

Prank 'spider dog' video most shared YouTube item

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A prankster video depicting a dog disguised as a giant spider was the most-shared item on the Google-owned YouTube platform in 2014.

The "Mutant Giant Spider Dog" video by Polish actor and direct SA Wardega, which depicts a canine with spider legs that terrorizes a community, was shared over 111 million times online, YouTube said as it announced its annual list of popular items Tuesday.

"This year, the list represents the amazing variety of creativity brought to YouTube each day, which can include social commentaries, pranks, advertisements, and thrilling moments from traditional media and big names on YouTube," the YouTube blog team said.

Second on the list was "Nike Football: Winner Stays," featuring international stars including Neymar, Cristiano Ronaldo, Wayne Rooney and others, shared 99 million times.

That was followed by a three-minute "First Kiss" video in which 20 total strangers were asked to lock lips.

For music, videos by Katy Perry ("Dark Horse"), Enrique Iglesias ("Bailando") and Shakira with Rihanna ("Can't Remember to Forget You") were the top three items.

"When it comes to music, it was a year of powerful female artists, as you can see from our list of top music videos: Women artists took eight of



the top 10 spots," the YouTube team said.

A "mashup" of the top videos was available at <u>youtube</u> .com/watch?v=zKx2B8WCQuw&feature=inp-bl-rew-rx0" target="_blank">www.youtube.com/watch?v= ... ature=inp-bl-rew-rx0

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