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## Monsters of Nedexodus: HXRVester of Sorrow

# HARVESTER OF SORROW

Tattered remains of cloth hang from the gaunt frame of the creature shuffling toward you from the shadows. Its plaintive eyes mirror the sorrow and despair echoing in its pitiful song.

## HARVESTER OF SORROW - GR4

#### XP 1,200

CE Medium undead

Init +7 Senses darkvision 60 ft., Perception +9

## DEFENSE

AC 17, touch 13, flat-footed 14 (+3 Dex, +4 natural) hp 26 (4d8+8)

Fort +3, Ref +4, Will +6; Immune undead traits

**Defensive Abilities** channel resistance +2

## OFFENSE

Speed 30 ft.

**Melee** bite +6 (1d3+4 plus disease) **Special Attacks** plaintive wail (DC 15)

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<b>Str</b> 17 <b>Dex</b> 17 <b>Con</b> — <b>Int</b> 13 <b>Wis</b> 14 <b>Cha</b> 16
Base Atk +3; CMB +6; CMD 18
Feats Improved Initiative, Stealthy
Skills Acrobatics +7, Climb +10, Escape Artist +5,
Perception +9, Sense Motive +9, Stealth +11
Languages A harvester of sorrow speaks the languages
they spoke in life (usually Common).

## ECOLOGY

Environment any land

**Organization** solitary, gang (2–4), or pack (7–12) **Treasure** standard

## SPECIAL ABILITIES

**Disease (Su)** seed of hate: bite—injury; save Fort DC 15; frequency 1/round; effect 1d4; cure 2 consecutive saves. The save DC is Charisma-based. A humanoid who dies of seed of hate immediately rises as a harvester of sorrow. A humanoid who becomes a harvester of sorrow in this way retains none of the abilities it possessed in life. It is not under the control of any other harvesters of sorrow, but it behaves like a normal harvester of sorrow in all respects.

**Plaintive Wail (Su)** The most dangerous ability of the harvester of sorrow is its song. As a standard action, a harvester of sorrow emits a woeful wail. All creatures (other than other harvesters) within a 100-foot spread must succeed on a DC 15 Will save or become aggrieved by melancholy (see sidebar). The harvester continues to wail as a free action each round; if the harvester is

## NEW CONDITION: AGGRIEVED

The aggrieved condition is much like the confused condition, with one important change. Instead of rolling randomly to determine a creature's actions, an aggrieved creature takes specific actions in the order presented on Table: Aggrieved Progression.

An aggrieved creature who can't carry out the indicated action does nothing but babble incoherently. Attackers are not at any special advantage when attacking an aggrieved creature. Note that an aggrieved creature will not make attacks of opportunity against anything that it is not already devoted to attacking (usually the target of its attack on its previous turn).

An aggrieved creature that progresses through all four rounds of the aggrieved progression must make another Will save at the same DC or begin the progression again on its next turn. Each complete progression cycle imparts a +2 bonus on Will saves to resist beginning the progression again.

Round	Action
1	Attack self with held or available
	weapon
2	Cry and sob incoherently, as if
	confused, target is shaken
3	Attack nearest creature (familiar's don't
	count)
4	Drop held items, fall prone, target is
	cowering

somehow prevented from singing, the effect immediately ends.

This is a sonic, mind-affecting charm effect. A creature that successfully saves is immune to the same harvester's song for 24 hours. The save DC is Charisma-based.

A harvester of sorrow lurks near suffering and misery waiting for an opportunity to inculcate the living with its pain wracked song of madness and hate. Harvesters are created when the souls of suicide victims are refused entry into the afterlife, cast back to the world and forced to walk the world in their old bodies for ever feeling the pain that drove them to such desperation. Individual harvesters bear the wounds of their suicide – be they long jagged cuts along the arms, the remains of strangulation ropes on the neck, the shattered bones of long falls or the bloat and stained skin of those that succumbed to poison. Reanimated at the height of its own emotional despair a harvester of sorrow seeks solace in the creation of its own kind, constantly wandering on the edges of society looking for other harvesters or better yet the suffering and the weak to inculcate. Harvesters are

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sufficiently rare and many people believe that they are bogeymen or myth created to scare children – most religions however educate their clerics to be aware of the signs of a harvester infestation and respond with haste and overwhelming force. Harvester infestations have a nasty habit of rapidly getting out of hand, especially if they occur in small out of the way places – at times like these the good people of Exodus may call upon those of sufficient skill and strength to crusade forth and end the menace with righteous violence.

Solitary harvesters prefer to attack single victims – however gangs and packs of harvesters have been known to boldly attack larger groups of people. A harvester of sorrow prefers to keeps its distance from its target until it has incapacitated it with its plaintive wail special attack. Once a foe is incapacitated the harvester rushes in and attempts to implant the victim with its seed of hate.

A harvester of sorrow can be created with create undead (12th+ caster level).

## DREAD HARVESTER-GRG

XP 2,400 CE Medium undead Init +8 Senses darkvision 60 ft., Perception +12 Aura suffering aura (10 ft., DC 18; see text)

## DEFENSE

AC 20, touch 14, flat-footed 16 (+4 Dex, +6 natural) hp 52 (7d8+21) Fort +7, Ref +6, Will +7; Immune undead traits Defensive Abilities channel resistance +2

#### OFFENSE

Speed 30 ft. Melee bite +9 (1d3+6 plus disease) Special Attacks plaintive wail (DC 20)

#### **STXTISTICS**

**Str** 19 **Dex** 19 **Con** — **Int** 13 **Wis** 14 **Cha** 20

Base Atk +5; CMB +9; CMD 23 Feats Improved Initiative, Stealthy, Toughness, Ability Focus (plaintive wail) Skills Acrobatics +11, Climb +13, Escape Artist +9, Perception +12, Sense Motive +12, Stealth +15

**Languages** A harvester of sorrow speaks the languages they spoke in life (usually Common).

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## ECOLOGY

**Environment** any land **Organization** solitary, gang (2–4), or pack (7–12) **Treasure** standard

## SPECIAL &BILITIES

**Disease (Su)** *seed of hate*: bite—injury; *save* Fort DC 18; *frequency* 1/round; *effect* 1d4; *cure* 2 consecutive saves. See harvester of sorrow for description.

Plaintive Wail (Su) As harvester of sorrow, but DC 20.

**Suffering Aura (Su)** An overwhelming feeling of suffering and loss surrounds the dread harvester. Living creatures within 10 feet must succeed on a DC 18 Will save or become nauseated from choking despair. Characters in the aura make a save at the start of their turns to resist the suffering aura (or immediately upon entering the aura). A nauseated character that begins its turn in the aura takes 2d6+10 nonlethal damage.

A creature that successfully saves is immune to the same harvester's aura for 24 hours. The save DC is Charisma-based.

A dread harvester of sorrow has spent a generation successfully creating others of its kind. Skulking on the edges of civilization in ancient graveyards and near the tragic battle fields of Exodus the dread harvester is a model of patience lurking quietly in shadows waiting till the best time to strike victims that are most helpless. Stronger, quicker and more skilled than their just risen brethren, the dread harvester makes full use of its skills and powers. Dread harvesters will always slowly build their pack strength by luring individuals to their doom and it is in these early moments that the heroes of Exodus have their best chance of halting an infestation. Once a dread has gathered a band of 7-12 dread harvester and 30 or more harvesters together they descend on hamlets, villages, and towns scourging the populace and terrorizing the countryside for miles around. Just clerics and righteous heroes are called by their duty to all living creatures to respond to the call to arms heralded upon a confirmed infestation of harvesters.



THE WORLD OF EXODUS NEEDS HEROES.

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