

Wilhelm hung his head and pushed his long fringe of wet hair from his eyes once again. His feet were sore, bis toes were wet and cold from the sodden mud of the road, and he was ready to drop. In his left hand he held the reins of the stubborn pack mule be had been leading for the past week. One foot in front of the other, he plodded along the road behind the rest of the group, too tired, wet and bored to even bother avoiding the larger puddles. This was a million leagues from what he imagined he would be doing right now. He had left home full of excitement, imagining the adventures be would bave on the road, the riches be would find in Mordbeim and the famous deeds that be would achieve. Never in his dreams did he imagine bimself walking for a week through the rain, leading a stupid mule that seemed intent on making his life a misery, towards a place that never seemed to arrive.

Wondering if he had made a horrible mistake in joining the small band of Reikland warriors, Wilhelm let has gaze wander over the rest of the party. Pieter, the leader of this little band, rode at the front of the group on the back of a powerful warborse. That steed had looked so mighty and noble when they had rode into his village, but now it too was merely another tired and wet, miserable creature. Still, Pieter beld bis noble head high, ignoring the foul weather as if it were below him. At his side walked the massive warrior Brock, bis buge greatsword strapped over his bull-like shoulders. How the big veteran had laughed when Wilhelm struggled to lift that titanic weapon the previous night.

Behind the pair of seasoned warriors was the wagon, where five other trained warriors rode, somewhat protected from the weather by a faded leather canopy. The wagon was pulled by a pair of horses, their heads hanging wearily as they trudged though the clinging mud.

The wheels of the wagon carved deep furrows in the road, and Wilhelm stumbled suddenly into one of them. A strong hand grabbed him by the shoulder, steadying him.

'Steady lad. We will be stopping soon,' said a deep voice from behind him.

Wilhelm nodded his thanks to the stern warrior Mikhel, embarrassed to have shown his weakness in front of the tall Reiklander.

The mule Wilhelm was leading whinnied suddenly, pulling its head sharply to one side, nearly ripping Wilhelm's shoulder from its socket.

'Whoa, boy!' he called. He had almost had

enough of the animal's behaviour.

'To arms!'

The scream cut through Wilhelm's thoughts. He looked up to see the draught horses that pulled the wagon rearing up in fear, while a warrior tried desperately to hold them in check. The sudden crack of a pistol firing ripped through the air, and Wilhelm saw Pieter circling his warborse, smoke rising from his discharged weapon. The noble warband leader swiftly drew and fired a second pistol into an enemy that Wilhelm couldn't yet see.

The mule suddenly pulled again at the reins wrapped around Wilhelm's band, and be was jerked from his feet. As he pushed himself up from the ground, be caught his first glimpse of the enemy. A dark, shaggy shape leapt from the undergrowth at the side of the road, launching itself towards him with an unnatural, inhuman gait. The creature had a bestial, goat-like head, complete with an impressive set of curving borns, and in it's bands it beld a massive, rusting axe. Its eyes were wide, like those of an enraged bull, and its wide spread mouth exposed yellowing, tusk-like teeth. His first thought was that this was a merely a mask, a bideous and terrifying mask, but in an instant he knew this was not so. This was one of the feared Beastmen of the deep forest, a creature be had only heard of in tales told by ageing soldiers around the campfire.

Pushing himself to his feet, Wilhelm drew his shortsword and raised it just in time to block the attack of the Beastman, a wild overhead blow. The force of the strike dropped Wilhelm to his knees, and he knew the next attack would be the end of him. It never came, for a heavy sword-blade suddenly chopped into the side of the creature's neck, spraying a fountain of dark red blood. Wilhelm was dragged to his feet by the tall warrior Mikhel, who then leapt forwards to aid the other Reiklanders as more of the Beastmen leapt from their ambush. The air was filled with shouts, bestial roars and growling, and horses screaming in terror.

Breaking into a run to follow, Wilhelm only made it three steps before a heavy weight hit him from behind, and he dropped into the mud once again, shouting in pain. Half rolling, he looked up into the slavering jaws of a gigantic, hulking bound that was all fur and brute muscle and intent on him as its prey. Crying out in fear, Wilhelm stabbed his short sword into the beast's massive chest as it closed on him, pulling

his face away from the fearful beast. Pulling the sword out, he stabbed again, and then pushed the dying, twitching weight away from him.

Rising, he saw Pieter's warborse fall, pulled down to the ground by a pair of malevolent Beastmen. Pieter leapt from his falling steed and rolled smoothly as he landed, his pistols now replaced by a rapier and a dagger. The wagon itself was suddenly hurled onto its side, throwing luggage and men clear as a huge shape burst from the trees and smashed fully into the heavy carriage. Standing fully nine feet tall, the Minotaur snorted, steam puffing from its nostrils as it surveyed the carnage.

In horrified shock, Wilhelm watched as smaller Beastmen leapt around the maybem, savagely cutting down the Reiklanders with axes as they tried to rise. The immense Minotaur leapt upon the fallen borse of Pieter, its jaws closing around its neck. The mighty warrior Brock appeared, swinging bis mighty greatsword down in a fluid arc. It cut deeply into the shaggy shoulders of the stooping Minotaur, a blow that would have cut a man in two. The beast merely raised itself from its meal, blood and gore dripping from its face, and lashed out with its great cleaver-like weapon. The blow backed into Brock's neck, near severing bis bead from bis shoulders. Wilhelm was petrified, rooted to the spot.

A creature bounded over the felled wagon. It was a bideous blend of Beastman and what looked like a shaggy ox, a beastman's upper body where the horses neck and head should have been. Its face was contorted into a growl, and thick strands of drool hung from its thick lips. Its glazed eyes suddenly registered Wilhelm's presence, and with a roar, it launched into a gallop.

Wilhelm ran. He turned off the road, and plunged into the trees, stumbling and falling over saturated, rotting logs. He knew then that he would never reach Mordbeim, that be never should bave left bome at all. His breathing was ragged as be staggered through the dark trees, branches and twigs lashing at his face. He risked a glance behind him, and saw the bideous creature whooping as it closed on bim. A barbed spear was beld in its bands, and it thrust thecruel weapon forwards as it reached its prey.

The spear smashed deeply into the human boy's lower back, and he dropped instantly, his spine severed. The Centigor paused for a moment, and pulled a flagon from its harness-belt. It swayed slightly as it drank deeply, uncaring of the ale that spilled over its face and fur. Then, it turned and launched itself back towards the road. It did not wishing to miss the end of the slaughter.

And once that was finished, the feast would begin...



Beastmen Warbands

The Beastmen are brutish, wild and unnatural creatures that live in the deep forests. Anyone travelling through this untamed wilderness risks being attacked by these unpredictable raiders. Many of those who dwell within the forests around the outskirts of Mordheim claim that these vile creatures of Chaos outnumber mankind, though such statements are impossible to prove, for the Beastmen build no cities and do not create any structured form of society as such. Order and organisation are alien and hated by them, and they roam where they will, pillaging and killing for whatever they have need or want for. They willingly turn on each other, picking

The Beastmen naturally form into roaming warbands, though whether they do so consciously or merely instinctively is unknown. A small warband is dark forests of the Old World, preying upon travellers and farmsteads.

on the weakest amongst them for food and fun.

able to move swiftly through the wilderness unnoticed, and can cover hundreds of miles each season as they travel where they will. They are led by the strongest and most ferocious of their kind, and if ever one within the warband senses a weakness in their leader, they will turn on him in a brutish leadership challenge that can only result in one of the two being killed and consumed by the victor. Literally thousands of these small warbands infest the

villagers, merchants and travellers

live in constant fear of ambush

from these forest denizens.

They try to prepare

themselves for such an

event, and often

desperately appeal

to the nobles to

scour the forests

with their State

however, at

such a time

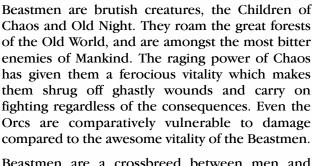
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of political upheaval, the nobles have far more pressing concerns than the pleas of low-born villagers. Forced to fend for themselves, terrified villagers hack down great swathes of the forest around their settlements, and sometimes hire the services of mercenaries to protect them, barricading themselves indoors when they hear rumours of a marauding band within the area. Nevertheless, purges of the forest are nearly always hopeless, for the Beastmen warbands generally move far away from an area they have struck well before organised retaliation can be mounted.

The more isolated farms and villages are most at risk from attack, being far from any aid. Frequently, travellers will discover buildings and farms burnt to the ground, cattle butchered and lying where they were cut down. Full of malevolence, Beastmen take particular delight in tearing down the carefully constructed and ordered structures of men. They smash down fences and rip buildings down to rubble, allowing them to be reclaimed by the forests. They maliciously soil and blight painstakingly planted crops, and will tear the throats from newborn lambs merely for sport.

Beastmen warbands often form temporary encampments, from which to raid the surrounding areas. These are crude things, usually little more than a place to store any plundered loot and food. They may include roughly staked out pens for their massive war hounds or for holding captives - both are taunted and starved for no other reason than it is





Beastmen are a crossbreed between men and animals, usually resulting in the horned head of a goat, though many other variations are also known to exist. The Beastmen are divided into to two distinct breeds: Ungors, who are more numerous, twisted creatures that combine the worst qualities of man and beast, and Bestigors, a giant breed of Beastmen, a mix between some powerful animal and man.

The Ungor are smaller Beastmen, who cannot compete with Bestigors in strength and power. They may have one horn or many, but these won't be recognised as those of goat.

Bray Shaman are very special Beastmen and are revered by all Beastmen, for they are the prophets and servants of Chaos Powers.

Each warband of Beastmen includes a mix of some Bestigor, Gor warriors and Ungor who are the mainstay of the tribes.

Seven great Herdstones stand hidden in the forests surrounding the city of Mordheim. From there the Beastmen warbands come to raid the city: Warherd of Thulak, Headtakers of Gorlord Zharak, the Horned Ones of Krazak Gore, and many others.

The shards of the meteorite are seen as holy objects, which can be sold to the powerful Beastlords and revered Shamans in exchange for new weapons and services of warriors.

For the tribes of Beastmen the battles fought in Mordheim are part of a great religious war, an effort to bring down the civilisation of man which offends the Chaos gods. After the taint of Man has been wiped from the face of the earth then the Beastmen shall inherit.

Appearance:Beastmen Bestigor stand some six-seven feet tall, and their heavily muscled bodies are covered with fur. Ungor are lesser Beastmen, no larger than Humans, but their tough bodies and vicious tempers easily make them a match to any Human warrior.

Beastmen wear little clothing, but often dress in the fur of their defeated rivals. They usually carry the skulls of their vanquished enemies as these are thought to bring good luck. While most Beastmen have dark brown skin and fur, black-furred or even albino Beastmen are not unknown.

Beastmen wear heavy armlets and necklaces which serve as armour as well as decoration.

Apart from the most primitive clubs and wooden shields, the Beastmen make few weapons. It is not the nature of Chaos to create, but to destroy.

Choice of Warriors

A Beastmen warband must include a minimum of 3 models. You have 500 Gold Crowns which you can use to recruit your initial warband. The maximum number of warriors in the warband is 15, though some buildings in the warband's encampment may increase this.

Beastmen Chief: Each Beastmen warband must have one Chief: no more, no less!

Shaman: Your warband may include a single Beastmen Shaman.

Bestigors: Your warband may include up to two Bestigors.



	Beastman skill tables						
	Combat	Shooting	Academic	Strength	Speed	Special	
Chief	✓			✓	✓	✓	
Shaman	✓				✓	✓	
Bestigor	✓			✓		✓	
Centigors	✓			✓		✓	

Beastman equipment lists

The following lists are used by Beastman warbands to pick their weapons:

BEASTMAN EQUIPMENT LIST Hand-to-hand Combat Weapons	UNGOR EQUIPMENT LIST Hand-to-hand Combat Weapons		
Dagger	Dagger		
Mace	Mace		
Hammer 3 GC	Hammer		
Battle Axe 5 GC	Battle Axe 5 GC		
Sword	Spear		
Double-handed Weapon 15 GC	Missile Weapons		
Halberd 10 GC			
Missile Weapons	a La		
None			
Armour	Mary Mary		
Light Armour 20 GC			
Heavy Armour50 GC	None		
Shield 5 GC	Armour		
Helmet	Shield 5 GC		
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Centigors: Your warband may include a single Centigor.

Gor: Your warband may include up to five Gor.

Ungor: Your warband may include any number of Ungor.

Minotaur: Your warband may include a single Minotaur.



Warhounds of Chaos: Your warband may include up to five Warhounds of Chaos.

Starting Experience

Beastman Chief starts with 20 Experience.

Beastman Shaman starts with 11 Experience.

Bestigors start with 8 Experience.

Centigors start with 8 Experience.

All **Henchmen** start with 0 experience.

Maximum Characteristics

Bestogors: As Gor, but M5 Centigors: As Gor, but M9

Unimals

Beastmen are fearsome creatures of Chaos that do not interact with other races other than in war. A Beastmen warband may never hire any Hired Swords unless specifically stated with the Hired Sword.



Beroes



1 Beastmen Chieftain

65 Gold Crowns to hire

Beastmen chieftains have gained their position through sheer brutality. He leads the Beastmen to Mordheim to gather the Chaos Stones to his Herdstone.

Profile M WSBS S T W I A Ld

5 4 3 4 4 1 4 1 7

Weapons/Armour: The Beastmen Chieftain may be equipped with weapons and armour chosen from the Beastmen Equipment list.

SPECIAL RULES

Leader: Any Warrior within 6" of the Beastman Chieftain may use his Leadership when taking Ld tests.

0-1 Beastmen Shaman

45 Gold Crowns to hire

Beastmen Shamans are prophets of the Dark Gods, and the most respected of all the Beastmen.

Profile M WSBS S T W I A Ld

5 4 3 3 4 1 3 1 6

Weapons/Armour: Beastmen Shamans may be equipped with weapons chosen from the Beastmen Equipment list except that they never wear armour.

SPECIAL RULES

Wizard: A Beastmen Shaman is a Wizard and may use Chaos Rituals, as detailed in the Magic section.

0-2 Bestigors

45 Gold Crowns to hire

Bestigors are the largest type of Beastmen, the great horned warriors of the Beastmen warbands. They are massive creatures with an inhuman resistance of pain.

Profile M WSBS S T W I A Ld

5 4 3 4 4 1 3 1 7

Weapons/Armour: Bestigors may be equipped with weapons chosen from the Beastmen Equipment list.

0-1 Centigors

80 Gold Crowns to hire

A Centigor is a disturbing cross between a horse or oxen and Beastman. Being quadruped grants them great strength and speed whilst their humanoid upper torsos allow them to wield weapons. These beastcentaurs are powerful creatures but they are not particularly agile or dexterous.

Profile M WSBSS T W I A Ld

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Weapons/Armour: Centigors may be armed with weapons and armour chosen from Beastmen Equipment list.

SPECIAL RULES

Drunken: Centigor are inclined to drink vast quantities of noxious beer and looted wine and spirits before battle, working themselves up into a drunken frenzy. Roll 1D6 at the start of each turn. On a roll of 1, they must test for *stupidity* that turn. On a roll of 2-5 nothing happens and on the roll of a 6 they become subject to *frenzy* for that turn. Whilst subject to both *stupidity* and *frenzy* they are immune to all other forms of psychology.

Woodland Dwelling: Centigors are creatures of the deep, dark forests. They suffer no movement penalties for moving through wooded areas.





Trample: As well as their weapons, Centigors use their hooves and sheer size to crush their enemies. This counts as an additional attack, which does not benefit from weapon bonuses or penalties...

Ungor

25 Gold Crowns to hire

Ungor are the most numerous of the Beastmen. They are small, spiteful creatures, but dangerous in large masses.

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Weapons/Armour: Ungor may be armed with weapons and armour chosen from Ungor Equipment list.



SPECIAL RULES

Lowest of the Low: Ungor are on the lowest rung of Beastmen society and regardless of how much Experience they accrue they will never acquire a position of authority. If an Ungor rolls 'That lad's got talent' it must be re-rolled.

0-5 Gor

35 Gold Crowns to hire

Gor are nearly as numerous as Ungor but are larger and more brutish...

Profile M WSBSS T W I A Ld 4 3 3 4 1 3 1 6

Weapons/Armour: Gor may be armed with weapons and armour chosen from Beastmen Equipment list.

Warkounds of Chaos

15 Gold Crowns to hire

Chaos Hounds are titanic, mastiff-like creatures which are insanely dangerous in combat.

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Weapons/Armour: None! Apart from their fangs and nasty tempers the Chaos Hounds don't have weapons and can fight without any penalties.



SPECIAL RULES

Animals: Chaos Hounds are animals and never gain Experience.

0-1 Minotaur

200 Gold Crowns to hire

Minotaurs are gigantic, bull-headed Beastmen. Fearsome and powerful, any Beastmen Chief will try to recruit a Minotaur into his warband if possible.

Profile M WSBSS T W I A Ld

Weapons/Armour: Minotaurs may be armed with weapons and armour chosen from the Beastmen Equipment list.

SPECIAL RULES

Fear: Minotaurs are huge, bellowing monsters and cause fear. See Psychology section for details.

Bloodgreed: If a Minotaur puts all of its enemies out of action in hand-to-hand combat, it becomes frenzied on a D6 roll of 4+.

Animal: A Minotaur is far more bestial than its Beastmen brethren and, although it may gain Experience, it may never become a Hero.

Large: A Minotaur is a huge creature and stands out from amongst its smaller brethren. Any model may shoot at a Minotaur, even if it is not the closest target.





Shaggy Hide

The Beastman's massively shaggy hide acts as armor, deflecting sword strokes and protecting him from harm. The model gains a 6+ Armor Save that can be combined with other armor as normal.

Autant

The Beastman may buy one mutation. See Mutants section on special rules.

Fearless

Immune to fear and terror and All Alone test.

Horned One

The Beastman has mighty horns, and can make an additional Attack with its basic Strength on a turn it charges.

Bellowing Roar

Only the Beastmen Chief may have this skill. He may re-roll any failed Rout tests.

Mangater

Will be affected by the rules of *batred* when fighting any Human warbands.



Chaos rituals

Chaos rituals employ the raw power of the darkest magic, and are therefore supremely useful in bringing pain and suffering, as well as change and mutation. Chaos rituals are used by Magisters of the Cult of the Possessed, and Daemons.

D6 Result

Vision of Torment 1

Difficulty 10

The Chaos Mage summons horrible visions of the realm of Chaos, causing his enemy to recoil in

This spell has a range of 6" and must be cast on the closest enemy model. If the Chaos Mage is in hand-to-hand combat, he must choose his target from those in base contact with him. The affected model is immediately stunned. If the model cannot be stunned it is knocked down instead.

Eye of God

Difficulty 7

The Chaos Mage implores the Dark gods to grant a boon to their servant.

You may use the Eye of God successfully only once per battle. Choose any single model within 6", friend or foe. Roll a D6 to see what happens to the affected model.

- **D6** Result
- The wrath of the gods descends upon the target. The model is taken out of action immediately. 1 He does not have to roll on the Serious Injury chart after the battle though.
- The model gains +1 to any one of his characteristics during this battle (chosen by the player who 2-5
- The model gains +1 to all of its characteristics for the duration of the battle.

Dark Blood

Difficulty 8

The Chaos Mage cuts his palm and his blood spurts out, burning flesh and armour.

This attack has a range of 8" and causes D3 S5 hits. It hits the first model in its path. After using this spell the Chaos Mage must roll on the Injury table for himself to see how dangerous the wound is, though treat the out of action result as stunned instead.

4 Lure of Chaos

The Chaos Mage calls upon the taint of chaos which exists in the inner soul of all living beings.

The spell has a range of 12" and must be cast on the closest enemy model. Roll a D6 and add the Chaos Mage's Leadership to the score. Then roll a D6 and add the target's Leadership to the score. If the Chaos Mage beats his opponent's score he gains control of the model until the model passes a Leadership test in his own recovery phase. The model may not commit suicide, but can attack models on his own side, and will not fight warriors from the Chaos Mage's warband. If he was engaged in hand-to-hand combat with any warriors of the Chaos Mage's warband, they will immediately move 1" apart.

Wings of Darkness

The Chaos Mage is lifted from the ground by two shadowy Daemons and carried wherever be

The Chaos Mage may immediately move anywhere within 12", including into base contact with an enemy, in which case he counts as charging. If he engages a fleeing enemy, in the close combat phase he will score one automatic hit and then his opponent will flee again (if he survives).

Word of Pain

Speaking the forbidden name of his dark god, the Chaos Mage causes indescribable pain to all

All models within 3" of the Chaos Mage, friend or foe, suffer one S3 hit. No armour saves are