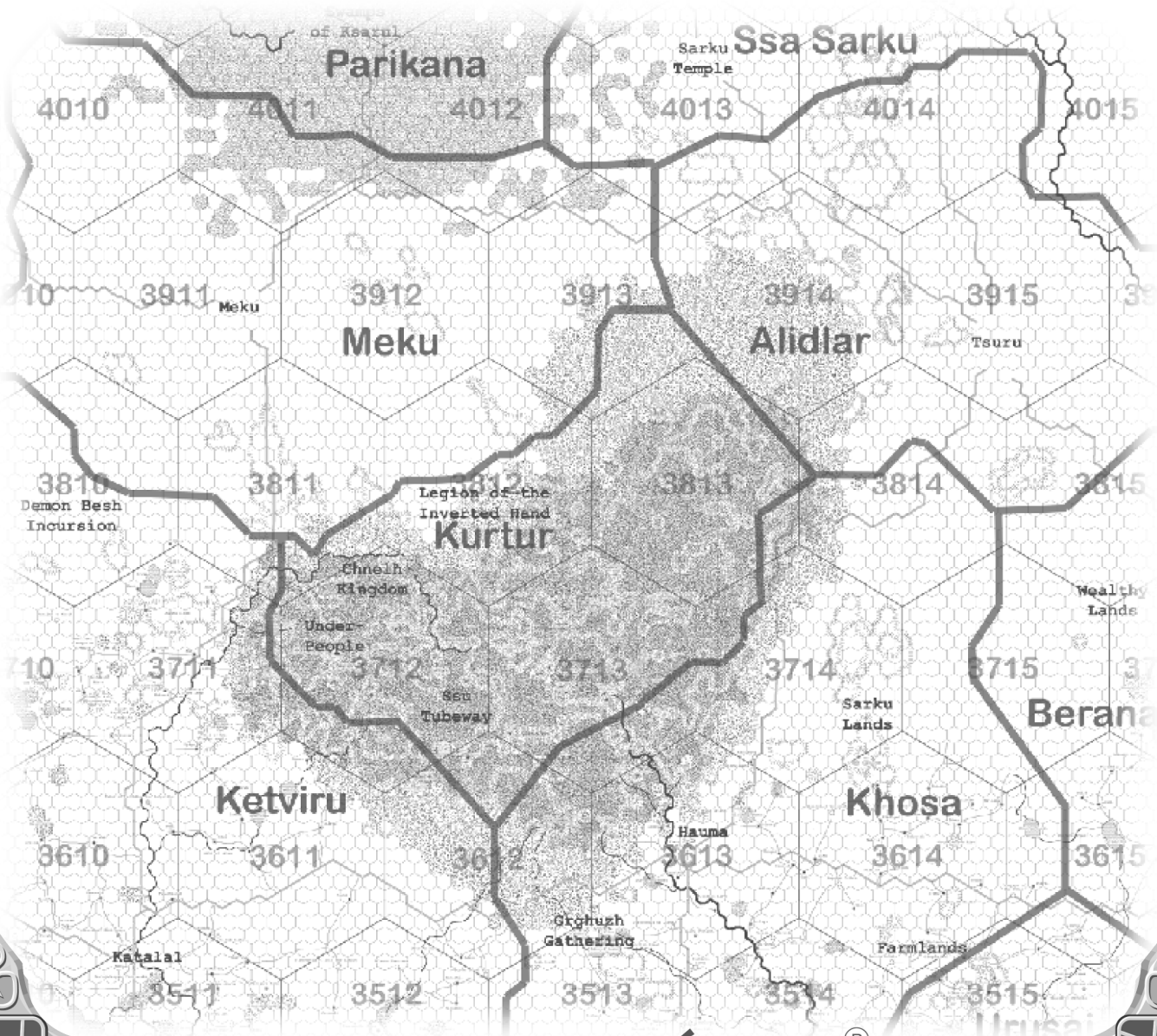


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## The Kurt Hills Atlas Sketchbook

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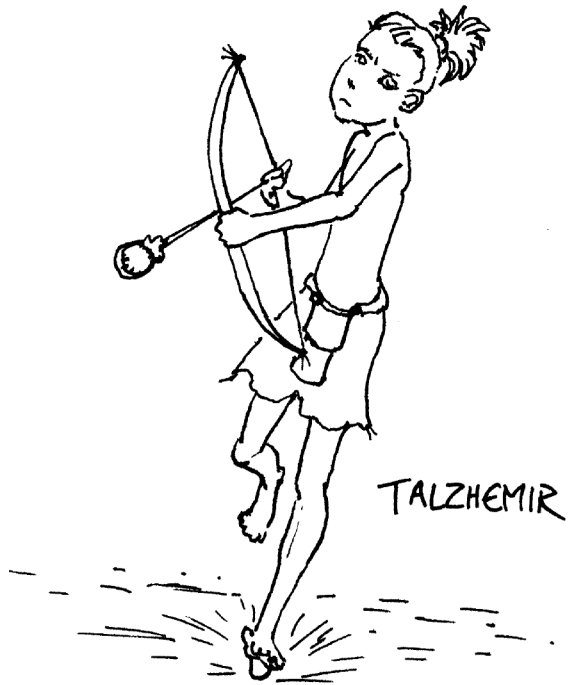


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*To harm a Káika while in sight of the manor of the Estate of the Foremost of the Lowly is forbidden. When the weaker drakes are driven out by the stronger ones, away from hens, they may fall prey to persistent youngsters.*



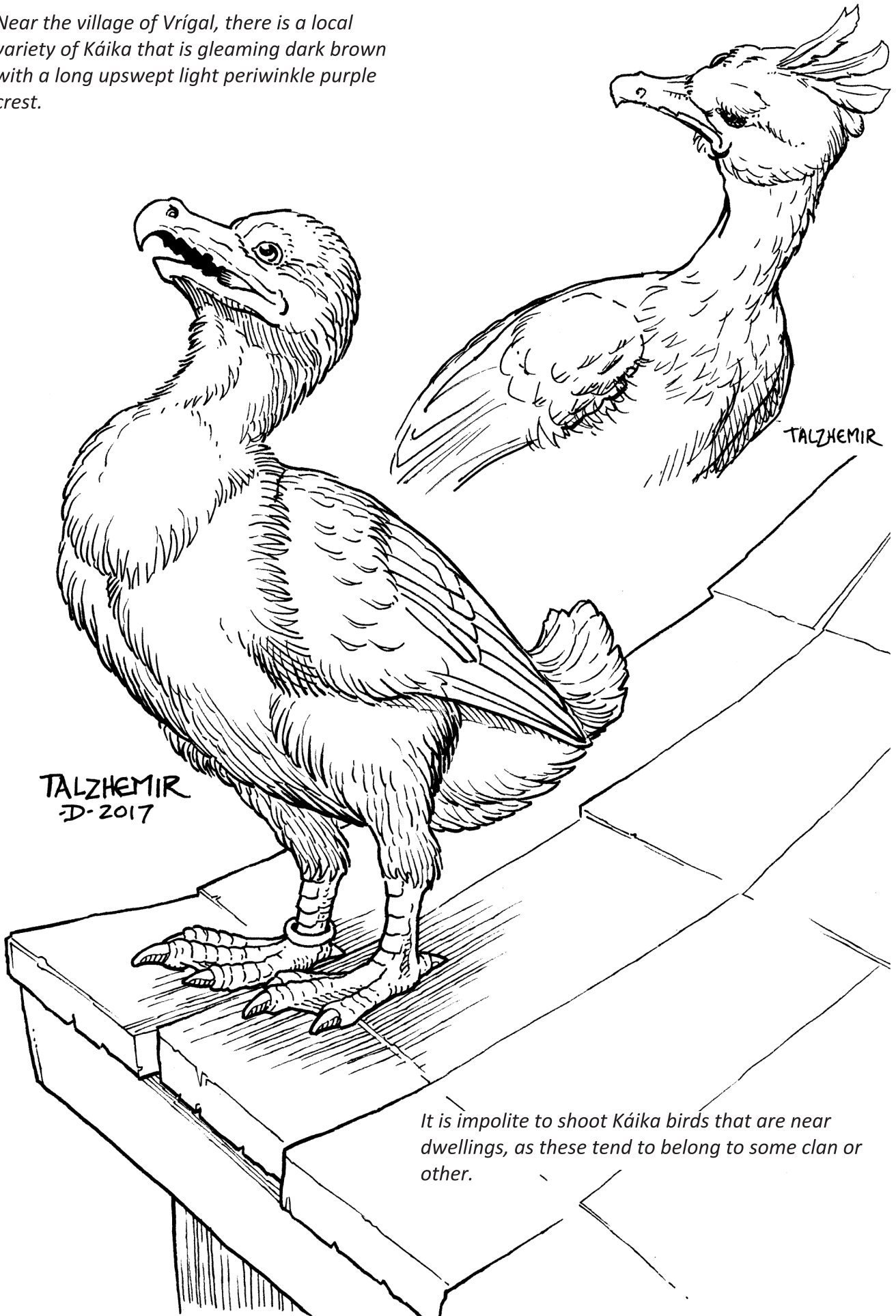
*The town of Dlánü is locally renowned for skilled archers and smoked Káika.*

*In the Swamps of Ksárul, supplies are often kept dry by storing them in bladders held shut with a twig clip and a bit of twine.*

*The Óyacket, related to the inedible Tletlakha, is a local delicacy. It is found in the Shirúna River and Lake Tsurún.*



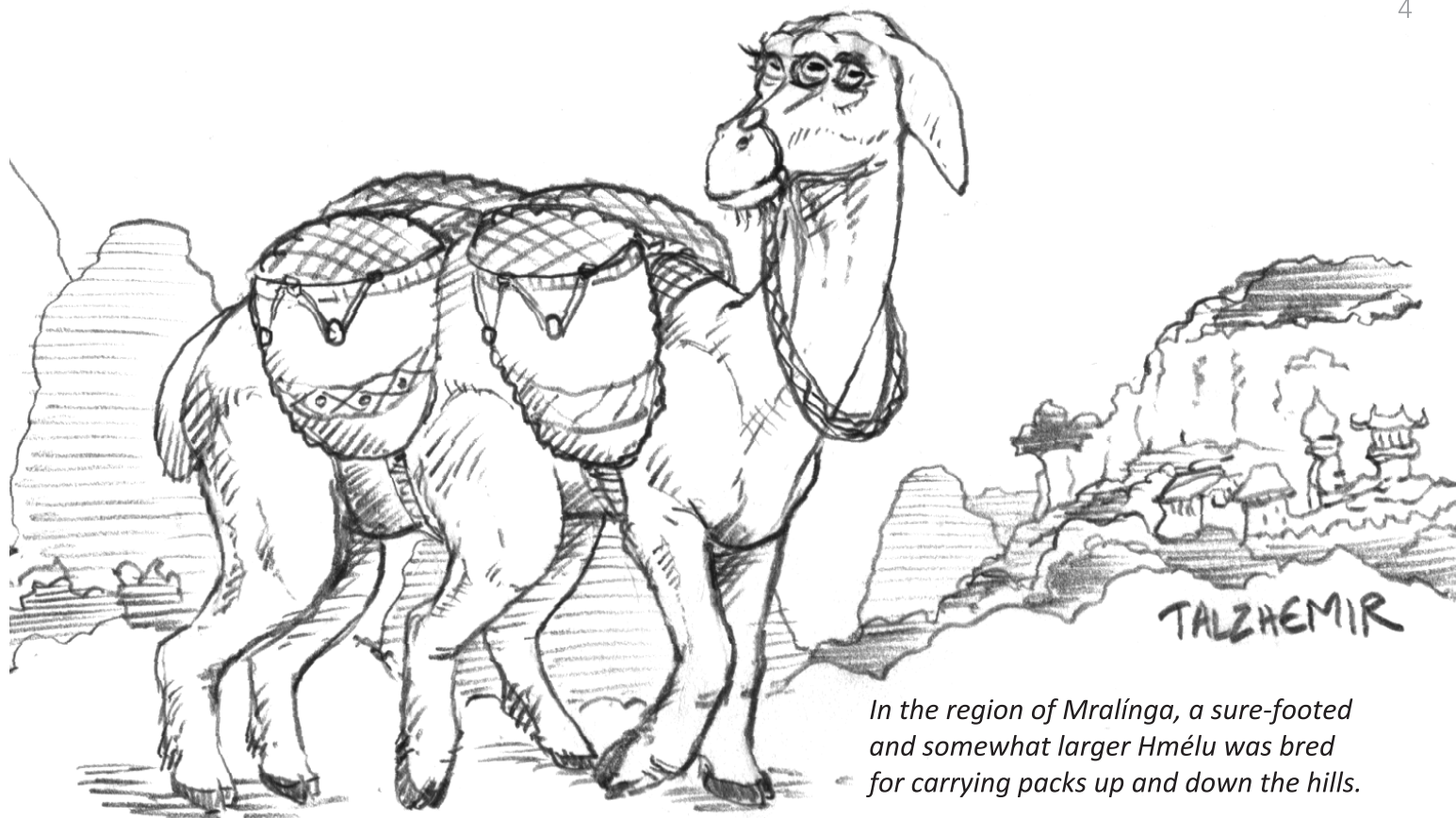
Near the village of Vrígal, there is a local variety of Káika that is gleaming dark brown with a long upswept light periwinkle purple crest.



It is impolite to shoot Káika birds that are near dwellings, as these tend to belong to some clan or other.

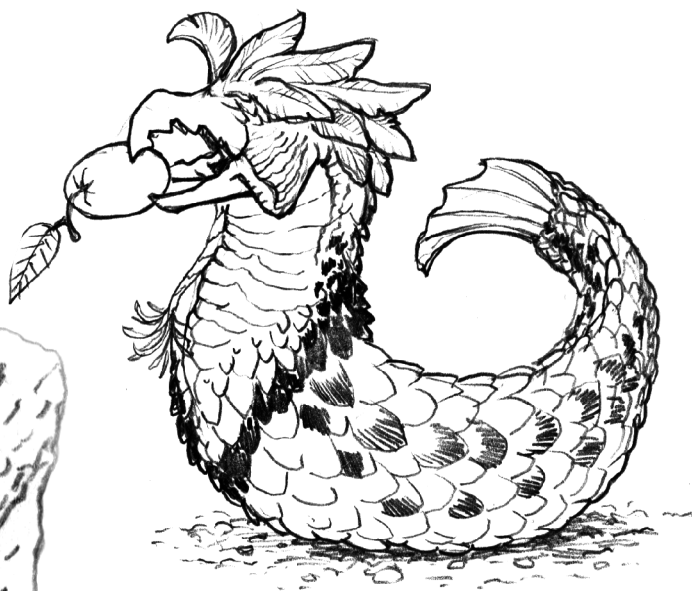


*Mnálu and Bilár are spirited mercenaries from Hengá.*



*In the region of Mrálinga, a sure-footed and somewhat larger Hmélu was bred for carrying packs up and down the hills.*

*Strong stone from Vrësh makes fine mortars and pestles.*

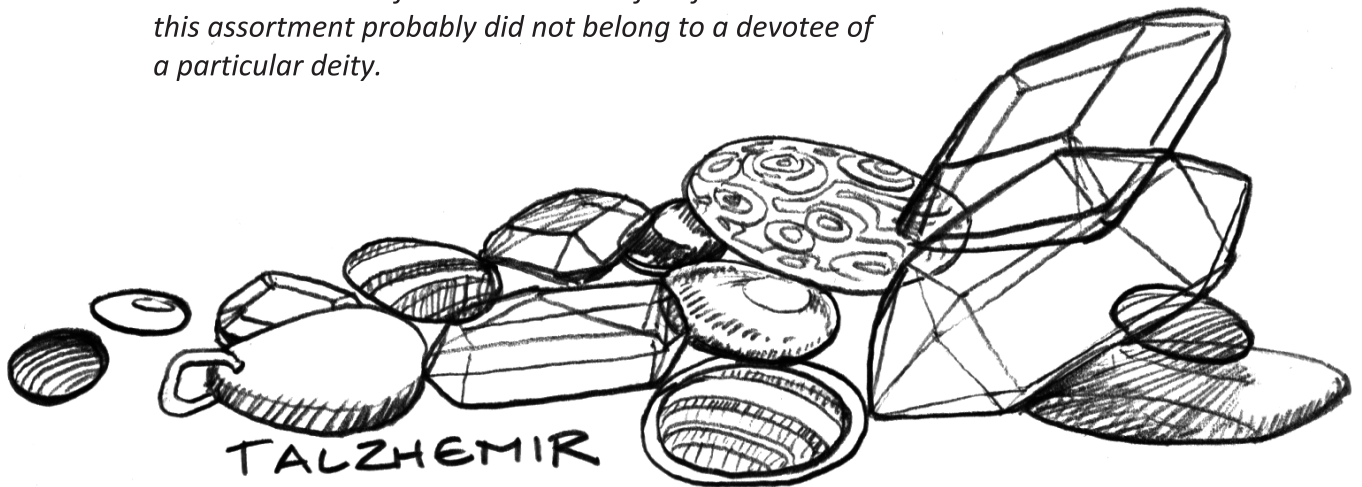


*Feathered like the Qáqtla, the nocturnal Mrájin of Nyétla is black, scarlet, and turquoise. It is semi-intelligent and playful.*

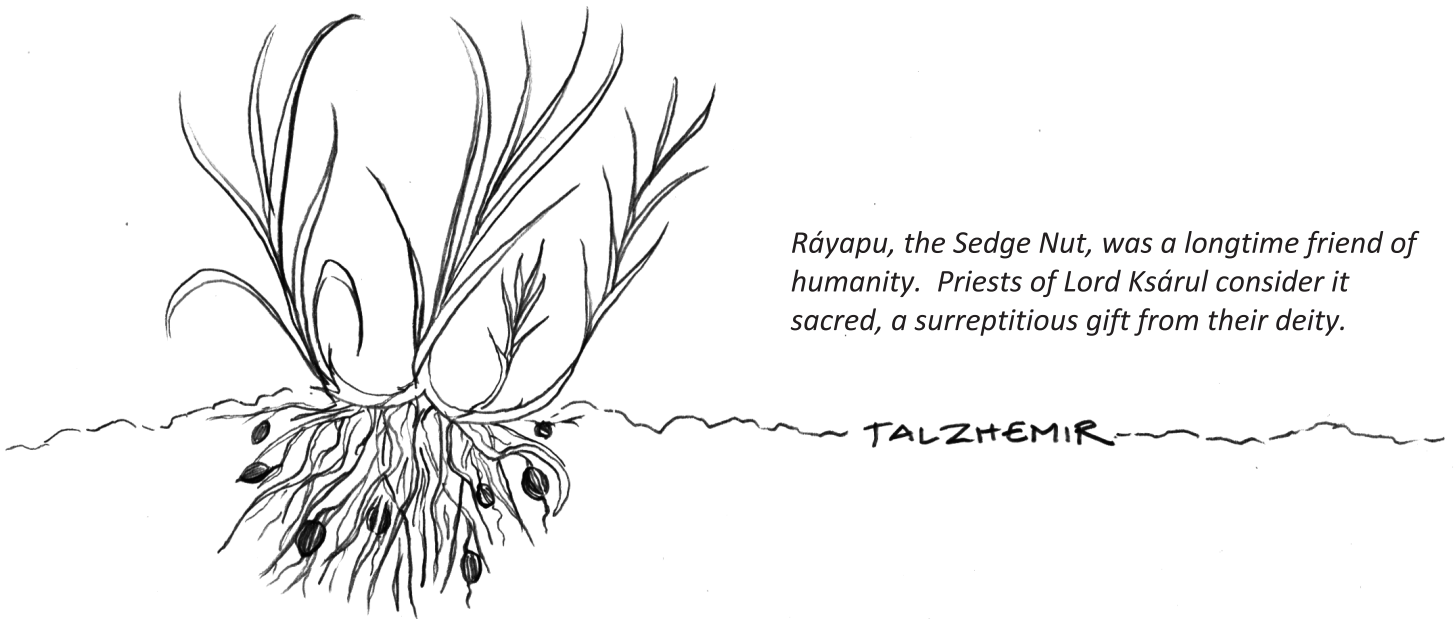


*In Dúya in the Kúrt Hills, and surrounding areas, women wear ornaments made of copper and green-flecked blue lapis.*

*The varied colors of this eclectic handful of baubles hint this assortment probably did not belong to a devotee of a particular deity.*

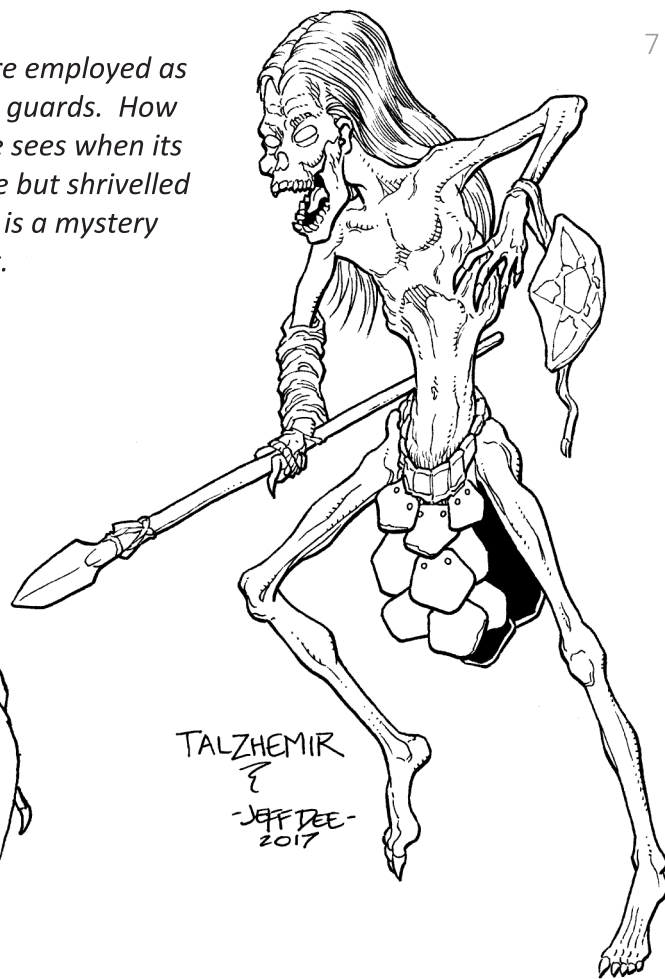


Perhaps it was not such a good idea to mix 'Shrá' with other powders.  
Lojít hi Panggána grew skeptical of what the beetle advised



Ráyapu, the Sedge Nut, was a longtime friend of  
humanity. Priests of Lord Ksárul consider it  
sacred, a surreptitious gift from their deity.

*Mrúr are employed as undead guards. How this one sees when its eyes are but shrivelled sockets is a mystery to most.*



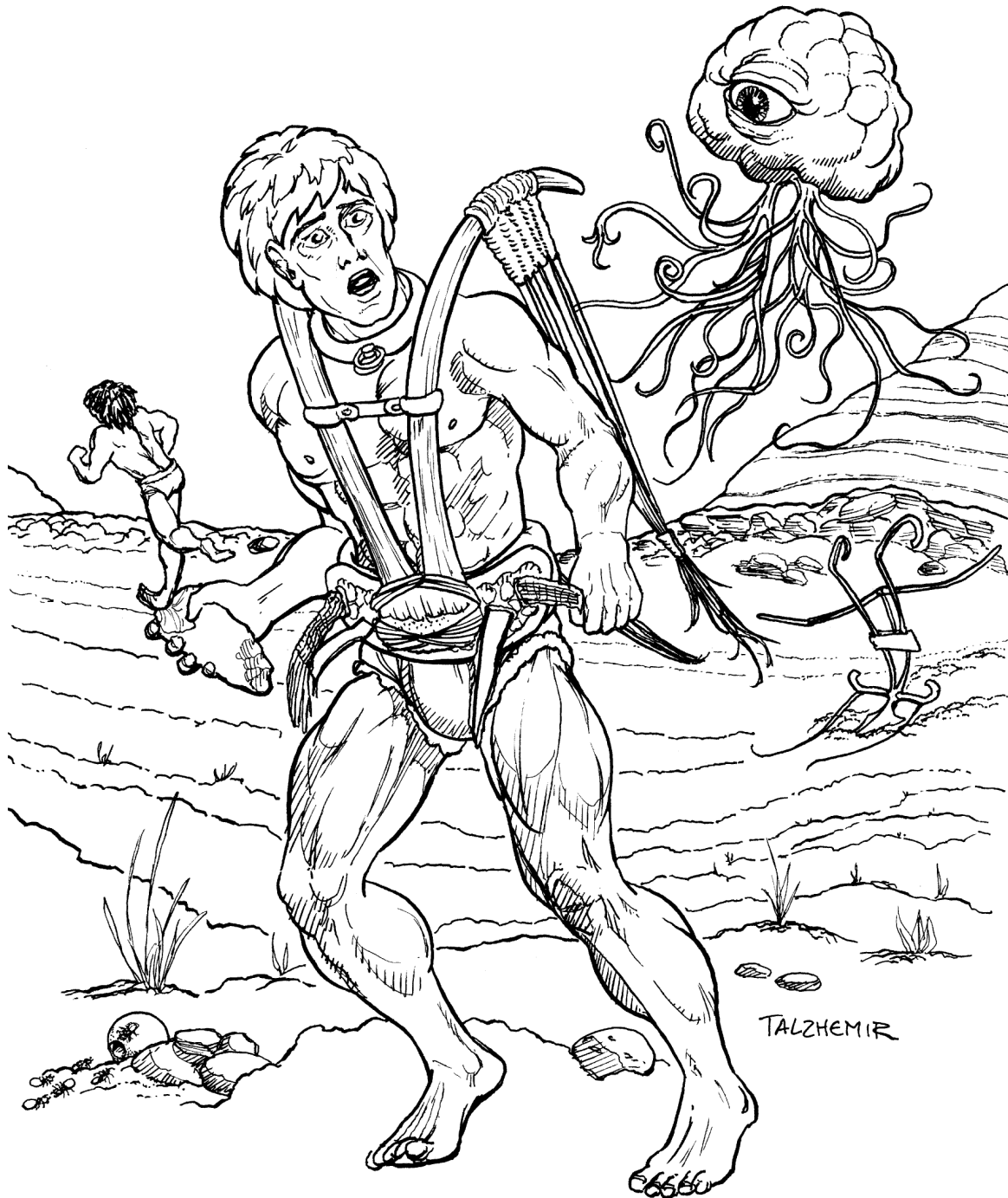
*Chodékka had no fear of the Gíríku but its stench was making him ill.*



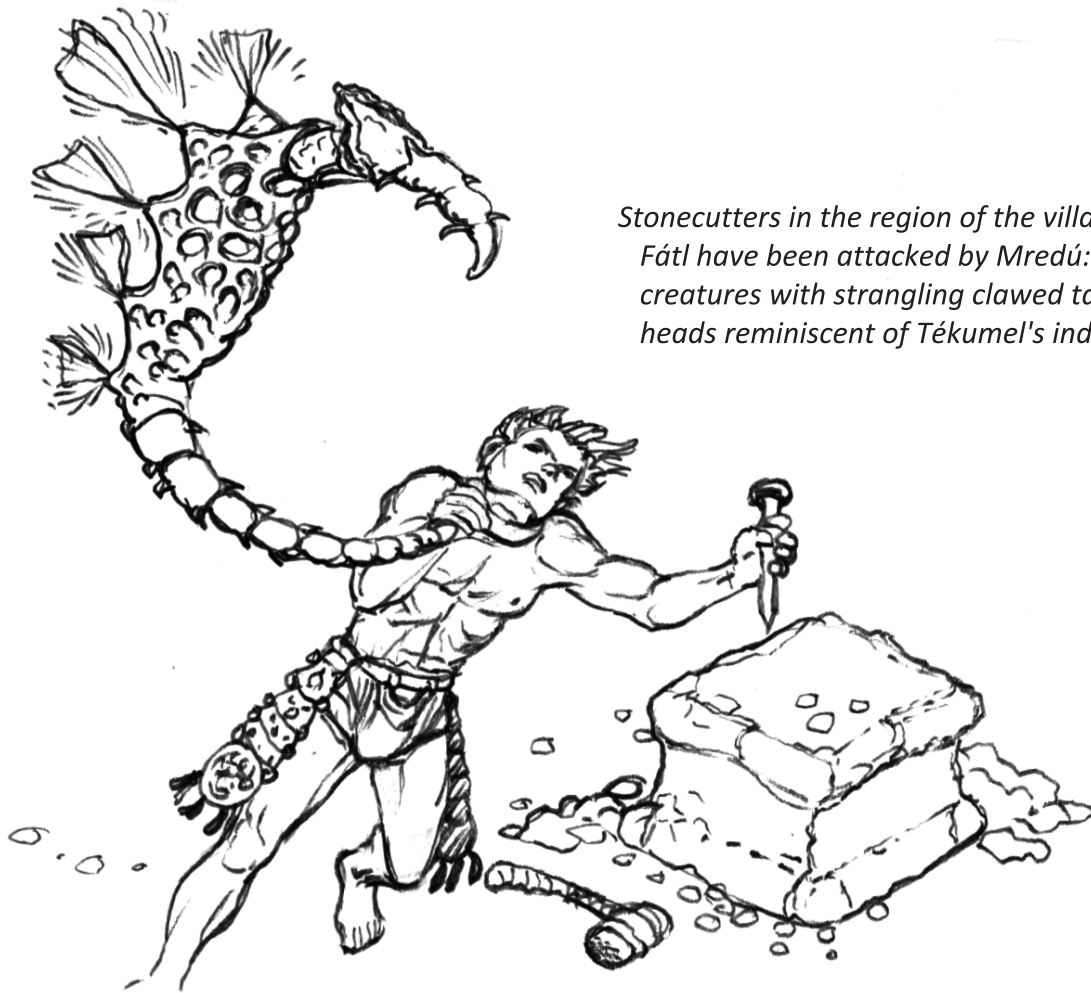
*At the Fortress of the Seat of Leisure, dancers like Dlána wear the livery of a legion disbanded over a thousand years ago.*

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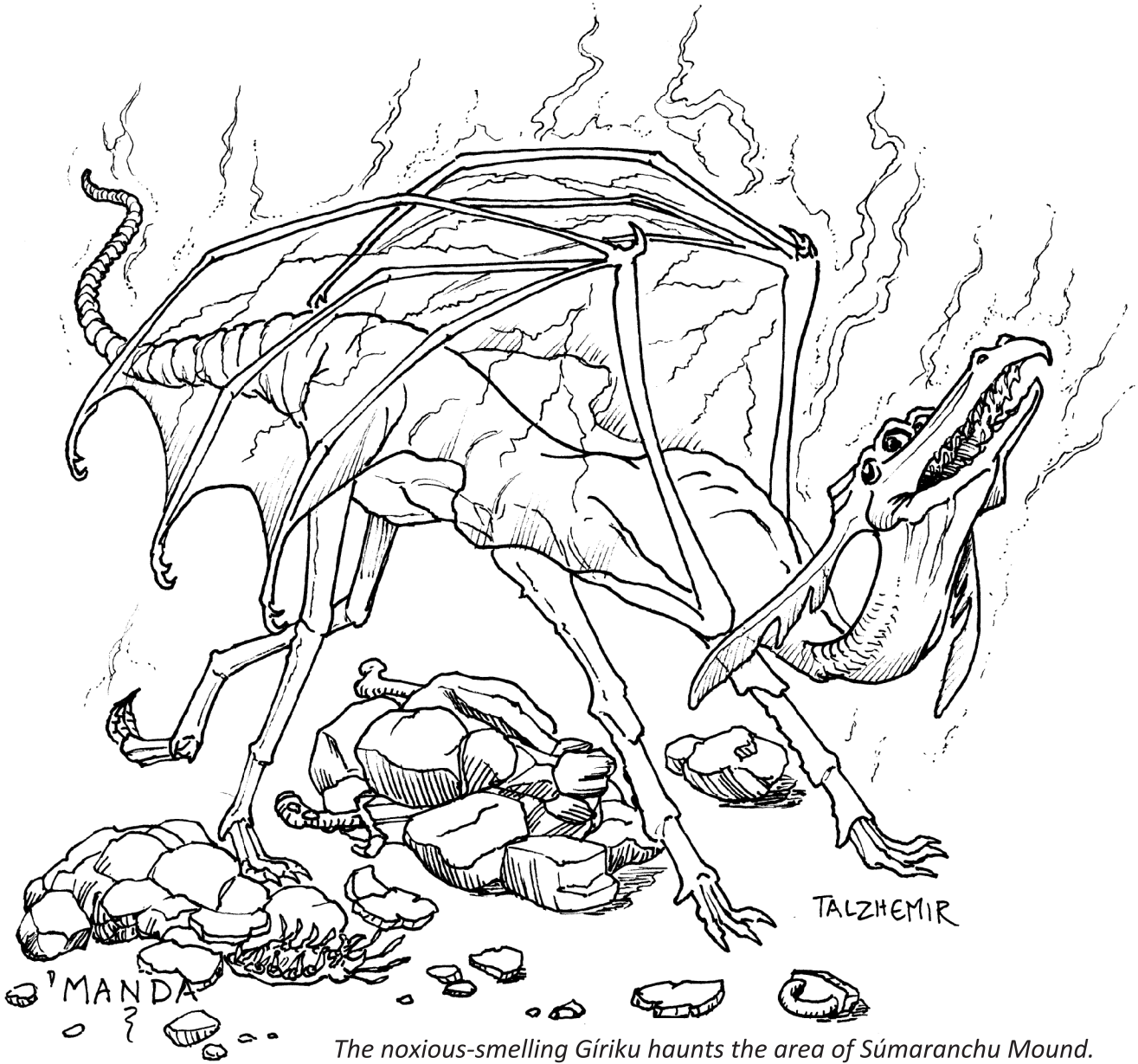
*As the dreaded Káyi approached, Lump the plow-slave cut the traces, and used his legs of bronze to flee.*



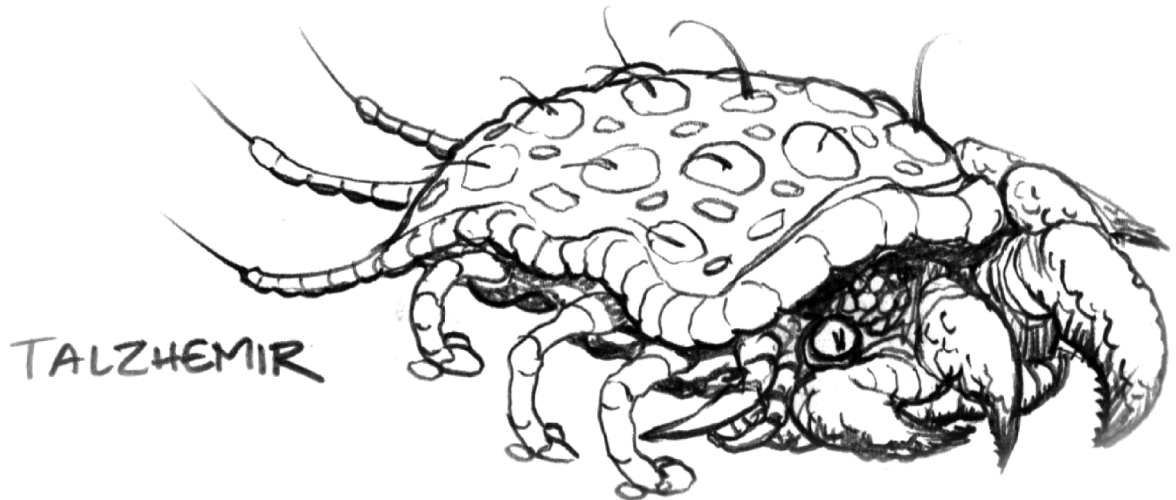
*Stonecutters in the region of the village of Fátl have been attacked by Mredú: flying creatures with strangling clawed tails, and heads reminiscent of Tékumel's indigenous Ssú.*

*The edible N'dlákh, or Water Hmá, is native to the swamps northwest of Kaljékal.*





The noxious-smelling Gíríku haunts the area of Súmaranchu Mound.



The diminutive Ch'múni has an instinct to chew apart wood and Chlén hide.



*Fesúkhs, nicknamed "Creeping Masks", cling to their victims' faces while stealing the contents of their stomachs.*

*A local variety of Kité near the town of Purmúnin has patches of scaly skin amidst its fur, making it potentially tougher to kill.*



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This larger *Tlátsekal* has made off with a *Hmá* lamb.



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A smaller *Tlátsekal*, called "the Observant Whirler", rolls along.



*Tíu trees, more common in the north, grow tall and strong.*

*A student at Gakoyél Palace naps in the garden*

