

CHARACTER NAME: Maz Kanata

SPECIES - Unknown

GENDER - Female

HEIGHT - 1.24 meters

MOVE - 8

DEXTERITY: 2D+2

Blaster: 6D

Brawling Parry: 4D+2

Dodge: 6D

Melee Combat: 5D

Melee Parry: 5D+2

PERCEPTION: 5D

Bargain: 7D+2

Command: 6D+2

Hide: 6D

Persuasion: 8D+1

Search: 7D

Sneak: 6D+1

KNOWLEDGE: 4D+2

Alien Species: 9D+1

Cultures: 5D

Intimidation: 6D+1

Languages: 7D+1

Planetary Systems: 9D+2

Scholar (Jedi Lore): 6D

Scholar (Sith Lore): 6D

Streetwise: 8D+2

Tactics: 6D+1

Value: 8D+1

Willpower: 9D

STRENGTH: 2D

Brawling: 4D+2

Climbing/Jumping: 5D+2

Stamina: 3D

Lifting: 3D

MECHANICAL: 3D

Astrogation: 6D+1

Repulsorlift Operation: 5D+1

Space Transports: 7D



Starship Gunnery: 6D

TECHNICAL: 3D+2

Computer Programming/Repair: 5D+2

Droid Programming/Repair: 5D+1

Space Transport Repair: 5D=2

Starfighter Repair: 4D+2

Capital Ship Repair: 4D

Repulsorlift Repair: 5D+1

Security: 7D

FORCE SENSITIVE : Y

FORCE POINTS : 30

DARK SIDE POINTS 0

CHARACTER POINTS 25

Equipment: Starships (The Stranger's Fortune and the Epoch Swift), wroshyr wood curio box (containing Anakin Skywalker's Lightsaber, a four-thousand-year-old hyperspace sextant, a fusioncutter head, and a diatium power cell), a bust of Cherriff Maota (a Jedi Master of old), variable lens corrective goggles, silver-buckled belt suspended an assortment of technology (including a compact blaster pistol), a beaded necklace and a large number of rings and bracelets such as the Bracelet of the Sutro

Character Bio - Maz Kanata was a Force-sensitive humanoid female who was born over a millennium before the brewing war between the First Order and the Resistance. Living in an ancient castle on the planet Takodana, Kanata gained a reputation as a "pirate queen" by allowing traveling smugglers to reside in her home as long as they honored her prohibitions against politics and war. Kanata spent centuries traveling the galaxy, collecting antiques and trinkets which she kept inside the storehouses and vaults of her castle. One notable item was the lightsaber crafted by Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker and later wielded by Skywalker's son, Luke, who was instrumental in toppling the Galactic Empire.

Thirty years after the Empire's defeat at the Battle of Endor, the smuggler Han Solo brought Rey, a scavenger from the desert planet Jakku, to Kanata's castle. Kanata took interest in the girl, and when the Skywalker lightsaber called out to Rey through the Force, the smuggler queen told the scavenger to keep the weapon. Rey refused, however, and the human fled the castle, shortly before stormtroopers of the First Order arrived looking for her. During the ensuing battle, Kanata's castle was destroyed, and Rey was taken prisoner, so Kanata entrusted the lightsaber to Finn, a former First Order stormtrooper who abandoned his previous occupation, choosing to help the Resistance.

Born over a millennium before the conflict between the First Order and the Resistance, Maz Kanata was a Force-sensitive female who learned to live and thrive in the criminal underworld of the galaxy. Living on her homeworld, the planet Takodana, Kanata resided in a lakeside castle which was home to the ancient protocol droid ME-8D9, nicknamed "Emmie." The castle was a battleground between ancient Jedi and Sith, and with time, Emmie was rumored to have started out with the Jedi Order. Relatively late during Kanata's stay on Takodana, she married, and her husband gifted her a statue in her image. The statue remained at the castle until the time of the First Order•Resistance conflict, although the marriage did not

last.

A thousand years before the First Order•Resistance conflict, Kanata became reputed as a "pirate queen," giving credits, equipment, and connections to young smugglers, often allowing them a day in her home for free or a long-term stay for rent. In addition to hosting smugglers and pirates, Kanata housed traveling musicians, and she hired a majordomo who oversaw the castle's activities and a kitchen crew headed by the Artiodac chef Strono Tuggs, who stayed with Kanata's castle for centuries. Unlike her chef, however, Kanata spent centuries of her life traveling the galaxy, collecting antiques and other treasures. She kept her collection of countless trinkets in the storehouses and vaults of her castle, and she protected items that spoke to her through the Force, believing that relics from the past could impact the future.

Kanata's connection to the Force acquainted her with members of the Jedi Order and protected her from danger, but following Darth Sidious' rise to power, the formation of the Galactic Empire, and the execution of all Jedi, Kanata kept her abilities a secret. However, the Empire was challenged by the Alliance to Restore the Republic, and nineteen years after the New Order's creation, it suffered a major loss during the Battle of Yavin when Luke Skywalker,] son of Jedi Knight Anakin Skywalker, destroyed the Death Star, a massive Imperial superweapon.

This section of the article assumes that the player chose to align with the Alliance to Restore the Republic. Alternate stories are noted in the "Behind the scenes" section. Note: The events in this section may or may not have been confirmed as canon.

#### Star Wars Commander Maz

During the Empire's reign, Kanata employed mercenaries to help her avoid Imperial detection.

Shortly after the Battle of Yavin, Kanata discovered that the Empire had been collecting an unsettling amount of information on her. To prevent them from learning too much, she hired a mercenary via hologram to strike selected Imperial targets on six worlds: Tatooine, Dandoran, Er'Kit, Hoth, Yavin 4, and her home of Takodana. The mercenary was successful in completing Kanata's objectives, so she rewarded the gunman by employing an Ithorian saboteur to work for them.

In 4 ABY, Sidious was killed by former Jedi Anakin Skywalker in the Battle of Endor, and Kanata again felt comfortable sharing her Force-sensitivity. In 5 ABY, Kanata's home was visited by Romwell Krass Junior, an Imperial Security Bureau agent who had narrowly escaped a New Republic attack on the Hyborean Moon which took the lives of his family and friends. On the third day of his stay, Krass was drinking at Kanata's bar when he saw a New Republic pilot. Krass assaulted the man, blaming the pilot for his family's death. The fight was stopped by Emmie, who informed the two that they had violated the castle rules; as such, she rendered them unconscious and brought them to cells within the castle's dungeon.

When the two awoke, they began yelling at each other, before Kanata arrived and told them to be silent. Retrieving a step-stool from the wall, Kanata climbed to look through the windowed door of Krass' cell, adjusting her goggles and telling the Imperial to come closer. As she examined Krass, she told him that she saw his suffering, as well as the suffering caused by him. Declaring that the Empire was dead, Kanata unlocked the cell, telling Krass to leave the castle and find peace. After the Imperial left, Kanata granted the pilot freedom, and she went to meditate on a parapet overlooking Nymeve Lake. Emmie

joined the pirate, stating that the castle was at peace. Kanata, responding that her heart was not at peace, told Emmie that the Force felt off balance. Requesting that the droid prepare her starship, the *Tua-Lu*, for flight, Kanata added that she wished to look around the galaxy and see what she could see.

In the time that followed, Skywalker's son Luke, the last remaining Jedi, began training a new generation of warriors. However, Skywalker vanished when his Jedi were destroyed by Kylo Ren, a pupil of his who went on to lead the First Order, the organization born from the Empire's remnants. At some point in her travels, Kanata acquired Skywalker's lightsaber, which was constructed by Anakin and later wielded by Luke. Cognisant of the lightsaber's greatness, Kanata stored the weapon in an ancient, wroshyr wood curio box, along with a four-thousand-year-old hyperspace sextant, a fusioncutter head, and a diatium power cell.

Thirty years after the Battle of Endor, Kanata was visited by Han Solo, an old friend of hers whom she had not seen in twenty-five years. When Solo entered the castle, Kanata greeted him by shouting his name, temporarily halting the tavern's activity. Kanata approached Solo and inquired about the absence of Chewbacca•Solo's first mate and Kanata's Wookiee "boyfriend" of over thirty-one years. Solo, who was accompanied by Rey, Finn, and BB-8•a young scavenger from the desert world Jakku, a defecting First Order stormtrooper, and a Resistance astromech droid, respectively•explained that Chewbacca was making repairs to their starship, the *Millennium Falcon*. Assuming that Solo needed desperate help with something, Kanata led the group to a table to eat and discuss their dilemma.

Solo explained that the droid BB-8 contained a map leading to Luke Skywalker, and that it needed to be delivered to his wife, Resistance General Leia Organa, with whom Solo was estranged. Kanata refused, saying that Solo had been avoiding the fight for too long, and he needed to go home. Finn objected Kanata's answer, while Rey asked Kanata what "fight" she was referring to. Kanata explained that there was only one fight: the fight against the dark side of the Force, which took the form of the Sith, the Empire, and the First Order. Kanata went on to argue that they should all oppose the spreading of the First Order, but Finn insisted that a fight against the First Order could not be won. As Finn spoke, Kanata adjusted her variable lens corrective goggles, crawled up onto the table, and looked into Finn's eyes, saying that he had the eyes of a man who wanted to run. Finn, telling Kanata she did not know the things he had seen, suggested that they all needed to run. Resigned, Kanata climbed down from the table and directed Finn to Sidon Ithano and Quiggold, two pirates who would trade work for transportation to the galaxy's Outer Rim Territories. Finn stood up and left, and when Rey went after him, Kanata asked Solo who she was.

The smuggler informed Kanata that Rey lived alone on Jakku, and that the scavenger wished to return there, believing her family would be coming back. Kanata went to speak with Rey, finding the human with BB-8 in a lower level hall, stumbling out of a storeroom and looking shaken. Rey, who had a vision after coming into contact with the Skywalker lightsaber, asked Kanata what it was, saying she regretted entering the room. Kanata explained that the lightsaber belonged to Luke and his father before him, and it was then calling to her. Rey responded by insisting she return to Jakku, but Kanata, removing her goggles and taking the girl's hand, told her that she already knew the truth: whomever Rey was awaiting would never come back. However, Kanata added that while no one from Rey's past was returning, Luke still could, and that what Rey sought was not behind her, but ahead. Kanata admitted that she was not a

Jedi herself, but she still knew the Force, explaining that it moved through and surrounded every living thing. Instructing Rey to close her eyes and feel the light side of the Force, the pirate told the scavenger that it would always guide her, and that the girl should keep the lightsaber. However, Rey stated that she would never touch the weapon again, and that she wanted nothing to do with the Force. Kanata stammered as Rey, followed by BB-8, ran from the hall, leaving the pirate alone with her thoughts: one could teach knowledge, skills, and even the Force, but not patience.

Shortly after Rey left, patrons of the castle hurried outside to witness the destruction of the New Republic's capital, Hosnian Prime, visible in the sky above. Finn deduced it was an act of the First Order, and he regrouped with Solo and Chewbacca, asking where Rey was. Kanata approached the group and told them that Rey was where she needed to be, and said there was something they should see. The pirate led them to the storeroom where Rey was, and she presented the lightsaber to Finn. Solo, who had been a close friend of Luke's, asked where Kanata got the weapon, but Kanata dismissed him, saying it was a story for another time. Telling Finn to find Rey, Kanata passed the lightsaber to him. Before they left the room, the castle shook, signaling the arrival of the First Order, and the hallway collapsed as First Order TIE fighters leveled the castle. Led by Chewbacca, the four cleared a tunnel to the surface, where the Wookiee and Solo immediately joined the battle against the First Order troops. Finn and Kanata exited next, and the pirate ordered Finn to find and help Rey and BB-8. However, Finn insisted that he needed a weapon first, so Kanata reminded him that he already had one, seizing his wrist which held the lightsaber. Finn activated the blade and entered the fight alongside Solo and Chewbacca until forces of the Resistance arrived to provide support. However, despite the Resistance's arrival and the retreat of the First Order's forces, Finn was unable to prevent Rey from being taken captive by Kylo Ren. In the battle's aftermath, Kanata spoke with BB-8, telling the droid that although the First Order took Rey, they could not give up hope, and the Resistance needed the astromech's help. Kanata then walked over to Finn, joking that she had some cleaning up to do. Looking up at Finn, Kanata smiled with satisfaction, noting that she no longer saw the eyes of a coward, but the eyes of a warrior.

Kanata was a humanoid alien who stood at a height of 1.24 meters (4 feet and 1 inch). She had brown eyes, wispy white hair, and burnt-orange skin, and her face was wrinkled by centuries of hearty laughter and kind smiles. Due to the pirate's millennia-long lifespan, decades were like brief moments in time for her.

As a poet and painter, Kanata took delight in all forms of art, so she offered board to traveling musicians in exchange for their performances. One such musician was Infrablue Zedbeddy Coggins, an alien who played the hypolloiope horn cluster in a quartet alongside Taybin Ralorsa, Ubert Quaril, and Sudswater Dillifay Glon. Kanata also allowed a variety of scoundrels to stay in her castle, but only if they obeyed her prohibitions against war and politics, as well as her only spoken rule: "All are welcome. (No fighting.)," a mantra written in a hundred different languages on a wall beyond her bar. Individuals who broke the castle law were subjected to Kanata's sentences, which ranged from being locked in her dungeon to potentially being ejected from the airlock of the Tua-Lu. The hostess took a liking to one particular scoundrel, the Wookiee Chewbacca, whom she jokingly referred to as her boyfriend.

From her castle, Kanata witnessed the rise and fall of galactic powers, which she attributed to the delicate balance between the light and dark sides of the Force. Although Kanata chose not to train as a

Jedi, she had a strong connection to the Force, giving her the preternatural gift of sensing changes of fortune throughout the galaxy. Kanata's powers also allowed her to feel the presence of others, demonstrated when she sensed Solo's return] after his twenty-five-year absence

In addition to speaking Galactic Basic, Kanata could speak an alien dialect.

Spending centuries of her life traveling the galaxy, Kanata owned many starships, including the Tua-Lu•also known as the Stranger's Fortune•and the Epoch Swift. During her travels Kanata collected countless antiqued trinkets and treasures, notably including Skywalker's lightsaber. She stored the lightsaber in an ancient, unlocked wroshyr wood curio box, along with her other dearest treasures: a four-thousand-year-old hyperspace sextant, a fusioncutter head, and a diatium power cell. The box was kept behind the closed door of a basement storeroom, a vault which also contained a bust of Cherriff Maota, a Jedi Master of old.

Kanata's millennia-old castle was located on the edge of a primordial forest along the shore of Nymeve Lake, a freshwater body and battle site between ancient Sith and Jedi. The stone fortress had a trapezoidal architecture, considered both impressive and beautiful. Despite the castle's age, it was modernized with sensor arrays and communications gear that allowed its owner to stay connected with the rest of the galaxy. Kanata enjoyed the technological contrast between her castle and the surrounding forest, and she viewed it as the manifestation of a cosmic balance. Towers of the castle also held prayer flags hung by deep-space explorers, and the entrance to Kanata's castle was adorned with various flags and banners which represented hundreds of cities, civilizations, and guilds; among them were a flag of the Ohnaka Gang, the emblem of the Broken Horn Syndicate, Mandalorian war banners, and podracing pennants (including those used by Anakin Skywalker and the Dug Sebulba during the Boonta Eve Classic). Directly above the sectioned metal door was a towering statue of the pirate queen with her arms outstretched, a gift from Kanata's former husband.

The smuggler dressed practically, and at the time of Solo and Rey's visit Kanata wore clothes she knitted herself: colorful socks, baggy maroon pants held by a leather belt, a dark gray vest over a blue-green sweater, and a simple gray cap. Attached to Kanata's cap were large, variable lens corrective goggles, and her silver-buckled belt suspended an assortment of technology, including a compact blaster pistol. The pirate also wore a beaded necklace and a large number of rings and bracelets, such as the Bracelet of the Suro.

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