

Alva – The Everdawn

The god of light, eternal and unwavering, a beacon against darkness and a guide for humanity.

- Alva was born as the first sibling of light, the embodiment of clarity, hope, and illumination. Unlike their siblings, whose powers could scorch, drown, or tear the earth, Alva's light was constant, patient, and pervasive. It could pierce shadow without destroying what it touched.
- From the beginning, Alva felt a profound responsibility. Where Mistral delighted in freedom, Coraline in guidance, Ignis in nurturing fire, and Bolland in protection, Alva carried the burden of balance — the light that would illuminate paths for mortals and gods alike, holding back the despair of shadow.
- Their light was not simply brightness but understanding: a force that revealed truth, healed suffering, and inspired courage. Alva was often the mediator among the gods, keeping discord from tearing the pantheon apart.

Humanity's Descent

- When humans fell from Cox, Alva immediately saw their potential — and their fragility. While Bolland shaped the land, Coraline guided the currents, and Mistral encouraged freedom, Alva bestowed the first rays of hope.
- They gave mortals the knowledge to survive darkness, to build civilizations that could endure the Evernight's shadows. Alva taught them agriculture, calendars, and the understanding of light and shadow, so they could harness day and night, and find safety and rhythm in the natural world.
- Alva's followers formed the first organized communities of light. Temples and towers were built to honor their guidance, and priests of Alva became beacons of hope, healing, and education. Alva remained partially unseen, teaching through the rising sun, the dawn, and the patterns of celestial light.

The War of Gold

- When the Evernight Curse spread, Alva's light and Ignis's fire shone across the battlefields. Alva illuminated monsters and guided mortals through shadowed lands, while Ignis's flames healed the wounded, inspired courage, and protected communities.
- Alva coordinated the gods' efforts, advising Bolland in shaping the land, guiding Mistral in using the wind to protect humans, and supporting Coraline in evacuations. Ignis taught mortals to channel their own power safely, preventing them from succumbing to the darkness or misusing the fire within them.

- Despite their efforts, the toll was immense. Light alone could not stop chaos; many followers were lost, and Alva's brilliance waned as they fought tirelessly. When the Evernight was finally sealed, Alva's power, like the others, was diminished, leaving them as a gentle, eternal glow, a quiet dawn that watches humanity from afar.

Teachings of The Everdawn

- **Bring light to shadow.** Even the smallest illumination can guide the lost.
- **Balance is strength.** Light must shine without burning; hope must inspire without blinding.
- **Knowledge is illumination.** Teach, learn, and share understanding to empower others.
- **Patience is eternal.** The dawn comes slowly, but it always arrives.
- **Truth is sacred.** Expose lies, confront darkness, and do not fear clarity.
- **Faith is action.** Even in despair, a small act of illumination can turn the tide.