

# Lake Van Monster

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<Every year around this time, I think of seeing this creature. I was doing a job in Turkey that had me going to Eastern Anatolia. That is why I think of this creature every November. I love Turkey, the meat not the country.> Bruce Lee Reincarnate

## Description

The Lake Van Monster, also known as the Turkey Monster in some circles, is described as an ancient marine reptile such as a plesiosaur. It is said to have a long-necked, and with one or more humps protruding from the water. Eye witnesses say that it shares characteristics with the famous Loch Ness Monster.



It is estimated to be anywhere from 6-60 feet in length and weigh between 150-15,000lbs. It is also thought that they can travel at a speed of upwards of 200Kph.

<Maybe that is what I saw. I was out on a boat in this lake when I saw a rooster tail spraying up, but no boat in front of it.> Questioning Life

## History

There have been multiple sightings of this creature throughout history. The first written sighting was a story in the Ottoman newspaper Saadet of April 29, 1889. The story recounted that a creature had dragged a man into lake Van. Following reports of the incident, the Ottoman government sent an official scientific survey group to the lake who failed to spot the creature.



This is the oldest sighting report of Lake Van Monster that is documented but there are some thoughts about earlier references. In Akdamar Island which is the biggest island in Lake Van, there is an Armanian church named Akdamar Church made in AD 915. Church's outer walls are covered with stone carving pictures. In one picture a sea monster-like creature can clearly be seen underneath a ship. Majority thinks that this picture is a reference to Lake Van Monster. If this picture is really a reference to Lake Van Monster, that means it is known for more than a thousand years.<I saw these carvings and believe they are the real thing. I studied this area looking for a different dig site, looking for a dragon hoard rumored to be in the area.> Dr. Barney Jones

After the fall of the Ottoman Empire, the locals were still reporting sightings of the creature, but due to political infighting for the new country it was believed that the Kurdish reports were ignored and not written down.

Then in 1997 a local man called Ünal Kozak claimed to have captured the monster on video which was sent for analysis. Academic Mustafa Y. Nutku has written a book about the creature, together with Kozak.

Kozak's video is under constant criticism, with questions like why it never pans left, possibly because of a boat that may have carried the creature. Or why the monster only goes straight, instead of curving through the water. Even criticism as to why the breathing is not in and out, but a continuous release, much like the effects of an air hose. It was thought that the video was a farce, trying to drive tourism to the region. It was neither confirmed nor denied. **<Fake News!>**

**T. Rump**

**<Really T. Rump? Now you're jumping in here. Stay out of the conversations already!>**

**Censorship Sucks**

### **Post Awakening (2011)**

The Turkish government decided, at the persistent pushing of some nearly mega corps, to re-open the study of the creature. The reason for this push is a tale of 3 brothers. These men were traveling from Tatvan to Ahlat. **<This is true, my brother died due to this encounter. We had to break it to our parents as he was the favored son. It was heartbreaking.>** **Saddened Son** They said that they were camping near the lake and they wanted to wash their hands with the water of the lake. While they were washing, a big creature



appeared in the water quickly and attacked them. The creature used its tail to grab the eldest by his leg and tried to pull him into the lake. Other two tried to save their brother, but their strength wasn't enough to rescue him because the creature was too strong. So they picked some fire from their camp and attacked the creature. When fire touched the creature, its scream was so loud that it caused extreme ear pain **<It caused my ears to bleed>** **Youngest Brother** then fled to the depths of the lake taking the man with it. The man that was captured had never been found.

The corporate contingency looking into this creature used sonar, cameras, drones, a full sensor suite, and magical searching with nothing more than a hint that something was alive in this salt water lake that nothing should be alive in.

After spending millions of New Yen, the corporation and Turkish government called it quits.



### Current Territory

This creature has only been spotted in the lake in Eastern Turkey, which is now part of Eastern Anatolia after the European war ended in 2039, the Islamic state that is closed off to most of the world.

Due to the closed borders, further study of this creature has not been forthcoming. **ابق بالخارج وإلا ستهلك أنت وعائلتك.**

**> الدب القاتل >**

**<<Translation- Stay outside or else you and your family will**

**perish- Killer bear>>**

**<Looks like the government of East Anatolia is reading this.> Maj Obvious**

### Why the interest?

Part of the interest is due to the closed borders, another part is after finding the Loch Ness Monster was a real creature, it is believed that the Lake Van Monster is also real. Possibly a prehistoric creature that is still alive throughout time or an awakened draconic form that is in hiding, either unwilling to be found or afraid to be found. Either way, discovery of this creature could be a boon to any group that is able to confirm its existence both financially and globally through fame at finding the mythical creature.

### Possible similar species

It is thought that the Loch Ness Monster could be a distant cousin of this beast, but nothing is known for sure. There was also a possible sighting in the China Sea of a creature similar to the Lake Van Monster and the Loch Ness Monster. This suggests that the creature can move into the oceans, putting them anywhere in the world.



## Lake Van Monster (LVM)

B	A	R	S	W	L	I	C	E	Ess	M/R
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**Initiative:** 1D6+9

**Limits:** Physical 11 Mental 5 Social 4

**Powers:** Adaptive Coloration (visual and electromagnetic), Enhanced Physical Attribute (Body or Strength) x2 a day, Hardened Armor, Enhanced Sense (Any), Sonic Projection

### **Weakness:**

The Lake Van Monster has a weakness of fire. It will flee any fire attack into deep waters. The damage of the fire will heal slower than other damage and will do 1.5x's more damage than the listing on the weapon/spell.

### **Gamemasters Note:**

This critter can be used as a serpent, found in Paranormal Animals of North America, or as a draco form making them a sapient creature. If using them as a sapient creature, they have a cave under water for their hoard with the entrance blocked by both physical and magical means. Finding the opening to its lair is nearly impossible, and should be a run for only the most experienced of runner teams.

If this is a draco form, the creature also has magic, the ability to change forms, and an affinity for electrical and mana spells.