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Minamoto Yorimitsu is a player character played by Anfortas and is not yet involved in the plot.



Physical Characteristics

Height: 183 cm (6' 00")

Mass: 73 kg (160lbs.)

Build and Skin Color: Having a runner's physique, Yori is in general lean and trim. While certainly not appearing very muscular as a result, this is more because focus on aerobic exercises has given him a higher ratio of white muscle as opposed to red, translating into greater enduring power over explosive strength. Coming from the Jhuniata Desert of Yamatai, and having spent a greater amount of time outdoors, Yori's skin has a more tanned cast to it than most Geshrin.

Facial Features and Eye Color: Yori's demeanor can best be described as 'serious'. His angular features, while handsome in their own way, are like frigid granite. Combined with piercing orange colored eyes, they portray a man who is intensely driven and focused, with little time for levity.

Hair Color and Style: Yori's hair is a wavy and black and would reach down to around his chin were it not for him wearing it swept back.

Distinguishing Features: Yori's piercing orange eyes are easily his most readily noticed features, being a hereditary marker of the Minamoto family. Other than this, having come from a desert region, he finds the temperatures most others find pleasant to be uncomfortably cold.

Psychological Characteristics

Personality: Yori is a man of sometimes hypocritical contrasts and fiercely held beliefs. But none is more closely held than his utter disdain of the concept of "talent". To him there is no such thing as talent, simply a drive to improve oneself in an area. Those who say that another person bested them through talent only show that they simply have not worked as hard to improve themselves. There is nothing that enough drive, enough focus, and enough hard work cannot accomplish. And it is this act of constant challenge and self-improvement that he feels makes life something worth treasuring.

It is for this reason that he holds "cheaters" in utter contempt. Those who circumvent the entire point of working to become stronger, smarter, and more skilled by simply using an alien technology to upgrade their bodies. In the process he feels they are making their lives meaningless. Worse that they dare to show disdain towards him, who has worked long and hard and gained, he feels, infinitely more from this. Their superiority is merely another hurdle for him to overcome, and he can allow himself the pleasure internally laughing at their folly.

Much of his conceptions were turned on their head by his discovery of his genetic daughter, a Nekovalkyrja created using genetic material harvest from his blood without his approval or even knowledge. Raising Hotaru has further colored his preconceptions about Nekovalkyrja. While he does not believe those who convert their bodies have any excuse, he has found that he cannot blame "born" Nekos for having greater natural physical capabilities. It has also shown him just how "human" Nekos are, which raises further concerns for him. Since the Neko maturation period is so short, and they are

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drafted as soon as they reach maturity, Yori has serious concerns about his daughter's social development a few months being much too short a time for a healthy mental and social maturation. He simply cannot see natural Nekos as anything but children trapped in bodies that are too old for them. While intellectually he also sees the potential conclusion of drafting child soldiers and indeed a child Empress, he has refused to dwell on it out of loyalty to Yamatai, hoping that he is using flawed logic and that his leaders simply know better.

The overall result is that Yori is an intensely focused man and more than a bit of a workaholic. Above all else he respects hard work, honest effort, and self reliance. He also deeply resents any accusations that such are not enough to succeed. While polite, he is a little distant and cold towards Nekos and Yamataians, they will need to work harder to show they are not "cheaters" and thus earn his respect. Yori loves his daughter, despite his roiling and conflicting feelings surrounding her nature, and makes consistent effort to keep tabs on her. He also possesses a deep loyalty towards Yamatai, instilled in him by his father. Although he at times questions the wisdom and morality of some of its actions, such as the Geshrin Plague and the Species Restriction Act, as a rule he rationalizes these as the actions of extremists or the work of officials who simply know more about the current situation than him.

Likes: Puzzles, Fixing things, Cooking, Working

Dislikes: "Cheaters", Cold temperatures, Laziness, Snow

Goals: At one time Yori's goal was to force his way into the Star Army command track and claw his way to the very top of the Army, simply to spite those who kept telling him he was "inferior". His experiences with his daughter have shifted his priorities though. Currently he is still attempting to formulate a new goal that takes into account his new conceptions.

History

Known Family

Minamoto Mitsunaka - Father (d. 28 YE) Minamoto Aoi - Mother (d. 12 YE) Minamoto Hotaru - Genetic Daughter (b. 31 YE)

Pre-RP

Minamoto Yorimitsu was born in YE 04 to Shoii Minamoto Mitsunaka and his wife Aoi. Mitsunaka was a military man through and through, and instilled in his son from a very early age the virtues of intense self-discipline, constant self-improvement, and loyalty to his nation. Mitsunaka was a hard man to love, even more so after the death of his wife in a vehicle accident in YE 12. Nevertheless, even without the moderating influence of his wife, Yori respected his father and looked up to him as a model to what a person should be.

Both father and son steadfastly refused to upgrade to Yamataian bodies, in Mitsunaka's case even being withheld promotion to Taii for years due to his refusal. Yori himself suffered suspicion in school for his

refusal, and was often isolated and called out by teachers and peers who were doubtful of a Geshrin being able to beat out Yamataians in grades. This also impacted Yori's position on his school's track and field team, often being regulated to the bench. These events built up great resentment in young Yori towards people who he now viewed only as cheaters and he became increasingly cold, distant, and standoffish. This, of course, only served to increase his isolation and as a result Yori grew up with little in the way of friends.

In YE 26 Yori's father was finally given his long overdue promotion to Taii, mostly in response to the military buildup following the invasion by the Mishhuvurthyar. He was given command of the YSS Raikoh, an Ayame-class Cruiser and continued to lead his ship valiantly in many battles, eventually earning the Red Tessen in the Battle of Albini in YE 28. During the Battle the YSS Raikoh engaged a Mishhuvurthyar Battleship alone, outmaneuvering and distracting the superior ship until more ships from the fleet could be spared from the rest of the battle. The Raikoh then proceeded to assist in the Battleship's destruction and the driving of the SMX from the Albini system.

Yori, who at this point was in University, could not be prouder of his father's heroic actions, which made the passing of the Species Restriction Act the very next year all the more painful. Mitsunaka-Taii once again, using reportedly very strong words, refused to upgrade to a Yamataian body and let his superiors know just how insulted he was at the lack of faith in his battle-proven command ability. He was therefor stripped of his command and given a general discharge from the Star Army. It was only his status as a war hero and recipient of the Red Tessen that prevented Mitsunaka from being court-martialed for insubordination and given a dishonorable discharge.

For the next three months Mitsunaka lobbied for the repeal of the Act, which he felt was crippling the Star Army, only to be informed that his opinions would not be taken into account and that all action concerning the Act was the sole province of the Taisho. In protest, Mitsunaka committedd suicide outside of the Star Army Headquarters on Yamatai, his former First Officer, who had inherited command of the Raikoh, acting as his beloved captain's assistant.

Yori was devastated by his father's suicide, and it only served to further inflame his resentment and budding hatred towards Nekovalkyrja. He vowed to prove them wrong. Vowed to show that his father's virtues of hard work and discipline could conquer any supposed superiority. After graduating from Yamatai University later that year with a degree in Astronomical Engineering, Yori immediately attempted to enlist in the Star Army.

After going through the qualification tests and placing 3rd overall he was ultimately rejected by the examiner, a Nekovalkyrja named Taira, due to his refusal to change to a Yamataian body. He would apply again in YE 30, only to be rejected once more despite his good scores, and once again by Taira. In YE 31, after learning that Yori was again attempting to enlist Taira decided to confront him off record.

Taira made it clear to Yori what she thought of non-Nekovalkyrja, that is to say little. She pointed out how Geshrin were weaker both mentally and physically than even Yamataians. They were a liability. A weakness that could be exploited. If Yori were truely as loyal to Yamatai as he claimed then he should have no hesitation towards upgrading for the good of the state. As it was he was worthless.

Yori argued back that it was his loyalty to his father and his own principles that prevented him from "cheating". The very same principles of discipline and self-reliance that Yamatai relied upon were put in danger by rampant ST use. There was no need for the discipline to improve oneself if you could simply

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use ST technology to give it to yourself. Further Nekovalkyrja were a danger to Yamatai by their very nature. They didn't need either Geshrin nor Yamataian and obviously held both in contempt. Their warrior culture and programming would also be guaranteed to drag Yamatai into war with any culture even mildly antagonistic. Or factionalism in the Nekos could eventually cause them to divide Yamatai in a bloody civil war. He also questioned why only Nekos and Yamataians should be allowed to die in service to their nation.

Taira fired back that the sisterhood between Nekos made such a thing impossible and that the entire point of the Star Army was so that one did not die in service, but lived and fought. Idiotic Geshrin could obviously not see that, being prideful beings unworthy of Nekovalkyrja military culture. Yori responded again that Taira was delusional if she thought factionalism was impossible, and that denying Geshrin service could deprive the Star Army of highly skilled warriors. Besides, calling him prideful for being a Geshrin was similar to the pot calling the kettle black, wasn't it?

Needless to say the argument soon got more heated, eventually degenerating into little more than a shouting match between the two before Taira struck Yori with a back-handed slap and angrily dismissed him, blood dripping from her fingers where her nails had cut the man's cheek.

Over the course a little over a month Yori was left to do little more than brood, cursing his lack of self-control over his temper. He had quite possibly blacklisted himself from the Star Army, preventing him from enlisting ever despite the repeal of the Species Restriction Order. And in retrospect he had to grudgingly admit that Taira had some good points. It was thus that Yori was in a less than stellar mood when a Star Army Investigator came to his door.

The Investigator explained that Itto Juni Taira was considered MIA on a mission that was, unfortunately, confidential. However her will had stated that should such a situation arise that custody of their daughter should be transferred to Yori. Also contained was Taira's recommendation for Yori's admittance to the Star Army.

To say that Yori was shocked would be an understatement. He couldn't decide if this was some cruel joke by Taira or if the examiner had a change of heart. And a daughter? Another trick? Another slap in the face to Yori to match the one that had healed? Show the uppity Geshrin his place? The look on the Investigator's face made it plain that he seemed to think Yori had slept his way into the Star Army. Another orchestration?

Despite his severe misgivings Yori signed the documents acknowledging the will and his daughter's custody and was taken to see her for the first time. His daughter was currently living at the Star Army Academy, in training for her drafting once she reached maturity. She and Yori were introduced and then left alone in the Arboretum to acquaint themselves. She was only a few weeks old but already was around the size of a Geshrin or Yamataian child of 7 or 8. Looking at her there was no denying that she was Yori's child. She had the same wavy black hair. The same angular features, and the same piercing orange eyes. Aside from the number of fingers, and the ears she looked almost exactly like a female child version of him. Her name was Hotaru.

They sat on a bench in silence for a long time. Yori was still trying to sort out his feelings about this. He was angry. Angry at this deception. Angry at Taira for playing him like a flute. And angry at Hotaru for being a tool in her mother's deceit. He didn't know what he was going to do though, and he looked over to this...false child, to see if that could jog some suitable course of action.

Only to see his daughter in tears. She was afraid. She didn't know where her mother was. Didn't know if she was even still alive. And now her father, with his stern face, seemed furious about something and she had no idea what. It was a natural reaction. An all too human reaction. Yori's resistance broke then and there. He took his child into his arms, holding her as she cried. And he found that he couldn't prevent tears from coming to his own eyes.

They got to talking after that. Hotaru didn't know much the circumstances of her birth, only that mentioning the subject of her father had caused her mother to look conflicted, though Taira apparently seem to smile when she thought of him. Hotaru also didn't know why Taira had bore her either, or why she used Yori's blood to do so. And now neither of them it seemed would find out. She did know about Yori though, and her family. She told him that she wanted to be just like her grandfather, commanding a ship. She was excited about going into the Army, just like her mom and dad. Her childlike enthusiasm was almost palpable, and Yori couldn't help but laugh, smile, and encourage his daughter's dreams.

Inside though he was a confused mess. Hotaru was Nekovalkyrja, a manufactured war-machine, one that would grow to physical maturity in a couple months. Something that thought itself better than him, something that he might never become better than no matter how hard he tried. But was it really her fault? This child was no monster, and a child she was. His child. He loved her. And it hurt. He knew that there was so little time. A few months and then childhood would be over. Was it right? He had years of childhood to look back on. Some of it painful yes, but mostly happy and filled with discovery and joy. Was it fair that Hotaru would be denied all of that? He didn't know. He didn't know so he would have to make the most of what time they had.

They visited often over the next couple months, Hotaru growing noticeably the entire time. Yori received his orders almost as soon as Hotaru reached maturity and entered the Academy formally. They promised to write each other frequently, and went their separate ways. Childhood was over, no matter how much both wished it wasn't.

Overriding his extreme discomfort at the thought of his less than a year old daughter becoming a soldier, Yori saw her off with a smile as he received his own assignment. They would meet again.

Skills

Communication

Yori is familiar with basic radio operation and procedures and can make transmissions to and receive transmissions from other characters through headsets, starships, power armor, and shuttles in both combat and non-combat conditions. Yori is fluent in Nepleslian and Yamataian. He can speak and write both correctly and efficiently and can write reports, fill forms, issue orders under fire, etc.

Fighting

Yori character received hand-to-hand combat training, followed up with a rigorous training program. He is skilled and experienced in combat both in Yamatai-like conditions and in zero-gravity, with and without

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weapons. Weapons he is trained in include energy pistols and knives

Technology Operation

Yori is capable of operating any computer system that uses the Kessaku OS, found on all Star Army starships. He is proficient in entering and/or searching for information.

Mathematics

Yori has received basic mathematics training, up to and including differential calculus

Maintainance and Repair

Yori focused heavily on the courses necessary to service and maintain the standard Ketsurui Fleet Yards systems aboard ships during University. He is capable of making any field repairs, and performing standard inspections and maintenance.

Engineering

Yori has a basic degree in Astronomical Engineering. He knows the basics of the design and manufacture of space stations and star ships.

Domestic

Living alone for three years has necessitated that Yori learn basic domestic skills. He is a good cook, and having had to care for his daughter Hotaru, if only for a little while, is versed in the basics of child care.

Items

- Star Army Duffel Bag
- Backpack
- Wooden jewelry box with red velvet interior (for medals and mementos)
- Photo of himself with his daughter, Hotaru

Clothing

- 3 Working Uniforms
- 2 Exercise Uniforms
- 1 pair leather gloves, dark gray

- 2 pairs leather boots, dark gray
- 8 pair of black boot Socks
- 1 yukata (cotton robe), white, with navy blue print of various silhouettes of Star Army starships.
- 1 black sash for yukata
- 1 pair black sandals
- 1 Rank Pin (See: Star Army Ranks)
- Fleet Insignia Patch on left arm of each duty uniform
- Star Army of Yamatai "Star Army Hinomaru" patch on right arm of each duty uniform
- Fleece jacket, Multi-Net 3 Camouflage Pattern.
- 1 tricorner hat, thick black felt with red border (ENLISTED)
- 1 overcoat, black, ankle-length (MALE)
- 1 scarf, occupational color.
- Star Army Helmet, Type 30
- 1 Star Army Environmental Suit, Type 28 (AMES)

Pistol Belt

• 1 pistol belt, leather, dark gray, with holster for service pistol

All items in the section below come with a belt pouch, case, sheath or holster as applicable.

- Ketsurui Zaibatsu Nekovalkyrja Service Pistol, Type 30
- 3 BR-28E Battery Magazines (1 in the pistol and 2 extra)
- Star Army Communicator, Type 29
- Star Army Flashlight, Type 30
- Survival knife, solid diamond with rubberized grip and lanyard
- Earplugs
- Field Bandage

Personal Hygiene

These items are expendable and can be reissued whenever needed. These will not need to be returned.

- 1 Black waterproof shower kit bag with detachable shoulder strap
- 1 bottle of shampoo
- 1 bottle liquid body soap
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 tube of toothpaste
- 2 washcloths, white
- 2 towels, white
- 1 stick of deodorant (for non-Nekovalkyrja)
- 1 hairbrush, round type
- 1 pair nail clippers

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Finances

Minamoto Yorimitsu is currently a Santô Hei in the Star Army of Yamatai. He receives a weekly salary of 50 KS per week.

Total Savings	Add	dition	Subtraction	Reas	on
3000 KS				Starti	ng Funds
Character Data					
Character Name Mir			noto Yorimitsu		
Character Owner Anf			as		
Character Status Inactive Player Character					
Star Army Personnel Database					
SAOY Career Status Reserve					
SAOY Rank			Santô Hei		
SAOY Occupation			Star Army Technician		
SAOY Assignment			Fort Victory Reserve Center		
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