

# 100 RANDOM ENCOUNTERS: JUNGLE

## 1-24

- 1 A giant fern blocks the way, but when a character touches it, it changes color in that spot.
- 2 A curious monkey follows the party, trying to steal someone's hat and try it on.
- 3 A tiny stream trickles through the jungle, half-hidden under leaves. Unobservant characters may get very wet feet.
- 4 A tree trunk has been painted with vibrant, swirling patterns.
- 5 A cave is visible through the foliage, with glowing mushrooms growing inside it.
- 6 A swarm of butterflies dance through a clearing.
- 7 Vines drape from a tree, creating a sort of natural shelter.
- 8 A foul smell permeates the air - anklyosaurus poop.
- 9 A severed hand has been mounted on a spear stuck in the ground.
- 10 The ground is covered with a carpet of tiny pink flowers which give off a soporific scent.
- 11 A character steps in a net trap, which hoists them twenty feet above the ground - but it's not clear who set the trap, or where they are now.
- 12 A massive tree has fallen and cleared a swath of canopy, revealing a rare glimpse of sky.
- 13 A parrot takes an interest in a character, hopping from branch to branch and repeating everything they say.
- 14 Something very large has sharpened its claws on a tree trunk.
- 15 In the distance, the party hears the sound of rhythmic drumming.
- 16 A brightly colored and potentially poisonous frog climbs into a character's pack.
- 17 A tabaxi is shimmying up trees to harvest strange-looking fruits.
- 18 A massive flower lets off a vile stench, like decomposing flesh.
- 19 A painted wooden mask has been hung at head height - at a glance, it looks like someone is standing there watching the party.
- 20 Moss carpets a single tree, but has not spread to any of the trees around it.
- 21 The party startles an upsettingly large beetle, which sprouts wings and whirrs off.
- 22 A statue of an ancient god has been carved out of petrified wood and adorned with vibrant beaded necklaces.
- 23 Under a spreading fern, the party finds the supplies from an abandoned trade caravan, including brilliantly colored fabric wrapped in oilcloth.
- 24 The party startles a bird, which flares its brightly colored plumage at them.

## 25-50

- 25 Vines covered in spicy-smelling blossoms cascade from a branch.
- 26 Someone has hung up a windchime made from bones.
- 27 Through the trees, the party sees an ancient-looking stone arch, free-standing amongst the trees.
- 28 A narrow monument rises from the jungle, with a stick of incense burning at its base.
- 29 The party stumbles upon a group of drunk big game hunters celebrating a gruesome kill.
- 30 Feline eyes glinting in the shadows give away a black panther, stalking the smallest character.
- 31 The ground turns soft underfoot - quicksand!
- 32 A rickety rope bridge crosses a ravine, its sturdiness unclear.
- 33 A voodoo doll is propped in the bend of a branch, staring down at the characters.
- 34 A cluster of thorny vines block the path.
- 35 A gnome in a very strange hat is chipping away at a boulder, wearing a pack bursting with rock samples.
- 36 Stone steps lead down to an immovable door carved with the image of a tiger devouring the world.
- 37 The ground dissolves into a marshy swamp, filled with reeds taller than a man is high.
- 38 The sound of snoring alerts the party to an adventurer asleep in a tree, tied in for security.
- 39 A hummingbird darts between brightly colored flowers.
- 40 A still pool is covered in massive lily pads.
- 41 A large lizard twines itself around a branch, changing color to blend in with the bark.
- 42 A fortune teller sits at the base of the tree, her eyes closed.
- 43 A gang of small monkeys have figured out how to use vines to tickle and confuse travelers.
- 44 Under a layer of moss and plants, orderly stones trace out a labyrinth.
- 45 Every time the characters wake up, a small statuette of a leopard with opal-blue eyes is placed somewhere in their camp.
- 46 Inexplicably, a tree has grown around a silver spoon wedged into its trunk.
- 47 A sloth meanders slowly... across.... the path...
- 48 A traveler is shaving with straight razor, using a still pool as a mirror.
- 49 A rainbow is visible through the canopy.
- 50 When the party awakens, a fruit bat is hanging, asleep, from the frame of someone's pack.

## 51-75

- 51 A wide swath of jungle has been cleared by an ancient lava flow.
- 52 An abandoned campsite seems to have been sacked, but the coals of the fire are still glowing.
- 53 A talisman hangs from a tree - it seems to have been woven of human hair.
- 54 Out of nowhere, the whooping of chimpanzees ring out, startling all who hear them.
- 55 The trees around the party have an aromatic smell, like spices.
- 56 A massive tree trunk rises before the party, with a crack like a door leading inside.
- 57 The party makes camp a little too close to a giant anthill.
- 58 Any character with proficiency in Nature recognizes the sprouts nearby as the tops of an edible, if chalky, root vegetable.
- 59 Through the foliage, a glimmering waterfall thunders several hundred feet into a ravine.
- 60 A character hears the faint sound of scratching below their feet.
- 61 A group is making charcoal, crouching in a circle around the fire.
- 62 A tiny lemur watches the party with large, dark eyes.
- 63 A rock nearby has a vein of pure gold ore running through it.
- 64 A tiny lizard darts across the party's path - a clumsy character risks stepping on it.
- 65 A mist rises from the ground, making the characters cough violently.
- 66 A cloud of fireflies glimmer in the darkness.
- 67 A cluster of fruits dangle from a bush - they're edible, but exceedingly spicy.
- 68 Nutshells litter the ground, and after a moment another one hits a character in the head.
- 69 A comfortable indentation filled with moss seems like the perfect place to rest.
- 70 The characters brush past a fern with sticky purple suckers underneath its leaves.
- 71 Overhead, small marsupials glide from branch to branch.
- 72 A stone sundial tells the time.
- 73 Long seed pods hanging from a tree smell strongly of vanilla.
- 74 A baby crocodile is trapped in a bush.
- 75 The party blunders through a poisonous fern which makes all open skin turn red and itchy.
- 76 Tufts of fur are littered around, forming a trail into a dense area of jungle.
- 77 What appear to be broken-open geodes litter the ground, but any character that touches one receives a painful electrical shock.

## 78-100

- 78 Someone has cut a series of handholds into the trunk of a tree, which ooze a sticky sap.
- 79 The sound of a rough wooden flute comes through the trees, played by a human woman with ornate face paint.
- 80 A light rain falls, but it stings the skin and tarnishes armor.
- 81 For no apparent reason, the air grows cool and still.
- 82 A wooden chest with iron bands has sunk almost entirely into the muck, and mushrooms grow over its lid.
- 83 A stream has been diverted into tubes of bamboo, creating a marshy area for growing crops.
- 84 Strange deer with brown-and-white striped haunches stare at the party with dark eyes before bounding away.
- 85 Someone has cut a mystic rune into a tree-trunk - it glows faintly with a greenish light.
- 86 Periodically, characters glimpse a form standing with its back to them through the trees, but every time they look straight on the figure is gone.
- 87 A faerie dragon is sprawled on a log, snoring.
- 88 An albino woman with a golden afro steps out in front of the characters, holds a finger to her lips, and beckons them to follow.
- 89 Someone has piled up a collection of humanoid skulls into a rough cairn.
- 90 A bundle wrapped in a banana leaf turns out to be an explorer's journal - the last words read: "Oh gods, they've found me".
- 91 In a clearing, two people move in a rhythmic, silent courtship dance.
- 92 A pangolin shuffles across the jungle floor, studiously ignoring the party.
- 93 A character notices that everything nearby is dying and rotting.
- 94 A swarm of iridescent beetles cover a log, giving it the appearance of movement.
- 95 A mosaic wall is the last remnant of a destroyed temple.
- 96 A young man is skinning a leopard, humming softly.
- 97 An old man meditates on top of an anthill, completely ignoring the party.
- 98 A pile of bloody remnants on the ground turn out to be extracted toenails.
- 99 A beehive is swarming, gently settling en masse on one of the characters.
- 100 Ancient handprints in fading red paint line the inside of a prehistoric cave.

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