Vehicles D6 / Baktoid Armor Workshop DSD1



Name: Baktoid Armor Workshop DSD1 dwarf spider droid
Type: Battle Droid
Scale: Speeder
Height: 1.98 meters (Without antenna)
Skill: Ground Vehicles 5D, Vehicle Blasters 6D
Crew: N/A
Cargo Capacity: 0kg
Cost: 14,000 (used)
Cover: N/A
Maneuverability: 1D
Move: 10, 30 kmh
Body Strength: 3D
Weapons:
- Heavy blaster cannon
  - Fire Arc: Front
  - Scale: Speeder
  - Skill: Vehicle Blasters
  - Fire Control: 2D
  - Range: 50-300/500/1km
  - Damage: 5D

Equipment:
- Self-destruct mechanism:
- Integrated droid brain

Description: The DSD1 dwarf spider droid, also known as the burrowing spider droid because it was first used to destroy opposition in narrow mine shafts, was a battle droid manufactured by the Commerce Guild to support the cause of the Separatists.

The DSD1 was similar in function to a typical combat vehicle. It was also used to punish customers who had declined to pay their taxes to the Commerce Guild.

Its main weapon was a long central blaster cannon mounted on its dome that was capable of firing either rapid anti-personnel rounds, or slower high-intensity blasts that could destroy light vehicles. The droid's small frame and four all-terrain legs made it suitable for warfare in dangerous mines, and the adjustable legs let it attain better elevation for the blaster cannon. Its legs were able to walk straight up and down walls and narrow cliffsides. However, because of the fixed laser cannon, it could not turn around to track enemies, thus making it inferior to speedy targets. Also, the length of this cannon sometimes hindered it in confined areas, a weakness that Anakin Skywalker exploited on Escarte.

The droid communicated in a beeping language similar to Binary. It seemed to have basic emotions, such as frustration, as demonstrated on Escarte and Teth. They didn't do anything they predicted would harm them.

During the Clone Wars, dwarf spider droids were used on the front lines, in front of platoons of battle droids and other Separatist droids. They were notably used during the Battle of Teth, using their laser cannons to hit the feet of the AT-TE walkers, causing the walkers to fall down the cliff. During the Second Battle of Felucia, there was a large group of them inside the Separatist base, presumably as a nasty surprise to the Republic troops that got in. The dwarf spider droid also worked in conjunction with the larger OG-9 homing spider droid and could operate as an armored scout exploring the battlefields. Infrared photoreceptors and powerful scanners enabled the droid to survey the terrain and relay target data back to the Homing spider droid.

When it identified a target, it sent a tracking message through a digital channel from its head-mounted aerial to the homing spider droid, which then moved toward the signal to deliver the killing blow. It also featured a self-destruct mechanism. If a clone unit moved in to destroy the droid, it would usually self-destruct, destroying any enemy/enemies around it.

Several variants of the dwarf spider droid saw action during the wars, including an amphibious model, designed for water-filled terrain such as marshes, swamps or wetlands, equipped with a larger gun, but could not float, as well as two heavily armored variants—the heavy dwarf spider droid and the advanced dwarf spider droid. Delta Squad encountered many advanced dwarf spider droids on their missions including 2 during the Battle of Geonosis, and several during the Battle of Kashyyyk, where they were used to counter the Republic's All Terrain Recon Transport units.

Though most Separatist war vehicles were deactivated after the end of the Clone Wars, the dwarf spider droids were recommissioned through Imperial command and used by the Galactic Empire to enforce the submission of former Separatist worlds, fighting against the remnants of the very government that once used them, with the Stormtrooper Corps using the droids as their mechanical attack dogs. They would remain utilized throughout the Empire's reign, and it was not uncommon to see these droids alongside stormtroopers at Imperial checkpoints.

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