

General Information

Character's Full Name: Sharlene Acas

Age: Appears 25

Birthday: September 28, year unknown

Nickname(s): Shar

Gender: Female

Sexual Orientation: Heterosexual

Occupation: Food vlogger, restaurant cook, currently tourist

Powers or Species Traits/Abilities

Species: Pugot

Powers or Species Traits/Abilities:

- Agility - Shar is fast and agile; she easily leap up onto treetops and outpace vehicles at an all-out run.
- Hunger - Shar is constantly hungry and can consume virtually anything. Poisons, toxins, alcohol, and other drugs tend to not work on her, or have a severely limited effect.
- Regeneration - Shar can heal from most wounds as long as she's eaten enough.

Appearance and Personality

Appearance:

Like all other pugot, Shar appears as a headless, neckless woman with a large mouth stretched from shoulder to shoulder. The mouth is lined with rows of various sharp teeth, some humanoid, others suited to carnivores or herbivores. A long tongue occasionally appears in the seemingly-bottomless gullet.

Shar is tan-skinned with an athletic build. While she's mostly humanoid from shoulders down, her limbs are slightly, vaguely uncannily, longer than most. Her flesh near the neck and shoulders is darker, and near-black near her mouth.

Most of the time, Shar wears an *agimat* - a golden amulet tied to a cord she wears on her wrist. This allows her to gain a *false head* and softens her more inhuman features, allowing her to pose as human. The head she gains is average, with southeast-asian features, dark hair in a pixie cut, and smiling eyes with a somewhat vapid expression.

Shar is 5'3" from shoulders to toe, 6'3" if her false head is attached. Her voice has a mildly echoey quality to it and a light Filipino accent. She's fond of dressing up, though her wardrobe's limited to sleeveless and off-shoulder tops.

Personality:

Shar is cheerful, blunt, and easily distracted. She's a bit scatterbrained and tends to listen to her stomach more than her head. Perhaps it's also this lack of a head that also makes her dislike thinking of heavier topics - in her words, she prefers to be "*Happy-happy lang.*" (Just happy-happy)

Like most pugot, Shar is constantly hungry and prone to snacking. Unlike many, she's got a knack for cooking, a love for discovering new, fresh cuisines, and a greater love for treating her taste buds to... just about anything, really.

As the eldest daughter in a large family, Shar has had little opportunity to kick back, relax, and enjoy independence. With siblings grown up and capable of managing the family business, she's now intent on enjoying her well-earned vacation traveling overseas. The flat-lay restaurant photography and videography skills she's honed have made food vlogging rather easy, which is a hobby she's now actively pursuing.

History:

Sharlene is a pugot - a headless, large-mouthed mythical creature from the Philippines. In precolonial times, pugot were simply birthed from stories, content to lurk in the dark and eat snakes, insects, and other jungle creatures. Spanish colonization, however, brought forth a more aggressive, man-eating breed of the pugot. These were born from beheaded priests and war martyrs, and were more ravenous.

Centuries later, urbanization and the erasure of indigent folktales whittled away the stories of the pugot. They changed along with the people whose stories they sprung from, as mythfolk do. While some remained in the fringes of civilization, feeding on fear siphoned from rural communities, most pugot began living secretly among humans. After all, while fewer tales were told of the monsters in the forests, humanity was quick to make its own monsters - many a beheaded victim of extrajudicial killing found new life as a pugot.

Sharlene's is one of these modern pugot families - headless, hungry creatures born from violent deaths with no memory of their past, banding together for companionship. The Acas family formed sometime after World War II, deciding to

start a piggery and poultry farm to keep fed. One thing led to another, and after decades the family now runs a popular local restaurant in their city.

In recent years, the number of pugot has been growing. Things have been bad in the country, when even the monsters grow uneasy about what the humans do to each other. Shar decided to take a vacation overseas, and upon a friend's recommendation decided to take it in Lore.

Reputation:

Foodie tourist from the Philippines, always asking for discounts and free tastes. Takes pictures of everything.