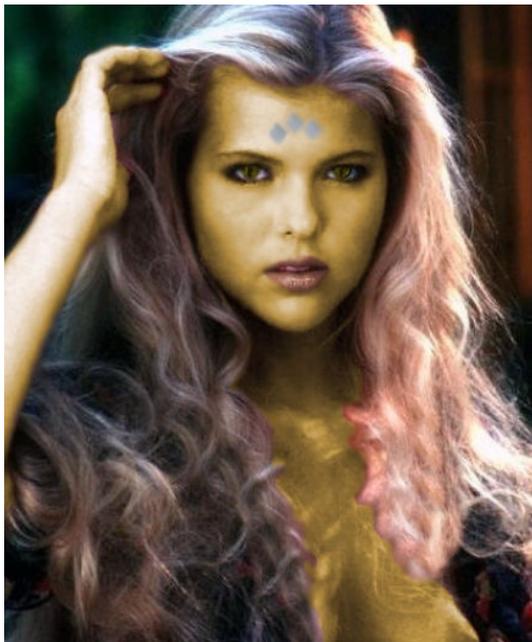


STAR TREK ROLEPLAYING GAME

SPECIES PROFILE

SPECIES NAME: CYGNIAN

VISUAL REPRESENTATION



SPECIES ADJUSTMENTS

+2 Strength, +1 Vitality, +1 Perception, +1 Intellect

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Cygnians are tall, slender, beautiful humanoids with a golden hue to their skin. A Cygnian will have flowing golden hair, that terminates in a mane down the center of their back, as well as a long, full, bushy tail.

Their eyes are bright, and greenish, with slit feline pupils.

All Cygnians also have three small marks on their foreheads. These marks are usually of a vaguely diamond shape and a dull blue to gray in color. These markings are naturally occurring, but do not appear until the Cygnian has reached puberty.

It is possible they serve some social or mating significance.

CULTURE

Cygnian culture is a matriarchal one and completely female-dominated. Males are only semi-literate. And Cygnian technology is quite advanced, rivaling Federation, or Romulan technology.

Cygnian females are highly sought after as scientists, and science officers aboard starships. Their intellect is exceptional and they are well regarded as natural experts in most scientific fields. Cygnians also show a natural aptitude for engineering.

Cygnian women treat their males as inferiors, and some Cygnians working offworld will develop a similar

style of treatment for non-Cygnian males that results in an intolerance of obvious masculine behaviour.

LANGUAGES

Cygnians speak their native language – Cygnis. They will also be reasonably fluent in the language(s) and regional dialects of most cultures they work closely with. All Cygnians working in Starfleet will speak Federation Standard, usually with a soft, European sounding accent.

COMMON NAMES

Cygnian female names are very elegant – Tilians, Meilias, Kishatas, Tirestil, Sleesha. Male names are shorter, and more coarse and gruff – Bok, Korrik, Crais, Delk, Apo.

HOMEWORLD

Cygniet XIV, the homeworld of the Cygnians, is a remarkably Earth-like planet. Days are slightly shorter, but the climate is warm and temperate. The terrain consists largely of wide expanses of grassland and woods of short evergreen trees.

Cygniet has a normal seasonal cycle, but its springs and autumns tend to run longer than summer or winter.

FAVORED PROFESSION

Scientists and Engineers are a Cygnians favored professions. As a result there are many Cygnians serving in Starfleet. Only a small few serve in command, or in professions outside the scientific or technological fields.

Some Cygnian males will become soliders, or mercenaries. And there are a few Cygnian Mystics who maintain the ancient traditions of Nature Worship, similar to old Earth Paganism that is still practiced by some Cygnians.

SPECIES ABILITIES

Male Intellect: (species flaw) or perhaps, lack thereof. Cygnian males are only semi-literate. The +1 to Intellect and Perception only apply to females. Males receive a -3 to both attributes.

Skill Focus: (bonus edge) either Scientific (+1 to any 2 Science skills), Engineer (+4 to any one Engineering field), or Technical (+2 to Computer Use and Repair) – Females, only.

Psionics: Some Cygnian females are known to exhibit psionic abilities. If a Cygnian female takes the Psionic edge she begins with 2 levels of Empathy, or Telepathy.

Bonus Edges: Meticulous (females), Night Vision

Species Flaws: Intolerant (Overt Masculinity) – *females only* (optional), Proud (females), Dim Witted or Dullard (males)