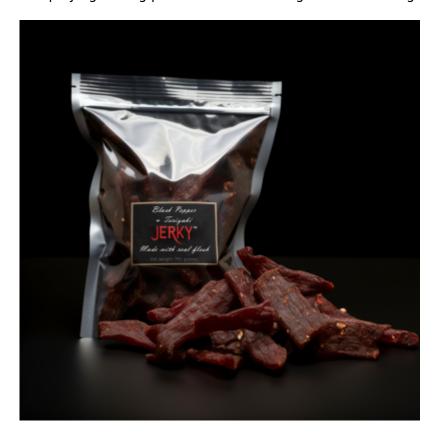
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# **Jerky**

A beloved snack that transcends time and space, significantly remains an evergreen favorite in the far reaches of the galaxy. With roots embedded deep in terrestrial history, its presence within the Star Army Roleplaying setting provides an interesting blend of nostalgia and future-forward culinary science.



Price: 5 KS for a nice, decent-sized bag.

## **History**

Jerky's origins date back thousands of years on planets like Earth, where ancient civilizations discovered the benefits of preserving meat by drying it. This age-old technique enabled communities to store their food supplies, making long journeys and survival during harsh seasons more feasible. The method, which began out of sheer necessity, evolved into a beloved tradition.

By the time humanity expanded its footprint to the stars, jerky traveled with them, adapting to new environments and cultures. Within the Star Army universe, jerky has become a symbol of home, resilience, and shared history.

# **Description**

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At its core, jerky is dried meat. Traditionally, it was made by dehydrating strips of meat under the sun or by smoking them. In the Star Army setting, while these classic methods still exist, advanced dehydration techniques and flavors infuse the snack with diverse profiles.

While beef jerky remains iconic, the galaxy's vast array of species and flora introduced new variants, ranging from exotic alien fauna jerky to plant-based alternatives tailored for vegetarians and non-carnivorous species.

### **Usage**

Jerky serves multiple roles within the Star Army context:

- Emergency Rations: Due to its longevity and compact nature, jerky is a staple in emergency ration packs. It provides protein and sustenance when other fresh food sources might be scarce.
  - Kuvexians are fond of bat biltong (dried bat meat) as they evolved as cave dwellers. It is found in the Kuvexian Basic Military Ration
  - Nepleslian Military Rations (YE 31 Type) and Star Army Field Rations, Type 31 may contain beef jerky
- Cultural Exchange: Jerky made from various creatures or plants from different planets serves as a means of cultural exchange, fostering bonds between Star Army personnel from diverse backgrounds.
- Recreational Snack: Beyond its practical uses, jerky remains a sought-after snack during off-duty hours, reminiscent of campfires, family gatherings, and shared stories.
  - Beef jerky is a top seller at Bravemart locations.
  - Sold at Abwehran Vessel Store
- Artificial jerky can be generated as a BioNutri-Snack

#### **OOC Notes**

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