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Introduction

This Pathfinder RPG compatible supplement introduces a new <u>Ranger</u> Archetype, *The Scourger*. The scourger exchanges the ranger's <u>favored enemy</u> for a favored weapon. In so doing, he becomes a class that controls the battlefield by using one or more whip-based weapons with impressive reach, disarm and trip capabilities.

New whip-based abilities are gained at the levels listed in the Scourger table, below. A description of these abilities can be found in the section that follows.

Table: Scourger

Level	Scourger Base Attack	Fort	Ref	Will	Special	Spells per Day			
	Bonus	Save	Save	Save					
						1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1st	+1	+2	+2	+0	Deadly lash, track, wild empathy	_	_	_	_
2nd	+2	+3	+3	+0	Combat style feat	_	_	_	_
3rd	+3	+3	+3	+1	Endurance, 1st favored terrain	_	_	_	_
4th	+4	+4	+4	+1	Brachiating whip, deadly lash increase	0	_	_	_
5th	+5	+4	+4	+1	•	1	_	_	_
6th	+6/+1	+5	+5	+2	Combat style feat	1		_	_
7th	+7/+2	+5	+5	+2	Silencing Grapple	1	0	_	_
8th	+8/+3	+6	+6	+2	Swift tracker, 2nd favored terrain, deadly lash increase	1	1	_	_
9th	+9/+4	+6	+6	+3	Evasion	2	1		_
10th	+10/+5	+7	+7	+3	Combat style feat	2	1	0	_
11th	+11/+6/+1	+7	+7	+3	Sonic Stun	2	1	1	_
12th	+12/+7/+2	+8	+8	+4	Camouflage, deadly lash increase	2	2	1	_
13th	+13/+8/+3	+8	+8	+4	3rd favored terrain	3	2	1	0
14th	+14/+9/+4	+9	+9	+4	Combat style feat	3	2	1	1
15th	+15/+10/+5	+9	+9	+5		3	2	2	1
16th	+16/+11/+6/+1	+10	+10	+5	Improved evasion, deadly lash increase	3	3	2	1
17th	+17/+12/+7/+2	+10	+10	+5	Hide in plain sight	4	3	2	1
18th	+18/+13/+8/+3	+11	+11	+6	4th favored terrain, combat style feat	4	3	2	2
19th	+19/+14/+9/+4	+11	+11	+6		4	3	3	2
20th	+20/+15/+10/+5	+12	+12	+6	Master Scourger, deadly lash increase	4	4	3	3

Scourger Features

Scourgers often spring from humble origins, starting out as simple drovers, animal trainers, charioteers, and the like. Focusing on his favored weapon rather than a favored enemy, the scourger soon dominates the battlefield; disarming and controlling his enemies with ease.

All of the following are class features of the scourger.

Weapon and Armor Proficiency: A scourger is proficient with all simple and martial weapons, whips, and with light and medium armor.

Deadly Lash (Ex): The scourger begins play with the Whip Mastery feat. At 4th level, and every four levels thereafter, the damage for the scourger's whip increases by one category (e.g. 1d4 at 4th, 1d6 at 8th, 1d8 at 12th, 1d10 at 16th, and 1d12 at 20th level). This ability replaces favored enemy.

The following table illustrates the damage progression for a standard, medium whip.

Table: Whip Damage Progression

Scourger Level	Base Damage
1st level	1d3
4th level	1d4
8th level	1d6
12th level	1d8
16th level	1d10
20th level	1d12
	+2 per increase

Combat Style Feat (Ex): At 2nd level, the scourger chooses the whip combat style.

Whip (Combat Style): The scourger chooses from the following list whenever he gains a combat style feat: Improved Disarm, Improved Reposition, Improved Steal and Improved Trip. At 6th level, add Bloody Assault and Greater Drag to the list. At 10th level, add Improved Vital Strike and Whirlwind Attack to the list.

Brachiating Whip (Ex): At 4th level, the scourger gains the Improved Whip Mastery feat. At 8th level, a scourger may use his whip to further improve his vertical movement by lashing nearby protrusions. This manifests as a +5 bonus to Climb and Acrobatics (long jump) skill checks when using the whip as a grappling hook. This ability replaces hunter's bond.

Silencing Grapple (Ex): At 7th level, a scourger gains the <u>Greater Whip Mastery</u> feat. At 10th level, a successful whip grappling attack silences any speech from the target (in addition to the normal grapple effects) until the grapple is broken. This ability replaces woodland stride.

Sonic Stun (Ex): At 11th level, as a standard action, the scourger can use the earsplitting crack of his whip to stun an opponent within reach. The target must make a Fortitude save (DC 10 + 1/2 the scourger's level + the scourger's Dexterity modifier) or become <u>stunned</u> for 1d3 rounds and <u>deafened</u> for 1d6 rounds. This ability may be used once per day at 11th level and one additional time at 17th level. This ability replaces quarry and improved quarry.

Master Scourger (Ex): At 20th level, the scourger becomes a master with his whip. He threatens any enemy within reach of his whip. When attacking with a whip, the scourger adds his Dexterity modifier, as well as his Strength modifier, to his damage rolls. In addition, his critical threat range with a whip is increased by +1 and critical threats are automatically confirmed. This ability replaces master hunter.

Scourger Feats

Alpha Dominance

You assert control over animals through fear and intimidation.

Benefit: All <u>Handle Animal</u> skills checks take half as much time to complete when training or teaching an animal a trick. In addition, you may ignore the DC penalty for pushing or handling a wounded animal.

Normal: The DC for handling or pushing a wounded animal increases by 2.

Threats of Torture

Your words hold the same sting as a torturer's lash.

Prerequisite: Ranger or ranger archetype, Wordcaster.

Benefit: You may add the <u>Pain Effect Words</u>, as an Inquisitor of the same level, to your list of known words.

Slave Driver

Years of training and experience have improved your driving skills with certain vehicle types.

Benefit: When driving a muscle propelled vehicle, you gain a +5 bonus to Intimidate checks when taking a driving action. In addition, you gain a +5 bonus to Reflex saves to avoid damage and falling prone when making vehicle ramming maneuvers.

Scourger Skills

Profession (Wisdom, Trained Only)

You are skilled at a specific job. Like Craft, Knowledge, and Perform, Profession is actually a number of separate skills. You could have several Profession skills, each with its own ranks. A scourger may select from the following additional professions: animal trainer, charioteer, livestock drover, slaver, taskmaster, thresher and torturer.

New Magic Items

Fettering Cat

Aura strong transmutation; **CL** 12th **Slot** none; **Price** 21,000gp; **Weight** 2lbs.

DESCRIPTION

This +1 whip ensnares targets, squeezing the life from them with its nine leather straps. With a successful melee attack, the weapon deals normal damage (1d6 + Strength modifier) and the wielder may attempt to start a grapple as a free action without provoking an attack of opportunity. If successful, the grapple constricts the opponent for an additional 1d8+1 points of bludgeoning damage. The

whip continues to inflict this damage each round the grapple is successfully maintained.

Construction

Requirements Craft Magic Arms and Armor, animate objects; Cost 10,500gp

Lash of the Adder

Aura faint necromancy; CL 5th Slot none; Price 8,000gp; Weight 2lbs.

DESCRIPTION

This glistening black +1 whip is tipped with a wicked spike that resembles a fang. On a roll of natural 20, this weapon deals normal damage and poisons the target with <u>Black Adder venom</u> (see Poison, Pathfinder Core Rulebook, Glossary).

Construction

Requirements Craft Magic Arms and Armor, *poison;* **Cost** 4,000gp

Weapons, Whips

Three new whip types are described below, and three existing whips are reprinted for easy reference and comparison. Proficiency with one whip allows proficiency with all whips.

Exotic Weapons	Cost	Dmg(S)	Dmg(M)	Critical	Weight	Туре	Special
Whip ¹	1gp	1d2	1d3	x2	2lbs.	S	disarm, nonlethal,
							reach 15', trip

A whip deals no damage to any creature with an armor bonus of +1 or higher or a natural armor bonus of +3 or higher. The whip is treated as a melee weapon with 15-foot reach, though you don't threaten the area into which you can make an attack. In addition, unlike most other weapons with reach, you can use it against foes anywhere within your reach (including adjacent foes). Using a whip provokes an attack of opportunity, just as if you had used a ranged weapon. You can use the Weapon Finesse feat to apply your Dexterity modifier instead of your Strength modifier to attack rolls with a whip sized for you, even though it isn't a light weapon. Weapon Feature(s): finesse, reach.

Bullock whip 4gp 1d3 1d4 x3 6lbs. S <u>disarm</u>, <u>nonlethal</u>, <u>reach</u> 15', <u>trip</u>

This two-handed whip is typically used by team drivers. The thong is 8 to 10 feet long, or more, and often made of greenhide. The long handle is cut from a native tree that is strong yet flexible, and is 5 to 6 feet in length. Weapon Feature(s): <u>reach</u>.

Cat 'o nine 5gp 1d4 1d6 19- 2lbs. S <u>disarm, trip</u> tails 20/x2

This short, multi-thonged whip is designed to lacerate the skin and cause intense pain. Unlike most other whips, it typically deals lethal damage if it can overcome the target's armor, however it does not have reach. Weapon Feature(s): finesse.

Blacksnake 3gp 1d2/1d4 1d3/1d6 x2 4lbs. S or <u>disarm</u>, <u>double</u>, whip B <u>nonlethal</u>, <u>reach</u> 15', trip

The blacksnake whip is very flexible, even through the handle. It contains heavy sand or metal bearings extending from the butt, well down into the thong. This additional weight is concentrated in the handle to facilitate its use as an improvised sap that may be used against adjacent targets. Weapon Feature(s): reach.

Scorpion whip² 5gp 1d3 1d4 \times 2 3 lbs. S performance This whip has a series of razor-sharp blades and fangs inset along its tip. It deals lethal damage, even to creatures with armor bonuses. If you are proficient with whips, you can use a scorpion whip as a whip.

Nine-section 8gp 1d6 1d8 19- 3 lbs. B blocking, distracting, whip² 20/ \times 2 monk, trip

The nine-section whip consists of steel bars linked together. The final bar is a 6-inch weighted spike. This weapon can be wielded as a single-handed weapon, a two-handed weapon, or in pairs.

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