

Straga

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Endy9 — 30 Oct 2001, 05:16

I was watching "World's Scariest Places" last night. The episode was "Night in Count Dracula's Castle". In the setup interviews with locals they kept mentioning the word

strigoi

It was defined as spirit of the dead. It could take the shape of an animal such as wolf (werewolf), bat (vampire) etc. People who performed evil in life often return this way. Also, if dead are mistreated during life or their graves afterward, the strigoi returns so don't disrespect grave or mistreat the person in life, etc.

I might have missed this discussion earlier. Have you already discussed the origins of Straga as Wolfe used it? Just threw a different light on the grandmother calling Horn/Silk this. When I read In Green's Jungles, I took it only as a person of magical power like a village sorcerer or wizard.

Dennis/Endy

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Dan'l Danehy-Oakes — 30 Oct 2001, 08:31 · follows Endy9

Denis/Endy,

"Strega" is Italian for "witch.

--Dan'l

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