

ELVES, HIGH

The children of the solar celestials, the high elves were created to tend to the sun elves as librarians and heralds. Now they sequester themselves away from the world amid the fallen cities of the sky elves, remembering a better age, before the arrival of humans and war to the world made the high elves who they are today.

Glamorous

The high elves hold an unwavering poise worthy of a noble background. They also emit a glamor that allows them to take on physical features and aspects of personality as they desire. Each person sees this glamor slightly differently, emphasizing some details over others based on one's own values and fascinations.

Loremasters

The adage "knowledge is power" is a rough translation of an ancient Hyrallic saying. A closer translation is "knowledge before power." High elves believe knowledge is the pursuit from which all good things flow: life, power, legacy.

In their ruined towers, they study ancient history and magic thought long extinct. They revive dead spells and languages and manipulate their use to suit their means. High elves can use this magic for wondrous creations. They can also use it to kill by lifting a finger.

Elemental Summoners

Through their studies of ancient magic, many high elves have cultivated a strong bond to elemental creatures and can call upon their aid. In service to high elves, soot crows scout from the sky, living vine walls called brambleguards create labyrinthine barricades, and ceramic horses provide fast transport over long distances.

Many high elves can also summon magical wisps called elemental motes. These sprites enervate their foes against high elf magic and revive fallen elementals in a brilliant flash by sacrificing their own energy.

Surround and Suppress

Foes who threaten high elf armies are dealt with quickly and entirely. High elves take advantage of each other's magic to corral enemies together and throw huge waves of destruction upon them. The more exposure a victim has to high elf magic, the more effective that magic is in destroying them. High elf wyrd ensure there's no escape, warping the environment into treacherous pits—and eventually, graveyards.

Magical Manipulation

The high elves practice a tradition of group-casting magic that empowers their abilities as more elves participate. This enables them to extend their spells farther, sometimes even miles away from the caster when an entire platoon works in unison.

Many high elves have also collected extensive libraries of tomes over the centuries. Even on the battlefield, an elf can turn to a book to transform a mundane weapon volley into a magical one.

The Unseen Hands

The Unseen Hands is a sect of high elf radicals who believe they have stumbled upon sky elf texts detailing their downfall at the hands of the sun elves. The story surrounding their purported discoveries has twisted into a narrative decrying modern society for benefiting from the lore accumulated in service to the sun elves. The sect hides among high elf society in plain sight, slowly manipulating nobles as they attempt to dismantle that society and plunge the world into anarchy.

The Ordinator

Being in the presence of a high elf ordinator inspires an ancient fear in those who know high elf history. Occupying a position of both military and clerical authority, an ordinator is capable of focusing a force of high elves to precisely strike an arrow's tip from the other end of the battlefield. These spellcasters are among the most studied elves in their communities and courts, and their strategic minds are matched only by their affinity with elementals. The ordinator is not only an illuminating beacon of command for their platoon; they are a spiritual beacon of hope for their people.

High Elf Languages

Most high elves speak Caelian and Hyrallic, with some also speaking Yllyric.

High Elf Malice

Malice Features

At the start of any high elf's turn, you can spend Malice to activate one of the following features.

☉ Chaincast

3 Malice

Until the end of the round, whenever a high elf uses a magic ability, they can use it as if they were occupying the square of another high elf on the encounter map to whom they have line of effect.

📖 Gift From an Accursed Tome 2d10 + 2

5 Malice

Area, Magic

📏 5 × 1 line within 1

Main action

☉ Each enemy in the area

Effect: The high elf chooses a damage type and condition from one of the following combinations: cold damage and slowed, poison damage and weakened, or corruption damage and frightened.

☐ ≤11 5 damage; **R<1** chosen condition (save ends)

☐ 12-16 9 damage; **R<2** chosen condition (save ends)

☐ 17+ 12 damage; **R<3** chosen condition (save ends)

Special: This ability can't be used by a minion.

☉ In Defiance of Time

7 Malice

Until the end of the round, each high elf in the encounter gains a +4 bonus to speed, and whenever a high elf uses an ability against an enemy, each high elf adjacent to that enemy can make a free strike against them.

The Ordinator is a Magic Beacon

Whenever a high elf ordinator appears on an encounter map, the Chaincast Malice feature is improved and always active. When any elf uses a magic ability as if they were in the ordinator's space, that ability has a double edge.

Elemental Mote

Elemental, High Elf, Soulless

Level 1 Minion Hexer

EV 3 for four minions

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Size

5

Speed

3

Stamina

0

Stability

1

Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: Fly

Weakness: —
With Captain: +2 bonus to speed

Might 0

Agility 0

Reason 0

Intuition 0

Presence +2

Dweomer Plume 2d10 + 2

Magic, Melee, Strike

Melee 2

One creature or object per minion

≤11 1 damage

12-16 2 damage; R<1 damage weakness 3 (save ends)

17+ 3 damage; R<2 damage weakness 3 (save ends)

Signature Ability

Main action

★ Spark of Life

On their turn, the mote can leave the encounter in a flash of light to revive one adjacent dead soot crow, brambleguard, or ceramic horse. The revived creature returns with 3 Stamina.

High Elf Dawn Mage

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 1 Minion Controller

EV 3 for four minions

1M

Size

5

Speed

3

Stamina

0

Stability

1

Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —
With Captain: +5 bonus to ranged distance

Might 0

Agility 0

Reason +2

Intuition -1

Presence +1

Bright Bolt 2d10 + 2

Magic, Ranged, Strike

Ranged 5

One creature or object per minion

≤11 1 holy damage

12-16 2 holy damage

17+ 3 holy damage

Effect: Until the start of the dawn mage's next turn, the target can't hide.

Signature Ability

Main action

★ Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the dawn mage can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.

High Elf Quiver

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 1 Minion Artillery

EV 3 for four minions

1M

Size

5

Speed

3

Stamina

0

Stability

2

Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —
With Captain: +5 bonus to ranged distance

Might 0

Agility +2

Reason +1

Intuition 0

Presence 0

Heavy Arrow 2d10 + 2

Ranged, Strike, Weapon

Ranged 10

One creature or object per minion

≤11 2 damage

12-16 4 damage

17+ 5 damage

Signature Ability

Main action

Effect: Each ally adjacent to the target shifts up to 2 squares.

★ Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the quiver can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.

Soot Crow

Elemental, High Elf

Level 1 Minion Harrier

EV 3 for four minions

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Size

7

Speed

4

Stamina

0

Stability

1

Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: Fly

Weakness: —
With Captain: Gain an edge on strikes

Might 0

Agility +2

Reason 0

Intuition 0

Presence +1

Heckle 2d10 + 2

Melee, Strike, Weapon

Melee 1

One creature or object per minion

≤11 1 damage

12-16 2 damage

17+ 3 damage; taunted (EoT)

Signature Ability

Main action

Effect: Until the end of their turn, the soot crow ignores opportunity attacks from the target.

Brambleguard

Elemental, High Elf

Level 2 Platoon Defender

EV 8

2 Size 4 Speed 59 Stamina 3 Stability 4 Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might +2 **A**gility 0 **R**eason 0 **I**ntuition 0 **P**resence +2

Wall of Roses

Area, Magic

L Special; see below

Signature Ability

Main action

S Self

Effect: Until the start of the brambleguard's next turn, their speed is 0 and they extend themselves into a 5 wall. Each ally who starts their turn adjacent to the brambleguard regains 5 Stamina and can apply the Magic keyword to their weapon abilities until the end of their turn.

Whip Frenzy 2d10 + 2

Area, Weapon

L 2 burst

Main action

S Each enemy in the area

<11 4 damage

12-16 7 damage; push 3

17+ 10 damage; push 3; **A<2** bleeding (save ends)

Thicket and Thorns

The brambleguard blocks line of effect for enemies. Each enemy who starts their turn adjacent to a brambleguard takes 4 damage.

High Elf Bloodletter

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 1 Platoon Ambusher

EV 6

1M Size 7 Speed 30 Stamina 0 Stability 4 Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might 0 **A**gility +2 **R**eason 0 **I**ntuition +1 **P**resence 0

Razor's Edge 2d10 + 2

Melee, Strike, Weapon

L Melee 1

Signature Ability

Main action

S One creature or object

<11 6 damage

12-16 9 damage

17+ 12 damage; **R<2** bleeding (save ends)

Effect: The bloodletter and each of their allies has a double edge on abilities targeting a creature bleeding this way.

Blood Haze

Area, Magic

L 1 burst

2 Malice

Maneuver

S Special

Effect: Until the end of the next round, a cloud of blood vapor fills the area. The cloud blocks line of effect for enemies, and any enemy has damage weakness 3 while in the area. The bloodletter can then shift up to their speed, and can attempt to hide if they end that shift with concealment.

Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the bloodletter can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.

High Elf Deathtouch

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 2 Platoon Artillery

EV 8

1M Size 5 Speed 30 Stamina 0 Stability 5 Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might +2 **A**gility 0 **R**eason +1 **I**ntuition 0 **P**resence +1

Heartpiercer 2d10 + 2

Ranged, Strike, Weapon

L Ranged 15

<11 7 damage

12-16 10 damage

17+ 13 damage; **R<1** bleeding (save ends); **I<1** frightened (save ends); **P<1** restrained (save ends)

Signature Ability

Main action

S One creature

5 Malice: The ability takes the Area keyword and loses the Strike keyword, its distance becomes a 3 cube within 10, and it targets each enemy in the area.

Kiss of Death

Magic, Melee

L Melee 1

Maneuver

S One willing ally

Effect: The target has a +5 bonus to speed and automatically obtains a tier 3 outcome on power rolls. They can still roll to determine if they score a critical hit. At the end of their next turn, the target immediately dies.

Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the deathtouch can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.



High Elf Orbweaver

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 3 Platoon Hexer

EV 10

1M
Size

5
Speed

40
Stamina

0
Stability

5
Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might 0

Agility 0

Reason +2

Intuition +2

Presence +2



Awash 2d10 + 2

Area, Magic

3 cube within 1

≤11 4 cold damage; M<0 push 3

12-16 6 cold damage; M<1 push 5 or prone

17+ 9 cold damage; M<2 slide 5 or prone

Signature Ability

Main action

Each creature in the area



Aetherweb 2d10 + 2

Magic, Ranged, Strike

Ranged 8

≤11 5 damage; R<0 slowed (save ends)

12-16 8 damage; R<1 slowed (save ends)

17+ 11 damage; R<2 restrained (save ends)

Main action

Two enemies or objects

Effect: Each enemy within 3 squares of a target suffers the same potency effect as the target unless they are already adjacent to them, or if they immediately shift into an unoccupied space adjacent to the target (no action required).



Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the orbweaver can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.

High Elf Palinode

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 1 Platoon Support

EV 6

1M
Size

5
Speed

30
Stamina

0
Stability

3
Free Strike

Immunity: Psychic 5
Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might 0

Agility 0

Reason 0

Intuition +2

Presence +1



Instill Regret 2d10 + 2

Magic, Ranged, Strike

Ranged 8

≤11 5 psychic damage

12-16 7 psychic damage; I<1 weakened (save ends)

17+ 9 psychic damage; I<2 weakened (save ends)

Signature Ability

Main action

One creature

2 Malice: The potency increases by 1. If the target is weakened this way at the end of the encounter, they can't take a respite activity during their next respite.



Recall

Magic, Ranged

Ranged 5

Maneuver

Two allies

Effect: Each target can teleport to an unoccupied space adjacent to the palinode. The palinode and each target then gain 5 temporary Stamina.



Otherworldly Grace

At the start of each of their turns, the palinode can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.



High Elf Deployments

High elves are obsessed with knowledge: discovering it, documenting it, and protecting it. While this means that many of them are cloistered in towers with noses buried firmly in ancient tomes, lost knowledge is often found in dangerous ruins or in the collections of powerful individuals with no intent to share. When this happens, strike teams of like-minded high elves deploy to infiltrate and “forcefully acquire” such knowledge.

Many high elves also consider themselves guardians of dangerous or forbidden lore and are ready to defend it with their lives. Many illusory groves and glamoured ruins conceal repositories and powerful warriors sworn to keep these secrets out of the hands of those who would use them for ill.

High Elf Sample Encounters

- **Ruin Hunters, 24 EV:** Eight soot crows, eight dawn mages, one palinode, one zephyr
- **Grove Guardians, 36 EV:** Eight elemental motes, eight soot crows, one brambleguard, one wyrd, one ceramic horse
- **Acquisitor Strike Team, 46 EV:** Eight quivers, eight soot crows, one brambleguard, three bloodletters, one deathtouch
- **Relic Wardens, 74 EV:** Sixteen elemental motes, eight dawn mages, two bloodletters, one brambleguard, one palinode, one orbweaver, one ordinator

High Elf Wyrd

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 3 Platoon Controller
EV 10

1M **5** **40** **0** **5**
Size **Speed** **Stamina** **Stability** **Free Strike**
Immunity: Psychic 5
Movement: —
Weakness: —
Might 0 **A**gility +1 **R**eason +2 **I**ntuition -1 **P**resence +2

Twystrd 2d10 + 2 **Signature Ability**
 Area, Magic Main action
 1 cube within 5 ⚙ Each enemy in the area

≤11 Vertical push 3
 12-16 Vertical push 5
 17+ Vertical push 6

Effect: For each elemental mote adjacent to the wyrd, the size of the cube increases by 1.

☑ **Summon Elemental** **2 Malice**
 Ranged Maneuver
 1 Ranged 5 ⚙ Special

Effect: The wyrd summons two **elemental motes** or two **soot crows** into unoccupied spaces within distance.

Wyrd Warp **2 Malice**
 Area, Magic Maneuver
 1 8 wall within 8 ⚙ Special

Effect: The wyrd shapes the land in the area as if it were loose clay, either raising the ground or pushing it down to create a trench. Any creature in the area moves with the terrain to its new higher elevation, or falls if the ground is lowered beneath them.

★ **Otherworldly Grace**
 At the start of each of their turns, the wyrd can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.

High Elf Zephyr

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 1 Platoon Harrier
EV 6

1M **7** **30** **0** **3**
Size **Speed** **Stamina** **Stability** **Free Strike**
Immunity: —
Movement: —
Weakness: —
Might 0 **A**gility +2 **R**eason 0 **I**ntuition 0 **P**resence +1

Sweeping Blade 2d10 + 2 **Signature Ability**
 Melee, Strike, Weapon Main action
 1 Melee 2 ⚙ One creature or object

≤11 5 damage
 12-16 7 damage
 17+ 9 damage

Effect: On a tier 3 outcome, the zephyr can make a free strike against a creature adjacent to the target. If they do so and that creature and the target both have **A < 2**, the creature and the target are both prone. On any tier outcome, the zephyr can then shift up to 2 squares.

👤 **Windwalk** **Maneuver**
 Self ⚙ Self

Effect: The zephyr flies up to their speed. If they don't end this movement on solid ground, they are prone.

★ **Like the Wind**
 The zephyr doesn't provoke opportunity attacks by moving.

★ **Otherworldly Grace**
 At the start of each of their turns, the zephyr can choose one effect on them that can be ended by a saving throw. That effect instead ends at the end of their turn.





High Elf Ordinator

Fey, High Elf, Humanoid

Level 3 Leader

EV 20

1M
Size

5
Speed

120
Stamina

0
Stability

5
Free Strike

Immunity: —
Movement: Fly

Weakness: —

Might 0

Agility +2

Reason +3

Intuition +2

Presence +3

☑ Lightning Rod 2d10 + 3

Magic, Ranged, Strike

⚡ Ranged 10

Signature Ability

Main action

🎯 One creature or object

≤11 9 lightning damage; **R<1** dazed (save ends)

12-16 14 lightning damage; **R<2** dazed (save ends)

17+ 17 lightning damage; **R<3** dazed (save ends)

Effect: Until the start of the ordinator's next turn, each ally high elf in the encounter gains an edge on ability rolls against the target.

🌀 Elemental Uproar

Area, Magic

⚡ 10 burst

Maneuver

🎯 Each elemental ally in the area

Effect: Each target can move up to their speed or make a free strike. Elemental mote targets can, instead, use their Spark of Life trait.

☑ Summon Elemental

Ranged

⚡ Ranged 10

2 Malice

Maneuver

🎯 Special

Effect: The ordinator summons four **elemental motes** or four **soot crows** into unoccupied space within distance.

3 Malice: The ordinator instead summons one **ceramic horse** or one winded **brambleguard** into an unoccupied space within distance.

❗ Enough!

Ranged

⚡ Ranged 10

Triggered action

🎯 The triggering enemy

Trigger: An enemy within distance uses an ability against the ordinator or any ally within distance.

Effect: The ordinator uses Lightning Rod against the target after the ability is resolved.

★ Otherworldly Blessing

At the start of each of their turns, the ordinator can choose one or more effects on them that can be ended by a saving throw. The effects instead end at the end of the ordinator's turn.

🌊 Fountains Roar, Now Free From the Earth Villain Action 1

Area, Magic

⚡ 10 burst

🎯 Each ally in the area

Effect: Each target glows briefly, and can end one effect on themselves, then move up to their speed.

🌞 And the Sun Forsook Her Children Villain Action 2

Area, Magic, Ranged

⚡ 5 cube within 10

🎯 Each enemy in the area

Effect: Each target makes a **Presence** test.

≤11 12 corruption damage; pull 5 toward the center of the cube

12-16 9 corruption damage; pull 3 toward the center of the cube

17+ Pull 1 toward the center of the cube

Effect: The area turns dark and distorted, and is difficult terrain for enemies.

🌑 But We Will Change Her Mind Villain Action 3

Area, Magic

⚡ 10 burst

🎯 Self and each ally in the area

Effect: Each target's free strike now has the Magic keyword and can target two creatures or objects. Additionally, each target glows with magic.

Ceramic Horse

Elemental, High Elf

Level 1 Platoon Mount

EV 6

2

Size

10

Speed

30

Stamina

2

Stability

3

Free Strike

Immunity: —

Movement: —

Weakness: —

Might +2

Agility +2

Reason 0

Intuition 0

Presence +1

⚔ Elemental Charge 2d10 + 2

Charge, Melee, Strike, Weapon

⚔ Melee 1

≤11 5 damage

12-16 7 fire damage

17+ 9 lightning damage; M<2 prone

Signature Ability

Main action

🎯 One creature or object

👊 Stomp 2d10 + 2

Area, Weapon

⚔ 1 burst

≤11 3 damage

12-16 5 damage

17+ 7 damage

Main action

🎯 Each enemy in the area

Effect: Any target who is prone takes an extra 2 damage.

👤 Buck

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⚔ Self

2 Malice

Maneuver

🎯 The horse's rider

Effect: The horse vertical slides the target up to 3 squares, ignoring stability. The target can use a ranged ability at any point during this forced movement, and takes no damage if they then fall.

★ Shared Otherworldly Grace

If the ceramic horse's rider has the Otherworldly Grace trait, the ceramic horse also has that trait.

