



# CHUPACABRA

ALIEN VAMPIRE OR VAMPIRIC CANINE, A DICHOTOMY  
BETWEEN 'MURICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN CULTURES

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# WHAT IS IN A NAME?

**CHUPACABRA**

**PORTMANTEAU**

**CHUPAR – “TO SUCK”**

**CABRA – “GOAT”**

**“GOATSUCKER”**

**COINED BY PUERTO RICAN  
COMEDIAN AND  
ENTREPRENEUR SILVERIO  
PEREZ**



# THE FIRST REPORT

- Puerto Rico – March, 1995
- 8 sheep were discovered dead with 3 puncture wounds in the chest and drained of blood
- August 1995: Madelyne Tolentino reported seeing the creature in Canóvanas when as many as 150 farm animals were reportedly killed.



# PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

- LENGTH: 4-5 FEET  
(NOSE TO TAIL)
- WEIGHT: 35-45 LBS  
(MALES ARE LARGER  
THAN FEMALES)
- COLOR: GREY
- BODY: SPARSELY  
COVERED IN  
SCALES WITH A  
CURLED BACK





# PREFERRED HABITAT AND THREATS

- LIVE IN DENS
- DESERTS
- GRASSLANDS
- DRY FOREST AREAS
- NEAR FARMLANDS (CLOSE TO A CONSTANT FOOD SOURCE)
- THEY ARE FOUND MAINLY IN THE MID-SOUTH UNITED STATES AND IN CENTRAL AMERICA
- ROAMING TERRITORY RANGES FROM 3 TO 16 SQ. KM.
- THEY ARE IN AREAS WITH LIGHT HUMAN POPULATIONS AS THEY ARE SHY AND EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS
- THEY AVOID AREAS WITH DENSE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURES. OFTEN, THEY STAY OVER 1KM AWAY FROM ROADS TO AVOID

# SUBSEQUENT REPORTED SITINGS



- AS FAR WEST AS CALIFORNIA
- AS FAR NORTHEAST AS NC
- THROUGH CENTRAL AMERICA

# EVOLUTION IN DIFFERENT ECOSYSTEMS

- IN THE MAINLAND AMERICAS, CHUPACABRA TAKES A DIFFERENT FORM:

- APPEAR TO BE PART OF THE CANIDAE FAMILY
- POSSESS LITTLE TO NO FUR AND LEATHERY SKIN
- OFTEN FALSELY ASSUMED AS



HATERS WILL SAY ITS  
FAKE (MYTH  
DEBUNKING)



- THE  
MOVIE  
“SPECIES”
- NECROPSY
- MANGE
- SARCOPTES  
SCABIEI





# QUESTIONS?

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