

TODD CURIOUS
BACKGROUNDS FOR
MODERN BAR DRINKS



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So the player character is in a regular, everyday modern bar..right? And they are chatting up that person next to them (that you, as the GM, probably didn't intend to detail-yes?)...right? Well, what's that drunk sod's background story anyways? Save yourself a few headaches of having to say "family man/soccer mom with kids but a lust for cheating" a dozen times over. Use this chart instead.

- 1 Claims to have been abducted by aliens several years ago.
- 2 Considers blackmail and extortion to be legitimate career choices.
- 3 Considers vandalism to be a refined hobby.
- 4 Constantly flies out of the country on little "business trips".
- 5 Dabbles in a bit of witchcraft.
- 6 Developed a love for violence at a very early age.
- 7 Dropped out of high school.
- 8 Earned a college degree but often hides the fact.
- 9 Earns a living as an independent trucker.
- 10 Excels at hot wiring automobiles.
- 11 Father was constantly in and out of jail for various crimes.
- 12 Frequently uses the stolen identity of a dead person.
- 13 Has a debt with a loan shark for a total of 1d20x\$1,000.
- 14 Has a fully equipped machine and weld shop on the outskirts of town.
- 15 Has a history of handling disputes between rival gangs.
- 16 Has a job as a high school gym coach.
- 17 Has a penchant for Cuban cigars.
- 18 Has a respectable day job as a bank loan officer.
- 19 Has an intense fear of drowning.
- 20 Has been kicked out of at least a dozen bars for starting fights.
- 21 Has been on and off of probation since age 12.
- 22 Has close ties with a powerful mafia capo.
- 23 Has connections with a terrorist organization.
- 24 Has frequent nightmares about dark entities taking over the world.
- 25 Has important knowledge pertaining to several cold case murders.
- 26 Has outstanding felony warrants in 1d6 different states.
- 27 Has several close friends on local police force.
- 28 Hates conflict and goes out of way to avoid it.
- 29 Is a certified public accountant with some very crooked practices.
- 30 Is a cheap drunk.
- 31 Is a chronic pothead.
- 32 Is a collector of old, rare, and valuable books.
- 33 Is a college drop out.
- 34 Is a dealer in stolen motorcycles and parts.
- 35 Is a dirty lawyer by profession.
- 36 Is a free spirit type that simply loves to ride.
- 37 Is a guitar player in a local band.
- 38 Is a licensed pilot and owns a small airplane.
- 39 Is a notorious womanizer/slut.
- 40 Is a paranoid conspiracy theorist.
- 41 Is a pool shark with rather cocky attitude.
- 42 Is a professional bounty hunter.
- 43 Is a reckless outlaw that almost always accepts a dare.
- 44 Is a recovering crack addict.
- 45 Is a sadist with psychotic degree of bloodlust.
- 46 Is a skilled bomb technician.
- 47 Is a sloppy, raging alcoholic with a revoked license.
- 48 Is a slum lord that steals off of tenants.
- 49 Is a small time drug dealer.
- 50 Is a stalker type that quickly falls in love with someone they meet.
- 51 Is a tech wizard that makes a living repairing electronics.
- 52 Is an ex-Marine with uncanny survival skills.
- 53 Is an ex-prison guard that made a lot of enemies behind bars.
- 54 Is associated with a violent hate group.
- 55 Is currently involved in over a dozen different scams.
- 56 Is currently living under an assumed name.
- 57 Is diagnosed with having schizoaffective disorder.
- 58 Is extremely afraid of snakes and/or spiders.
- 59 Is going through a very nasty divorce right now.
- 60 Is involved in the black market trade of radioactive materials.
- 61 Is involved in the local prostitution trade.
- 62 Is plotting revenge against someone that murdered their sibling.
- 63 Is secretly an informant for the FBI.
- 64 Is the close relative of a powerful conservative politician.
- 65 Is the lead singer of a popular thrash metal act.
- 66 Is the wayward sibling of the local Sheriff.
- 67 Is/Was a body guard for a famous celebrity.
- 68 Likes playing with fire... a lot.
- 69 Likes to tinker around with PCP a bit too much for their own good.
- 70 Lives in a seedy motel room that is rented by the month.
- 71 Lives to exploit others.
- 72 Makes "breaking the law" a personal game.
- 73 Makes a living as a mixed martial arts cage fighter.
- 74 Manufactures methamphetamine in a run down old mobile home.
- 75 Moved around a lot growing up.
- 76 Owns a pawn shop.
- 77 Owns a very seedy night club.
- 78 Plays bass guitar in a few punk and metal bands.
- 79 Pretty much considers life to be a big joke.
- 80 Recently stole a total of 1d20x\$10,000 from a mobster.
- 81 Regularly organizes poker runs for charity purposes.
- 82 Runs an illegal "backroom" style gambling operation.
- 83 Served in the army.
- 84 Served in the military during a war and now suffers from PTSD.
- 85 Smuggles drugs for a powerful Mexican cartel.
- 86 Specializes in social security fraud.
- 87 Suffers from frequent bouts of depression.
- 88 Survivor of traumatic childhood abuse.
- 89 Teaches online college classes as a sideline business.
- 90 Values money over relationships.
- 91 Was abandoned by parents at an early age.
- 92 Was homeless growing up.
- 93 Was on a recent crime spree that involved robbing several stores.
- 94 Was once a high earning corporate executive.
- 95 Was once a professional athlete.
- 96 Was once involved in human trafficking.
- 97 Was recently released from prison.
- 98 Works as a bouncer in another local bar. Likes to complain about that bar.
- 99 Works as a mechanic at a local chop shop.
- 100 Would do a hit on their own mother if someone paid them enough.

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