

You have walked the path of steel from early childhood, as a member of the proud clan Jezora. But ever since your clan was annihilated by Ambrian forces a dozen years ago you have wandered alone - most likely as the only surviving Jezite. You have leased your weapon to the highest bidder, Ambrian or barbarian, but the constant warring has begun to eat at your soul. And you are plagued by a nagging conscience due to the fact that you survived when your brothers and sisters followed Chieftain Haloban into death. It is time to retire.

KVAREK

Race	Human (barbarian)			
Traits	Contacts (sellswords)			
Accurate 15, Cunning 9, Discreet 7, Persuasive 5, Quick 13, Resolute 10, Strong 11, Vigilant 10				
Abilities	Bodyguard (novice), Man-at-arms (novice), Shield Fighter (adept)			
Weapons	Dagger 1D6 (short), Bow 1D8, Sword 1D8, Shield bash 1D4 (+chance to knock-down)			
Armor	Crow armor 1D6 (Impeding)			
Defense	11 (shield)			
Toughness	11 Pain Threshold 6			
Equipment	Pipe and tobacco, dice set, camp equipment, weapon maintenan- ce kit, 9 shillings			
Shadow	Blooming green (corruption: 0)			

"What's in it for me?"

Orlan / Oria **Ex-Knight of the Queen's Pansars**



You are the youngest son of a - besides you - extinct house of nobility. The estates and your relatives perished in the Great War; you were accepted into the ranks of the Queen's Pansars, thanks to your skills and your family name. After a time of service you have had enough of patrols and drills, and have resigned from the knights' guard in order to find a purpose in life, perhaps even the strength to rebuild your house from its ruined state.

ORLAN OF THE HOUSE DAAR Race Human (Ambrian) Traits Privileged Accurate 11, Cunning 7, Discreet 5, Persuasive 13, Quick 10, Resolute 10, Strong 15, Vigilant 9 Abilities Dominate (novice), Leader (adept), Two-handed force (novice) Weapons Dagger 1D6 (short), Sword 1D8, Two-handed sword 1D12 Armor Fortified chainmail 1D8 (Impeding) Defense 6 (dodge) or 7 (shield) Toughness 15 **Pain Threshold** Equipment Pouch with soil from the family

residence in the south, camp equipment, weapon maintenance kit, 1 thaler and 5 shillings Shadow Gleaming silver (corruption: 0)

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"You have my word!"





You were exchanged for your parents' firstborn in a barbarian settlement, and from there it only got worse. "Mother" and "Father" had you work as an apprentice of the village tanner and sent you away as soon as your heritage became apparent. Since then you have learned to manage on your own, but you have always wondered why your elven kin gave you up.

You have traveled the countryside of Ambria hoping to find answers, or at least some other outcasts to form some sort of communion with. If all else fails you have heard of a human named Vernam, who lives in Thistle Hold and is said to know much about elves.

NIHA			
Race	Changeling		
Traits	Long-lived, Shapeshifter (novice)		
	cunning 7, Discreet 15, Persuasive esolute 9, Strong 5, Vigilant 10		
Abilities	Backstab (novice), Feint (adept)		
Weapons	Dagger 1D6 (short), Walking staff 1D6 (long)		
Armor	Studded leather 1D4 (Impeding)		
Defense	9		
Toughness	10 Pain Threshold 3		
Equipment	Straw doll found by your crib (presumably left by the elves), camp equipment, 11 shilling and 3 ortegs		
Shadow	Polished brass (corruption: 0)		

"You won't regret it!"

Fenya Goblin Treasure-hunter



You were born and raised in the goblin village of Karabbadokk, where your family settled down when the rest of the tribe joined a band of robbers held up in the forests of Mervidun. When you could not find work in Thistle Hold, the alluring city in which you never got to set foot, you left Karabbadokk in search of a better life. You have to make haste – you have already reached the age of five and life is short!

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FENYA			
Race	Goblin		
Traits	Pariah, Short-lived, Survival instinct (novice)		
	Cunning 5, Discreet 13, Persuasive solute 9, Strong 11, Vigilant 10		
Abilities	Polearm mastery (adept), Ritualist (novice, Familiar)		
Weapons	Dagger 1D6 (short), Spear 1D10 (long)		
Armor	Leather gown 1D4 (Impeding)		
Defense	13		
Toughness	11 Pain Threshold 6		
Equipment	Camp equipment, 3 ortegs		
Shadow	Red as oxygenated blood (corruption: 0)		
KVERULA, TI	HE WILD SOW		
Race	Beast (sow)		
Traits	Armored (I), Natural weapon (I)		
	Cunning 7, Discreet 9, Persuasive 5, Dute 10, Strong 15, Vigilant 10		
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Weapons	Tusks 1D6 (short)		
Armor		1D4 (flexible)	
		1D4 (Ilexible)	
Defense	13		
Toughness	15	Pain Threshold	8

Bartalom / Bartala Wizard of Ordo Magica



You are a novice in Ordo Magica, Ambria's biggest and most influential order of wizardry. When all others journeyed north you and your master stayed in Alberetor to study the dying earth, although you wanted nothing more than to tag along in search for the truth behind rumors about Davokar's herbs and the magic of barbarian witches. Now that your master is dead it is time to put that plan into action. The first step is to locate your old colleague, Master Vernam who is said to live in Thistle Hold.

BARTOLOM Race Human (Ambrian) Traits Privileged Accurate 10, Cunning 13, Discreet 5, Persuasive 10, Quick 11, Resolute 15, Strong 9, Vigilant 7 Abilities Alchemy (novice), Beast Lore (novice), Brimstone Cascade (novice), Medicus (novice), Wizardry (novice) Dagger 1D6 (short), Weapons Walking staff 1D6 (long) Blessed robe 1D4 (flexible) Armor Defense 11 10 Toughness **Pain Threshold** 5 Equipment Camp equipment, dusty bottle of aged sherry, 3 herbal cures, 3 thaler and 9 shillings

Shadow

Fiery copper (corruption: 0)

"Interesting, this must be scrutinized"

Ansel / Anselma Theurg of the Church of Prios



You are a servant of the faith schooled in the Church of Prios, also a priest mage, one of few selected by Prios to be the light in the world. Your conviction may be unwavering, but your relationship to the Church is not: intrigues fester behind closed doors, sharp elbows and pure defamations are not uncommon in the struggle for positions in the Church hierarchy. You constantly struggle to determine what is the actual will of Prios and what is part of your superiors' schemes.

You are determined to stay a champion of the former and refuse to get dragged into the latter.

ANSEL			
Race	Human (Ambrian)		
Traits	Contacts (the Sun Church)		
	cunning 10, Discreet 5, Persuasive solute 11, Strong 9, Vigilant 10		
Abilities	<i>Leader</i> (adept), <i>Theurgy</i> (nov- ice), <i>Witch Hammer</i> (novice)		
Weapons	Dagger 1D6 (short), Warhammer 1D8		
Armor	Priest robes (flexible)		
Defense	9 (shield)		
Toughness	10 Pain Threshold 5		
Equipment	Worn copy of the Lightbringer (the holy book of Prios), camp equipment, 1 thaler and 3 shillings		
Shadow	Shimmering gold, like the sun reflecting off a silver mirror (corruption: 0)		

"Begone, skeptic!"