

any races have received short shrift over the years, while elves, dwarves, gnomes, halflings, half-elves, and half-orcs have hogged the player spotlight. Well no more! *Races Revised* are meant to inspire you to consider what's interesting about an alternate race; whether it be traditionally evil or a non-player-character race, that's no reason for you or campaign to ignore it in your gaming experience.

This *Race Revised* pdf includes the following sections:

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: A general description of each race begins the entry. This section includes a physical description, information on their society, relations with other encountered races, their alignment and religion, reasons they might go adventuring, and possible names for male or female characters.

RACIAL TRAITS: A sidebar containing standard type, size, vision, speed, and other common traits follows its general description. With the Game Master's permission, players may exchange standard racial traits for any of the alternate racial traits included herein.

ALTERNATE RACIAL TRAITS: This section provides optional rules for making your character unique by exchanging out standard racial traits for others, or accepting a penalty to acquire another ability.

RACIAL SUBTYPES: Different subtypes for the race are presented in this section, and it lists optional traits for each of the subraces.

FAVORED CLASS OPTIONS: This option allows the character to have an optional reward for level attainment besides a hit point or a skill point. Characters gain the chosen reward on a level-by-level basis.

RACIAL ARCHETYPES: This section presents at least two new archetypes for the expanded race.

New RACIAL RULES: This line presents various new rules for things like equipment, feats, magic items, spells. Other races may often purchase the race-based items on the open market, though, in the case of alchemical substances, they may have different effects on other races. Only members of the race may choose the listed feats. Although the magic items and spells in this section are used exclusively by members of the race, others could feasibly utilize them—each must be considered on a case-by-case basis in your campaign.

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GNOLLS

Gnolls are an opportunistic race of humanoids who prefer to scavenge rather than actively hunt; they happily reap the rewards of others' hard work. Much like the hyenas they resemble, gnolls prefer to wait for others to complete a task, and then the gnolls sweep in to benefit from the others' labor. While they are physically powerful, gnolls are also lazy and cowardly, so they avoid entering melee with other creatures, unless the gnolls know they have some advantage over their foes. To many civilizations, gnolls are notorious slavers or despicable killers, and settlements neighboring gnoll territories have numerous tales of such gnoll exploits.

Physical Description

Gnolls are impressively built creatures standing anywhere from 6 to 7 feet tall and typically weighing 250 pounds. They have coarse fur and coloration similar to that of either striped or spotted hyenas, depending on the gnoll tribe. Their legs have a hyena-like structure, with their high anklebones making their legs, which end in blunt, non-retractable claws, appear to have a weird bend. Gnolls' upper body structures are similar to their apparent hyenidae relatives, which gives the bipedal gnolls a somewhat hunched appearance but also gives them their powerful build, which tapers down to their lithe lower bodies. Gnolls have forward-facing ears atop their heads and short, furry tails. A gnoll has sharp, piercing teeth that allow them to rip meat from the bone of their or other creatures' kills, but their teeth and jaws are not strong enough to provide them

GNOLL RACIAL TRAITS

+2 Strength, +2 Constitution: Gnolls are powerful physical specimens geared toward hunting and scavenging, though their mental faculties are not blunted but equivalent to many other races'.

GNOLL: Gnolls are humanoids with the gnoll subtype.

Medium: Gnolls are Medium creatures and receive no bonuses or penalties due to their size.

NORMAL SPEED: Gnolls have a base speed of 30 feet.

DARKVISION: Gnolls can see in the dark up to 60 feet.

Armor: Gnolls have a +1 natural armor bonus. **Weapon Familiarity**: Gnolls are always proficient with any flail, including the dire flail, and they treat any weapon with the word "gnoll" in its name as a martial weapon.

LANGUAGES: Gnolls begin play speaking Gnoll. Gnolls with a high Intelligence score can choose from the following: Abyssal, Common, Goblin, Orc.

a bite attack in combat. All gnolls have guttural voices when they normally speak, but, as gnolls become stressed or excited, their voices reach higher pitches and sound like manic laughter.

Gnolls wear whatever armor they scavenge, steal, or force slaves to fashion, so they often have mismatched pieces of varying quality they use for protection. Much like their armor, gnoll weapons are a mishmash of collected swords, spears, flails, and other weapons gnolls can easily wield.

Gnolls only lightly adorn themselves with jewelry and the like. They wear small earrings to differentiate themselves from other gnolls, but they do not wear anything overly large, as such objects could be a liability in a battle. The adults of certain tribes also brand themselves or use specific dyes from plants or berries to give their fur a peculiar shade. These adornments help identify their tribe members and outcasts—the latter's brand being removed or obscured and/or their dye removed by shaving or painful abrasives.

SOCIETY

Gnolls live in nomadic tribes that roam the land searching for the most favorable places to scavenge or hunt in warm plains or deserts. Most tribes separate into at least two smaller bands of 10 to 100 adult members and their non-combatant entourage, including children (an additional 50% of the band's numbers); 5-8 hyenas; and 10-20 slaves.

Tribes can often contain up to 200 adults and have more slaves and 4-7 hyaenodons, though a charismatic leader can pull more individuals under his or her sway. The more successful gnoll tribes often establish semi-permanent settlements after putting their slaves to work building warrens, homes, rolling buildings pulled by slaves, and other structures-not to mention gathering supplies and water, or even hunting for the lazy gnolls. Separate gnoll tribes may have rivalries, but they rarely attack one another, and a gnoll never takes another gnoll as a slave, so a victorious gnoll band just absorbs defeated gnolls into the band, or slays them if they would burden the victorious gnolls' resources.

The pack, band, or tribe is the most important thing to gnolls, and anything threatening the gnoll unit meets with strong resistance oragainst a superior foe-dispersal. This unity extends through all aspects of gnoll life, and breaking that unity in any way constitutes the greatest sin in gnoll culture. Thus, a gnoll who kills another gnoll or betrays a gnoll to a racial enemy faces the most severe punishment: exile (and branding or other marking to indicate that a gnoll is an outcast). Due to the gnolls' strong aversion to hard work, a gnoll faces exile if the gnoll forces another gnoll to work, steals from another gnoll, or kills another gnoll's slave. When a lone gnoll arrives at a gnoll encampment or settlement, the gnolls there inspect the new arrival for any markings that might call the gnoll out as an outcast.

Most outcast gnolls find their way to large population centers, where they attempt to quell the loneliness of exile and team up with others who might be tolerant of them. Perhaps counter intuitively, outcast gnolls do not band together, because gnolls regard exile so strongly that they reject other outcast gnolls while maintaining a strange sense of denial about their own situations. Gnolls regard any group of nongnolls they have joined as their new tribe and try to spend as much time as possible with their new tribes-mates.

While gnolls have no literature of their own and do not bother with books other than as a means to keep a fire going during a chilly night, they have storytelling traditions they pass down to young gnolls. These stories tell of great deeds performed by powerful gnolls, but they mostly serve to remind the gnolls about the importance of pack unity and the price for

betraying the pack. Another common moral of gnoll stories is the importance of getting other creatures to do their work for them, and these stories point to the most successful gnolls whose laziness has rewarded them. For some gnoll tribes, the oral traditions stretch back dozens of generations, so they might contain information about local events from a century or two prior.

In larger gnoll enclaves where slaves do the vast majority of work, including hunting, gnolls have time to engage in leisure activities. Most of the time, these activities involve betting on slaves in gladiatorial games, but occasionally gnolls turn to artistic pursuits. A gnoll's idea of art consists mostly of body modifications, such as cropping or otherwise sculpting the ears; piercing and adornment of the ears, nose, or other body parts; branding; and fur dying. Gnolls also engage in painting, but they do not have the patience to fully express their visions, so their paintings are crude affairs, typically dealing with successful hunts. Gnolls dislike anything involving crafting, such as sculpture or woodwork, since that requires an effort beyond their comfort and attention level.

Child-rearing is a communal affair, and sometimes gnolls entrust the care and feeding of gnoll young to slaves. When a young gnoll reaches the age of eight, the gnoll travels with the rest of the viable hunters on a hunt. The elder gnolls hang back during the hunt and allow the prospective adult to do most of the work; if the gnoll survives the hunt, the pack considers the gnoll a full-grown adult. Gnolls have short lives and die of old age in their forties (see the included Age charts), but the vast majority never makes it through their twenties. Gnolls treat their dead like they would any other dead creature and engage in cannibalism, but they may offer a brief ceremony for a revered member of the pack prior to devouring the fallen gnoll.

Gnolls have no livestock, unless they belong to a large tribe, and they have slaves who can tend to cows or sheep. Even then, gnolls have no patience for husbandry, and they usually devour their herds before they can produce any young to keep them viable. Gnolls prize hyenas and take the animals as companions on their hunts; most gnoll settlements feature roaming hyenas. In a surprise departure from their normal aversion to work, gnolls will spend time training their hyenas, which they sometimes consider more important than rearing their young.

RELATIONS

Gnolls, due to their scavenging and slaving activities, have difficulty gaining acceptance by most civilized races. Many people avoid known gnoll-infested areas, and many crusaders have taken it upon themselves to eradicate what they see as a blight on the land. City-dwelling gnoll outcasts are met with suspicion or outright disdain, and they find it difficult to gain sympathy, especially from those victimized by gnoll slavers. Some outcast gnolls actively reform their views in order to fit into their new societies, but they occasionally revert to old habits, especially in times of stress. A gnoll's insistence on eating, rather than burying or burning, the dead is particularly off-putting to most civilized people.

Gnolls regard other races as competitors for resources and attack weak, unprotected settlements for their resources and for slaves. They give strong, well-protected communities a wide berth, but they ambush caravans or travelers to or from those areas. Outcast gnolls temper their views of other races in their attempt to join a new "pack," and they get along with humans, half-orcs, and the occasional gnome or halfling. These gnolls find elves and half-elves too frail and aloof, and must see evidence of

those races' battle prowess before giving the fragile ones any respect. Outcast gnolls have difficulty with dwarves, whom the gnolls view as too rigid in their lawfulness, but these gnolls respect a dwarf's loyalty to his or her clan.

ALIGNMENT AND RELIGION

Gnolls are, with few exceptions, extremely selfish with respect to non-gnolls and tend toward evil. They also believe themselves beholden to no laws, except for whatever benefits their tribe most, making gnolls generally chaotic. Gnolls, when they choose to give honor to deities, worship gods and goddess who make their hunts easier, give them more bestial power, or control the weather. They actively distrust any follower of a deity who advocates hard work or toil as a means to prosperity.

ADVENTURERS

Most gnolls who overcome their selfish +1 to Int, Wis, and Cha. natures with respect to other races prove to be valuable teammates in an adventuring party. Nearly all adventuring gnolls have been outcast from a gnoll band and seek out adventuring parties that give them a sense of belonging. Most gnolls come to understand they have to work and contribute to the party, but their laziness sometimes gets the better of them. Gnolls traditionally take on martial roles, with a strong preference for the ranger class, but they also make good barbarians and fighters. They are also drawn to divine magic and become clerics, druids, or (rarely) oracles; but they generally stay away from arcane magic, especially anything requiring them to read and study. Finally, gnolls have no aversion to sneaking around and using subterfuge, so they also make excellent rogues.

MALE NAMES: Arrk, Gart, Grosh, Klarr, Mett, Parrn, Yarrig.

Female Names: Ayill, Geela, Neep, Nolf, Rill, Varl, Yeet.

GNOLLAGE, HEIGHT, AND WEIGHT STATISTICS

Adulthood	Intuitive ¹	Self-Taught ²	Trained ³
8 years	+1d4	+1d6	+2d4

- (1)Includes barbarians, oracles, rogues, and sorcerers.
- (2)Includes cavaliers, fighters, gunslingers, paladins, rangers, summoners, and witches.
- (3)Includes alchemists, clerics, druids, inquisitors, magi, monks, and wizards.

Middle Age ¹	Old ²	Venerable ³	Max Age	
20 years	30 years	40 years	40 + 1d20 years	

- (1)At middle age, -1 to Str, Dex, and Con, and +1 to Int, Wis, and Cha.
- (2)At old age, -2 to Str, Dex, and Con, and +1 to Int, Wis, and Cha.
- (3)At venerable age, -3 to Str, Dex, and Con, and +1 to Int, Wis, and Cha.

Gender	Base Hgt	Base Wgt	Mod ¹	Wgt Mod ²
Male	5 ft. 6 in.	170 lbs.	2d10	x5 lbs.
Female	5 ft. 3 in.	150 lbs.	2d10	x5 lbs.

- (1)Add the modifier result, in inches, to the base height.
- (2)Multiply the modifier result by this value and add the result to the base weight.

ALTERNATE RACIAL RULES

The following racial traits are available in lieu of existing gnoll traits, or they include a balancing effect if no replacement trait is listed.

ALTERNATE RACIAL TRAITS

BITE ATTACK: Gnolls with this racial trait gain the powerful jaws from their hyena heritage and can make a bite attack that deals 1d3 points of damage as a primary attack (or secondary attack, if the gnoll uses a weapon). This racial trait replaces the gnoll's natural armor.

CARRION FINDER: Gnolls have a natural affinity for carrion, since they feed on that more than on fresh kills. Gnolls with this racial trait gain the scent ability, but only in regard to corpses and badly wounded creatures (those reduced to 1/4, or less, of their total hit points). This racial trait partially replaces darkvision, replacing it with low-light vision.

CIVILIZED: Outcast gnolls have learned to better integrate with society in an attempt to find a new pack. Gnolls with this racial trait gain a +2 bonus on Diplomacy and Sense Motive checks. This racial trait replaces weapon familiarity.

FERAL: Gnolls with this trait give in to their animal natures at the expense of their intellects. A gnoll with this racial trait always has Perception and Stealth as class skills. In return for this racial trait, the gnoll starts with a -2 penalty to Intelligence.

HEAT ACCLIMATED: Gnolls are accustomed to the extreme temperatures of the plains and deserts they inhabit. Gnolls with this racial trait automatically succeed on Fortitude saves to avoid heat dangers for conditions up to and including severe heat. These gnolls have a more unsettling appearance and start with a -2 penalty to Charisma.

HYENA FRIEND: Gnolls and hyenas have a mutual respect for one another, and some gnolls truly embrace the bond between the two creatures. Gnolls with this racial trait gain a +2 racial bonus on Handle Animal checks with hyenas, and Handle Animal is always a class skill for them. This racial trait replaces weapon familiarity.

INFORMATION HUNTER: Outcast gnolls who live in large settlements have learned to apply their hunting and scavenging instincts to more esoteric pursuits. Gnolls with this racial trait gain a +2 racial bonus on Diplomacy checks to gather information, and Knowledge (local) is always a class skill for them. This racial trait partially replaces darkvision, replacing it with low-light vision.

Some gnolls are light and proportionately weaker but more agile. These gnolls start with a +2 bonus to Dexterity. This racial trait replaces the +2 Strength bonus.

INFLUENTIAL: Exceptionally clever gnolls take up the mantle of shaman for their tribes and use their gifts to more readily enslave gnoll captives. Gnolls with this racial trait gain a +2 bonus on Diplomacy checks and add +1 to the saving throw DCs for their spells of the enchantment school that they cast. This racial trait replaces weapon familiarity.

LOPER: Gnolls find success by moving faster than their kin, sometimes at the expense of the thick fur protecting them. Gnolls with this racial

trait gain a +10 bonus to their base speed, and they gain an additional +10 foot racial bonus when using the charge, run, or withdraw actions. This racial trait replaces the natural armor racial trait.

SAVANT: One out of every thousand gnoll births results in a hairless gnoll, which the gnoll tribe deems as a great portent for the tribe's success. Gnolls with this racial trait start with +2 Strength, +2 Wisdom, and -2 Constitution, and they have a +1 racial bonus on all saving throws. This racial trait replaces the starting attribute bonuses.



RACIAL SUBTYPES

You can combine various alternate racial traits to create gnoll subraces or variant races, such as the following.

DESERT PACK: Gnoll packs in extreme desert conditions have adjusted to their environment, becoming lithe and agile in the process. Desert pack gnolls have the heat acclimated and light build traits.

GENERATIONAL OUTCAST: In very rare circumstances, outcast gnolls will overlook the outcast status of other gnolls and associate with other exiled gnolls. Sometimes these associations result in unions that produce gnoll young who become accustomed to their parents' gentrified life. Outcast pack gnolls have the civilized and information hunter racial traits.

HAIRLESS ADEPT: Gnolls who do not prefer the company of less aggressive gnolls sometimes gather in packs of like-minded fellows, creating a formidable group that gathers slaves to do all their work for them. Hairless adept gnolls have the influential and savant racial traits.

THROWBACK: Some gnolls have not evolved much beyond their hyena forebears, or abandoned gnoll children sometimes regress to a wilder form. Throwback gnolls have the bite attack and feral alternate racial traits.

FAVORED CLASS OPTIONS

Instead of receiving an additional skill rank or hit point whenever they gain a level in a favored class, gnolls have the option of choosing from a number of other bonuses, depending upon the character's favored class. The following options are available to gnolls who have the listed favored class, and unless otherwise stated, the bonus applies each time the favored class reward is selected.

ALCHEMIST: Add +1/4 to the alchemist's natural armor bonus when using his mutagen.

Barbarian: Add +1 to the barbarian's total number of rage rounds per day.

BARD: Add +1/6 to the bonus provided by the bard's inspire courage bardic performance.

CAVALIER: Add +1 hit point to the cavalier's mount companion. If the cavalier ever replaces his mount, the new mount gains these bonus hit points.

CLERIC: Select one domain power granted at 1st level that is normally usable a number of times per day equal to 3 + the cleric's Wisdom modifier. Add +1/2 to the number of uses per day of that domain power.

Druid: Add +1 hit points to the druid's animal companion. If the druid ever replaces his animal companion, the new animal companion gains these bonus hit points.

FIGHTER: Add +1 to the fighter's CMD when resisting a grapple or trip attempt.

GUNSLINGER: Add +1/4 to the gunslinger's grit points.

INQUISITOR: Add +1/2 to the inquisitor's level for the purpose of determining the effects of one type of judgment.

Magus: Add +1/5 to the magus's level for the purpose of the magus's armor proficiencies.

Monk: Add +1 to the monk's base speed. In combat this option has no effect unless the monk has selected it in an increment of five. This bonus stacks with the monk's fast movement class feature and applies under the same conditions as that feature.

ORACLE: Add +1/2 to the oracle's level for the purposes of determining the effects of one revelation.

PALADIN: Add +1/5 to the morale bonus on saving throws against fear effects from the paladin's aura of courage.

RANGER: Add +1/2 to the damage dealt by the ranger's animal companion's natural attacks.

Rogue: Add a +1/2 bonus on Stealth checks.

SORCERER: Select one bloodline power at 1st level that is normally usable a number of times per day equal to 3 + the sorcerer's Charisma modifier. The sorcerer adds +1/2 to the number of uses per day of that bloodline power.

SUMMONER: Add +1 hit point to the summoner's eidolon.

WITCH: Add +1/4 natural armor bonus to the AC of the witch's familiar.

WIZARD: Add +1/2 to the wizard's effective class level for the purposes of determining his familiar's natural armor adjustment, Intelligence, and special abilities.

RACIAL ARCHETYPES

The following racial archetypes are available to gnolls.

FERAL SOUL (ORACLE)

The feral soul opens her spirit to the forces of nature, specifically predatory animals who guide her in her hunts. She serves as an inspiring leader to her people, who are also in touch with their bestial side.

ALIGNMENT: Any non-lawful.

RECOMMENDED MYSTERIES: battle, bones, nature.

CLASS SKILLS: A feral soul adds Climb, Intimidate, Knowledge (nature), Perception, and Survival to her list of class skills. These replace the additional class skills from her mystery.

Bonus Spells: *speak with animals* (2nd), *bear's endurance* (4th), *badger's ferocity* (6th), *bloody claws* (8th). These bonus spells replace the oracle's mystery bonus spells from these levels.

REVELATIONS: A feral soul must take the following revelations at the listed levels.

Beast Form (Su): You gain the ability to call forth your bestial nature. As a standard action, you can take on a falcon's characteristics per aspect of the falcon. At 3rd level, this ability improves, allowing you to assume bear characteristics per aspect of the bear. At 5th level, you can assume the form of a Small or Medium animal, as beast shape I. At 7th level, you can assume the form of a Large animal per beast shape II. At 9th level, you can assume the form of a Huge animal, as beast shape III. Finally, at 11th level, you can assume the form of a Large magical beast, as beast shape IV. You can use this ability once per day, but the duration is 1 hour/level. You must select this revelation at 1st level.

Rage (Ex): Your feral nature grants you the ability to express your ferocity. You can rage as a barbarian with an effective barbarian level equal to your oracle level – 4. You gain a rage power when you choose this revelation, and every 4 levels thereafter, from the following list: animal fury, beast totem (any), fearless rage, inspire ferocity, intimidating glare, raging climber, raging leaper, raging swimmer, reckless abandon, scent, terrifying howl. You must select this revelation at 7th level.

PACK-BONDED HUNTER (RANGER)

Gnolls works best with a pack, and a ranger with a hunter's bond with his companions comes closest to duplicating this pack mentality. Some gnoll rangers strengthen this bond with their adventuring comrades, granting the ability to work well as a team when these gnoll rangers direct their activities. A pack-bonded hunter has the following class features.

PACK FOUNDATION (Ex): At 1st level, a pack-bonded hunter receives a teamwork feat as a bonus feat for which he must meet the prerequisites. Once per day as a standard action, he may grant this teamwork feat to a single ally within 30 feet who can see and hear him. This ally benefits from the feat for 2 rounds plus 1 round for every three levels the pack-bonded hunter possesses. This ability replaces the wild empathy class feature.

HUNTER'S BOND (Ex): At 4th level, a packbonded hunter must choose to form a bond to his companions. In addition to provided favored enemy bonuses, he may also grant half his favored terrain bonuses for a number of minutes equal to his Wisdom modifier (minimum 1). HEART OF THE PACK (Ex): At 7th level, a pack-bonded hunter receives an additional teamwork feat as a bonus feat. He must meet this feat's prerequisites. Twice per day as a standard action, he may grant one of his bonus teamwork feats to all allies within 30 feet who can see and hear him; his allies otherwise benefit from this bonus feat per pack foundation. At 15th level, he gains an additional use of this ability. This ability replaces woodland stride.

PACK TACTICS (Ex): At 12th level, once per day as a move action, a pack-bonded hunter grants half his insight bonus for his quarry ability to all allies within 30 feet who can see and hear him when he designates his quarry. Additionally, his allies gain a +4 insight bonus to confirm a critical threat. At 19th level, he can use this ability twice per day. This ability replaces camouflage.

NEW RACIAL RULES

The following options are available to gnolls. At the GM's discretion, other appropriate races may use some of these new rules, especially considering that gnolls rarely create their own equipment.

GNOLL EQUIPMENT

The following items are useful for gnolls.

ANTICOAGULANT GEL: Crafted from the saliva of various stinging insects and other creatures, this pungent rust-brown gel coats 1 medium weapon, 2 small weapons, or 20 pieces of ammunition per dose. Gnolls use this gel to further wear down their opponents and kill them that much quicker. When a weapon coated in the gel deals damage, it also inflicts bleed damage as well (1d4 for medium weapons, 1d3 for small weapons, 1 point for ammunition). Medium and small weapons lose the gel's effects after 3 such hits, while ammunition only benefits once from the gel.

BATTLE DYE: Gnolls use this alchemical substance to induce fear in their foes and to thicken their fur, which provides extra protection. The solution must be shaken until it changes to the desired color, since gnolls' various opponents respond to colors differently. After applying the dye, the wearer immediately gains a +4 alchemical bonus to Intimidate checks. It takes 1 minute for the dye to fully absorb into a gnoll's fur and thicken, but, after that time, the wearer gains a +2 bonus to his natural armor. The armor bonus persists for 1 hour, while the Intimidate bonus lasts for 4 hours, or until the dye is washed off with one gallon of alcohol.

HYENA WHISTLE: Gnolls use this reed whistle in the training of a pack's hyena companions, but gnolls can also hear the frequencies that whistle emits. This allows them to also use hyena whistles to coordinate attacks or pass information among each other without other humanoids noticing. A hyena whistle grants a +4 equipment bonus to Handle Animal checks made with hyenas, and a +2 equipment bonus to Handle Animal checks with other canids.

TRIPLE FLAIL: This complicated gnoll weapon features three flail heads that an expert wielder can use to attack three separate opponents. A rare gnoll may receive divine inspiration to create one of these weapons, marking one of the few times a gnoll actively pursues manual labor. When the gnoll scores a critical hit with the weapon (or rolls a natural 19 or 20 on a successful disarm or trip maneuver), he may make one additional melee attack (at the same target or another target within reach) as a free action. This attack uses his highest attack bonus and suffers a -5 penalty to the attack roll. The weapon can grant a maximum of two such bonus attacks per round.

GNOLL SPECIAL MATERIALS

A pack of gnolls stumbled upon a meteorite containing an anti-gravitic metal ore that makes their lives easier, and they shared this ore with other gnolls. Naturally, gnolls in possession of the ore force slaves to craft weapons and armor from it.

ANTI-GRAVITIC ORE: Anti-gravitic ore is a rare form of iron that seems to resist the world's gravitational pull. Working this ore into metal armor and weapons is extremely difficult due to the ore's behavior during smithing, so smiths usually blend the ore with normal iron to help keep it from pushing off an anvil or workbench. The resulting material is as tough as anything crafted from iron and it can be tempered into steel just as raw iron can. However, it is extremely lightweight, making it easier to move around in armor and to wield or throw weapons. This reduces spell failure chances for armors made from anti-gravitic ore by 5% (to a minimum of 5%), increases maximum Dexterity bonuses allowed by the armor by 3, and decreases armor

check penalties by 3 (to a minimum of 0). A thrown weapon or ammunition crafted from this metal increases the range increment by 50% (a throw spear has a 30-ft. range increment as opposed to a 20-ft. range increment, for example). Melee weapons made from anti-gravitic ore are lighter, so one-handed melee weapons are treated as light weapons, and two-handed weapons are treated as one-handed weapons. This does not affect the ability to wield a one-handed or two-handed weapon with two hands. For other metal items, anti-gravitic ore reduces its weight by half.

Items fashioned from anti-gravitic ore are always masterwork items. Light armor made with the ore costs an additional 800 gp, medium armor costs an additional 1,600 gp, and heavy armor costs an additional 2,400 gp. Weapons cost an additional 500 gp, while ammunition costs and additional 10 gp per item. Finally, other items produced from anti-gravitic ore cost an additional 400 gp per pound. Anti-gravitic ore has 20 hit points per inch of thickness and hardness 10.

GNOLL EQUIPMENT TABLE

Ітем	Cost	Weight	Craft DC
Anticoagulant Gel	150 gp	1/2 lb.	25
Battle Dye	120 gp	1 lb.	20
Hyena Whistle	25 gp	_	

GNOLL WEAPONS TABLE

Exotic Two-Handed Melee Weapon	Соѕт	Dmg (S)	Dmg (M)	Crit	Weight	Туре	Special
Triple Flail	120 gp	1d6	1d8	19-20, x2	13 lbs.	В	Disarm, trip

GNOLL FEATS

Gnolls are considered to meet the prerequisites for the Ironguts, Ironhide, Keen Scent, and Smell Fear feats. They additionally have access to the following racial feats.

BONE-CRUSHING JAWS

Your jaws have strengthened so much that your bite is deadly.

Prerequisites: Str 11, gnoll.

BENEFIT: You gain a bite attack that deals 1d4 points of damage, plus your Strength modifier. If you have the bite attack racial trait, your bite damage improves to 1d6. You are considered proficient with this attack and can apply feats or effects that modify natural attacks to your bite. If used as part of a full attack action, the bite is considered a secondary attack and is made at your full base attack bonus -5, and it adds only half you Strength modifier to damage.

CARRION EATER'S RESILIENCE

Your steady diet of carrion has improved your overall resistance to harmful substances.

Prerequisites: Con 13, Ironguts, gnoll.

Benefit: You gain a +2 racial bonus on saving throws against ingested poisons, which stacks with the bonus provided by Ironguts. Additionally, you gain a +2 racial bonus on saving throws against all disease; this bonus improves to +4 on saving throws against diseases inflicted by ingesting tainted material. Finally, once per week, you may reroll a failed save against a disease, but you must use the second result even if it is lower.

DESERT RUNNER

In your native desert and savannah environments, you are unmatched in speed.

Prerequisites: Con 13, gnoll.

BENEFIT: You gain a +5-foot racial bonus to your base speed when you travel through desert or plains terrain. Additionally, you gain the benefits of the Run feat while in those terrains.

SPECIAL: You may take this feat an additional time, which adds +5 feet to your base speed. This also increases your run multiplier by 1, and grants you an additional +4 bonus to your Acrobatics checks for jumping after a running start.

DISTURBING FOE (COMBAT)

Your unsettling appearance and horrific laughter potentially disrupt spellcasting.

Prerequisites:

Unsettling Foe, 8th-level fighter, gnoll.

BENEFIT: As a full-round action, you can make an Intimidate check, which applies the +4 bonus from the Unsettling Foe feat and that forces all spellcasters within a 60-foot radius who can see or hear you to succeed at a concentration check (DC equal to your Intimidate check) to cast a spell. This effect lasts until the beginning of your next turn.

HYENA WHISPERER

You can speak with and understand hyenas.

Prerequisites: gnoll, hyena friend racial trait or animal companion class feature.

BENEFIT: You gain a +4 racial bonus on Handle Animal checks for hyenas, and you can communicate with hyenas at will as if you cast speak with animals.



HYAENODON RIDER

You are particularly adept at riding dire hyenas. **Prerequisites**: Ride 1 rank, gnoll.

BENEFIT: You gain a +2 racial bonus on Ride checks and you gain the benefit of the Mounted Combat feat when you are mounted on a dire hyena. If you already have the Mounted Combat feat, you gain the benefit of a feat that requires Mounted Combat as a prerequisite (provided you meet all other prerequisites) while mounted on a dire hyena.

PACK TACTICIAN

Your pack mentality allows you to apply tactical benefits to others in your party.

Prerequisites: Any teamwork feat, gnoll.

BENEFIT: As a standard action you grant one of your teamwork feats to an ally within 30 feet who can hear and see you. This effect lasts for a number of rounds equal to 3 + your Intelligence bonus (if any).

SPECIAL: This feat may be taken more than once. For every time you take this feat, you can designate an additional ally to gain a teamwork feat, which must be the same feat for each ally. You still grant the feat as a standard action.

SPOTTER (COMBAT, TEAMWORK)

Your ally helps you make subtle corrections to your targeting with distance weapons.

Prerequisites: Gnoll.

BENEFIT: When you stand adjacent to an ally with this feat, you gain a +2 circumstance bonus to your ranged attacks. You also benefit from Point-Blank Shot, Far Shot, or Precise Shot, if your ally has the applicable feat.

THROWDOWN TRIP (COMBAT)

You have learned how to knock the breath out of an opponent that you trip.

Prerequisites: Tripping Bite (or Int 13, Combat Expertise, Improved Trip), gnoll.

BENEFIT: If you successfully trip an opponent, you force your foe to succeed at a Fortitude save (DC equal to CMB result) or become staggered until the end of his next turn.

TRIPPING BITE (COMBAT)

You have tapped into your hyena heritage and learned how to trip a foe that you successfully bite.

Prerequisites: Bite attack, gnoll.

BENEFIT: You gain the trip special attack, which allows you to trip an opponent as a free action, without provoking an attack of opportunity, when you hit with your bite attack. Your opponent may not attempt to trip you in return. You also gain a +2 bonus to CMB roll when making a trip attempt after biting your foe.

NORMAL: You can only attempt a trip attempt in place of a melee attack, and it provokes an attack of opportunity from your target.

UNSETTLING FOE (COMBAT)

When you are in combat, you take on a demented appearance, which, combined with your shrill laughter, throws your opponents off.

Prerequisites: +1 base attack bonus, gnoll.

BENEFIT: You gain a +4 bonus to Intimidate checks to demoralize your opponents, and you can demoralize opponents who can see or hear you.

NORMAL: You may only demoralize foes who can see and hear you.

GNOLL MAGIC ITEMS

Gnolls have access to the following weapon special abilities and magic items.

DISENTANGLING (WEAPON SPECIAL ABILITY)

Gnolls prefer to fight from an advantage, and the best way they can achieve this is by tripping their opponents. If a gnoll fails to trip an opponent with a melee weapon, the gnoll may face a trip attempt in return or lose the weapon. This special ability, which can only be applied to weapons with the trip special feature, alleviates this concern by unwrapping itself at the wielder's mental command. If the wielder of a disentangling weapon fails to trip an opponent, the opponent cannot trip the wielder in return.

Construction

Moderate abjuration; CL 7th; Craft Magic Arms and Armor, *freedom of movement*; Price +1 bonus.

CLOAK OF SANDS

Aura: strong evocation and transmutation; **CL:** 13th **Slot:** shoulders; **Price** 30,000 gp; **Weight** 2 lbs.

Description

This light brown cloak grants its wearer a +5 bonus to Survival checks in the desert. Once per day, the wearer can change into a cloud of sand, allowing the wearer to move through spaces as if she were three size categories smaller without penalty. She is considered to be incorporeal and cannot make any weapon attacks. While she is in sand form, she can fly 30 feet per round and create a stinging sandstorm with a 10-foot radius centered on her that deals 3d6 points of piercing

damage to all creatures in the sandstorm. She remains in sand form for a total of 13 rounds, or until she dismisses the ability. If a strong wind strikes the area her sandstorm covers, this reduces the total duration by 1 round.

Construction

REQUIREMENTS: Craft Wondrous Item, *dust form, scouring winds*; **Cost** 15,000 gp

DESERT JASPER HYENA (FIGURINE OF WONDROUS POWER)

Aura: moderate conjuration, enchantment, and transmutation; **CL** 11th

Slot none; Price 12,000 gp; Weight 1 lb.

DESCRIPTION

This fist-sized piece of desert jasper bears a remarkable resemblance to a laughing hyena. Upon command, it transforms into a hyena or a dire hyena. Either form has Improved Trip as a bonus feat and can use *unnerving laughter* once per activation. A desert jasper hyena can be used once per day for up to 1 hour. After three transformations into its dire hyena form, the figurine loses all its magical properties.

Construction

REQUIREMENTS: Craft Wondrous Item, animate objects, unnerving laughter; **Cost** 6,000 gp

HARPOON OF CAPTURING

Aura: moderate conjuration and divination; **CL** 9th **Slot** none; **Price** 21,905 gp; **Weight** 16 lbs.

Description

This +1 distance merciful harpoon explodes in a spray of tentacles when it strikes a target. The tentacles have a +14 CMB and CMD 24, only target the creature struck (or a 5-foot square if the harpoon misses), and deal 1d6+4 points of nonlethal damage to the target each round the target is grappled. The tentacles remain for 9 rounds before the harpoon returns to its original form.

Construction

REQUIREMENTS: Craft Magic Arms and Armor, black tentacles, clairaudience/clairvoyance, cure light wounds; **Cost** 11,105 gp

GNOLL CLERIC SUBDOMAINS

Gnoll clerics typically express their animal natures more fully than the gnolls they lead. These clerics often take the Animal domain or the Fur subdomain, but they are drawn to the Demon, Ferocity, Murder, or Rage subdomains as well. Additionally, gnolls have access to the following subdomain.

FERITY SUBDOMAIN

Associated Domain: Animal

REPLACEMENT POWER: The following granted power replaces the *speak with animals* power of the Animal domain.

Bestial Fury (Su): You gain an enhancement bonus on Intimidate checks equal to 1/2 your cleric level (minimum +1). Additionally, if you exceed the DC to demoralize an opponent by 5 or more, you can cause the opponent to become frightened for a number of rounds equal to half the duration you would have made the opponent shaken (minimum 1 round). You can use the enhanced demoralize ability a number of times per day equal to 3 + you Wisdom modifier.

REPLACEMENT DOMAIN SPELLS: 1st—bristle, 2nd—animal aspect, 4th—beast shape II, 8th—frightful aspect.



GNOLL SPELLS

Gnoll rangers add *deathwatch* to the ranger spell list as a 1st-level spell. Gnolls also have access to the following spells.

BLESSED HUNT

School enchantment (compulsion) [mind-affecting]; Level cleric 4, ranger 4

Casting Time 1 standard action

Components V, S, DF

Range 60 ft.

TARGET The caster and all allies within a 60-ft. burst, centered on the caster

Duration 1 hour/level (see text)

Saving Throw none; Spell Resistance yes (harmless)

While casting this spell, you designate a target or group of targets no larger than 6 individuals, which you have in your line of sight or you know. For the duration of the spell, each of your allies gains a +2 luck bonus on attack and damage rolls against the designated target(s). Additionally, all your allies gain a +4 luck bonus to Survival checks to follow tracks belonging to the target(s). If your allies are untrained in Survival, they can attempt to follow these tracks even if the DC exceeds 10. When you and your allies successfully kill or capture your designated prey, the spell ends.

BLOODLUST

School transmutation; Level ranger 2
Casting Time 1 standard action
Components V, S, DF
Range touch
Target one creature
Duration 1 minute/level
Saving Throw Will negates (harmless);
Spell Resistance yes

When you cast this spell, you impart your hatred for a favored enemy to a target creature or you

bolster your own hatred. If you target a creature other than yourself with this spell, it grants your favored enemy bonuses to the target for one of your favored enemies. If the target has the favored enemy class feature and already has the chosen favored enemy, the bonuses do not stack; it uses the best favored enemy bonus. If you target yourself, it increases your favored enemy bonuses for all favored enemies by +2.

Unnerving Laughter

School transmutation; Level bard 1, ranger 1
CASTING TIME 1 standard action
COMPONENTS V, S, M (hyena jaw), DF
RANGE touch

Target creature touched **Duration** 1 round/level

SAVING THROW Will negates (harmless) and see text; **SPELL RESISTANCE** yes

The transformed creature gains a hyenalike laugh that proves disturbing to opponents hearing it. This laugh does not negatively affect the target's ability to speak or cast spells. The target may laugh as a standard action, causing any creature within 30 feet of the target to become shaken for the duration if it fails its Will save (DC as the save DC for the unnerving laughter). A creature that successfully saves is immune to this effect for 24 hours. Additionally, the transformed creature gains an enhancement bonus to Intimidate checks equal to half the caster level (minimum +1). If the transmuted creature successfully demoralizes an opponent who has become shaken as a result of this spell, the opponent instead becomes frightened.

UNNERVING LAUGHTER, MASS

School transmutation; **Level** bard 4, ranger 4 **Range** close (25 ft. + 5 ft./2 levels)

TARGETS one creature/level, no two of which can be more than 30 ft. apart

This spell functions like *unnerving laughter*, except that it affects multiple creatures, and each targeted creature that attempts to demoralize an opponent grants a +2 circumstance bonus to any other targeted creature that attempts to demoralize the same opponent.



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