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[In the Pathfinder setting, the planet Triaxus is Pern-plus-Westeros-with-furries. Cat-like humanoids alternately ally and war with dragons on a planet with dramatic seasonal variations, with centurieslong global winters and summers. A number of Triaxian beasties made it into core PFRPG in 1st edition, like the <u>stormghost</u> and <u>wolliped</u>. I feel like the tlalusk would fit well with the Triaxian fauna. After all, six legged vertebrates = aliens! I borrowed the infrasound communication with real life elephants, since I felt it was a good complement to their bellowing ability.]

## **Tlalusk**

## **CR 11 N Magical Beast**

This elephantine creature is shaggy and six-legged. Oversized tusks grow from its mouth, and curling horns rise from its brow.

Tlalusks are creatures of the tundra that supplement their diet of lichens and shrubs with energy derived from elemental cold. As such, they can live year-round in remote and desolate places, and are sometimes even found on other planes. They are semi-intelligent and social organisms. Even those that live alone use infrasound to communicate across miles and miles of terrain. They are incredibly loud when they vocalize at levels humanoids can hear, and can deafen creatures with directed blasts of sound. This bellow is as much a distress call as anything—once it is sounded, other tlalusks that can hear it may come to investigate and trample intruders.

Because of their speed, durability and ease of feeding, tlalusks are sought out by frost giants as mounts and beasts of burden. Tlalusks can either be cowed into service through violence or bribed with tasty treats and ample mating opportunities. Tlalusks need calcium to build their horns and tusks, and so eat plenty of bones despite their general herbivory. Smart giants keep their tlalusk steeds well fed with bone meal, otherwise their horns grow soft and the beasts are more likely to try to revolt.

## Tlalusk CR 11 XP 12,800

N Huge magical beast (cold)

**Init** +4; **Senses** darkvision 120 ft., Perception +21, tremorsense 30 ft.

Defense

AC 24, touch 8, flat-footed 24 (-2 size, +16 natural)

**hp** 168 (16d10+80); fast healing 5

Fort +15, Ref +12, Will +7

Immune cold; SR 22; Weakness vulnerable to fireOffense

Speed 60 ft.

**Melee** 2 gores +22 (2d8+8/19-20), 2 hooves +20 (1d8+4)

Space 15 ft.; Reach 10 ft.

**Special Attacks** bellowing blast, trample (DC 26, 2d8+12)

**Statistics** 

Str 26, Dex 11, Con 20, Int 5, Wis 14, Cha 11

**Base Atk** +16; **CMB** +28 (+30 bull rush); **CMD** 38 (40 vs. bull rush, 46 vs. trip)

**Feats** Awesome Blow, Improved Bull Rush, Improved Critical (gore), Improved Initiative, Lightning Reflexes, Multiattack, Power Attack, Skill Focus (Perception)

Skills Perception +21, Swim +17

Languages Giant (cannot speak)

**Ecology** 

**Environment** cold plains

**Organization** solitary, pair or herd (3-10)

Treasure none

Special Abilities

**Bellowing Blast (Ex)** As a standard action, a tlalusk can create powerful sonic vibrations in a 60 foot cone. All creatures in the area are stunned for 1 round and deafened for 1 day. A successful DC 23 Fortitude save negates the stunning and reduces the deafness to 1 round. A tlalusk can use this ability every 1d4 rounds. This is a sonic effect, and the save DC is Constitution based.