

Kâurvonnai (Cultures)

This page describes how the [Poku Saeruo Degonjo](#) classify sentient beings, and how they interact with them and their polities. Kâurvonnai literally means Way of the People, which is their term for a culture.



Terms for Races and Factions

- Poku *clan* - Those of the Hidden Sun Clan are united in their cause to ensure their survival.
- Poku'ka *Empire* - a greater Clan, organized, a nation.
- Jugal *prey* - Races or ships that lack sufficient defenses and have poor fighting capabilities, which are deemed weak and therefore are classed as prey.
- Lugaj *predator* - Races, groups or ships who possess formidable fighting capabilities, and who defend themselves well.
- Poku'wumy *ally* - A term from the past, used for those races that the the Hidden Sun Clan has an alliance with. It has come back into use since the clan formed the [YE 35 HSC - YSE Treaty](#).
- [Qourl](#) *enemy* - This describes those races that the Hidden Sun Clan has open enmity against. Ones who the [Tanoi \(Council\)](#) has declared war against.

Meeting Strangers

When encountering an unknown species or faction, an individual member of the Clan may determine whether they think the stranger is predator, prey, or a force worthy of making into an ally. As long as their actions do not cause undue risk to the Clan, the member has the right to act as they see fit with regard to the stranger they meet. A wise Poku'vonai verifies the stranger is not an Ally, lest they harm the clan by offending or killing a member of the Ally's people.

It is acceptable to [Hunt](#) a stranger. It is honorable to extort prey, rather than simply attack them, and take by force what is theirs. Demands backed by threats of violence are acceptable in Clan culture, as is the taking of hostages. Hostages are treated as per the [Ra-alu Jyaon \(Prisoner Rules\)](#), and may be ransomed, or turned into [Râyjo Vonai \(Bound People\)](#).

Current Formal Relations

At present the [Poku Saeruo Degonjo](#) has formal relations with two governments.

- [Yamatai Star Empire](#), who they call Poku Loi Daho'ai (Clan of Female Warriors) - Alliance, as per the [YE 35 HSC - YSE Treaty](#).
- [Kingdom of Neshaten](#), who they call Poku Nesaten (Clan Neshaten) - Alliance as per the [YE 37 HSC - KON Treaty](#), beginning in [YE 37](#).¹⁾
- The [Mishhuvurthyar](#), whom the Clan calls Poku Aboka hodi (Clan of Many Legs), and also The Defilers of the Dead. First encountered by the Clan in 745 CY [YE 26](#), the Clan considers itself in an open state of war against all Mishhuvurthyar polities.

Current Informal Relations

- Poku Loa Norjopa (Clan of Machine Men) [Nepleslian](#) - The Clan is in a neutral state of relations with Nepleslia.
- Poku Saeruo Vakâme (Clan of the Sun Sleep (Sunset)) [New Dusk Conclave](#) - The Clan considers itself to have friendly relations with the New Dusk Conclave.²⁾
- Poku Nuiqaii (Clan of the Wings) [Elysian Celestial Empire](#) - The Clan considers itself to have friendly relations with the Elysian Celestial Empire.³⁾

OOC Notes

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<http://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/index.php?threads/paws-reaching-out-across-the-stars.16811>

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