

## HIDERS

(Feature horror screenplay – 89 pages)

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*“A specimen canister ejected from the Russian MIR space station is accidentally opened releasing mysterious, invisible creatures with an insatiable appetite.”*

GAIL and husband ADAM hike through a National Park and stumble on a canister with foreign letters stenciled on it and a sealed hatch. Gail takes pictures of the canister and sends via cellphone to her father, a university professor. That night Adam fires a warning shot from his rifle at a raccoon attempting to steal their food supply. The bullet strikes the canister hatch opening it. Within minutes, Adam is violently attacked and killed by an unseen assailant. Gail has no idea where she is and telephones her father for help, leaving a message.

She runs through the forest knowing she is being pursued by the killer. She discovers a cabin with a small shed next to it with a few horses. Gail is taken inside by the four occupants, three men and a woman, who she learns are wanted for bank robbery. The cabin belongs to RED and CINDY, two unwilling participants in the robbery.

Suddenly, the horses become frantic in the shed. GARY, the career criminal planner of the robbery, orders JULIAN, a hot-headed ex-con, to see what's wrong. Julian finds all the horses dead, torn apart then as the others watch from the cabin, Julian is also attacked by an unseen assailant and brutally killed. Gail realizes whatever killed her husband Adam followed her to the cabin and there is more than one, it may be reproducing as it feeds. The invisible attackers keep them inside the cabin, afraid to make an escape.

Park Rangers ED and MAUREEN arrive in a Jeep looking for Gail and the canister under orders from the FBI, who her father contacted because of the canister. Gary is worried about the FBI thinking they are looking for the bank robbers but they learn they seek the canister because it was ejected from the Russian spaceship MIR and considered highly dangerous. Gail wonders if the canister contained alien specimens. Ed is killed. Maureen is taken inside the cabin.

The group plans an escape by a divergence of tossing food out the back door then run out the front to the Jeep. Gary goes first taking the bag of bank money. He is attacked and killed. The others return to the cabin. A creature makes it's way into the chimney. Red quickly makes a fire but the creature falls into the blaze and runs into the cabin on fire. It's figure is seen in the flames. Red sprays the creature with a fire extinguisher. The creature drops dead from the CO2.

After tossing what little food they find in the cupboards out the back door again, they make a do-or-die attempt for the Jeep out the front. The girls go first, spraying the extinguishers, dropping a few creatures. Red begins to leave the cabin when his extinguisher dies. He fights off the creatures long enough for the girls to drive to the fire road and escape. Gail finds the bag of bank money and a working cellphone.

As the Jeep travels away from the cabin the girls cry in happiness at their escape. At the cabin, many talon like prints appear in the dirt and extinguisher powder around the yard and begin to run en-mass pursuing the Jeep.

The End