

# Lorath & Helashio Liquors

A shared tradition of both the Lorath and Helashio is the enjoyment of alcoholic beverages. The primary example of this can be found in the various liquors which are distilled by both of Lor's sentient peoples.

## Ingredients and Composition

The primary ingredients which comprise liquors distilled on Lor are the various herbs and other non-fruited portions of plants which can be found throughout the surface of the planet. Due to the high alkaloid content of many of the plants on Lor, these commonly encountered liquors can deliver an intoxicating effect which would be on par with even the nastiest/potent of chemical brews which could be found on Nepleslia.

Much like Lorath wines, the liquors of Lor contain many of the same chemicals, but in far greater quantities. These chemicals include: Ethanamine, Tetrahydrocannabinol, Anandamide, Phenylethylamine.

## Traditional Lorath Liquors

Traditionally, prior to the exile of the Lorath to the undergrounds of Lor, the Lorath distilled many liquors from the same plants of which they used to brew their wines. Often these plants would be distilled in a manner which would produce a Lorath equivalent to a burbon or whiskey. Usually, the end result of the distilling and mellowing process would result in a deep purple tinted fluid. This fluid carries a soft smoke flavor, almost like consuming a liquid form of a soft incense. The flavor is often unappreciated by consumers which are not accustomed to the potency of the Ethanol content.

After the Lorath exile to the caverns which they called their prison for many many years, they changed their distilling habits. The Lorath adopted a very unusual practice of distilling various fungi and mushrooms to produce rather harsh brews, which if not watered down, would have an octane rating of 85. Thankfully, the brew was not consumed for the sake of the Ethanol, but instead for the chemical compounds carried by the spores of the fungi used.

## Kyul'vork hasana (licking cream)

An extremely old fashioned way of serving beverages, Kyul'vork Hasana (lit: licking cream) involves pouring warm sap rich in opiates into an alcoholic beverage over ice - then with a two-pronged fork, forming a ribbon with the cream which serves as a spoon for licking the beverage from.

Commonly, the beverages used were creamy and lactose based. The method is associated with physical comfort and femininity, though harder versions are available for a time amongst the upper-classes.

While the method has fallen out of favor due to its very tedious nature, though it is still used in some

Lorath religious ceremonies - primarily coming of age ceremonies and sometimes rarely, male castration - which is meant to signify liberation from male expectation to become something greater than a man - sometimes referred to as an 'honorary sister'.

To this day, to 'go back and lick your cream' (instead of your wounds) is veered as an insult implying obsession with sexuality, dreaminess and an unwillingness to cope with reality - often leveraged at females of other species who the Lorath believe spend too much time tending to their men and not themselves - cream of course representing the obvious in this case.

Sometimes, its also used to refer to men who collude together, with one attempting to mimic female characteristics (such as assuming leadership, greater physical strength or actively seducing the other - since men are seen as things to be claimed rather than those who claim in Lor's female dominated society).

## Traditional Helashio Liquors

Much like the Lorath, the Helashio harvest various plants to use for their distilling process. Unlike the Lorath, the Helashio use various roots and tubers in this process. The end result of the typical Helashio distilling process results in a vodka or tequila like beverage with a very sharp taste. Often these potent liquors are flavored after the distilling process with various sweet juices which brings out a very strong and mild flavor when mixed properly.

The typical modern Helashio distilled beverage is derived from a potato like tuber, and is flavored through the addition of a very light wine which carries a blueberry like flavor. Often a drunken Helashio can be noticed by the stain of various bright colors upon their teeth, lips, and tongues.

## Prices and Availability

Lorath liquors are sold at a regulated export price of 75 KS a bottle for typical quality. For a higher quality flavor and potency, a price of 200 KS is standard.

Helashio liquors are sold at a rather low price due to the simplistic methods used in the distilling process, they often export for 30 KS a bottle. Higher quality hand crafted Halashio brews are often sold for an astounding price of 500 KS due to the rarity of Helashio who carry the ancestral knowledge of how to brew such exquisite delights.

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