

Bangaa

A gruff, athletic lizardfolk renowned for its temperament. Bangaa are burly, muscular creatures caught in a permanent stoop; hard scales cover their bodies, while their snouts are jammed with razor-sharp teeth capable of rending and tearing with terrible ease. Though they may seem ponderous, Bangaa are surprisingly nimble, and can muster short bursts of speed where needed. Despite their reptilian ancestry, Bangaa tend to grow 'whiskers' or facial hair as they age; females have a prominent ruff of downy fur that covers their chests, the only significant difference between the two genders.

Bangaa are excellent scouts and trackers, favoring smell and hearing over sight. As a result, it is not uncommon to see Bangaa wearing blindfolds as a fashion statement. Their long, loose-hanging ears are split in two, giving them superior directional hearing; the tips are often pierced or encased in metal. Tattoos are another common decorative device, particularly among younger Bangaa; these are generally drawn on the shoulders or under the eyes.

Despite their longevity, low breeding rates mean that Bangaa population size remains relatively static. Four distinct subspecies of Bangaa exist: the sharp-snouted, long-eared Sanga and Bista – colored gray-black and ochre respectively – and the blunt-snouted, short-eared Faas and Ruga, colored green and sand-brown. However, interbreeding has created a plethora of hybrids over the centuries whose skin colors can range from white to deep blue.

Bangaa Racial Traits

- **Ability Score Racial Traits:** Bangaa possesses formidable agility and a natural insight, but are not too bright. They gain +2 Dexterity, +2 Wisdom, and -2 Intelligence.
- **Size:** Bangaa are Medium creatures, and have no bonuses or penalties due to their size.
- **Type:** Bangaa are Humanoid creatures with the reptilian subtype.
- **Base Speed:** Bangaa have a base speed of 30 feet on land.
- **Languages:** Bangaa begin play speaking Common and Banganese. Bangaa with high Intelligence can choose bonus languages from the following: Draconic, Giant, Ignan, Numish, Seeq, Terran.

Defense Racial Traits

- **Desert Delver:** Bangaa have adapted to the extremes of cold and heat that can suddenly occur in both the harsh deserts and the mountain tunnels around their caravan routes. Bangaa gain a +4 racial bonus on Constitution checks and Fortitude saves to avoid fatigue, exhaustion, and other ill effects from running, forced marches, starvation, thirst, and hot or cold environments, and treat the temperature as 20 degrees cooler or warmer when determining the effects of extreme heat or extreme cold environments. This counts as the Endurance feat for qualifying for feats, but will otherwise stack with the feat.
- **Elemental Resistance:** Due to their life in the sands and scaly exteriors, the bangaa have a higher resilience to the elements. Bangaa gain resistance 5 against fire and ice.
- **Stability:** Bangaa receive a +4 racial bonus to their Combat Maneuver Defense when resisting a bull rush or trip attempt while standing on the ground.
- **Thick-skinned:** A bangaa's tough and scaly hide grants a +1 bonus to natural armor.

Feat and Skill Racial Traits

- **Keen Senses:** Bangaa receive a +2 racial bonus on Perception checks.
- **Well-Balanced:** Bangaa receive a +2 racial bonus on Acrobatics checks.

Offense Racial Traits

- **Bite:** Bangaa gain a natural bite attack, dealing 1d4 points of damage. The bite is a primary attack, or a secondary attack if the bangaa is wielding manufactured weapons.
- **Deft Pugilist:** Bangaa learn from an early age their agility is their greatest asset, train their bodies to capitalize. Bangaa are always considered armed and do not provoke an attack of opportunity for making an unarmed attack.

Senses Racial Traits

- **Low-Light Vision:** Bangaa have low-light vision allowing them to see twice as far as humes in dim light.

Alternate Racial Traits

The following alternate racial traits may be selected in place of one or more of the standard racial traits above. Consult your GM before selecting any of these new options.

- **Blinded:** Normal bangaa have poor eyesight, made up for by exceptional smell. Some bangaa purposefully wear blindfolds or other eye coverings beginning at an early age to better develop their olfactory sense. Bangaa with this racial trait are blind but receive the scent special ability. Furthermore, bangaa with this racial trait receive no penalties for being blind as long as the bangaa is able to use scent instead. This racial trait replaces low-light vision.
- **Claws:** Some bangaa have stronger and more developed claws than other members of their race, and can use them to make attacks. Bangaa with this racial trait have a pair of claws they can use as natural weapons. These claws are secondary attacks that deal 1d3 points of damage. This racial trait replaces thick-skinned.
- **Prehensile Tail:** Some bangaa have a long, flexible tail that can be used to carry objects. They cannot wield weapons with their tails, but they can retrieve small, stowed objects carried on their persons as a swift action. This racial trait replaces stability.
- **Questioning:** Certain bangaa ponder their race's history and place in the world. Bangaa with this racial trait treat all Knowledge skills as class skills, and gain a +2 racial bonus to the Knowledge skill of their choice. This racial trait replaces well-balanced.
- **Weapon Familiarity:** All bangaa train for combat while young. Those bangaa who show aptitude for a particular weapon pursue study of that weapon feverishly. Bangaa with this racial trait gain proficiency with any one weapon. This racial trait replaces deft pugilist.

Variant Bangaa Heritages

Although many bangaa follow the general model of the bangaa, many more do not. Those of different lineages may evince dramatically different manifestations of their heritage, both in appearance and in ability. Here are 4 different potential heritages for bangaa PCs. If you choose to use a specific bloodline instead of the general rules for creating a bangaa, you should work with your GM to ensure that your character's appearance reflects that bloodline.

- **Alternate Skill Modifier:** While most bangaa gain a +2 racial bonus on Perception checks, those of the variant heritages listed below gain a modifier to different skill.

Table: Variant Bangaa Heritages

Heritage	Ability Modifiers	Alternate Skill Modifier	Description
Bista	+2 Cha, +2 Con, -2 Str	Intimidate	Copper-colored skin Bangaa who are more laid-back.

Faas	+2 Str, +2 Wis, -2 Int	Swim	The athletic Bangaa Faas with bronze skin are soldiers with a strong sense of justice. With yellow-brown skin and shorter ears, Bangaa Ruga are more gentle than most and are more likely to be instructors or monks. The ash-colored skin Bangaa who make life easier and interact more with Humes.
Ruga	+2 Dex, +2 Cha, -2 Str	Diplomacy	
Sanga	+2 Con, +2 Wis, -2 Dex	Sense Motive	

Racial Feats

The following feats are available to a bangaa character who meets the prerequisites.

- Improved Deft Pugilist
- Ironhide
- Rending Claws
- Tail Terror

Racial Archetypes

The following racial archetypes are available to bangaas:

- [Featherweight](#) (Monk; Bangaa)
- [Pugilist](#) (Black Belt; Bangaa)

Favored Class Options

The following favored class options are available to all characters of this race who have the listed favored class, and unless otherwise stated, the bonus applies each time you select the favored class reward.

- **Beastmaster:** Add +1/2 on critical hit confirmation rolls for attacks made with unarmed strikes or natural weapons (maximum bonus of +4). This bonus does not stack with Critical Focus.
- **Berserker:** Add +1/2 on critical hit confirmation rolls for attacks made with unarmed strikes or natural weapons (maximum bonus of +4). This bonus does not stack with Critical Focus.
- **Black Belt:** Add +1/6 to gain a new martial art talent.
- **Cleric:** Add a +1/2 bonus on Intimidate checks and Knowledge checks to identify creatures.
- **Dragoon:** The dragoon gains +1/6 of an additional 1d6 points of deadly lancer damage.
- **Fighter:** Add +1/2 to damage rolls the fighter makes with weapon attacks against an opponent she is flanking or an opponent that is denied its dexterity bonus to AC.
- **Gambler:** Add +1/4 to the gambler's luck pool.
- **Gunner:** Add a +1/3 bonus to the AC bonus granted by the gunner's dodge deed.
- **Knight:** Add +1 to the knight's total number of defensive stance rounds per day.
- **Monk:** Add +1/3 to the monk's AC bonus class ability.
- **Thief:** Add a +1 bonus on the thief's sneak attack damage rolls during the surprise round or before the target has acted in combat.