Dialogue

1. **[BARGE] The Barge Inn is a funny name.**
   1. [Second guessing herself in second sentence] (laugh) I'm glad you like it. You do like it, right?
      1. **Of course, it's a good joke.**
         1. Finally, someone with a decent sense of humor! Everyone around here's so dour lately.
         2. Used to be, every day felt like a festival. Now we're lucky if it feels like a funeral.
         3. Of course, I can't really take credit for the name. My great-grandfather picked it when he gave up being a ferryman and settled down.
         4. Here, have a free drink in memory of his wit. Maybe you'll help cheer things up around here. [add Silver Spirit Theilul] [back to root] [unlock **TALEN-JEI**] [lock **BARGE**]
      2. **Not really. I don't really like puns.**
         1. No one appreciates a good joke around here any more.
         2. Used to be, every day felt like a festival. Now we're lucky if it feels like a funeral.
         3. Well, if you want to mope in your drink with the rest of them, I'm happy to serve. What can I get you?[back to root] [unlock **TALEN-JEI**] [lock **BARGE**]
      3. **I don't think I get it.**
         1. Well, I'm not going to explain. Meaning no offense, it's just that jokes don't get funnier if someone has to tell you what they mean.
         2. Of course, I can't really take credit for the name. My great-grandfather picked it when he gave up being a ferryman and settled down.
         3. Maybe a drink will untangle your wits a bit. What can I get you?[back to root] [unlock **TALEN-JEI**] [lock **BARGE**]
2. **You mentioned you serve mixed drinks?**
   1. It's what we're famous for here. I keep a well-stocked bar, and we're always finding delicious, new combinations.
   2. Our newest drinks are the "Crocodile Tears," the "Senchal Sour," and the "Black Harbor." Plenty of old classics too. What would you like?
      1. **What’s in a "Crocodile Tears"?**
         1. Equal parts ogozma xotlum and bloodwine, flavored with min-kitza and ginger. Rather strong, so be sure to pace yourself. [back to options]
      2. **What’s in a "Senchal Sour"?**
         1. That one's quite popular right now. It's a mix of flin, chokche juice, a pinch of moon sugar, and just a dash of raw egg. [back to options]
      3. **What’s in a "Black Harbor"?**
         1. It's a fiery blend of theilul, ground cacao, and hot spices. I can't say it's for everyone. Personally, I recommend adding a dab of honey, too. [back to options]
      4. **What's your favorite drink?**
         1. The "Velvet LeChance." A classic. Spiced wine mixed with honey, lumberry juice, and just a faint hint of chokeberry. Nothing too dangerous, mind you.
         2. That one goes back to when my great-grandfather opened this establishment. There's a reason it’s stuck around so long. You should try one.[back to options]
      5. **How do you come up with the names for your drinks?**
         1. Most of the names are inspired by notable travelers who happen to be staying here while I'm creating a new drink.
         2. We don't get as many folk passing through Gideon as we used to, but every now and then someone interesting shows up.
         3. Why, not too long ago we had a spice merchant from Esroniet come through on business with Leyawiin. Seems our local flavor warranted a little detour.[back to options]
      6. **I’m ready to order.**
         1. [generic innkeeper line] [open vendor menu]
      7. **I have more questions.**
         1. Sure, what did you want to talk about? [back to root]
3. **What can you tell me about Gideon?**
   1. I can tell you it's falling to pieces, but that much should be obvious. We were all better off before Virano became the count.
   2. Now we're just a city of crumbling chapels, broken manors, and sunken slums.
   3. If I had any sense, I'd listen to the Collective and move to Thorn with my son, but I love this city too much for that. [back to root]
4. **[locked] [TALEN-JEI] [if player met Talen-Jei (Riften NPC)] Do you know Talen-Jei? I think he used to work here.**
   1. [Confused] Talen-Jei? I don't remember anyone by that name. Perhaps you could refresh my memory.
      1. **Argonian, green scales, feathers. Mixes drinks.**
         1. [Still clearly not remembering, overemphasizing "Talen-Jei"] Oh! Yes. Talen-Jei. I misheard you. I thought you said... Talons-of-Jade. Very different Argonian, that one. [back to options]
      2. **How could you forget one of your own employees?**
         1. When you've had as many cooks and bards and bartenders as I have over the years, they all start to blend together after a while.
         2. I went through so many of them right after my husband passed and my son left to join the navy a few years back.
         3. Can't say I was the best publican to work for at the time, so I won't blame any of them for leaving. Except my son. He should have known better.[back to root]
      3. **I met him in Riften. He serves some similar drinks.**
         1. [Thoughtfully] I seem to recall one of my old servers saying he was going north. Thought he meant Shaarath or maybe Red Sutri.
         2. But going all the way to Skyrim? That's a surprise. He must have really wanted to get away from me. A lot of my old staff is like that.
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