

Wolf, Stray Dog Join Forces to Terrorize Murmansk Residents

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An old wolf and a stray dog have teamed up to form a hunting duo in Russia's Murmansk region, Interfax reported Tuesday.

The canine Bonnie and Clyde have struck fear into the inhabitants of Kandalaksha, as the pair have prowled the small town preying on pet dogs out for walks with their owners. On Monday, the rogue duo snatched away a dachshund after its owner let it off leash outside their home.

"We ran after it," the dachshund's owner told Kandalaksha TV. But the wolf ran off, dragging the dachshund off into the forest. "You can't catch them after that," he said.

The wolf has an injured front paw that prevents it from being able to hunt effectively, so it works in tandem with the dog: First, the latter lures other dogs over to "play." Then the wolf

pounces upon the victim, Interfax cited a local wildlife agency as saying.

The unfortunate dachshund was not the pair's first victim, and local residents are scared for their children too, Kandalaksha TV reported, adding that both a kindergarten and school are located close to the area from where the dog was snatched.

Murmansk region police told Interfax that a squad of officers is sent out every time they receive a report that the wolf has struck. Though they have been unable to kill it, a few years ago they managed to wound its leg, their press office said. "To this day, he still limps."

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