

**Part Seventeen and a Half**  
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## The Werewolf

Classified by the Ministry of Magic: XXXX<sup>1</sup>

One of the hardest beasts to classify, the Werewolf is subject to much fear and speculation world-wide. How or where lycanthropy began is a mystery of the beast that may never be solved. It is true that one can only become a Werewolf when bitten. (Theories on the origins of Lycanthropy can be found in such popular publications as Man and Myth by Aloisius, second century A.D., as well as more recent texts, such as Scamander's best-seller Man and Myth: Redefined.)

However, one thing about the nature of the Werewolf is clear. Despite the duality of man and beast, the werewolf is a dangerous creature - perhaps not all month, but, during the full moon, there is no humanity in it. Thus the Ministry of Magic, after much debate, has classified the werewolf as beast<sup>2</sup>, and has rightfully labeled it as one of the most dangerous Dark Beasts the world over.

Currently, there is no cure for the disease - which has only recently been defined in this manner. (Earlier - before the 18th Century A.D. - there was no distinction between the werewolf as a man and the Werewolf in its full throes of transformation. Some of this remains to this day, for the werewolf is a deadly creature, without any human instinct at all.)


<sup>1</sup> Found in Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find them, first edition: Scamander


<sup>2</sup> A History of the Ministry's Conundrums

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