

Veltin-daho'te (Knife Fighting)



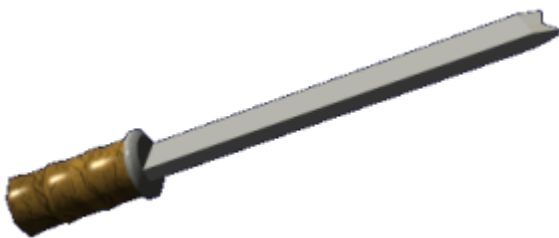
Veltin-daho'te is the primary fighting style and martial arts form of the [Poku Saeruo Degonjo](#).

Practitioners

Nearly all members of Clan society are familiar with this martial art. Members of an individual's It is practiced to some degree by nearly all members by virtue of the fact that it is taught to members of the Clan from an early age both at home, and at the [Ruohui Giba'te \(Academies\)](#).

Demonstrated knowledge of the style is also a factor in whether an applicant passes the [Baqnor \(move from youth\)](#). The style's historical origins are believed to date back to the early history of the [Qakto](#) on [Otâgolisoy \(Birth world\)](#), but the exact details were lost prior to the [Norka \(The Exodus\)](#).

This fighting style is rarely used for actual combat against foes. It is, however, the form used for [Âdaho'te \(Dueling\)](#) and similar cultural bouts and performances. This makes the fighting style a cultural skill that all must learn. Basic proficiency must be demonstrated to pass the [Baqnor \(move from youth\)](#). Accuracy and speed are key facets of this style that are vital to success. The knife is used to block and to strike. Feint and counters are part of the form intended to create an opening for a strike. It is not intended as a killing form, but accidents do happen.



Training

Training begins in the home by the parents, then is continued as part of the curriculum in the [Ruohui Giba'te \(Academies\)](#). It is common for all persons to practice regularly. However, higher placed individuals within the clan will practice more often as they are more likely to get involved in a duel.

Weapon usage

This form uses *Âdaho'te Veltin (Duel Blade)* and *Gean'sa Veltin (Shock Blade)*.



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