

V'Neef Atum

Though you'd never know it from the way his "cousins" regard him, V'Neef Atum was not a Dynast by birth. Born to a fisherman family in the Eastern city of Port Calin, the young Atum spent his early years hawking his father's wares in the city marketplace. The cutthroat competition of the market taught the boy much about how to attract attention and win over reluctant customers. When a scuffle with the Port Calin police led to his Exaltation by Sextis Jylis at the age of 14, no one was more surprised than his mortal father. (It was a matter Atum's mother never explained.)

Fortunately for him, the young House V'Neef was collecting Lost Eggs of strong blood from across the Threshold in order to fill its growing ranks and strengthen its position among the Great Houses. The young boy immediately took to the Dynastic lifestyle, especially the fancy parties the Great Houses were fond of throwing. While he was not the loudest or trendiest person on the Dynastic party circuit, and did not try to be, he was one of the most enjoyable guests. He had a self-effacing manner which most who met him found endearing, even as he managed to sell them on some important matter of House business. It was this refined salesmanship which brought him to the attention of V'Neef herself, who charged him with finding buyers for the House's expanding wine-making trade. While he did most of his business on the Blessed Isle, on several occasions he traveled to Whitewall, Cherak, and a few other Northern cities to negotiate with local merchants.

Atum's other great love was hunting, a pastime he was able to practice frequently on House V'neef's expansive forest estates. It was his skill with a bow that led his House to draft him for his first Wyld Hunt, where he befriended the Dragon-blooded who would become his sworn brotherhood. Though he is the youngest of the group, he is deeply attached to his sworn brothers, and he watches the growing rift between Osiris and Set with grave anxiety.

V'Neef Atum is a handsome lad, with wavy chestnut hair, dark and prominent eyebrows, and deep emerald eyes. While his blood is not concentrated enough to produce obvious aspect markings, the scent of freshly cut grass can sometimes be smelled when he passes. His clothing is as modest as Dynastic etiquette generally allows: on the road he generally wears a heavy green cape over a light silk travelling shirt and pants, his jade bracers placed discretely over his sleeves. He keeps his powerbow and a full quiver of arrows near him at all times, for even when travelling with his sworn brotherhood he loves to practice his hunting skills.

-Aspect: Wood

-Anima banner: A cloud of swirling pollen

-Motivation: To protect the Scarlet Dynasty

-Virtues: Compassion 4, Conviction 2, Temperance 3, Valor 2

-Attributes: Strength 2, Dexterity 4, Stamina 2; Charisma 3, Manipulation 3, Appearance 4; Perception 3, Intelligence 3, Wits 3

-Abilities: Archery* 4, Athletics 3, Awareness 2, Dodge* 4, Integrity 2, Linguistics (Native: Riverspeak; High Realm, Skytongue) 2, Lore 2, Martial Arts 1, Melee 1, Occult 1, Performance* 5, Presence* 4, Resistance 3, Ride* 1, Socialize* 4, Survival* 3, War 1

-Backgrounds: Artifact 3, Breeding 3, Connections (Northern merchants) 2, Manse 1, Resources 3

-Charms: 3rd Dodge Excellency, 1st Presence Excellency, Passion Transmuting Nuance, 1st Archery Excellency, Dragon-Graced Arrow, 1st Performance Excellency, Soul-Stirring Performance

-Artifacts: Jade short powerbow (**), Jade hearthstone bracers (**), Jade breastplate (*), Collar of Dawn's Cleansing Light (*)

-Hearthstone: Stone of Humble Glory (*) - adds +3 to all social rolls not based on deception or exaggeration

-Join Battle: 5

-Attacks:

Punch: Speed 4, Accuracy 6, Damage 2B, Parry DV 4, Rate 3

Kick: Speed 4, Accuracy 5, Damage 5B, Parry DV 2, Rate 2

Clinch: Speed 5, Accuracy 5, Damage 2B, Parry DV -, Rate 1

Jade short powerbow (Flying Thorn): Speed 4, Accuracy 10, Damage 6L*, Rate 2, Range 300

*Atum normally uses broadhead arrows.

-Soak: 6B/7L (Jade breastplate: 4B/6L)

-Health levels: -0/-1/-1/-2/-2/-4/Incap

-Dodge DV: 5 (7 with hearthstone bracers)

-Personal Essence: 12

-Peripheral Essence: 27 (16)

-Willpower: 7

-Essence: 2