

CHARACTER NAME - Bolla Ropal

SPECIES - Rodian

GENDER - Male

HEIGHT - 1.75 meters

MOVE - 10

DEXTERITY: 3D+2

Lightsaber: 4D+1

KNOWLEDGE: 4D

Alien Species: 4D+1

Command: 5D

Cultures: 4D+2

Languages: 5D

Scholar: 6D

Scholar: Jedi Lore: 7D

Willpower: 8D+1



MECHANICAL: 2D

PERCEPTION: 3D+1

Hide: 6D

STRENGTH: 3D

Climbing/Jumping: 3D

TECHNICAL: 2D

First Aid: 3D

Lightsaber Repair: 5D

Computer Programming/Repair: 5D+2

SPECIAL ABILITIES:

Control: 6D+1

Absorb/Dissipate Energy, Accelerate Healing, Control Pain, Emptiness, Enhance Strength, Enhanced Reflexes, Force Jump, Force of Will, Force Speed, Remain Conscious, Resist Stun

Sense: 6D

Danger Sense, Life Detection, Life Sense, Magnify Senses, Receptive Telepathy, Sense Disturbance, Sense Force

Alter: 5D

Stun Enemy, Telekinesis

Control/Sense:

Lightsaber Combat, Martial Combat, Protection/Shield

Control/Alter:

Control/Sense/Alter:

Affect Mind/Mind Trick

EQUIPMENT:

Lightsaber (Green): 5D, Jedi Masters Robes, "The Kyber Crystal"

FORCE SENSITIVE - Y

FORCE POINTS: 20

CHARACTER POINTS: 5

DARK SIDE POINTS: 0

Character Bio: Bolla Ropal was a male Rodian Jedi Master who lived in the waning years of the Galactic Republic. During the Clone Wars, Ropal acted as the keeper of the Kyber memory crystal, a device that contained the names of all known Force-sensitive children in the galaxy. Around the beginning of the war, the Rodian accompanied several other Jedi Masters and members of the Jedi High Council to a meeting with Supreme Chancellor Palpatine regarding the kidnapping of the Hutt crime lord Jabba Desilijic Tiure's son by agents of the Confederacy of Independent Systems. Later in the war, Ropal and his Padawan, Tyzen Xebec, oversaw the construction of the Temple of Eedit, a Republic base on Devaron.

During a meeting between Ropal and several Devaronian dignitaries, Devaron was invaded by Confederate forces under the command of the bounty hunter Cad Bane. Under the directive of his client, Darth Sidious, Bane hunted down Ropal in order to retrieve the Kyber crystal and unlock the information it held. Ropal was defeated during the battle and taken to Bane's Munificent-class frigate, where he was imprisoned and tortured. Learning of Bane's plot to steal the crystal, Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker led a Republic fleet to Devaron to engage the bounty hunter and rescue Ropal before the Confederate forces fled the system. Short on time, Bane increased Ropal's torture while repeatedly trying to force the Jedi Master to unlock the secrets of the crystal. Ropal continually refused, and the torture eventually resulted in his death. The Jedi Master's body was discovered shortly thereafter by Republic forces and moved to the Venator-class Star Destroyer Resolute.

Bolla Ropal was a male Rodian who served as a Jedi in the waning years of the Galactic Republic. Hailing from the Outer Rim world of Rodia, he eventually rose to the level of Jedi Master and took the Zabrak Tyzen Xebec as his apprentice. As a Master, Ropal was given the duty to protect and preserve the information within the Kyber memory crystal, a device that held the identities of all known Force-

sensitive younglings in the galaxy. This information would then be used by the Jedi Order to find new children to initiate into their ranks. Ropal visited at least one of these younglings, Wee Dunn, in Rodia's Kay-Tap square. After witnessing the child's strong connection to the Force, Ropal confirmed that he would eventually be taken by the Jedi Order but reassured the infant's mother, Mahtee Dunn, that this would not happen for quite some time. Ropal also had a keen interest in holocrons-repositories of Force information and history. Over his lifetime, the Jedi Master studied many of these devices.

With the outbreak of the Clone Wars in 22 BBY, Ropal joined his fellow Jedi in becoming a general in the Grand Army of the Republic. Shortly after the beginning of the conflict, he accompanied Jedi Masters Mace Windu, Plo Koon, and Luminara Unduli to a meeting with Supreme Chancellor Palpatine in the Chancellor's office in the Republic Executive Building of Coruscant's Senate District. The Chancellor had been contacted by the Hutt crime lord Jabba Desilijic Tiure following the kidnapping of his son, Rotta, and had agreed to send Jedi to aid in the investigation, despite reservations voiced by Windu and Unduli. Rotta was eventually found and returned to Jabba by Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker and his Padawan, Ahsoka Tano.

Later in the war, Ropal and Xebec led a contingent of the Grand Army to Devaron, a world in the Colonies region that had recently consented to allow the Republic to build the Temple of Eedit, a base on their planet. Not wanting his men to sit idle within the base, Ropal put them to work on several non-combat tasks. Under his guidance, clone troopers serving with Clone Commander CC-4572, nicknamed "Ganch," of the 612th Attack Battalion, undertook good-will projects for the native Devaronians, including the construction of a dam and the ecological restoration of a once-verdant valley. Ropal took a special interest in the valley, believing it to be symbolic of Devaron's future.

Meanwhile, Dark Lord of the Sith Darth Sidious had hired Duros bounty hunter Cad Bane to retrieve the information stored within Ropal's Kyber crystal. After stealing a holocron from the Jedi Temple, Bane was loaned a fleet of Trade Federation warships to take to Devaron. Although the Jedi High Council had learned of Bane's plans, they were unable to contact Ropal and warn him, as he had become out-of-contact in the Devaron system. During a meeting between Ropal and two Devaronian ministers, one male and one female, concerning the progress of the Republic projects, Bane's armada invaded the planet. The bounty hunter's forces flooded into the valley where the Republic army was stationed and quickly overpowered Ropal's troops, despite the efforts of Commander Ganch and his soldiers. Taken by surprise, Ropal understood that the battle was lost and ordered Xebec to stay out of the valley.

Bane dispatched fellow bounty hunter Aurra Sing to lead a squad of battle droids to locate Ropal and report his location to the Duros so he could move in and capture the Jedi. Sing's team sighted Ropal near the eastern wall of the valley and shot down a Republic gunship to distract him and his forces from Bane's arrival on the battlefield. Upon landing on the surface of the planet, Bane engaged the Jedi Master in combat, firing at him with cortosis bullets that shorted out Ropal's lightsaber. Bane then bound Ropal's legs with a fibercord whip and pulled him to the ground. After Bane revealed the stolen holocron and demanded that Ropal aid him in opening it, the Rodian refused and threw aside his lightsaber. Ropal was then rendered unconscious by an electrical shock from a super battle droid and taken prisoner by Bane.

Stripped of the Kyber crystal, the unconscious Ropal was taken by a pair of super battle droids to a

Sheathipede-class shuttle before being ferried up to Bane's Munificent-class frigate. Ropal was dragged to the ship's cell blocks and placed within a magnetic containment field. After Ropal was jabbed in the chest by a MagnaGuard's electrostaff, the battle droid overseeing Ropal's interrogation instructed the barely conscious Rodian that he was to remain awake until Bane had arrived. While waiting, Ropal's droid captors attached mind limiters and pain pulsers to his body and injected him with a full dose of the drug X-C33.

As Bane's armada prepared to depart Devaron, Anakin Skywalker led a fleet of Republic warships into the system in order to prevent Bane's escape. Skywalker's flagship, the Venator-class Star Destroyer *Resolute*, fired upon the hyperdrive engines of Bane's frigate, preventing it from fleeing to hyperspace. Recognizing that he had little time before Skywalker and his forces boarded the frigate, Bane demanded that Ropal assist him in opening the holocron he had stolen from the Jedi Temple. With the holocron open, Bane would be able to insert the Kyber crystal and access the information it stored. However, Ropal refused Bane's demands, as he sensed that the bounty hunter was working on behalf of a greater evil, and so was electrocuted several times more. After one final refusal from Ropal, Bane ordered the battle droid overseeing the torture to electrocute the Jedi at full power. Ropal died, and his limp body was dropped to the floor. The body was later discovered by Skywalker and Ahsoka Tano, and moved from the Confederate frigate to the *Resolute*.

Because of Ropal's refusal to comply with his orders, Bane was forced to seek another Jedi to aid him in accessing the Kyber crystal's information. He was eventually able to trap Tano on the shielded spaceward side of an airlock aboard the Confederate frigate. Under the threat of having his apprentice jettisoned into the vacuum of space, Skywalker opened the holocron for Bane—doing exactly what Ropal had sacrificed his life to avoid. Bane escaped with the holocron and, under the orders of Darth Sidious, began collecting children from the list on the Kyber crystal. Bane eventually traveled to Rodia to capture Wee Dunn. Although Bane was masquerading as a Jedi, Mahtee Dunn was hesitant to relinquish her son, citing her earlier visit from Ropal and his assurances that the young Rodian would not be inducted into the Jedi Order for quite some time. Despite this, Bane escaped with Wee Dunn and took him to the planet Mustafar. The children whom Bane stole were later rescued by Skywalker and Tano, and the holocron was recovered by Masters Windu and Obi-Wan Kenobi.

On Devaron, Xebec was left without a Master. The dam that Ropal had been working to construct was destroyed during Bane's assault on Devaron, flooding the valley that he had invested so much time on. Reflecting on his Master, Xebec surmised that Ropal was too focused on the future, and his unfinished work on the valley was representative of that flaw. The young Zabrak returned to the Jedi Temple on Coruscant, where he was informed of his Master's death at Bane's hands by Windu. Xebec later ran into Tano, inquiring after her role in finding and rescuing Ropal. The distraught Xebec confided in Tano his anger with his Master's constant pacifism and what Xebec perceived to be an attitude of intellectual superiority. Xebec was later given a new Master, Keelyvine Reus, who had difficulties training her new Padawan.

A brave Jedi Master,] Bolla Ropal was highly concerned with the future welfare of the Republic and the Jedi Order. In his position as the keeper of the Kyber crystal, Ropal was the protector of the information that ultimately represented the future generations of the Jedi Knights. As a general in the Grand Army of

the Republic, Ropal used the troops under his command for goodwill projects that bolstered public opinion of the Republic. His belief that the Republic's military might could be good for something other than destruction and war manifested itself in his work in the valley on Devaron. Believing it to be representative of the future of the Devaronians, Ropal took its restoration as his personal pet project and spent much time working on it. Ropal's dedication to the future kept him from giving into Cad Bane, despite the torture he experienced at the hands of the bounty hunter.

The Jedi Master understood that a hired gun such as Cad Bane was unlikely to come across knowledge of the Kyber crystal, as the artifact was one of the Jedi Order's most closely guarded secrets. Indeed, there were even individuals within the Order itself who did not know of its existence until Ropal became a target of the Confederacy. Knowing the secrecy surrounding the crystal and its contents, Ropal correctly surmised that Bane was working on behalf of a far more dangerous enemy who could be a threat to the future of the Order. As such, the Jedi Master accepted torture and death in order to protect the secrets of the Jedi.

Ropal cared deeply for his Padawan, Tyzen Xebec. During the invasion of Devaron, Ropal understood that the Republic base and valley were going to be overrun, and thus ordered Xebec to stay away in the interest of his safety. Although Xebec wished to aid his Master, he obeyed his orders and remained with Commander Ganch during Ropal's abduction. In the aftermath of the battle, Xebec believed that his Master had been too focused on the future and was unable to see the present, a flaw that had cost him his life. The young Zabrak also lamented that his Master had not lived to see the completion of his work on Devaron.

Bolla Ropal was strong enough in the Force to reach the status of Jedi Master. Although the Rodian lacked combat ability and prowess with a lightsaber, he was talented in predicting the future through the Force as a seer. His confidence in that power was shown to be misplaced when he was unable to foresee the invasion of Devaron. Ropal also had a commendable knowledge of Jedi history.

When engaging Cad Bane, Ropal was quickly neutralized. Despite his perceived weakness, the Jedi Master was able to withstand extended periods of torture that included electrocutions and poisoning. On a dossier acquired by Bane regarding Ropal, his abilities were stated to be "in question," and his threat potential was listed as "minimal." During the Clone Wars, Ropal carried a green-bladed lightsaber.

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