

Characters D6 / Jaro Tapal (Lasat Jedi)

Name: Jaro Tapal

Died: 19 BBY, Albedo Brave, Bracca system

Species: Lasat

Gender: Male

Hair color: Gray

Eye color: Green

Skin color: Purple

Height: 2.1 meters

DEXTERITY 3D+1

Blasters 5D

Brawling parry 7D+1

Dodge 8D

Lightsaber 10D+2

Melee combat 8D

Melee parry 7D+2

KNOWLEDGE 3D+2

Alien species 5D

Bureaucracy: 4D+1

Cultures 6D+1

intimidation 6D

Languages 6D

Law enforcement 5D+2

Planetary systems 6D+2

Scholar: Jedi lore 7D+2

Streetwise 6D

Survival 6D+1

Tactics: 7D

Willpower 7D+2

PERCEPTION 3D+2

Bargain: 7D

Command: 7D+1

Hide 5D

investigation 5D+2

Persuasion 6D+2

Sneak 7D



STRENGTH 5D

Brawling 8D

Climbing/Jumping 7D+2

Stamina 7D

MECHANICAL 2D

Astrogation 4D

Beast Riding 3D+2

Communications: 5D

Repulsorlift Operation 4D

Space Transports 3D+2

Starfighter Piloting 6D

Starship Gunnery 5D+2

Starship Shields 5D

TECHNICAL 2D+1

Computer Programming/Repair 5D+1

First Aid: 5D

Lightsaber Repair 5D+1

Special Abilities:

Adhesive Pads: Lasat have adhesive pads on their fingers allowing them to grip with supernatural ability, and climb sheer surfaces. They gain a bonus +1D to all climbing rolls, and all strength related rolls requiring them to grip onto something.

Digitigrade Legs: Their muscular digitigrade legs enabling them to run faster, jump higher and farther, and move more quietly than humans. This gives them a bonus +1D to running and jumping rolls.

Enhanced Senses: Their large eyes and ears afforded them superior sight and hearing over humans, lowering target numbers by one stage for these types of rolls.

Force Skills:

Control 8D+2

Sense 9D+1

Alter 8D+1

Force Powers: Accelerate healing, concentration, control pain, emptiness, enhance attribute, force of will, Combat sense, danger sense, life detection, life sense, receptive telepathy, sense Force, sense Force potential, Injure/kill, telekinesis, Farseeing, lightsaber combat, projective telepathy, Affect mind, projected fighting

Force Sensitive: Y

Force Points: 8

Dark Side Points: 0

Character Points: 18

Move: 11

Equipment: Double Bladed Lightsaber (5D), Jedi robes, Comlink, Jedi Utility Belt

Description: Jaro Tapal, a Force-sensitive Lasat male, was a Jedi Master who, during the Clone Wars,

served the Galactic Republic with distinction as a Jedi General in the Grand Army of the Republic. Adhering to a firm and disciplined doctrine, Tapal mentored his Padawan, Cal Kestis, in the ways of the Force. In the aftermath of the Bracca Invasion, Tapal and his apprentice were betrayed by their clone troopers of the 13th Battalion during Order 66. Although he was mortally wounded while attempting to escape to Bracca, Tapal managed to get Kestis to safety. Before dying, he urged Kestis to hold the line, await the Jedi High Council's signal, and to trust only in the Force.

Tapal's death haunted his former Padawan for years. Kestis, who kept Jaro Tapal's lightsaber, vowed to honor his Master's teaching and sacrifice as he set out to restore the Jedi Order during the reign of the Galactic Empire.

Biography

Clone Wars

During the final years of the Galactic Republic, Jedi Master Jaro Tapal served in the Grand Army of the Republic—holding the military rank of Jedi General—as commanding officer of the 13th Battalion. In addition to his military responsibilities, Tapal found time to continue the training of his Padawan, Cal Kestis, while away from the Jedi Temple on Coruscant. Tapal and Kestis served together in the Clone Wars until 19 BBY when, in the aftermath of the Bracca Invasion, Order 66 was communicated to the clone troopers by the Sith Lord Darth Sidious, who declared that all Jedi were enemies of the state. However, Tapal sensed the impending betrayal and was able to kill the clone commander by his side, protecting both himself and his apprentice. Realizing the other clones had turned against them as well, Tapal decided to evacuate his Venator-class Star Destroyer with Kestis.

They made their way to the escape pods, with Tapal killing multiple clone troopers along the way and sabotaging the Star Destroyer's reactor, but the remaining soldiers managed to overwhelm and mortally wound the general. Nevertheless, Tapal was able to save his apprentice's life before they escaped. In Tapal's last moments, he informed Kestis that he had sabotaged the reactor to cover their escape before he passed his damaged lightsaber to Kestis, believing he would need it as the war was far from over. With his dying breath, Tapal told Kestis to wait for a signal from the Jedi High Council, unaware that it was nearly defunct, and to trust only in the Force.

Legacy

Tapal was remembered years after his death. Though traumatized by the horrifying experience of Order 66 and haunted by the memory of his slain Master, Kestis regarded Tapal as a hero. The former Jedi Cere Junda, whom Tapal had known before Order 66, also held him in high regard, praising him as a true guardian of the Galactic Republic.

By 14 BBY, both the Jedi Order and the Republic that Tapal served had fallen, replaced by the rule of the Sith through the Galactic Empire. Although Kestis kept his deceased Master's lightsaber, he hid his true identity in order to avoid becoming another victim of the Great Jedi Purge. With the help of Cere Junda, who became a new Master to Kestis, the Padawan was able to move on from his self-imposed exile on Bracca, embarking on a secret mission to restore the Jedi Order.

Over the course of Kestis' journey, memories of his time as Tapal's pupil began to resurface, helping

Kestis to remember various techniques as he re-awakened his connection to the Force. During his mission on Dathomir, an apparition of Tapal appeared to Kestis, calling the former Padawan a weak and failed apprentice. But after forging a new lightsaber on Ilum, Kestis confronted his fears in the form of his dead Master, and finally managed to put the tragedy of his past behind him. Yet he also vowed to never forget Jaro Tapal, whose teachings Kestis would honor as he moved forward to find his own destiny.

Personality and traits

Adhering to a firm and disciplined philosophy, General Tapal served with distinction in the Clone Wars.

Jaro Tapal was an imposing Lasat male with gray hair, green eyes, and purple skin. Having served as a member of the Jedi Order, Tapal adhered to a firm and disciplined doctrine, the tenets of which he imparted to his apprentice Cal Kestis through their training sessions together. He participated in the Clone Wars as a general and defender of the Republic, noting that while the Jedi did not seek aggression, they would stand against it. He also trusted in the will of the Force; with his dying breath, he told Kestis to trust the Force also.

Among his troops, Tapal was not known for his patience. Shortly before Order 66, the clones that Kestis passed on his way to the training area advised the Padawan to not keep his Master waiting for long. During their sessions together, Tapal was not displeased by Kestis' mistakes, even when Kestis himself began to feel discouraged. Instead, he taught his apprentice to embrace his failure and learn from it, and to not be weighed down by ego or pretense. Persistence was a trait that Tapal valued, and as such, he encouraged Kestis to keep persisting until he achieved success in his trials. Although Tapal was demanding with Kestis in his training, he was concerned for the safety of his apprentice, so much so that even though wounded, he continued to resist as much as he could against the clones when they betrayed them and tried to kill them. As a Jedi, he believed it was important to let go of what one feared to lose in order to rise above their fear.

Powers and abilities

As a Force-sensitive, Jaro Tapal was skilled in the use of various Force powers, particularly telekinesis. During the execution of Order 66, Tapal relied heavily on his telekinetic abilities, using the Force to levitate and incapacitate multiple clone troopers at the same time. Even when wounded by several blaster shots to the torso, he was still able to call on the power of the Force, lifting three clones and slamming them into the ceiling. His connection to that mysterious energy field allowed him to sense a great disturbance in the Force, enabling Tapal to kill the clone commander that attempted to shoot the Jedi Master from behind.

As a Lasat, Tapal was also physically strong and durable, managing to subdue several of his former troops with simple kicks or headbutts and was not killed immediately after being struck by an albeit-fatal barrage of blaster shots, notably shrugging off the first of these wounds like it was nothing.

In addition, he was well trained in the art of lightsaber combat, particularly the use of a double-bladed lightsaber. He used his lightsaber with deadly purpose while defending himself and his apprentice, and succeeded in killing numerous troopers on his own before a group of clones managed to overwhelm him with blaster fire.

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