Dungeons and Dragons / Red Cap



Name: Red Cap
Small Fey, Chaotic Evil

Armor Class: 13
Hit Points: 45 (10d6 + 20)
Speed: 30 ft.

STR: 10 (+0)
DEX: 16 (+3)
CON: 14 (+2)
INT: 12 (+1)
WIS: 10 (+0)
CHA: 8 (-1)

Damage Resistance: Poison

Skills: Stealth +5, Survival +2
Senses: Darkvision 60 ft., passive Perception 10
Languages: Sylvan
Challenge: 2 (450 XP)

Actions

Pickaxe. Melee Weapon Attack: +5 to hit, reach 5 ft., one target. Hit: 6 (1d6 + 3) slashing damage.

Trickery. The Red Cap can use its action to polymorph into a humanoid that it has seen before or back into its true form. Other creatures are unable to discern its true form by normal means.

Reactions

Blood Frenzy. When a creature within 5 ft. of the Red Cap takes damage, the Red Cap can use its reaction to make a pickaxe attack against that creature.

Legendary Resistance (1/day). If the Red Cap fails a saving throw, it can choose to succeed instead.

Description: The Red Cap is a legendary figure in Scottish folklore known for its role as a malevolent spirit, commonly associated with murder and deceit. This creature is said to reside in the ruins of abandoned castles, where it awaits its next unsuspecting victim.

Origin of the Red Cap

The exact origins of the Red Cap remain shrouded in mystery, but it is believed to have been created by the early inhabitants of Scotland. Some theories suggest that the Red Cap was a symbol of fear used to keep people in line, while others believe that it was based on real-life events, such as the brutal acts of murder committed by notorious bandits.

Physical Appearance of the Red Cap
The Red Cap is often depicted as a small, old man with a wrinkled face, sharp teeth, and glowing eyes. He wears a distinctive red cap, which is said to be dyed with the blood of his victims. His clothing is tattered and old, and he is often seen carrying a rusty pickaxe, which he uses to threaten and attack his prey.

Habitat and Behaviour
The Red Cap is said to reside in the ruins of abandoned castles, where it is believed to haunt the halls and passages. He is known for his trickery and cunning, and is said to lure travelers into his lair before attacking them. The Red Cap is also known for his insatiable thirst for blood, which leads him to roam the countryside in search of his next victim.

The Red Cap's Victims
The Red Cap is said to target travelers and wanderers who dare to venture into the ruins of abandoned castles. He is also known to target anyone who dares to cross his path, regardless of their intention. The Red Cap is said to spare no one, and will attack without warning or mercy.

Defeating the Red Cap
Defeating the Red Cap is no easy feat, as he is known for his cunning and ferocity. Some legends suggest that the only way to defeat him is to catch him off guard and strike him with a weapon, while others suggest that one must outwit him through cunning and trickery.

The Legacy of the Red Cap
Despite its fearsome reputation, the Red Cap has become a beloved figure in Scottish folklore, appearing in countless stories, songs, and legends. It has also been featured in modern-day horror movies, where it continues to terrorize and intrigue audiences.

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