

Shadows of Nyn'Dira Footnotes

1. The Old Ways are a belief in the original teachings of the Order of Saro. Before the reign of High Priest Beinon, who set forth the New Ways, the Order believed highly in the Circle of Seven, who are the seven divines of unity and peace that oversee and retain balance of the mortal plane. Soon after his inauguration, the High Priest bestowed a system of belief that abolished one of the seven Divines and cast another as the purveyor of darkness and evil.
2. Vethar was the Divine of history and prophecy. Upon High Priest Beinon's inauguration, Vethar was removed from the teachings. The High Priest claimed the Divine spoke falsities against the Order and Divines. His temple was destroyed, and any mention of his name is met with the harshest of punishments. While most of the human country follows in the New Ways, there are few who cling to the Old Ways, which includes Vethar's teachings and prophecies.
3. A vast, ancient temple in the deserts of Aragoth. Elandorr holds the entrance to Tre'lan Aenwyn, or the realm of elements.
4. Elidyr Galdúr, better known as Aen'Mysvaral, is Thallon's brother. Older by nearly ten years, they and their middle brother, N'iossea, grew up very close, despite their age differences.
5. As mentioned previously, e'liaa is an evaesh term meaning mixed blood.
6. The Prayer of Pleading, recited just before death, is said to Kirena, who graces her beloved with compassion peace. The prayer is a sacred ritual performed by those who wish to be forgiven for their sins and allowed entry into the eternal lands of Arcae. The prayer is spoken to each of the six Divines, and is recited as followed: "Father, bless me and carry me home. Numera's strength devour my bones. Kirena cleanse my aching my soul. Udur guide me to a place untold. Zynther reach out your deathly hand. Nizotl has led me to the end."
7. Evaesh term for the autumn season. While humans track time by days, months, and years, the evae track by day and season. Their seasons are as follows: Spring: Aeroniat, or First Light Summer: I'Sylyasar, or Sun's Flame Autumn: Fisonaar, or First Leaf Winter: Malvainha, or Frost Fall
8. The branded mark that labeled one as a nesiat. While the scar itself was a telling sign of their banishment, it was also laced with magic that prevented its bearer from entering certain areas of the forest, forcing their life of seclusion.
9. In the language of the evae, Drek'vageá ahn'clave translates directly to Scholar of the First Blood

10. Pronunciation: Stee-ah-deer A title for those born with the rare ability to see through the eyes of an animal. While under their hosts control, the animal becomes white and obtains the eye color of the one controlling its will.
11. Pronunciation: Lah-na tow-veen In the language of the evae, Lana'thoviin translates roughly to mean human territory
12. Pronunciation: Shad-oh-sah-lahn In the language of the humans, Shadosalaan are referred to as creatures of darkness.
13. Galdir is the mother of all the magical Ko'ehlaeu'at trees.
14. The Mythic Nine are a shadowy cult known for performing dark spells and incantations, including necromancy, poison, energy draining enchantments, and energy blocking potions. While many believe the Mythic Nine work against the Order of Saro, the Priests and shamans have been known to use their potions and magic.
15. In the language of the humans, drimil'lana translates to mean human magic user
16. Loosely translated, this term is meant to describe an unruly or "wild" child
17. Ik is a term roughly translated to mean disgraced one. It isn't the name the e'liaa gave themselves but is used to reference their villages. Over time, the e'liaa adopted the prefix, finding it easier to coexist with conformation than opposition. Because of the evae's prejudiced views, Thurandír is the first e'liaa to be accepted as an avel warrior. His commander, Aen'mysvaral, lost a lot of respect from his people when he chose the half-blood to join his ranks, forcing Thurandír to work harder than most to prove his worth.
18. Stia'dyr are evae who hold the incredibly rare ability to control and see through the eyes of an animals.
19. Evaesh term meaning sister. Much like the term, brenavae, which means brother, it is commonly used amongst those who hold no blood relation but share a close bond.
20. Naisannis Tormaris is the Eirean leader of the Klaet'il. While the Nasir is a notable figure, and many follow his every word, Naisannis holds all official authority and power over the clan.
21. Earl Braskán was a lanathess. His great-great-grandparents helped found the e'liaan communities in an attempt to bridge the gap between evae and lanathess. While it worked to create several prospering villages throughout the forest, it led to indisputable hostility between the natives, particularly the klaet'il, who view the e'liaa as dro'famehl, or unworthy.
22. Tre'lan Udur, or the Realm of illusion, grants one the ability of empathic manipulation and telekinesis. With the full strength of Udur, a sorcerer shall possess the ability to alter emotions so long as there is skin-to-skin contact between the user and their subject. Should the magic bearer place both hands upon their subject's flesh, and retain eye contact, the sorcerer may

telekinetically share their own thoughts, memories, or emotions, or alter those of their subjects. The duration of this mind altering capability has been debated since the time of the First Blood, with those claiming that anyone with such a power may use it to alter the minds of their subjects without their knowledge, leading to unintentional control that cannot be justly accounted for.

23. Quay fruit (pronounced KEE fruit) grow exclusively within the protected borders of yards lands. The lumpy, yellow fruits contain enough nourishing supplements that no other provisions are needed throughout the day. Because of their natural abundance and nutrients, the ydris consume the quay fruit as their primary source of nourishment.

24. Pronunciation: roo-ah-nah-fail In the language of the humans, ruanafeil translates to mean magic bearing human

25. Pronunciation: roo-ah-nah In the language of the humans, ruana translates to mean human

26. Upon N'iossea's acceptance into Clan Klaet'il, he was given a new name, Runa. The prefix lat is given to those who are not born to the Clan but have chosen to take their vows. While it is meant to signify their newfound loyalty, many natural born Klaet'il see it as a disgrace, viewing those who aren't born of their blood to be lesser.

27. In the language of the ydris, y'lo khada translates to mean klaet'il