Weapons D6 / Gaderffii stick



Name: Gaderffii stick
Type: Hand carved melee weapon
Scale: Character
Skill: Melee combat: gaderffii stick
Cost: 60 credits
Availability: 2, F
Difficulty: Easy
Damage: STR+1D

Background: A gaderffii stick, also known simply as a gaderffii or gaffi stick, was a bladed club used by the Tusken Raiders. They were used to jab and pummel their victims. The bent end of a gaderffii, called the traang in Tusken, could be doused with sand bat venom, which had paralyzing properties. Though a primitive weapon, it was nevertheless extremely deadly in the right hands.

While he was searching for the wandering astromech droid R2-D2 in the Jundland Wastes, Luke Skywalker got an uncomfortably close look at the gaderffii of a bellicose Tusken named A'Koba.

Around 5 ABY, while on Tatooine, Boba Fett trained in the use of one after he was held captive by a Tusken tribe, eventually earning the right to wield one, which he crafted himself in the Gaderffii stick workshop, with a branch of a Wortwood tree that he found in the desert, and with the help of a craftsman, who utilized Tusken Adze. He carried this stick on his back in 9 ABY as Din Djarin left Mos Pelgo following his exploits in aiding the townspeople. Fett would later wield the weapon on Tython against stormtroopers with brutal efficiency, easily piercing through and even outright shattering their armor with it. Fett later attempted to utilize it while being attacked by Krrsantan. Later, he used the weapon to kill Cad Bane.

The weapon also served as a tool for more mundane tasks, such as cleaning the teeth of a bantha.

Crafted out of whatever salvage was at hand, they were very effective in close combat. Nearly every Tusken was proficient in the use of these weapons, and more Tuskens chose the gaffi over the Tusken Cycler.

The weapon was of the staff variety, on average about 120 centimeters long, with a weapon-head on each end. The first resembled an archaic flanged mace, with each of the four or more flanges sharpened like an axe-edge. Upon the tip was a spearpoint. The opposite end of the gaffi stick usually was bent into an L shape, with a large and heavy club head tipped by a hook or second spearpoint (which itself was often tipped with sand bat venom) which would inflict maximum pain to an enemy. The dual weapon-heads gave a gaderffii wielder a wide and versatile range of attack options. The axe-mace could chop and hack, the spearpoint could thrust and stab, the club could

bludgeon and crush, and the hook could rip and trip an opponent. In a more mundane fashion, the gaffi stick could also be used in many day-to-day survival chores, such as hunting or digging.

Though the gaderffii were made out of whatever materials the Sand People could find, desired materials included hard metals such as iron and steel. The best gaffi sticks were Chieftain's gaderffii, often seen in hands of veteran warriors or chieftains as a rank symbol. They were made out of the rare durasteel plating found on derelict starships or vehicles that had been "slagged" upon Tatooine's surface. Such weapons were highly valued, being exceedingly durable.

Sand People prized their gaderffii, which were largely custom-built and thus identifiable as belonging to particular raiders, and would not part with them willingly. Thus, when bounty hunters were sent to eliminate hostile raiders, they were told to return with their gaffi sticks as proof of the kill.

During Revan's search for a Star Map on Tatooine, the Czerka Corporation requested that he collect as many gaffi sticks as possible from the Sand People that were attacking Czerka's miners and sandcrawlers.

Usage
This weapon was the traditional weapon of the Tusken Raiders of Tatooine.

Many Rebels adopted this weapon as a useful multipurpose tool and melee weapon.

Ewok Handlers also carried these lethal weapons.

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