

Name: Lah'mu

Region: Outer Rim Territories

Sector: Raioballo sector

Moons: 1; formerly more

Grid coordinates: L-3

Diameter: 12,618 km

Atmosphere: Breathable to humans

Primary terrain: Black sand beaches, fertile lowlands, plateaus, mountains

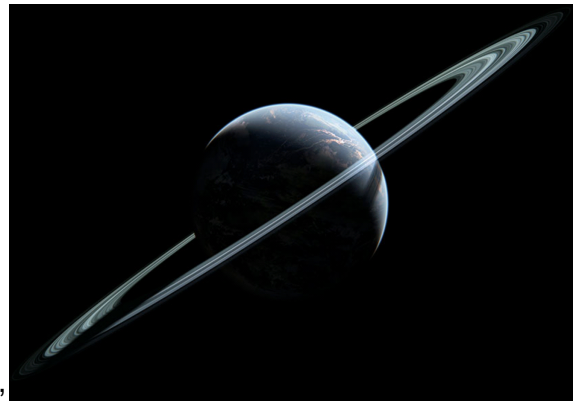
Points of interest: Erso homestead

Fauna: None

Native species: None

Immigrated species: Human

Population: Estimated: less than 500



Description: Lah'mu was a ringed agrarian planet in the Raioballo sector of the Outer Rim Territories. Its small population of settlers included the Erso family, who relocated to Lah'mu after the Clone Wars, and were ultimately tracked down by Director Orson Callan Krennic years later.

Lah'mu was an inaccessible planet located in the Raioballo sector of the galaxy's Outer Rim Territories, far from major hyperspace routes. Its planetary rings were primarily silica formed from the remains of one of the planet's ancient moons, pulverized long before the Clone Wars. Lah'mu retained one other natural satellite.

The planet itself was lush and dark green in color, and its biosphere transformed iron into chlorophyll. The planet's crust, split numerous times during its early geographic life, was fertile and rich with minerals and soils brought to the surface during this turbulent period. Many of the minerals found within the soil, including zinc, chlorine, cobalt, nitrogen, and boron, rendered the groundwater unpleasant to drink, despite the presence of an abundant hydrosphere. Further, volcanic tephra contaminated the greenery.

Verdant and tranquil, Lah'mu's surface hosted mountain peaks and plateaus, including some volcanoes, black sand beaches, saline seas, geysers, and farmlands. Settlers lived on the western hemisphere, particularly around the fertile lowlands.

Lah'mu was named from a Neimoidian word meaning "prosperity". Early in its geographic life, Lah'mu's crust split numerous times, bringing minerals and soils to the surface that would later be farmed by the planet's sparse settlers. Initially hosting several moons, Lah'mu gained a planetary ring after one ancient satellite was pulverized, its remaining material pulled into orbit to form silica rings that cast shadows across the planet's surface. Volcanoes ejected tephra during this formative period, contaminating Lah'mu's natural greenery, forcing later settlers to carefully sift the soil.

During the last decades of the Galactic Republic, the Ministry of Economic Development encouraged citizens to relocate to worlds such as Lah'mu in the Outer Rim Territories, and offered incentives such as land parcels for the development of homesteads. Although the effort was mismanaged and saw many worlds either sparsely populated or abandoned, Lah'mu was deemed safe if otherwise forgotten.

As of 13 BBY, Lah'mu hosted fewer than five hundred settlers, occupying farmlands on the western hemisphere. Many of these individuals arrived on Lah'mu seeking to avoid war; among them were the Erso family, whose association with Orson Krennic during the Clone Wars forced them into hiding on the remote, inaccessible world. Galen and Lyra Erso chose to reside in a sixty-five hectare homestead on the planet's less popular eastern side, purchased with the assistance of Saw Gerrera. The Ersos grew crops and utilized Pretormin Environmental GX-8 water vaporators to distill water vapor from the air.

Unfortunately for the family, Director Krennic ultimately tracked them down, and arrived on Lah'mu to take Galen, Lyra, and their young daughter Jyn, with him to ensure the completion of his stalled Death Star project. Galen refused, and a brief firefight erupted in which Krennic was dealt a glancing blow and Lyra was shot dead. Krennic's death troopers burned the homestead and took Galen into custody, while Jyn fled to the black gulch beyond the former homestead's edge. There, she secreted herself in a shelter beneath a hidden hatch camouflaged by an artificial rock. She was later rescued by Gerrera.

Lah'mu was sparsely populated, home to under five hundred human settlers who lived on verdant, tranquil farmlands across the western hemisphere. Most of the population came to the planet to avoid the Clone Wars, through encouragement from the Republic Ministry of Economic Development. The planet had no known indigenous intelligent life.

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