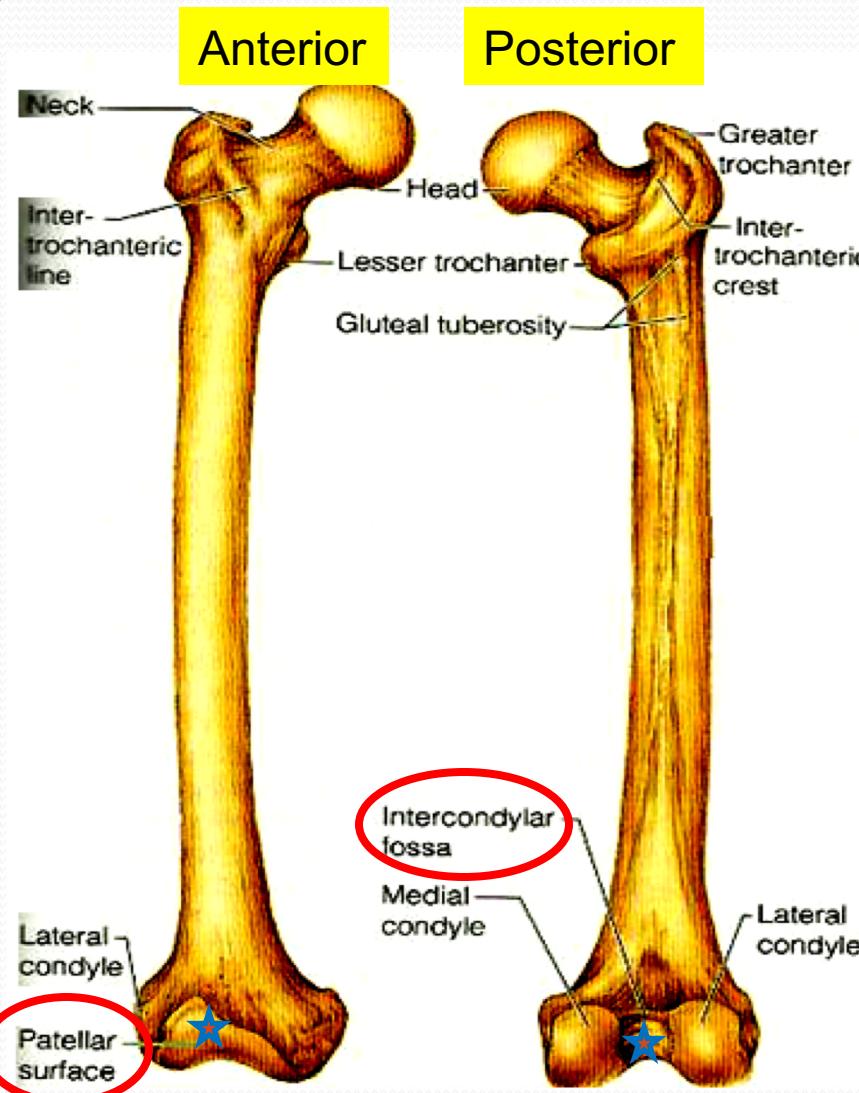
**It has 3 borders**

Two rounded **medial** and **lateral**

One thick **posterior** border or ridge called **linea aspera**

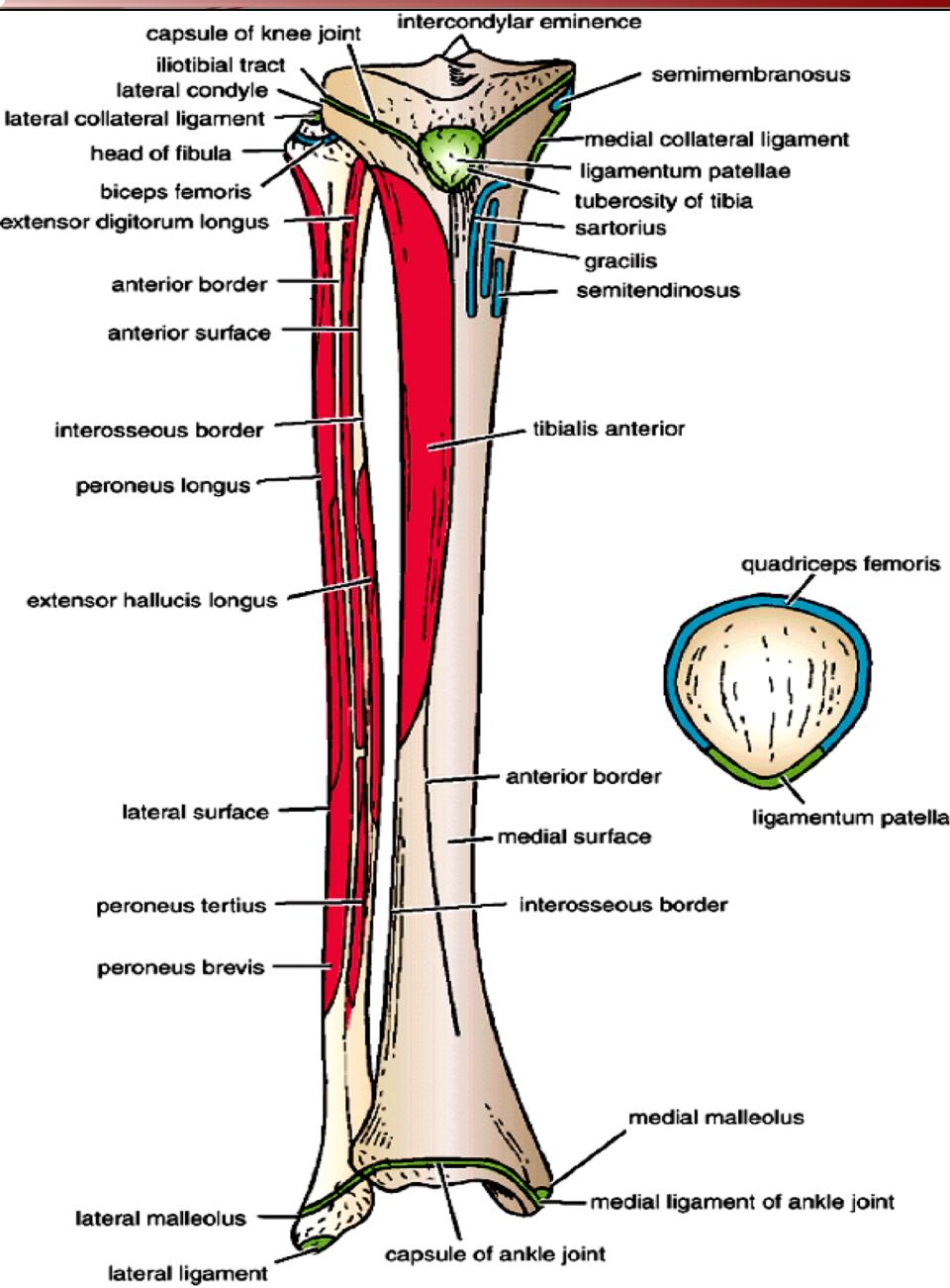


# LOWER END OF FEMUR



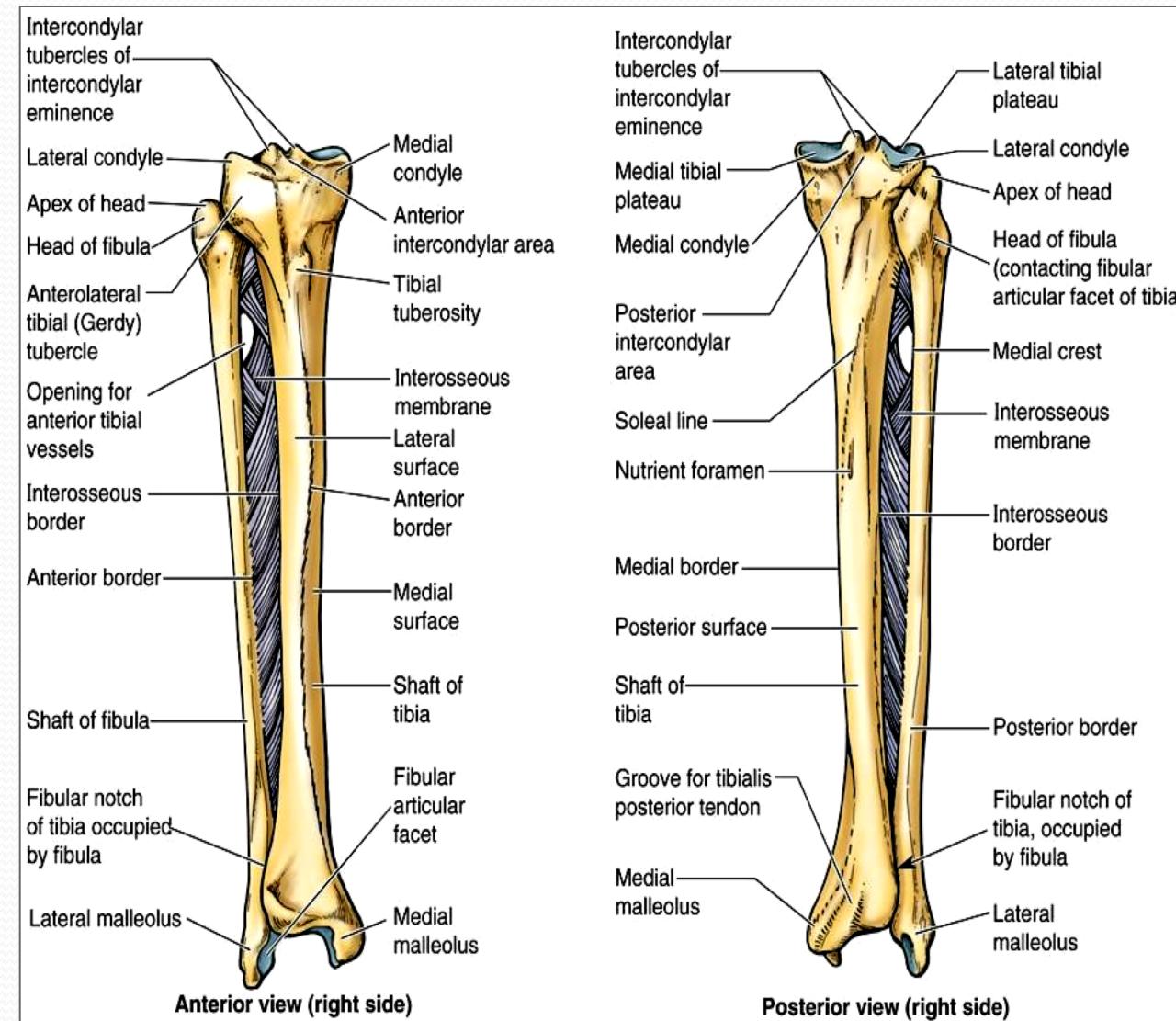
- Has lateral and medial condyles, separated anteriorly by articular patellar surface, and posteriorly by intercondylar notch or fossa.
- The 2 condyles take part in the knee joint.
- Above the condyles are the medial & lateral epicondyles.

# PATELLA



- It is a largest sesamoid bone (lying inside the Quadriceps tendon in front of knee joint).
- Its anterior surface is rough and **subcutaneous**.
- Its posterior surface articulates with the condyles of the femur to form **knee joint**.
- Its apex lies inferiorly and is connected to tuberosity of tibia by **ligamentum patellae**.
- Its upper, lateral, and medial margins give attachment to **Quadriceps femoris** muscles.

# BONES OF LEG (TIBIA AND FIBULA)



## Tibia :

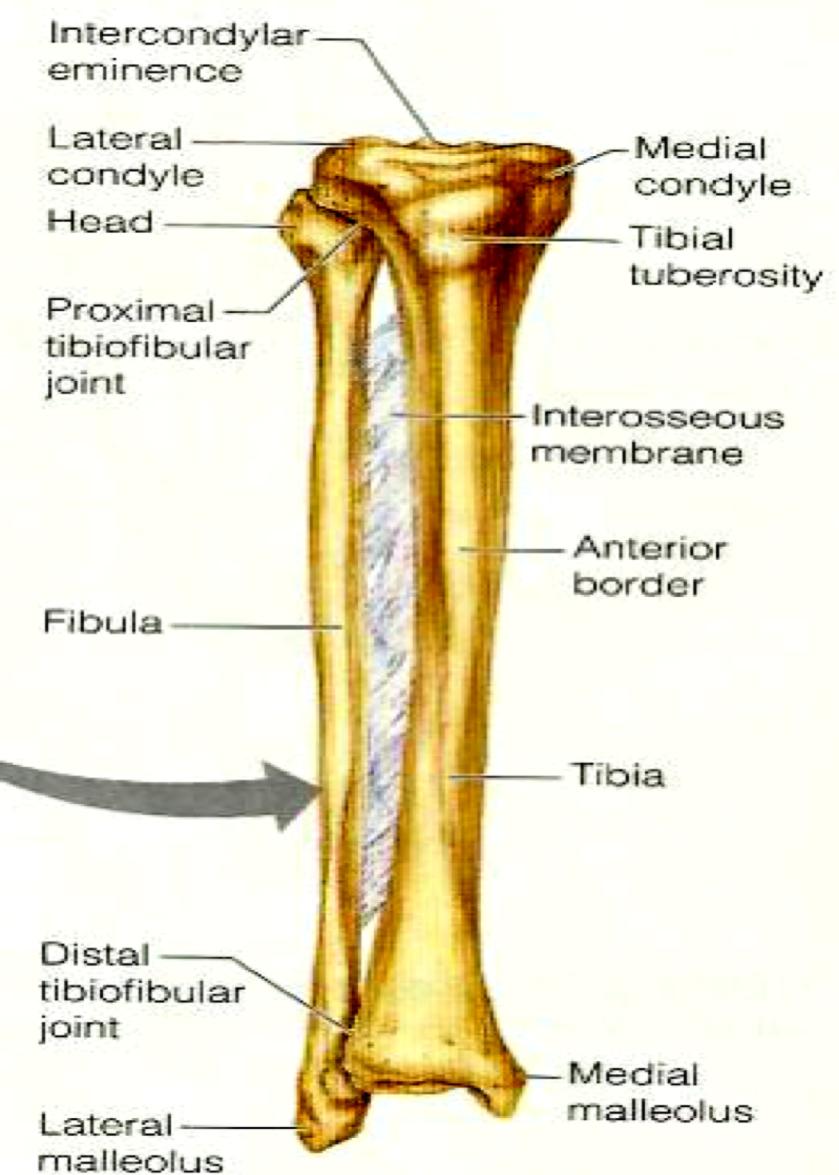
It is the medial bone of leg.

## Fibula :

It is the lateral bone of leg.

Each of them has upper end, shaft, and lower end.

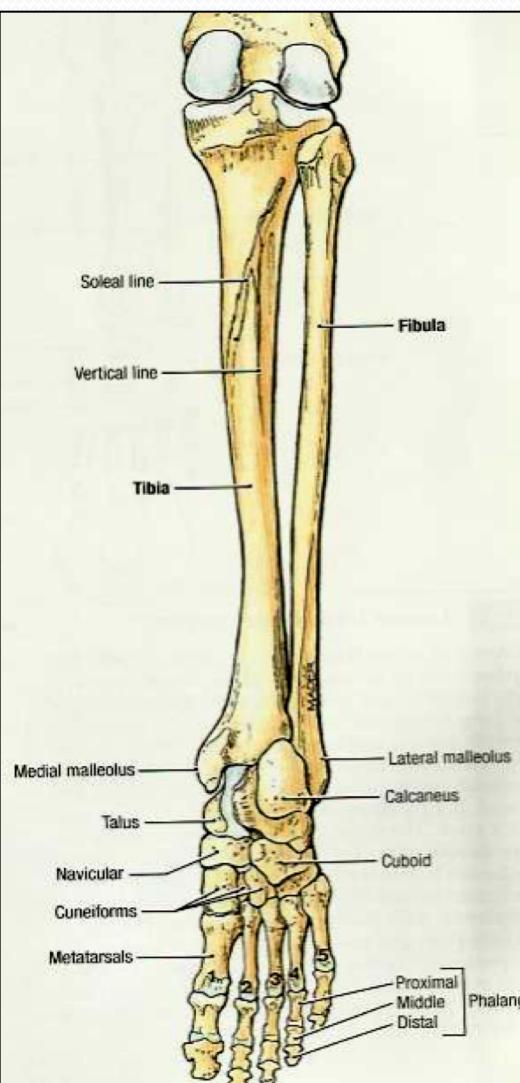
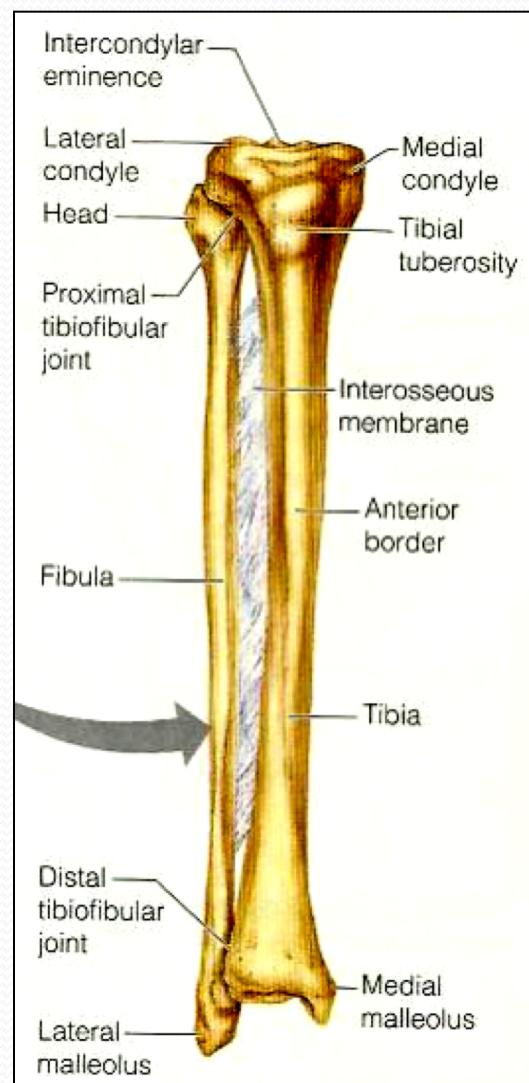
# TIBIA



**Upper end has:**

- **2 tibial condyles:**
- **Medial condyle :** is larger and articulate with medial condyle of femur. It has a **groove** on its posterior surface for **semimembranosus muscles**.
- **Lateral condyle :** is smaller and articulates with lateral condyle of femur. It has **facet** on its lateral side for articulation with head of fibula to form **proximal tibio-fibular joint**.
- **Intercondylar area :** is rough and has intercondylar eminence.

# TIBIA



**Shaft has:**

**Tibial tuberosity :**

Its upper smooth part gives attachment to ligamentum patellae.

Its lower rough part is **subcutaneous**.

**3 borders :**

**Anterior border** : sharp and **subcutaneous**.

**Medial border.**

**Lateral border** interosseous border.

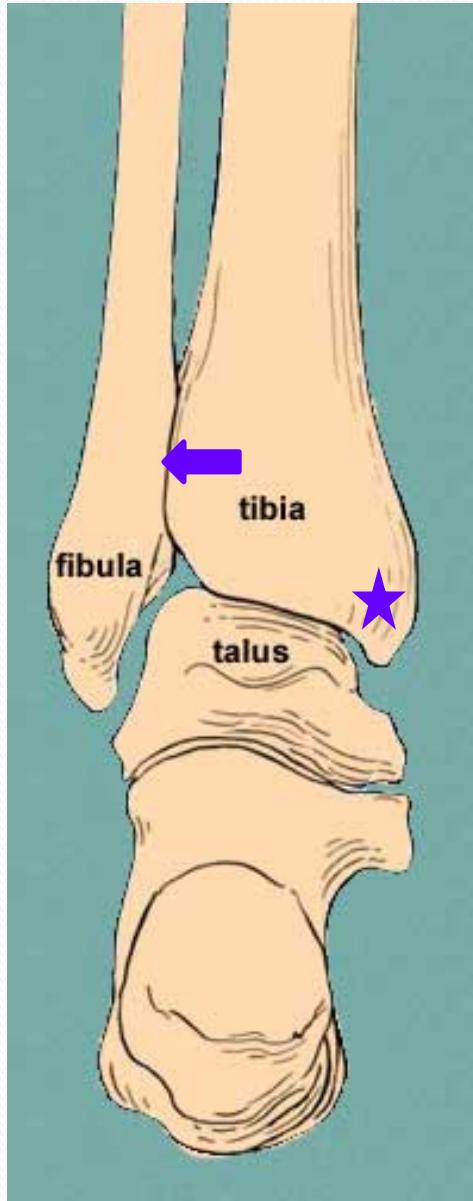
**3 surfaces :**

**Medial** : **subcutaneous**.

**Lateral**

**Posterior** has oblique line, soleal line for attachment of **soleus muscle**

# TIBIA



## Lowe end:

- Articulates with talus for formation of ankle joint.
- **Medial malleolus:** ★
  - Its medial surface is subcutaneous.
  - Its lateral surface articulate with talus.
- Fibular notch: lies on its lateral surface of lower end to form distal tibiofibular joint.

# FIBULA

## Fibula

### Upper end:

- fibular head
- neck of fibula

### Shaft:

- interosseous border

### Lower end:

- lateral malleolus



- It is the slender lateral bone of the leg.
- It takes no part in articulation of knee joint.

**Its upper end has:**

**Head :** articulates with lateral condyle of tibia.

**Styloid process.**

**Neck.**

**Shaft has:**

**4 borders :** its medial ‘interosseous border gives attachment to interosseous membrane.

**4 surfaces.**

**Lower end forms:**

**Lateral malleolus:** is subcutaneous, Its medial surface is smooth for articulation with talus to form ankle joint.

# BONES OF FOOT

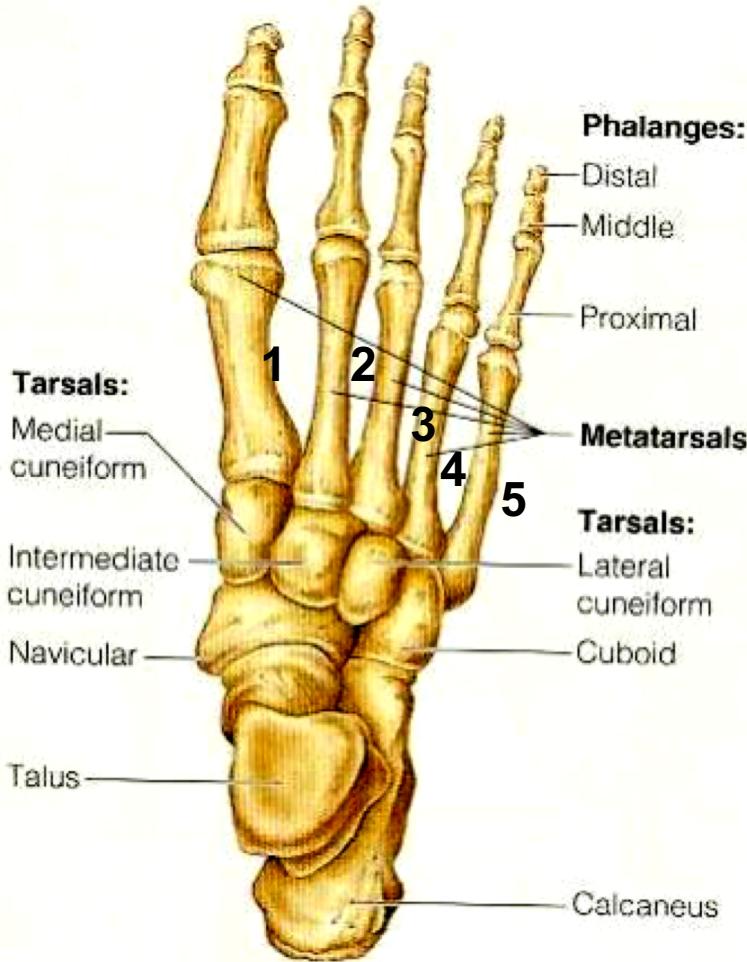


FIGURE 5.25 Bones of the right foot, superior view.

## 7 Tarsal bones:

1. Calcaneum.
2. Talus .
3. Navicular.
4. Cuboid.
5. 3 cuneiform bones.

Only Talus articulates with tibia & fibula at ankle joint.

**Calcaneum:** the largest bone of foot, forming the heel.

## 5 Metatarsal bones:

- They are numbered from medial (big toe) to lateral.
- 1<sup>st</sup> metatarsal bone is large and lies medially.
- Each metatarsal bone has a base (proximal), a shaft and a head (distal).

## 14 phalanges:

- 2 phalanges for big toe (proximal & distal)
- 3 phalanges for each of the lateral 4 toes (proximal, middle & distal)



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