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This page describes how the *Poku Saeruo Degonjo* classify sentient beings, and how they interact with them and their polities. Kâurvonai literally means Way of the People, which is their term for a culture.



### **Terms for Races and Factions**

- Poku clan Those of the Hidden Sun Clan are united in their cause to ensure their survival.
- Poku'ka Empire a greater Clan, organized, a nation.
- Jugal *prey* Races or ships that lack sufficient defenses and have poor fighting capabilities, which are deemed weak and therefore are classed as prey.
- Lugaj *predator* Races, groups or ships who possess formidable fighting capabilities, and who defend themselves well.
- Poku'wumy *ally* A term from the past, used for those races that the Hidden Sun Clan has an alliance with. The Poku'kai Kavoráy (Alliance) system has come back into use since the clan formed the YE 35 HSC YSE Treaty.
- Qourl *enemy* This describes those races that the Hidden Sun Clan has open enmity against. Ones who the Tanoi (Council) has declared war against.

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# **Meeting Strangers**

When encountering an unknown species or faction, an individual member of the Clan may determine whether they think the stranger is predator, prey, or a force worthy of making into an ally. As long as their actions do not cause undue risk to the Clan, the member has the right to act as they see fit with regard to the stranger they meet. A wise Poku'vonai verifies the stranger is not an Ally, lest they harm the clan by offending or killing a member of the Ally's people.

It is acceptable to Hunt a stranger. It is honorable to extort prey, rather than simply attack them, and take by force what is theirs. Demands backed by threats of violence are acceptable in Clan culture, as is the taking of hostages. Hostages are treated as per the Ra-alu Jyaon (Prisoner Rules), and may be ransomed, or turned into Râyjo Vonai (Bound People).

#### **Current Formal Relations**

At present, the Poku Saeruo Degonjo has established relations with the following groups or species.

- The Yamatai Star Empire, who they call Poku Loi Daho'ai (Clan of Female Warriors) Alliance, as per the YE 35 HSC YSE Treaty.
- The Kingdom of Neshaten, who they call Poku Neshaten (Clan Neshaten) Alliance, as per the YE 37 HSC - KON Treaty, beginning in YE 37.<sup>1)</sup>
- The Mishhuvurthyar, who they call Poku Aboka hodi (Clan of Many Legs), or alternately Siama'bu Soujo (The Defilers of the Dead) - Considered an *Enemy*. First encountered by the Clan in 745 CY YE 26, the Clan considers itself in an open state of war against all Mishhuvurthyar. Though it could be argued that there are several distinct polities of the Mishhuvurthyar species, the Clan made no such distinction.
- The Interstellar Kingdom Of Kuvexia, who they call Mâjo Abokatinka (Gold Fleet). Considered an *Enemy*. The Clan entered into a state of war with the Kingdom, and participated in the Battle Of Glimmergold to fight against the Kingdom on behalf of Yamatai.
- The Ryasou'temygo (Death Wraiths) Considered an *Enemy*. These are the foes that nearly destroyed the Qaktoro Empire in the time before the Norka (The Exodus), nearly 800 years ago. The declaration of war was never reversed.

## **Current Informal Relations**

- The Democratic Imperium of Nepleslia, who they call Poku Loa Norjopa (Clan of Machine Men) Considered a *Predator*. The Clan is in a neutral state of relations with Nepleslia. The Elefirn were
  declared to be protected by the Nepleslians at the International Relations Conference Of YE 46.<sup>2)</sup>
- The New Dusk Conclave, who they call Poku Saeruo Vakâme (Clan of the Sun Sleep (Sunset)) Considered a *Predator*. The Clan considers itself to have friendly relations with the New Dusk
  Conclave.<sup>3)</sup>
- The Elysian Celestial Empire, who they call Poku Nuiqaii (Clan of the Wings) Considered to be part of the Yamatai Star Empire, and therefore an Ally. The Clan considers itself to have friendly

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relations with the Elysian Celestial Empire.4)

• Kuvexian remnants and subordinate (or formerly subordinate species) - Under discussion. The Clan is seeking international consensus on the status of remnant Kuvexians, Ehlen, L'Kor, and Silanbar.

#### **OOC Notes**

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