



Court of the Lord Lyon



Gruesome Beast 4: The **UNICORN**

I know you are all going to say, “The lovely Unicorn is not a gruesome, savage beast.” Well let me tell you, IT IS!!! Toyshops like to sell sweet little unicorns, like My Little Pony with a horn. Actually, it is a VERY wild beast, only able to be tamed by young girls and mighty kings, like the King of Scots. It is the National Beast of Scotland and has been shown chained since the early Stuart kings.



The badge of the Unicorn Pursuivant painted by the Herald Painter., Yvonne Holton.

On the right we see the Arms of the United Kingdom as used in Scotland, painted by former herald, Mark Dennis. The Unicorn supporter represents Scotland and the lion, England.



Above we see the arms of Roxburgh.

The unicorn is popular as a crest.



Have a go now at colouring in some unicorns— they do not have to be white, we have them in lots of different colours in heraldry, although the horn is usually silver or gold.

