

Nekovalkyrja

Nekovalkyrja (pronounced “Nay-ko-wul-ku-ree”) are the cat-eared clone soldiers of the [Yamatai Star Empire](#). It is common for them to be referred to as “nekos.” In [Yamataigo](#) (邪馬台語) they are called 猫ワルキューレ (nekowarukyūre).



All Nekovalkyrja citizens of Yamatai, regardless of their origin, are subject to a mandatory 3 years of military service in the [Star Army of Yamatai](#), or the equivalent in direct service to the Yamataian government.

The main subspecies of the Nekovalkyrja is the [Nekovalkyrja, Type 33](#), but many other subspecies and types were used in the past.

Most development and production of Nekovalkyrja is overseen by the [Director Of Star Army Personnel](#).

Core Concepts

1. Nekos are always female.
2. Nekos are primarily soldiers of the Star Army of Yamatai. They're made to be warriors (hence the “valkyrie” name).
3. Nekos usually have catlike ears, which may or may not be covered in fur (“Neko” means “cat” in Japanese).
4. Nekos brains have computer-like capabilities such as wireless communication and software downloads.
5. Nekos can fly and hover around, so they are not impeded by terrain.
6. Because Nekovalkyrja are typically created via artificial means, this means they usually do not have a childhood. Sometimes the resulting lack of life experience can make them seem naive.
7. Nekovalkyrja are considered a species, not just equipment. More on this below.
8. They can have tails, but this is optional. Currently it's uncommon but tails are making a comeback.

If you're interested in playing a Nekovalkyrja character, see [Creating a Nekovalkyrja Character](#).

History of the Nekovalkyrja

Originally, the Nekovalkyrja series was developed by [PNUgen Corporation](#) for the Uesureyan Empire. Later, Nekovalkyrja production was assumed by the [Ketsurui Zaibatsu](#).

Nekovalkyrja were first created by The Pagoda no Uesureya Genetics Corporation ([PNUgen](#)). These first “nekos”, the NH-2 types, had been created to counter the new “Seraph” organic weapons when the [Yamatai Star Empire](#) had been at war with the [Elysian Celestial Empire](#).

Notable NH-2 included:

- [Eve](#)
- [yui](#)
- [Ketsurui Yuumi](#)

Yui and Yumi were raised as babies, but later Nekoalkyrja were generally created as full adults. The first attempts at trying to make an artificial mind template for Nekoalkyrja who weren't raised as children were a mixed bag - some of them, like Eve, were psychopaths.

PNUGen, following on their success, created the [NH-7 Nekoalkyrja](#) Nekoalkyrja II, which saw even more production - and were eventually purchased by the WickedArms Industries Corporation and Ketsurui Heavy Industries, whom began producing NH-7 variants.

In [YE 22](#), PNUGen produced the NH-10 Nekoalkyrja III ("NH-X") and made them available as elite units to the Star Army of Yamatai. See: [NH-X Nekoalkyrja](#)

In [YE 22](#), shortly after the NH-10 finished its long development, WickedArms followed up with the [NH-12 Nekoalkyrja](#), a miniature neko model designed as a personal assistant. They saw extensive use as pilots of [Lamia M1 Space Mecha](#) during the [Second Draconian War](#).

The Star Army Research Administration, a branch of the Ketsurui Zaibatsu, eventually produced the [NH-17 Nekoalkyrja](#) Nekoalkyrja V from YE 23 to 27, producing in the span of four years a number of four-and-a-half-trillion models; making them the most common series yet which came in the 17R (regular), 17S (stealth) and the 17T (telepathic) variants.

The NH-17 was the main Nekoalkyrja of the [First Mishhuvurthyar War](#).

The NH-22 Nekoalkyrja types, instead of seeing mass-production, only lasted for a prototype phase before they branched off into two variants whom became types of their own: The NH-22M Nekoalkyrja VI, originally designed to assemble most the the NH-17's variants under one powerful package, was perfected and reclassified as the NH-27 Nekoalkyrja (Type 27); The NH-22C Nekoalkyrja VI, designed to be a civilian unit capable of child-bearing instead of a military-grade machine, was reclassified as the 'Yamataian' race under Nekoalkyrja Re-integration Plan. The [NH-22C Yamataian](#) were strongly advocated by the Yamataian Government to diminish the number of Nekoalkyrja combat units in an effort to integrate them into society when the Yamatai Star Empire was not in a state of war.

In [YE 28](#), the NH-28 Nodal Integrated Weapon System saw the field. Rather than being an actual living creature, the [NH-28 Nodal Integrated Weapon System](#) pushed the weapon-aspect of the Nekoalkyrja series to the hilt, creating a cold killing machine designed as a ruthless counter the Mishhuvurthyar.

The NH-29 (now known as the [NH-29](#)) was made by the [Star Army Research Administration](#) as an answer to the NH-22C/Yamataians, so that the Nekoalkyrja could continue their own species instead of being absorbed by another. The NH-29 was based on the NH-17, but does not share most of their combat capabilities, settling for a revised, more robust physiology and relying more on power armor to provide for their fighting capabilities. The NH-29 was the standard model Nekoalkyrja body used by the [Star Army of Yamatai](#) until its replacement by the [Nekoalkyrja, Type 33](#) around [YE 34](#), making it the primary Nekoalkyrja serving throughout the [Second Mishhuvurthyar War](#). See also: [Nekoalkyrja Signaler](#) for a special variant.

The [Nekovalkyrja, Type 33](#) design process began around the same time that the [nh-32](#) was started in [YE 32](#). The NH-3x as it was called was also influenced by the shifting role of the [NH-29](#), becoming the primary ship-borne troops and the [nh-32](#) specialized for Infantry. This shift is why the Tennyo is no stronger than the [NH-29](#). With the NMX manufacturing their own [NH-29](#) as soldiers and infiltration personnel, the designers wanted NH-33 easier to identify, starting with a change in the hand structure. Also a number of internal systems were modified, namely the cardiac and respiratory were based on the [Minkan](#). The respiratory system was upgraded with the ability to store oxygen, to help improve survivability in situations where a ship's structural integrity was compromised, specialized for space service, and equipped with several security enhancements.

The reason the new NH-33 is called the Tennyo is to distinguish from the [nh-32](#). Tennyo means Celestial Maiden, in Yamataian, and given that the NH-33 is primarily for Shipboard service, the name was considered descriptive of the new role.

The Designers from [Star Army Research Administration](#) and [Ketsurui Zaibatsu](#) carefully considered the various attributes of the various NH-Series to come up with a homogenous design. As the design work went on into the following year the project was renamed the NH-33. It became available in late [YE 33](#).

[Ketsurui Zaibatsu](#) was surprised by the trend of [NH-29](#) having younglings. Because of this trend, they decided to give the [NH-33 \(Tennyo\)](#) the freedom of choice regarding having children, without requiring a body transfer.

In [YE 35](#), the Nekovalkyrja collectively were recognized as a legitimate species instead of just military equipment (bodies) being used by soldiers. Prior to this, the soldiers had no rights to their bodies. The ruling, *Imperial Decree 20: Imperial Stance of the Rights and Restrictions on the Nekovalkyrja Species*, was made by [Her Imperial Majesty, Empress Himiko I of Yamatai](#):

"It is our view that the Nekovalkyrja, being a creature which can be created by not only by production but by natural birth, is indeed a species and we hereby decree that the whole Empire must treat it accordingly, and that the citizens of the Yamatai Star Empire who possess a NH-29 or NH-33 body are given the same rights are freedoms with one exception: as a military species created to be the protectors of Yamatai, we also declare all Nekovalkyrja citizens of Yamatai, regardless of their origin, are subject to a mandatory 3 years of military service in the Star Army of Yamatai, or the equivalent in direct service to the Yamataian government. This maintains the "veteran" status of the race which Taisho Yui explained is so highly revered amongst the Nekovalkyrja. This decree does not interfere with the Star Army of Yamatai's ability to produce Nekovalkyrja; the Star Army must continue to produce new Nekovalkyrja in any manner it sees fit."

In [YE 36](#), the Star Army introduced the [Nekovalkyrja, Type 33A](#). This larger body type was intended for service in the [Star Army Rikugun](#).

Other Nekovalkyrja Subcultures

These are types of Nekovalkyrja that have branched off over the years.

Niko Yârme

The Niko Yârme (Free Neko) are the smallest population in the [Poku Saeruo Degonjo](#). They currently number less than 300 members. Niko Yârme which literally translates to Neko that are freed, or Free Neko for simplicity.

The Niko Yârme are the surviving members of [NMX Nekovalkyrja](#) on Aetheric Haven.. After the bombardment they rebelled from their NMX masters, and spent their time trying to survive on a devastated world. They were discovered by members of the [searching_hawk](#) on a training mission. They were given a choice they could return to the [Yamatai Star Empire](#) or remain with the clan as [Râyjo Vonai \(Bound People\)](#) until they could gain citizen status. More than half of the survivors chose to go to Yamatai. The rest some 250 opted to remain with the clan.

All Niko Yârme have [NH-29](#) bodies. They possess all of the standard abilities. The Niko Yarme chose to not return to Yamatai. The main cause was they genuinely fears for their lives if they returned. They did not want to be forced to serve in another military. Their ordeal of surviving after the bombing of [Âmuar \(Dream\)](#) made them fairly independent and resourceful. They have a strong sense of community.

NMX Nekovalkyrja

The [NMX](#) made its own Nekovalkyrja after capturing some production facilities during the [Second Mishhuvurthyar War](#).

See: [nmx_nekovalkyrja](#)

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