

## ROLEPLAYING A GIANT

Giving a giant a personality trait, an ideal, a bond, and a flaw helps to create a more vibrant NPC. You can also give a character background to a giant. The noble background, for example, could apply to a cloud giant.

### GIANT PERSONALITY TRAITS

#### d8 Personality Trait

- 1 The brutality of my peers is a relic of a bygone era that should be stamped out. I seek a more enlightened path.
- 2 As the most powerful beings in creation, we have a duty to use our strength for the benefit of all.
- 3 I take what I want. I don't care who gets hurt.
- 4 A giant lives for a few centuries, but giantkind is eternal. Everything I do is to glorify my ancestors and make my descendants proud.
- 5 Dragons are my mortal enemies. Everything I do is to ensure their destruction.
- 6 I measure a creature's worth by its size. The small folk are beneath my concern.
- 7 The small folk are vermin. I enjoy torturing and killing them.
- 8 Good or bad, Annam's sons represent the ideals that we, as giants, must strive to uphold.

### GIANT IDEALS

#### d6 Ideal

- 1 **The Ordning.** Annam created the ordning for the good of all giants, and it's our duty to uphold his vision. (Lawful)
- 2 **Skill.** What sets my clan apart is its mastery of our traditional crafts. (Good)
- 3 **Strength.** No other race can match the strength of giants, and none should dare to try. (Evil)
- 4 **Lordship.** Giants are the rightful rulers of the world. All will be well when our empire is restored. (Neutral)
- 5 **Tribute.** The lesser races owe giants not just respect but payment of tribute, and what they don't pay willingly, we will take by force. (Chaotic)
- 6 **Religion.** Of Annam's many sons, none is greater than my patron deity. (Any)

## CLOUD GIANTS

Cloud giants are aptly named, or at least were at one time. Few of them live literally on clouds anymore, but most do reside atop high mountains, inside or even above a near-perpetual cloud layer. A select few—those at the apex of the clan's ordning—claim the last of the ancient cloud castles that still drift across the sky.

No one can build those majestic structures any longer. The methods of their construction were lost (along with much other knowledge) when Ostoria fell. Some cloud giants believe the information might yet be buried in some long-forgotten, ruined library. Rumors of

SAVE IN BATTLE, GIANTS TEND TO BE SLOW. "SOON" TO  
A GIANT MAY BE THREE OR FOUR YEARS TO A HUMAN.

—ELMINSTER

### GIANT BONDS

#### d6 Bond

- 1 My clan is the most important influence on my life; our collective place in the ordning depends on our devotion to one another.
- 2 My clan mates who serve in our deity's temples are the closest companions I'll ever know.
- 3 My place in the ordning is ordained by our patron deity, and it would be blasphemous to aspire to anything higher or lower.
- 4 Though I can never rise above my clan's position in the ordning, I can be a leader among my clan.
- 5 My own kind have turned their backs on me, so I make my way among the lesser creatures of the world.
- 6 Humans have proven their worth in the world and earned a measure of respect from giantkind.

### GIANT FLAWS

#### d6 Flaw

- 1 The ordning is too restrictive for the likes of me.
- 2 The lesser creatures of the world have no souls; they exist only to be fodder for the ambitions and appetites of giants.
- 3 Unity among giants is a myth; anyone not of my clan is a fair target for my weapons.
- 4 I care nothing for what others expect, to the point where I cannot help but contradict what others ask of me.
- 5 I am terrified of arcane magic and can be cowed by overt displays of it.
- 6 Ancient dragons fill me with dread. My knees grow weak in their presence.

its existence crop up from time to time, stirring debate and dreams of resurgent glory among the cloud giants, but definite information has proven impossible to obtain. Many cloud giants think that someday, a hero will unearth this ancient secret. Until then, they must be satisfied with watching clouds drift past their mountaintop homes instead of living atop those clouds as in days of yore.

### FAMILY FIRST

Most types of giants live communally in large groups of clan mates, but the central unit of cloud giant life is the family—a mated pair, their offspring (if any), and