



Monster Hunts

- There have been several hunts to find the monster
- In 1992, a team of experts used hi-tech sonar equipment to do a full-scale search of the loch
- In 2003 BBC programme makers carried out the most extensive search ever using 600 separate sonar beams and also satellite navigation.
- Nothing was found.

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THE LOCH NESS MONSTER

- There have been stories about the Loch Ness Monster since the Dark Ages
- In 565 AD, St Columba is said to have seen the Loch Ness Monster on his journey to Inverness to meet a Pictish king.
- There was an attack on someone in his party. St Columba is supposed to have commanded that the monster return to the water, apparently it did.

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Films and TV shows

- Lots of films have been based on the story of the Loch Ness Monster.
- They include the 1970 film, 'The private life of Sherlock Holmes', 'Scooby Doo and the Loch Ness Monster', 'Loch Ness', 'Incident at Loch Ness', and 'The water horse: legend of the deep'.
- There have also been TV horror shows based on the monster, 'beneath Loch Ness' and 'beyond Loch Ness' are just a couple.

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TV adverts

- Toyota, Orange, Vodafone, Ballygowan Spring water and Kit Kat have all made adverts showing the Loch Ness Monster.
- In the Toyota advert the monster grabs one of the cars from the shores of the Loch, disappears beneath the surface and then it is later seen spitting the car back out.
- Another car advert shows a juggler looking at a life-sized cut out of a car by the edge of the loch before he is snatched by the monster – never to be seen again!

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What is it?

- Lots of people have theories about the Loch Ness Monster
- Some think it might have been elephants taking a swim
- Others believe the monster is a marine dinosaur called plesiosaurs
- Some think the reports of bubbles in the loch might be from dead birds, otters and vegetation that is rotting on the bottom of the loch.



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