



Supernatural

The classic BBC horror series devised by Robert Muller
2-disc set

Werewolves, vampires and ghosts haunt the living in this much sought-after 1977 BBC horror anthology series devised by talented TV dramatist Robert Muller. Previously unavailable and much requested, it finally comes to DVD, released in a double-disc set by the BFI on 18 November 2013 as part of *GOTHIC: The Dark Heart of Film*.

Referencing a rich vein of literary gothic stories, from Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* to Sheridan Le Fanu's *Carmilla*, *Supernatural* presents seven unique tales (including the admired two-parter *Countess Ilona* and *The Werewolf Reunion*) across eight unsettling instalments.

Each episode opens in the Club of the Damned, where prospective entrants are required to tell a story that will chill the blood of the assembled members. But much is at stake for the storyteller, as failure to induce terror in all who attend carries the price of certain death.

A timeless example of British gothic horror at its very best, *Supernatural* boasts a superb cast of acting talent, including **Billie Whitelaw** (*Frenzy*, *The Omen*), **Jeremy Brett** (*The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*), **Robert Hardy** (*Psychomania*, *Middlemarch*), **Gordon Jackson** (*The Professionals*), **Denholm Elliott** (*The Signalmans*, *Bad Timing*), **Sinead Cusack** (*V for Vendetta*, *Wrath of the Titans*), **Ian Hendry** (*Repulsion*, *Get Carter*), **Jeremy Clyde** (*Schalcken the Painter*) and **John Justin** (*Schalcken the Painter*), and is directed by such legendary filmmakers as **Peter Sasdy** (*Countess Dracula*, *The Stone Tape*).

Disc One

Ghost of Venice with Robert Hardy and Sinead Cusack
Countess Ilona with Billie Whitelaw, Ian Hendry and Edward Hardwicke
The Werewolf Reunion with Billie Whitelaw and Ian Hendry
Mr Nightingale with Jeremy Brett and Lesley-Anne Down

Disc Two

Lady Sybil with Denholm Elliott and Catherine Nesbitt
Viktoria with Catherine Schell and Judy Cornwell
Night of the Marionettes with Gordon Jackson and Kathleen Byron
Dorabella with Jeremy Clyde and John Justin

Special features

- Illustrated booklet featuring an introductory essay by Julian Upton, episode notes, biography of Robert Muller, cast and credits

Product details

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UK / 1977 / colour / English language, with optional hard-of-hearing subtitles / 400 mins / DVD9 x 2 / Original aspect ratio 1.33:1 / Dolby Digital audio (320 kbps)

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