

Welcome to the Social Club!

Congratulations you've become a vampire and have joined the Gratefulness-Vampire Social Club!

We, the official Vampire Club Committee, decided a long time ago that we'll provide newcomers with this handy little guide. To help with the transition. We know that this new life can be rather unusual for some in the beginning.

About Gratefulness-Vampires

Gratefulness-vampires are vampires that don't suck blood, they suck gratefulness.

In order to survive, you must create situations in which someone is grateful to you. You may also create these situations artificially. It is up to you how.

Once you have received enough gratefulness you are strong enough to turn someone into a gratefulness-vampire. See 'Getting Thirsty'. Choose wisely on who you turn into a vampire. Only turn someone, if you think they can bear the impending changes.

Your new self

Now for the fun part! The new you!

place to draw yourself portrait of you as a vampire

Name:

Age:



Club Rules

In the last years we made an effort to abandon old practices, as they sometimes created situations in which the ones we wanted to feast on, felt uncomfortable. So there are a few rules, that we must insist you don't break!

- 1. You have to be invited in.
- **2.** Don't force gratefulness.
- **3.** Be kind.
- **4.** While on the hunt: Wear an item of the night.

Remember: Humans are not our enemies. If they don't exist anymore we have nothing to feed on.

Be careful

Receiving the gratitude of other vampires often ends in indigestion. So don't prey on your fellow vampires. Helping each other is allowed, and of course you can try out new ideas or invent secret vampire handshakes anytime!

Not everybody might understand your circumstances. Be careful who you trust with the information about this club and its members. Being a vampire might mean that you encounter prejudices, especially from humans. So remember to be kind and follow our club rules.

Difference is our Strength

Just as humans are different and wander different paths in life, there are also different vampires.

Everyone has their own style. This is the chance for you to be who you want to be, who you couldn't be as a human. Don't want to dress in all black? - You an be a rainbow vampire! Interested to explore your dark side but your head is all over the place? - Try a chaotic-evil alignment!

Club insignia

To recognize other members of our social club outside of club events, we must insist that club members wear one "item of the night" while they're out hunting. This can be anything, an accessory, jewellery, a piece of clothing, whatever you can think of.

It could for example include bats, the moon, or fangs, if you're going for something more vampy.



Getting Thirsty!

With this comes also the time to talk about thirst and how to quench it.

We recommend feasting at least once a week. But you choose how often you get hungry.

And don't worry if you don't drink every day, you're already dead after all... (but maybe you will remain just a shadow of yourself, forever hungry and irritable until you manage to feast again.)

Energy Meter

Once you feast enough times, you're allowed to turn another being into a gratefulnessvampire.

Give them a sticker, or an extra booklet, if you have it, and let them join this exclusive club!

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(Mark with a pencil each time, you managed to drink/receive gratefulness. After filling up one meter you can turn someone of your choosing)



Receiving Gratefulness

From our reports we know, that humans usually don't learn how to deal with the gratefulness they receive from others, so here is a handy guide, so you learn how to judge whether someone is indeed grateful to you, or just smiling.

Characteristics of gratefulness

A note on how to best receive gratefulness

Whenever you feast on humans, you may show signs of it.

Slurping, licking your lips, etc. are all well-known humble ways to show you have quenched your thirst.

But don't do this it in front of your prey – you might look suspicious!

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Your Meal-Plan

(Here you can write down the next plans for your gratefulness sucking needs. Like a list of ideas and/or targets. Or keep track on past meals.)



F.A.Q.

How much gratefulness is enough?

Up to you, you can feast on a snack or a four-course menu. Are you feeling full? Then it's enough.

Turn everybody into a vampire?

No. Just the people you think would be suited for vampire-life. Not everybody can take all this gratitude. And remember: The more vampires there are, the less prey we have.

Do I have to hunt at night?

Unlike other vampires we can be active any time of day. We also recommend that you pick specific days when you want to be out for a hunt. Get out your favourite garment, do your hair and make-up, accessorize. And then get out in the world and find your prey. Use your meal-plan, to organise your ideas. And: Remember to wear sunscreen!

This game is still a prototype. We'd love to hear about your experiences and feedback you have:

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You are now ready for your new adventure.
Your new life begins now!

Credits

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