

RuneQuest®

The Gateway Bestiary

Additional Monsters for RuneQuest
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INTRODUCTION

This bestiary is not intended to supplant the usual array of *RuneQuest* monsters, far from it! It is mainly for the purpose of supplementing the monsters already included in any healthy campaign (for the players, that is—not the player-characters). Many of these new and fascinating animals should be used in small doses. If wriggling swarms of stoorworms infest the landscape and hordes of jabberwocks prey on the citizenry, their interest may swiftly pale. Of course, sometimes such a tactic bring more interest into a scenario. In nearly every case, though, it is best to only sparingly introduce a brand-new creature to your players.

Some of these monsters can provide an entire evening's entertainment in themselves. A well-planned attack on an ant's nest can take up quite a bit of time and energy on the part of a

player. If the excitement of that fails, then the challenge of an evil Rune Lord-Priest with a familiar redcap can often enliven the countryside. A few of these monsters are not even intended for player 'consumption.' Such ghastly things as the hydrae or the dinosaurs would fall under this category. As can be quickly seen, even the best equipped party of experienced players may be completely frustrated by the inert mass of a rampaging brontosaur! A single anthropophage can speedily put a damper on a party's wanderings through the catacombs.

However, the monsters included herein are not all terrifying nightmares. There are also pushovers for the inexperienced or new players. The problem is just to find them ...

CREDITS

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