

# The Snarly Yow

Domesticated dogs were a part of early Appalachian life, so it was no big surprise to see one. But when they saw a Snarly Yow, they knew immediately that this was no dog. The Snarly Yow is a massive black four-legged beast, with a large red mouth filled with jagged fangs.

According to some reports, the mysterious creatures can appear to be phantom-like, appearing and disappearing at will. Hunters have even had their bullets pass through the beasts without harm.

The Snarly Yow has been around for a very long time. In colonial days, the beast would appear and terrify horses, causing the animals to throw off the riders. It would then disappear without a trace into the night. The Snarly Yow has continued this annoying habit; on occasion, it jumps out in front of vehicles, causing drivers to swerve and crash. Reports have stated that the creature will stick around long enough to intimidate the bewildered drivers, bearing its fangs menacingly before disappearing into thin air.

The creature sometimes chases cars down the road before disappearing. It takes particular joy in frightening hikers on a remote trail. Despite the almost playful nature of these reports, the Snarly Yow has been known to be violent and attack people without provocation.

The Appalachians are home to many different living things. Even today scientists are still cataloging new species of [flora and fauna](#). Perhaps there are a few more species that have avoided scientific classification up to now, but of a more beastly nature.