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Viimeaikaisia susihyökkäyksistä Euroopasta: Hollanti ja Italia

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AINEISTOSTA LYHYESTI

Hollannissa susi on hyökännyt ihmiseen vuoden ajanjaksolla viidesti (7/2024-7/2025).

Neljässä tapauksessa viidestä kyseessä on ollut sama susi.

Kolmessa tapauksessa uhrina on ollut lapsi.

Hollannin aineistosta löytyy muun muassa tuoreita linkkejä Hollanin yleisradio NOSin artikkeliin ja videoon viime heinäkuun hyökkäyksestä.

Italiassa viranomaiset raportoivat 23 susihyökkäystä vuodesta 2011 alkaen.

Tämä aineisto on saatu FACEsta syyskuussa 2025.

Aineiston kieli on englanti.

Lähdemateriaalia löytyy hollanniksi ja italiaksi.

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List of wolves attacks in the Netherlands 2024 – 2025

There were 5 wolf attacks (4 bite incidents and 1 runover).

In 4 cases it is the same wolf.

July 16, 2024 and **July 31, 2024** and **May 19, 2025** and **July 30, 2025**= GW3237m

April 13, 2025 = GW4655m

Apart from the human attacks, there are a lot of livestock attacks. In recent years, the number of wolf attacks on farm animals, particularly sheep, has increased sharply. In the 2024 damage year, 758 compensations for wolf damage were granted, compared to 433 in the 2023 damage year. The total amount of compensation has also risen significantly: in 2024, €876,092 was paid out, compared to €367,542 the previous year.

Date	Victim	Type of attack	Type of wolf (number)
July 16, 2024	Child, female	Unprovoked	Wild (1)
July 31, 2024	Child	runover	Wild (1)
April 13, 2025	Adult female	Unprovoked	Wild (1)

May 19, 2025	Woman	Unprovoked	
July 30, 2025	Child male, 6	Unprovoked	Wild (1)

See details below (per case).

July 16, 2024	Child, female
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Location	Estate Den Treek, Leusden, Province of Utrecht
Involved	A young girl from a after-school care group.
Nature of Incident	A wolf approached the girl from behind and bit her in the side. The wolf released the girl immediately; she fell and sustained minor injuries.
DNA	Wolf DNA confirmed on the girl's clothing.

Context:

On July 16, a child was bitten by a wolf while playing with a group from an after-school care center at the Den Treek nature reserve. According to the supervising adults, the wolf approached the child from behind and bit her in the side. The animal let go immediately, but the incident caused the child to fall and sustain minor injuries.

At the time, the province was unable to confirm whether a wolf was involved. However, subsequent forensic analysis of the girl's clothing has confirmed that the bite came from a wolf. The individual animal could not be identified.

Den Treek is known to be home to a female wolf and her cubs. According to provincial authorities, this wolf is known to display defensive behavior, particularly toward people and dogs that come too close.

News articles:

[DNA-onderzoek bevestigt: wolf betrokken bij incident met kind](#)

<https://www.bij12.nl/actueel/dna-onderzoek-bevestigt-wolf-betrokken-bij-incident-met-kind-in-leusden/>

Province approval on DNA (No official DNA document found)

July 31, 2024	Child
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Location	Austerlitz, Province of Utrecht
Description	A brief confrontation with a wolf; the animal suddenly approached the child and quickly fled back into the forest.
Injuries	Minor injuries, to the side or arms.
DNA	Wolf tracks and DNA were found, indicating the involvement of a wolf.
Confirmation	Wolf individual = GW3237m

Context

On July 31, 2024, provincial authorities issued an urgent warning after a child was reportedly knocked over or pushed by a wolf near Austerlitz. The report came from the province of Utrecht and was considered a possible second incident involving a child and a wolf in that area.

Local municipalities—including Leusden, Woudenberg, Utrechtse Heuvelrug, and Zeist—urged people not to bring small children into the forested areas for the time being.

Wildlife experts described the animal’s behavior as "atypical and disturbing," leading the province to consider the animal responsible for earlier incidents in nearby Leusden (involving another child and a dog) and prepare a permit to shoot it.

DNA tests confirmed it was wolf: GW3237m

It has recently become possible to shoot this individual wolf, for which a permit has been granted by the province. This has been approved by the court.

The province of Utrecht is permitted to shoot the wolf that has been causing problems on the Utrechtse Heuvelrug with a firearm. This was ruled by the preliminary relief judge of the District Court of Midden-Nederland. Utrecht, 23 July 2025

<https://www.rechtspraak.nl/Organisatie-en-contact/Organisatie/Rechtbanken/Rechtbank-Midden-Nederland/Nieuws/Paginas/Wolf-die-wandelaar-beet-mag-worden-gedood.aspx#:~:text=Zo%20werd%20op%2031%20juli,Utrecht%20aangeduid%20als%20'probleemwolf'>

News articles:

<https://www.bij12.nl/actueel/dna-onderzoek-bevestigt-wolf-betrokken-bij-incident-met-kind-in-austerlitz/>

Province approval on DNA (No official DNA document found)

[Memo-Stand-van-zaken-wolven-Utrecht-in-de-provincie-Utrecht \(1\).pdf](#)

<https://www.provincie-utrecht.nl/actueel/nieuws/gw3237m-betrokken-bij-incident-austerlitz>

April 13, 2025	Adult female
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Location	Hoge Veluwe National Park
Victim	Female
Injury	Bitten twice in the leg
Response	Bystanders chased wolf away; victim treated in hospital
Confirmation	DNA + witnesses confirmed wolf involvement individual : GW4655m

Context:

On Sunday, April 13, 2025, a wolf attack occurred in Hoge Veluwe National Park in the Netherlands.

A woman was jogging on a marked trail when she was bitten twice in her leg by a wolf. Bystanders intervened and chased the wolf away, after which the victim was taken to hospital.

The wolf involved in the April 13, 2025 incident has been identified as **GW4655m**.

- The **province of Gelderland** issued a **permit to shoot and kill** this wolf after it was officially labeled a “*problem wolf*” due to the attack on the jogger in Hoge Veluwe National Park.
- The decision was legally challenged by animal rights groups, but the **court upheld** the permit, stating that public safety outweighs other considerations.
- As a result, it is currently lawful for authorities to kill wolf GW4655m.

News articles:

<https://www.hogeveluwe.nl/nl/nieuws/2025-04-14-bijtincident-wolf>

<https://nltimes.nl/2025/04/14/suspected-wolf-bites-jogger-twice-dutch-national-park?>

<https://nos.nl/artikel/2567547-rechter-wolf-die-hardloopster-beet-op-hoge-veluwe-mag-gedood-worden>

<https://www.bij12.nl/actueel/wolf-die-hardloper-beet-op-hoge-veluwe-mag-van-rechter-worden-gedood/#:~:text=De%20provincie%20Gelderland%20mag%20de,de%20provincie%20hiervoor%20heeft%20verleend.>

<https://www.gld.nl/nieuws/8312364/provincie-mag-probleemwolf-afschieten-provincie-opgelucht-dierenorganisaties-woest>

Research:

https://media.gelderland.nl/0038_04360592_Geredigeerd_geanonimiseerd_pdf_fff2e09f1c.pdf?

May 19, 2025	Woman
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Location	Den Treek-Henschoten, Leusden, Utrecht, Netherlands
Involved	Woman, around 13.00
Nature of Incident	Wolf attacked and bit the woman on her leg
DNA	DNA confirmed it was GW3237m

On May 19, 2025, an incident occurred in the Netherlands where a woman was bitten by a wolf in the Den Treek-Henschoten nature reserve near Leusden, Utrecht.

- The wolf, known as GW3237m, attacked the woman while she was walking, biting her twice on the leg.
- DNA analysis confirmed it was indeed this wolf.
- This followed earlier reports of abnormal behavior from the same wolf, including an attack on a child in 2024.
- Due to these repeated attacks, the Utrecht province was granted permission by the court to euthanize the wolf to prevent further incidents.

News articles:

<https://www.provincie-utrecht.nl/actueel/nieuws/incident-landgoed-den-treek-henschoten-met-mogelijk-een-wolf>

<https://www.rechtspraak.nl/Organisatie-en-contact/Organisatie/Rechtbanken/Rechtbank-Midden-Nederland/Nieuws/Paginas/Wolf-die-wandelaar-beet-mag-worden-gedood.aspx>

<https://www.leusden.nl/nieuws/nieuwsbericht/artikel/dna-analyse-bevestigt-betrokkenheid-wolf-bij-incident-den-treek-henschoten>

July 30, 2025	Child male
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Location	Den Treek-Henschoten estate, near the Pyramid of Austerlitz, Utrechtse Heuvelrug, Netherlands
Involved wolf	GW3237m, previously involved in incidents in the same area
Victim	6-year-old boy
Event	The child was bitten by the wolf and briefly dragged into the forest. Bystanders chased the wolf away using sticks. The boy sustained injuries to his back and armpit and was taken to the hospital
Background	This wolf had already been classified as a problem wolf by the province of Utrecht due to prior attacks on people in the area
Provincial action	The province had already issued a permit to kill wolf GW3237m, while also issuing warnings to visitors to exercise caution, especially with children and dogs in the area
DNA analysis	Approved. Wolf: GW3237m.

Context:

On July 30, 2025, at Den Treek-Henschoten estate near the Pyramid of Austerlitz in the Utrechtse Heuvelrug, a 6-year-old boy was bitten and briefly dragged into the forest by a wolf

identified as GW3237m, which had been involved in previous incidents in the area. Bystanders managed to chase the wolf away using sticks, and the boy sustained injuries to his back and armpit before being taken to the hospital. This wolf had already been classified as a problem wolf by the province of Utrecht due to earlier attacks. The province had issued a permit to kill GW3237m and warned visitors to exercise caution, particularly with children and dogs. DNA analysis conducted by Wageningen University & Research (WUR) later confirmed that GW3237m was indeed the wolf involved in this incident.

Articles:

<https://local12.com/news/nation-world/wolf-attack-child-dragged-woods-into-bit-bite-attacked-6-year-old-nature-reserve-forest-private-estate-netherlands-hunt-hunting-mother-family-in-front-of-stick-injured-injuries-injury-children-kids-kid-boy-son?>

(Photo of injury)

<https://nos.nl/artikel/2577002-bijt-en-schaafwonden-bij-6-jarig-jongetje-na-incident-met-vermoedelijk-wolf>

<https://www.provincie-utrecht.nl/actueel/nieuws/gw3237m-betrokken-bij-incident-austerlitz>

<https://www.gelderlander.nl/binnenland/wolf-sleurt-spelend-kind-mee-het-bos-in-omstanders-slaan-dier-met-stok~a3eca030/>

Province approval on DNA (No official DNA document found)

<https://www.bij12.nl/actueel/dna-analyse-bevestigt-betrokkenheid-wolf-bij-incident-den-treek/?>

Wolf Attacks in Italy

List of wolves attacks in Italy 2023 – 2025

Date	Victim	Type of attack	Type of wolf (number)
August 11, 2023		Unprovoked	Wild (1)
August 10, 2024	Child female	Unprovoked	Wild (1)
February 19, 2025	Adult	Unprovoked	Wild (1)

Three cases confirmed by ISPRA - Italian Institute for Environmental Protection and Research [homepage — English](#)

Vasto Marina – Abruzzo – August 2023

[Le analisi genetiche di ISPRA confermano che l'animale responsabile degli attacchi a Vasto è una femmina di lupo — Italiano](#)

Casalbordino – Chieti – August & September 2024

[Casalbordino: dalle analisi effettuate il DNA è di un lupo — Italiano](#)

[**experimental protocol for the identification and management of urban wolves and confidants.**](#)

Attacks on Dogs

Italian hunting federation / ISPRA

"Report sulle predazioni del lupo sui cani" <https://bit.ly/ReportPredazioneLupiPDF>.

List of attacks presented by Francesco Bruzzone to the Chamber of Deputies on 31/07/2023

Except for the attacks from 2023 in Vasta, there was no DNA identification.

List of attacks on people resulting in injuries and/or torn clothing or shoes:

- **2011 – Sedico (Belluno):** Attack on a young man who was walking dogs at night with his partner near their home (wooded area). The man suffered facial injuries requiring multiple stitches on both cheeks; one cheek was pierced. No investigation, no swab tests, no search for a wolf. No attribution to dogs. Complete silence. Likely, the forest rangers knew it was a wolf. Wolves had in fact been sighted nearby and predations had occurred.
- **2011 – Farindola (Pescara):** A shepherd was attacked by a wolf and bitten on the calf; he took refuge in a tree.
- **2013 – San Venanzo (Terni):** A man was attacked near a flock of sheep. His clothes were torn.
- **2015 – San Benedetto dei Marsi (L'Aquila):** A man was attacked by a wolf while refueling at a gas station and sustained injuries. The case was denied, but Franco Zunino (former director of the Abruzzo National Park), after interviewing witnesses and journalists, received confirmations. So unlike other cases where denial could be credible, this one remains on the list.
- **2016 – Solignano (Parma):** Attack on a shepherd guarding a flock. The wolf bit a boot. Guard dogs were present.
- **2017 – Giaveno (Turin):** A man walking his dachshund was attacked by two wolves. His pants were torn and the dog was injured. DNA analysis on the pants confirmed the attack was by an Apennine wolf (ISPRA-confirmed).
- **2020 – Otranto (Lecce):** In a tourist village, a wolf attacked a 6-year-old girl and tore her dress.
- **2020 – Otranto (Lecce):** The same wolf attacked a 47-year-old tourist on the beach. She suffered injuries to her back and arms. The wolf, confirmed by ISPRA to be such, was captured and placed in a facility. Piero Genovesi from ISPRA refuted the fake news that the wolf was kept in captivity — it was a regular Apennine wolf.

- **2020 – Baselica (Piacenza):** A farmer working in his field was attacked by a wolf, which tore his pants.
- **2021 – Malborghetto (Udine):** A hybrid wolf from the Tarvisio pack attacked a young man inside his house while trying to prey on the dog. The man injured his hand defending the dog.
- **2022 – Marsciano (Perugia):** A hunter training his dog was attacked by a wolf and sustained head and leg injuries. The dog was also injured.
- **2022 – Vasto (Chieti):** First attack by the “Vasto wolf.” A tourist from Mantua was attacked on the beach and suffered leg injuries.
- **2022 – Vasto (Chieti):** A man walking on the cycle path was attacked by the wolf and sustained an arm injury.
- **2022 – Alessandria (San Bartolomeo suburb):** A woman walking on a city street was attacked by a wolf that tore her pants.
- **2023 – Vasto (Chieti):** On the beach, a wolf attacked a 4-year-old girl, leaving bite marks on her back. Her father pulled her away, and the wolf then attacked another child.
- **2023 – Vasto (Chieti):** Another beach attack on a 46-year-old woman. She suffered a thigh injury.
- **2023 – Porcari (Lucca):** A 50-year-old woman walking her dog in a suburban area sustained hand and arm injuries from a wolf attack. The dog was also injured. The woman, who had already seen wolves, excluded the possibility of domestic dogs.
- **2023 – Palombaro (Chieti):** A 56-year-old woman, Nadia Terenzi, was attacked while walking her small dog in the town center. The wolf snatched the dog from her arms and knocked her down, fracturing her wrist. The dog was dragged toward the woods, leaving a trail of blood.
- **2023 – Vasto (Chieti):** Another beach attack on a 24-year-old woman, who had to go to the emergency room for minor injuries.
- **2023 – Vasto (Chieti):** A 15-year-old boy was attacked. He stood on a beach chair screaming, but the wolf bit his leg. He then used the chair to defend himself.
- **2023 – Vasto (Chieti):** Attack on two young lovers from Foggia (him: 20, her: 18). It was the most dramatic episode on Vasto marina beach. The boy defended himself for a long time and confirmed it was not a dog due to the elongated snout. After letting go, the animal chased and injured the girl too. The boy sustained leg and arm injuries; the girl had injuries to her buttocks. According to the couple, the attack lasted an hour, and they feared the worst.