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Barbarians embrace and embody bloodshed and rage. Whether from primitive tribes or established warrior traditions, they can be found in every kind of terrain and weather. Frequently, civilized adventurers rely on native barbarians to guide them through unfamiliar wilderness. The following rage powers and barbarian archetypes are appropriate for such wilderness warriors. Where a rage power suggested for an archetype is marked with a dagger (†), it is described in this section.

RAGE POWERS

As ancestral warriors or admirers of primeval predators, barbarians channel their rage into feats of strength and violence. The following rage powers are available to any barbarian or skald who meets their prerequisites.

Autumn Rage (Su): The barbarian becomes a servant of the harvest. While raging, she gains a +2 bonus on combat maneuver checks to reposition^{APG} or trip. She also gains this bonus on attack rolls to confirm critical hits. A barbarian can have only one season-themed rage power, choosing between spring, summer, autumn, or winter rage.

Bestial Flyer (Ex): While raging, the barbarian's fly speed increases by 10 feet and her maneuverability improves by one category. A barbarian must have a fly speed before raging, have the raging flyer† power, and be at least 6th level to choose this rage power.

Contagious Rage (Su): The barbarian howls during combat, agitating nearby fauna. Willing animals and magical beasts within 30 feet of the barbarian gain the benefits of the rage spell for as long as she maintains her rage. After the barbarian's rage ends, creatures affected by her rage are fatigued for the same number of rounds as the barbarian. A barbarian must be at least 6th level to choose this rage power.

Dissipating Rage (Su): When the barbarian rages, her feverish frenzy and hot breath burn or blow fog, smoke and similar effects away from her. The barbarian and creatures adjacent to her do not gain concealment from obfuscating effects like fog or precipitation. Magical effects that require more than a strong wind to dissipate are not affected by this rage power.

Eclipsing Rage (Su): While the barbarian is raging, the light level within 10 feet of her lowers by one step. She can't decrease the light level below normal darkness with this ability. Multiple barbarians with this rage power don't further reduce the light level. A barbarian must be at least 6th level to choose this rage power.

Eclipsing Rage, Greater (Su): Whenever the barbarian rages, the light level within 20 feet of her lowers by two steps instead of one. She still can't decrease the light level below normal darkness with this ability. A barbarian must be at least 10th level and have the eclipsing rage[†] power to choose this rage power.

Hissing Rage (Su): Once per hour, the barbarian can spit venom at an adjacent enemy as a standard action. She must

make a touch attack to successfully spit on a foe in this way, but she can also apply this poison as a swift action when she hits with a bite attack. The DC of the save against this poison is equal to 10 + half the barbarian's level + the barbarian's Constitution modifier.

Hissing Rage Poison (Su) Bite—contact or injury; save Fort; frequency 1/round for 6 rounds; effect 1d2 Str damage; cure 2 consecutive saves.

Lizard Stride (Su): When the barbarian makes a charge or run action while raging, she can move across the surface of water without sinking. She sinks immediately if she ends her turn standing on water.

Pack Rage (Ex): When a barbarian with this rage power enters a rage, any barbarian within 30 feet who also has this rage power can enter a rage. A barbarian that enters a rage outside of her turn spends 1 round of rage immediately and then spends another round of rage to maintain her rage at the beginning of her next turn. A barbarian must be at least 6th level to choose this rage power.

Raging Flyer (Ex): When raging, the barbarian adds her level as an enhancement bonus to Fly checks.

Raging Whirlwind (Su): The barbarian can create a whirlwind with a powerful spinning move as an immediate action after she confirms a critical hit with a melee attack. The whirlwind circles the target of her melee attack, lifting it in the air slightly until the end of the barbarian's turn. The creature can attempt a Fortitude save (DC = 10 + half the barbarian's level + the barbarian's Constitution modifier) to negate this effect. If it fails the save, the target loses its Dexterity modifier to AC for the rest of the barbarian's turn and lands prone on the ground at the end of her turn. Raging whirlwind has no effect on flying creatures. A barbarian must be at least 12th level to choose this rage power.

Spring Rage (Su): The barbarian's rage rejuvenates her physically and spiritually. While raging, she ignores penalties to her ability scores due to aging. She also ignores penalties from negative levels, though she retains any negative levels she has until they are removed normally. A barbarian can have only one season-themed rage power, choosing between spring, summer, autumn, or winter rage.

Summer Rage (Su): The barbarian channels the heat of late summer, making the air around her hot and oppressive. A creature within the barbarian's reach becomes fatigued as long as it remains within the barbarian's reach unless it succeeds at a Fortitude save (DC = 10 + half the barbarian's level + her Constitution modifier) to become immune for 24 hours. A barbarian can have only one season-themed rage power, choosing between spring, summer, autumn, or winter rage.

Tyrant Totem (Ex): While raging, the barbarian can begin a grapple as a free action against any creature she hits with her bite attack. A barbarian must be at least 8th level to choose this rage power.

Tyrant Totem, Greater (Su): While raging, the barbarian gains swallow whole as per the universal monster rule. A barbarian must be at least 12th level to choose this rage power.

Tyrant Totem, Lesser (Ex): While raging, the barbarian's bite attack deals damage as if the barbarian were one size larger than her actual size. The barbarian must have the animal fury rage power or a natural bite attack to choose this rage power.

Winter Rage (Su): As a standard action, the barbarian can bellow a 20-foot cone of frigid, snowy air. Until the beginning of the barbarian's next turn, creatures moving through the cone move at half speed. A barbarian can have only one season-themed rage power, choosing between spring, summer, autumn, or winter rage.

BRUTISH SWAMPER (ARCHETYPE)

The hardy and insular denizens of the swamp produce warriors of narrow focus and great strength. The prejudice

and misunderstanding with which civilized folk often regard barbarians is often even more pronounced in the case of these belligerent outcasts from society, in large part due to the fact that brutish swampers deliberately mock and antagonize the so-called "city folk." To a brutish swamper, an urban lifestyle is one that breeds weakness and lassitude in the body. The

brutish swamper has little interest or patience in maintaining alliances or friendship with those who live such soft lifestyles, and this aggression only further encourages feelings of prejudice on both sides of the cultural divide. When a brutish swamper joins an adventuring party, they usually come to value the skills and talents of their more urbanized companions, but never fully understand the desire to live lives surrounded by creature comforts.

Swamp Skills: A brutish swamper adds Knowledge (geography) and Knowledge (local) to her list of class skills.

This alters the barbarian's skills.

Marsh March (Ex): A brutish swamper can move through the underbrush and muddy terrain of bogs and swamps at her normal speed without taking damage or suffering other impairments. Briars, mud, thorns, and overgrown areas that have been magically manipulated to impede motion, however, still affect her.

This replaces fast movement.

Home (Ex): At 2nd level, a brutish swamper gains a +2 bonus on initiative checks and Knowledge (geography), Perception, Stealth, and Survival checks when in swamps. This bonus increases by +1 at 5th level and again

every 3 levels after 5th (up to a maximum bonus of +8 at 20th level).

This replaces uncanny dodge and improved uncanny dodge.

Stubborn (Ex): At 3rd level, a brutish swamper resists any attempts to change her attitude or compel her to action. Diplomacy and Intimidate checks against her take a -2 penalty, and no result can shift her attitude more than one step in a 24-hour period. These penalties increase by 2 for every 3 levels the brutish swamper has beyond 3rd.

This replaces trap sense.

Wrastlin' (Ex): At 6th level, while raging, a brutish swamper gains a +2 bonus to her CMD against grapple combat maneuvers and a +2 bonus on damage rolls made as part of successful grapple combat maneuver checks.

This replaces the rage power normally gained at 6th level.

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the brutish swamper archetype: brawler APG, greater brawler PG, greater tyrant totem, lesser tyrant totem, lizard stride, low-light vision, superstition, and tyrant totem.

CAVE DWELLER (ARCHETYPE)

Unused to the light of the sun, cave dwellers use their subterranean expertise to protect their clans from the manifold dangers of deep caverns and tunnels. The typical cave dweller is perfectly content to live his entire life underground, and he may even view the light of the sun as particularly abhorrent or taboo. While this lifestyle doesn't in and of itself imply evil or sinister intent, many outlanders ignorantly assume that cave dwellers avoid the light of the sun for malicious reasons.

In truth, cave dwellers are as capable of goodness and kindness as any other—they just see little reason to venture out of their preferred homelands. When a cave dweller joins an adventuring party, she may retain an inherent nervousness about sleeping under the open sky and may long for the familiar confines of a comforting cavern, but this rarely translates directly into a notable disadvantage. Indeed, many adventuring groups come to value the specialized talents and skills the cave dweller brings to the party.

Skills: A cave dweller gains Stealth as a class skill in place of Ride.

This alters the barbarian's skills.

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Tight Tunnels (Ex): Cave dwellers pursue prey through the winding tunnels of the deep, which rarely accommodate open sprints. A cave dweller can make a single turn up to 90 degrees while running (though not while charging). Additionally, a cave dweller takes no penalties to movement speed while squeezing.

This replaces fast movement.

Tunnel Vision (Ex): At 3rd level, a cave dweller's senses become sharp in the dark. She gains darkvision to a range of 60 feet and a +1 bonus on Perception checks to detect ambushes, movement, and sound while in darkness. This bonus increases by 1 at 6th level and every 3 levels thereafter.

This replaces trap sense.

Sun Walker (Ex): At 7th level, a cave dweller gains a +1 dodge bonus to AC and on saving throws against effects with the light descriptor or that produce bright or sudden light. Any penalties on attack rolls, saving throws, or skill checks because of bright light are reduced by 1. At 10th level and every 3 levels after 10th, the bonus to AC and saving throws, as well as the reduction of light-based penalties, increases by 1.

This replaces damage reduction.

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the cave dweller archetype: animal fury, bestial climber^{UC}, eclipsing rage[†], greater eclipsing rage[†], greater ground breaker^{UC}, ground breaker, night vision, raging climber, primal scent^{UC}, and sprint^{UC}.

PACK HUNTER (ARCHETYPE)

Pack hunter barbarians team up to hunt dangerous prey to feed, to protect their camps, and as a rite of passage. Often, a tribe of pack hunters looks to a specific species of animal (such as wolves) who themselves hunt in packs, and view these animals as sacred manifestations of their people's traditions and values.

Bonus Feats: Whenever a pack hunter would gain a new rage power, she can instead select a teamwork feat. She must still meet the prerequisites for the teamwork feat.

This alters rage power.

In and Out (Ex): At 3rd level, a pack hunter gains a +1 dodge bonus to AC against attacks of opportunity. This bonus increases by 1 for every 3 barbarian levels after 3rd (to a maximum bonus of +6 at 18th level).

This replaces trap sense.

Sympathetic Rage (Ex): At 6th level, if an ally within 30 feet is bloodraging or raging, a pack hunter counts as raging even if knocked unconscious. She has to have been raging when incapacitated to maintain her rage, and she ceases raging normally if she depletes her maximum number of rounds of rage in a day.

This replaces the rage power normally gained at 6th level

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the pack hunter archetype: contagious $rage^{\dagger}$, increased damage reduction, no escape, pack $rage^{\dagger}$, quick reflexes, and unexpected strike.

RAGING CANNIBAL (ARCHETYPE)

While savagery is not inherently evil, some barbaric cultures thrive on depravity and welcome the act of feeding on their own kind. The raging cannibal is a barbarian who feasts upon her fallen opponents not out of hunger, or even a taste for flesh, but rather because she believes consuming her foes and defiling their lost lives demonstrates her strength. This penchant for feasting on the flesh of her kin makes the raging cannibal an awkward companion to travel with for many groups, with rumors revolving around the raging cannibal's culinary exploits often causing tense situations that other party members might be called upon to resolve via diplomacy before the raging cannibal grows frustrated and decides to take matters into her own hands!

Animal Fury: At 2nd level, a raging cannibal must select animal fury as her first rage power.

This alters the barbarian's 2nd-level rage power.

Consume Vigor (Ex): At 2nd level, when a raging cannibal reduces a creature of the same creature type as herself to o or fewer hit points with her bite attack during combat while raging, she can consume a chunk of its body to gain a portion of its power. If the creature's CR equals or exceeds her barbarian level, the raging cannibal gains 1 additional round of rage. She can never consume the same creature's vigor more than once. At 5th level and every 3 levels thereafter, the raging cannibal gains 1 additional round of rage each time she uses this ability.

This replaces uncanny dodge.

Intimidating Gouge (Ex): At 3rd level, when a raging cannibal confirms a critical hit against a creature of the same creature type as herself with her bite attack while raging, she gains a bonus on Intimidate checks equal to half her barbarian level for the duration of the rage.

This replaces trap sense.

Feed from Fury (Ex): At 5th level, a raging cannibal is empowered by eating her enemies during combat. When a raging cannibal confirms a critical hit against a creature of the same creature type as herself with her bite attack while raging, she gains a number of temporary hit points equal to her barbarian level. These temporary hit points stack with other temporary hit points gained from this ability but not with those from other sources. These temporary hit points fade after a period of time equal to 10 minutes per barbarian level.

This replaces improved uncanny dodge.

Razor-Toothed Fury (Ex): At 6th level, a raging cannibal's bite becomes even more fearsome. When using her bite attack, the raging cannibal can take a –1 penalty on her attack roll to add 2 points of bleed damage to the damage dealt. At 10th level and every 4 levels thereafter, the attack penalty increases by 1 and the bleed damage increases by 2 points.

This replaces damage reduction.

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the raging cannibal archetype: internal fortitude, intimidating glare, primal scent^{UC}, scent, and terrifying howl.

ARCHETYPES AND CLASS OPTION

SHARPTOOTH (ARCHETYPE)

Coastal hunters and agents of the ocean's rage, sharptooth barbarians emulate the greatest predators of the sea. Sharks, in particular, are respected and admired by many such tribes, if not as manifestations of divine power, then merely as scions of the power and fury of the natural world.

Swim Like a Fish (Ex): A sharptooth gains a swim speed of 10 feet. At 5th level and every 5 levels thereafter, her swim speed increases by 5 feet.

This replaces fast movement.

Scent of Blood (Ex): At 2nd level, a sharptooth gains scent as per the universal monster rule. At 5th level, she also gains keen scent as per universal monster rule.

This replaces both uncanny dodge and improved uncanny dodge.

Ocean Breath (Ex): At 3rd level, a sharptooth counts her Constitution score as 1 higher for the purposes of holding her breath. She also gains a +1 bonus on Constitution checks to continue holding her breath. This bonus and the addition to her effective Constitution score both increase by 1 at 6th level and every 3 levels thereafter, to a maximum bonus of +6 at 18th level.

This replaces trap sense.

Blood in the Water (Ex): At 6th level, a sharptooth can tear the flesh from living creatures. Her attacks add 3 points of bleed damage while she is raging. At 12th level, this bleed damage increases to equal her Constitution modifier if it's higher.

This replaces the rage powers normally gained at 6th and 12th levels.

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the sharptooth archetype: animal fury, bleeding blow^{UC}, contagious rage[†], pack rage[†], powerful blow, primal scent^{UC}, raging swimmer, and scent.

WILDBORN (ARCHETYPE)

Some barbarians are born or bred outside the reach of civilization. These wildborn fight and survive without ever seeing a forge or worked stone, and only dare a trip into the city when no other option is available.

Weapon and Armor Proficiencies: A wildborn is proficient with leather and hide armors (but not shields) and all simple weapons that can be crafted from bone, stone, or wood. In addition, a wildborn gains Improved Unarmed Strike and Catch Off Guard as bonus feats at 1st level. If she uses any other kind of weapon or armor, she loses her abilities from this archetype (except illiteracy) for the next 24 hours.

This alters the barbarian's normal weapon and armor proficiencies.

Illiteracy: A wildborn cannot read or write. She can learn to read or write a language only if she takes a level in another class, and even then only by taking 1 or more ranks in Linguistics.



Bonus Feats: At 4th level, 10th level and 16th level, a wildborn can choose a bonus feat from the following rather than select a rage power: Alertness, Animal Affinity, Athletic, Great Fortitude, Improvised Weapon Mastery, Iron Will, Lightning Reflexes, Self-Sufficient, Stealthy, or Throw Anything.

This alters rage powers.

Inexhaustible (Ex): Wildborn live ruggedly and sleep lightly. At 7th level, a wildborn recovers nonlethal damage for each minute of rest as if an hour had passed. She applies twice her damage reduction gained from barbarian levels against nonlethal damage.

This alters damage reduction.

Rage Powers: The following rage powers complement the wildborn archetype: animal fury, beast totem^{APG}, bestial climber^{UC}, bestial swimmer^{UC}, greater beast totem^{APG}, lesser beast totem^{APG}, low-light vision, raging climber, raging leaper, raging swimmer, and swift foot.