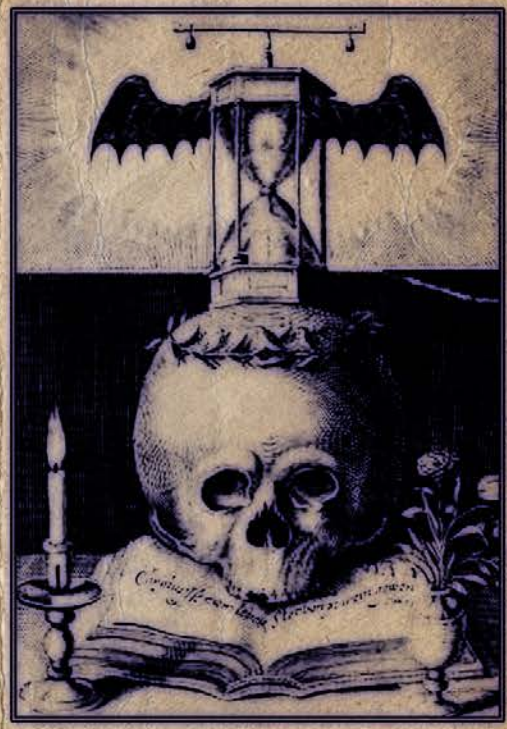


Return to my  
daughter  
Edwina Lionheart  
Blairlogie Scotland

Professor  
Edward  
Sheridan  
Lionheart

Libri of lamia





## VAMPIRE

a preternatural being, commonly believed to be a reanimated corpse, that is said to suck the blood humans to sustain its life.

Over years of field studies I have discovered, the Vampire are not without its weaknesses. Since the Vampire exists in one form or another in cultures all over the world, the creature's vulnerabilities are numerous. However, one who is well versed in Vampire lore and organizes himself accordingly, will be able to come up with innovative uses for these weaknesses.

Some of these vulnerabilities are apotropaics, or substances that are able to repel evil. Others listed here will cause the Vampire more direct harm.

If nothing else remember to burn the corpse, the Vampire would be unable to regenerate itself and return to take its vengeance.



**Garlic:** *Allium vineale* or  
*Allium sativum*

Family: *Liliaceae*

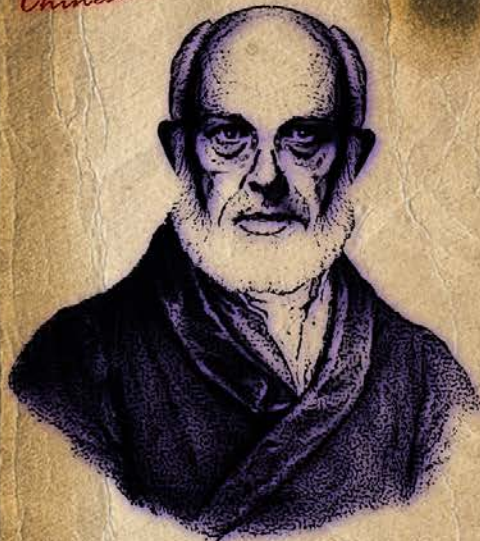
Garlic is a species in the onion genus, *Allium*. Its close relatives include the onion, shallot, leek, chive, and rakkyo. Garlic is grown globally.

Garlic is another method of fending off vampires. Garlic has been used in cultures throughout the world as a healing medicine. It was thought to have a purification principle like silver. This is why the vampires retreat from it. People would hang it outside their doorways to keep vampires from entering their homes. Ancient societies would condemn anyone who had an aversion to garlic as a vampire. Garlic was also passed out during church ceremonies so that church officials could be sure that no evil spirits or vampires were attending.

Sew a clove of garlic into the mouth of the deceased, to stop them from turning as a vampire.



*Garlic will not work on  
Chinese or Italian Vampires!*



Professor  
Edward Sheridan Lionheart  
Vampire Hunter  
1888



### Invitation

The Vampire is unable to enter a house without first being verbally invited inside by the homes rightful owner or tenet. However, once the invitation was extended, the Vampire may enter whenever it wishes, at anytime thereafter. Thus, as long as the people do not give admittance to the creature, they remain safe. However, once the Vampire has been invited inside, you can revoke its rights to enter the house by tell it that it is no longer welcome.

This usually happens when the household fails to recognize the Vampire for what it is. Once inside, the Vampire will drain each person of blood, one by one.

Wolfsbane *Aconitum napellus*  
Family: Ranunculaceae

Wolfsbane (a highly toxic member of the genus *aconitum*, also known as aconite or monkshood) was thought to have anti-evil properties against Vampires, Werewolves, and shapeshifters for centuries, and is used in the same manner as garlic. A concoction derived from the roots of the plant was often used to wash bite wounds from wild or venomous animals, and so perhaps this is where Wolfsbane derived its supposed ability to cure people of lycanthropy or other supernatural afflictions.





Physical characteristics:

Pale skin

cast no reflection

Sensitivity to sunlight physically.

Visual sensitivity to any light source

Better night vision than day vision

Eye color changing with mood

Heightened senses

Unaccounted for strength reflexes

Often feel run down, fatigued,

Does not require very much sleep

Able to heal quicker than others,



Mustard seeds: *Brassica nigra*

*B. juncea* - *B. hirta* (*Sinapis alba*)

family: Brassicaceae

The small round seeds of various mustard plants. The seeds are usually about 1 or 2 mm in diameter. Mustard seeds may be colored from yellowish white to black. They are important spices in many regional foods.

Mustard seeds. You throw the mustard seeds on the ground and the vampire will have to count them before he moves forward. The vampire is not repelled or pierced by the objects. Rather he is compelled to either eat them or to count them one at a time.

We do not know why.

You may also use, rice, grains, rose thorns, any type of seeds or beads.

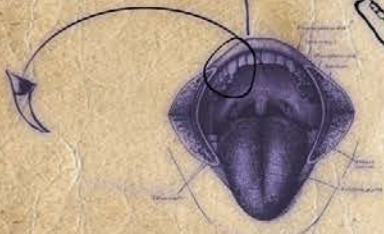


Garlic plant

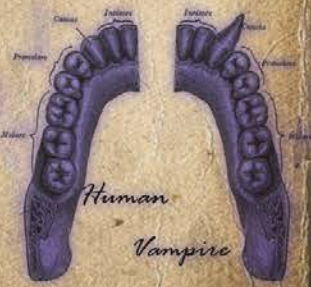


Mustard plant





Dens cum cuspidē  
Dens es retractable



They are hematophagy, consisting of the same diet properties of the *Diphylla caudata* species.

They create a small incision with their fangs and lap or suck up blood from the wound. The upper incisors lack enamel, which keeps them permanently razor sharp.

The vampire's saliva, is injected into the victim with the fangs like that of a venomous snake. It is antibacterial. The saliva contains several compounds that are an anti anticoagulant which prolong bleeding, inhibit blood clotting, and contains compounds that prevent the constriction of blood vessels near the wound. It's saliva containing an enzyme called desmoteplase, or DSPA, that thins victims' blood and helps it flow more freely.

Their front teeth are specialized for cutting and their back teeth are much smaller than in other humans.

The most common feeding method is piercing a hole in the victim's neck with sharp fangs and sucking blood from the pierced area



(1808) There is a case described in Sicily, Italy, where Abbot Silvestro Ragusa Di Martino lured a vampire into a barn. Inside there was a heap of millet grains on the floor. The vampire became so pre-occupied with counting these grains that the Abbot was able to tie him up without any resistance on the part of the vampire. Braking a rake in two he impaled the heart of the beast then dragged his body into the field. He prayed over the beast, for his soul, as the sun began to rise. The beast started to blister and boil until it caught fire and burned to ash.

Vampires don't have souls, so they can't see their reflection

Mirrors are lined with silver and mercury to make a reflection and

silver incorruptible.

They can see themselves in more modern mirrors  
They can be seen in glass reflections

Werewolf can be killed with a silver mirror!





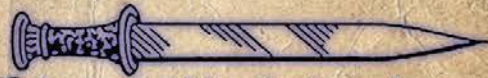
## Silver

Silver because of its purity and lustrous white color, silver is believed to possess protective powers against evil and negative influences. It is also said to have a supernatural association with the moon.

Because of its protective powers, silver has been used to keep evil at bay for thousands of years. A cross, star or a crucifix made of pure silver is far more powerful than one made of other metals, especially against the Vampire. On another note, silver is thought to ward off the Evil Eye.



**Silver Alchemy Symbol**  
Silver was known as argentum. The astrological symbol for the moon was interchangeable with the symbol for the metal. Astrological glyph for the moon, and one of the alchemical symbols for silver.



Silver is highly effective when utilized against the Vampire in a combat situation as well. A wound inflicted by a silver blade on the Vampire heals very slowly, if at all. If it pierces the heart, the Vampire dies. Since silver is too soft to make a serious weapon, with the exception being stakes, bullets, or projectile points), it is used in steel alloys and to plate steel blades.

The most popular choices for such applications are blades, especially swords, daggers, or knives. If a priest blesses the blades, then their efficacy is increased considerably.



## Bites

Of course when we think of vampire bites, we often think of people having two holes spaced a bit apart, on one side of their neck. But what many don't consider is that the neck has a lot of veins.

The external carotid artery is always the perfect spot for a vampire bite, and is the most popular of the ones that are seen. This artery is just under the jaw, between the earlobe and the collarbone. This artery is so popular because there's easy access to it but won't have lethal results should it be pierced.

The median cubital vein is are because this blood sticks out a little from the skin, it's the perfect place for a vampire bite!



Todt zum Apt:  
67  
Herr Aptich zieh euch die Pfflen ab/  
Deshalb mußt euch nicht mehr der Stab:  
Sind ihr gewesen ein guter Hirt  
Hie ewrer Schaff/ die Ehr euch wird.



Der Apt:  
Ich hab mich als ein Apt erhebt/  
Und lang in hohen Ehren g lebt:  
Auch sagt sich niemand wider mich/  
Dennoch bin ich dem Todt gleich. I ij



## Beheading

Cut off the vampire's head, basically end the creature's undead existence. Many past cultures combined this with other methods to fully destroy the vampire. Vampires were beheaded, had their hearts staked and then cut out, and the remains of their bodies were burned to ash and buried on consecrated grounds. Why take any chances.



A good blow, by with a sword or axe can kill in a single stroke. However death can take several chops.



Three blows is common.

The head of Sir Edmund Henry Rathbone



## Fire

Fire has been a powerful force against the Undead, as it is considered to be a symbol of God and the Holy Spirit, as well as one of nature's most powerful purifiers. Therefore, after the Vampire is staked and decapitated, the remains are to be burned to ashes.



Burning the Vampire is without a doubt the most effective means of permanently annihilating the Undead, but it can take hours, even days. Large amounts of wood and fuel are needed to completely cremate a body.





## Holy water

Water that, in Catholicism, Anglicanism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Lutheranism, has been sanctified by a priest for the purpose of baptism, the blessing of persons, and objects, or to repel evil.

For baptism and spiritual cleansing is common among several religions, from Christianity to Sikhism and Hinduism. The use of holy water as a sacramental for protection against evil is almost exclusive to Catholics.

Catholics are not permitted to perform exorcisms but they can use holy water and other sacramentals such as the Saint Benedict Medal or the Crucifix for warding off evil. Sprinkle holy water onto a vampire in order to destroy it. When holy water is cast onto the vampire's skin it burns like acid.

The same can be done with wine, the wine symbolizing the blood of Christ.



Some may think that the jugular vein is the best spot for a vampire bite, or that the bites they see occur around the jugular. In fact, getting bitten in the jugular vein will most surely result in death.

This vein goes directly to the heart and carries blood from the brain to the heart.

Getting bitten here will only make you dead, not part of the undead.

Treat the wound with holy water or sacramental wine and bandage with a blessed holy eucharist wrapped inside it.

## Blood type

O+	O-
A+	A-
B+	B-
AB+	AB-





Another variation on the vampire is the "psychic vampire." These modern vampires crave psychic energy from others and have the power to drain it without the person's knowledge. Psychic vampires typically attempt to drain life-force energy through meditation and concentration. If they do not feed, they say, they will become weak as if they had not eaten.

According to some believers, this sort of vampire has been around for thousands of years. Some claim this phenomenon inspired the undead vampires of folklore.

The best way to kill a psychic vampire, is just shoot them in the head. They are more of an annoyance than a threat!



DO NOT  
KILL!!  
They are  
Just Sick!

Porphyria "vampire disease" is a rare disease characterized by irregularities in production of heme, an iron-rich pigment in blood. People with porphyria are highly sensitive to sunlight, severe abdominal pain and suffer from acute delirium. One treatment for porphyria has been to drink blood, to correct the imbalance in the body. Some sufferers do have reddish mouths and teeth, due to irregular production of the heme pigment. Porphyria is hereditary, so there may have been concentrations of sufferers in certain areas throughout history.



## Stakes:

With a wooden stake stalling a vampire in the heart is the most popular way of destroying it. The stakes were typically made of ash or aspen. The stake must penetrate the vampire's heart to destroy it.

In medieval times the stake was also used as prevention of vampires. Deceased individual who were thought to have a higher risk of becoming a vampire were staked in their coffins so that the stake would pin them to the ground.



Professor  
Abronsius



wooden  
mallet

Salt: sodium chloride ( $\text{NaCl}$ )  
With its white color, purity, and its preservative properties, salt has always been associated with holiness and the triumph of good over evil. It has been used to repel ghosts, demons, spirits, and evil beings.

In Romania pregnant women that did not eat enough salt and were gazed upon by a Vampire would give birth to a child that, after its death, would become a Vampire.

Salt has a corrosive effect when it comes into contact with the Vampire's skin, similar to holy water but not as potent.

Saint Benedict holding a poisoned cup, that hostile monks attempted to poison him: the cup containing poisoned wine shattered when he made the sign of the cross over it.





### Running Water

According to legend the Vampire is unable to cross running water, except at the ebb and flow of the tide. This includes rivers, streams, and the open ocean. The vampire may be carried over it on a water-going vessel (a boat or a ship). In folklore, witches, ghosts, and evil spirits are incapable of crossing running water, as water is a symbol of life, purity, and holiness. It is said to have healing and cleansing powers.

Water is the main element in holy baptism and is held to be sacred to the Church, washing away sin and evil.



It is said that tricking the Vampire into wading into flowing water can destroy the creature. Once the Vampire has entered the water, it will drown and perish. This is not to say that the Vampire can't swim. The water's inherent power and symbolism, through supernatural means, impedes the revenant's ability to stay afloat and swim.

However, if the creature can be removed from the water, the Vampire will return to unlife.

In Greece the people would unearth the corpse thought to be a vampire and exile it to a small, uninhabited island a few miles offshore. There, the revenant was reburied. Thus surrounded by flowing water, the Vampire was imprisoned and denied its need for blood.





Vampires date back at least 4,000 years, to the ancient Assyrians and Babylonians of Mesopotamia. They feared Lamashitu, a vicious demon goddess who preyed on humans.

In Assyrian legend, Lamashitu would creep into a house at night and steal or kill babies, either in their cribs or in the womb.

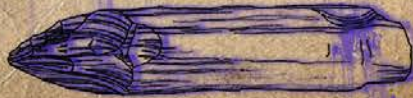
Lamashitu, which translates to "she who erases," would also prey on adults, sucking blood from young men and bringing disease, sterility and nightmares. She is often depicted with wings and birdlike talons, and sometimes with the head of a lion. To protect themselves from Lamashitu, pregnant women would wear amulets depicting Pazuzu, another evil god who once defeated the demoness.

It must be wood because it sucks all the 'undead life' out of them.

Professor Abronsins of London says trees that bear fruit work best, because the trees the wood was taken from are used to bearing lives other than their own, and therefore are suitable to continue carrying the life of others, even life that doesn't exist.



wooden ash silver handle





## Sunlight

However, there is absolutely no evidence that sunlight will cause a vampire to burst into flames! The terrifying truth is that, with only one exception, the Vampire isn't adversely affected by sunlight, and the revenant has actually been known to hunt during the day. According to Slavic legend, the Vampire usually hunts between the hours of noon and midnight. However, this notion may have some indirect roots in folklore. According to Serbian folklore, the Vampire has no power during the day, but in fact receives its power from the Devil by night.

They will blister and skin will act like a very intense sunburn. Over long term exposure to the sun's rays they will slowly cook themselves to death, dry out and turn to dust.

Some use Umbrella to block the sun!



Were the Earth's orbit a perfect circle, and her axis perpendicular to the plane of this orbit, the days would be of a uniform length, and there would be no difference between the clock and the Sun.





George Brown square New England



Lilith, was the original woman. God created both Adam and Lilith from the Earth, but there was soon trouble between them. Lilith refused to take a subservient position to Adam, since she came from the same place he did.

Lilith left Eden and began birthing her own children. God sent three angels to bring her back, and when she refused, they promised they would kill 100 of her children every day until she returned. Lilith in turn vowed to destroy human children.

She is often described as a winged demoness with sharp talons, who came in the night, primarily to steal away infants and fetuses.

Some believe she would come to men at night as a succubus.



Known Vampires

Ambrogio Francesco

~~Giuseppe Exposito~~

Preacher Smith

~~Lady Kylie Hutchinson~~

~~Mastrapa~~

~~Sebastian Abineri~~

Mary Dredger

James Russell

~~Sir Mycroft Adler~~

~~Lady Mary Moriarty~~

~~Edith Lestrade~~

Adalberto De Luca

Geraldine Moretti

Moran von Hoffmannstahl

~~Lord Reordan Coward~~

Chris O'Hara Sunley

Timothy Sunley

~~Peter Connor Doyle~~

Arthur Wigram

~~Michael Robert Strongy~~

Dr. John Holmes

~~Sir Greenough~~

S. A. Mitchell

Mary and Lady Alice Attwood



Mary



Sir Mycroft Adler



Giuseppe



Lady Kylie Hutchinson



Sir Greenough



Lord Reordan Coward

Lord Harvey and  
Lady Alice Attwood





Martha Brown lost her husband and then her eldest daughter. One of her sons, Edwin, returned from school and became ill, so Martha exhumed the bodies of her husband and daughters. The daughters had decomposed, but George's body—buried for three months—was fresh and turned sideways in the coffin, and blood dripped from his mouth. He sat up and began to rise. Martha my dear, you have freed me.

The priest and onlookers, took immediate action. They cut out his heart, burned it, and dissolved the ashes in Holy water and poured it into the local stream.





Abraham "Bram" Stoker the newspaper writer and the man who wrote the novel *The Snake's Pass* is now writing a book about Vampires. He seems to be basing it on the history of Transylvanian-born Vlad III Dracula "Vlad the Impaler" of Wallachia. Bram said that it's primary antagonist is the vampire Count Dracula, and a character based on me, called Professor Abraham Van Helsing from Amsterdam.

I feel that the book will be his downfall! It is certain to erase his name from the history books! Though, he does buy the drinks when we talk about vampires. He calls it research!



Dracula is a ridiculous name for a vampire.

Bram



Historically, the name "Dracula" is derived from a secret fraternal order of knights called the Order of the Dragon, founded by Sigismund of Luxembourg the king of Hungary, Croatia, Bohemia, and Holy Roman Emperor. He swore the Order would uphold Christianity and defend the Empire against the Ottoman Turks.



Edward  
Thank you for all your help in  
creating the perfect vampire story  
Bram Stoker