

# alluvial fan *(al-lu-vi-al-fan)*

## Definition

n. A fan-shaped deposit of sediment crossed and built up by streams, typically found at the base of mountain ranges.

## Example Sentence

The **alluvial fan** spread out at the base of the mountain, creating fertile ground for agriculture.

## More Example Sentences

Geologists studied the **alluvial fan** to understand the region's sedimentary processes.

## Synonyms

sediment fan; delta; depositional fan

## Antonyms

eroded area; canyon; washout

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