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Films on Demand

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Beware The Slender Man

URL

Description: It was a local story that horrified the nation: two 12-year-old girls lured a friend into the Waukesha woods, where they proceeded to stab her 19 times in an effort to appease a faceless mythical entity known online...Read More

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**Title:** Beware The Slender Man  
**Date Added:** 11/30/2017  
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**Item #:** 129495  
**Type:** Documentary Film  
**Run Time:** 01:55:23

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**Item no.**

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