Star Wars: The Visual Dictionary brings DK's world-acclaimed visual style to the Star Wars universe. High-quality annotated photographs, supported by stills from the movies, explain every important feature of the characters, creatures, costumes, droids, and equipment found in the Star Wars trilogy, the most popular movies of all time.

Author David West Reynolds was given unrestricted access to the famed Lucasfilm archives at Skywalker Ranch in California. Key objects from the movies have been re-photographed and even re-created by expert consultants from Industrial Light and Magic, a division of Lucas Digital Ltd., and George Lucas's award-winning special-effects production company. The result is a unique and fascinating reference work that reveals the characters and creatures of the Star Wars movies as they have never been seen before!
Boba Fett

- Motion/sound sensor system
- Macrobinocular viewplate
- Utility pouch
- Knee-pad rocket dart launchers
- Reinforced double-layered flight suit
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- **GRAND Moff Tarkin's Code Cylinder**
- **Actuator**
- **ADMIRAL Moffi's Code Cylinders**
- **Temperature control unit**
- **Retainer clip**
- **Stormtrooper Grappling Hook**
- **Comlink**
- **Power unit**
- **REBEL HOTH BACKPACK**
- **Neck seal**
- **STORMTROOPER Sergeant's Pauldron**
- **Fastener**
- **Black rank pad**
- **Auxiliary equipment port**
- **ENLISTED STORMTROOPER'S PAULDRON**
Introduction

The fantasy world of the Star Wars trilogy has come to take on a curious feeling of reality. Created for movies, the clothing, weapons, technology, and other items appearing in this Visual Dictionary feature the nicks and dents of longtime use, the look of no-nonsense functionality, and the convincing detail of actual objects. The characters, creatures, and droids of Star Wars were given extensive back-stories and personal histories that bring them to their points of adventure on the screen. It is the extraordinarily rich conception of Star Wars and its trappings that makes the fantasy seem so real. The devoted labors of many inspired artists and performers wrought a universe so detailed that we can hold it up to intense scrutiny, always discovering new subtleties in the marvellous tapestry. Herein you will find the tangible elements of the Star Wars saga explained in detail and presented with clarity as never before. Here you may come very close to touching all this imaginary reality for yourself. You hold in your hands a guidebook and a passport to a place where the blaster bolts smell of ozone and the rock canyons of Tatooine hide mysterious eyes in the dark. Join us.

Welcome to the world of Star Wars.
Special Technology

For thousands of years high technology has existed throughout the galaxy, ebbing and flowing with the rise and fall of civilizations. The development of technology has taken many different and uneven paths, and what is a natural extension to one culture may be overlooked by another for ages. Traditional technology such as the Jedi lightsaber may remain constant for centuries. Alternatively, military pressures may bring new innovations in areas which have remained unchanged for millennia. As cultures meet and interact, advanced devices fall into the hands of otherwise primitive groups, and many creatures use technology of which they have no real understanding.

ION BLASTERS
Complex electronic components can be destroyed by ion blasts, ion cannons can disable spacecraft without damaging them, while custom-built Jawa ionization blasters stun droids in the same way.

Blaster Weaponry
Common blaster weapons use high-energy gas as ammunition, activated by a power cell and converted into plasma. The plasma is released from a magnetic bottle effect to fire through collimating components as a coherent energy bolt. Inherent instabilities limit the ability to precisely aim a blaster bolt, but knowing one’s weapon well can strengthen marksmanship. Plasma energy is dissipated as the bolt travels, limiting range as the energy becomes incoherent. Longer range is developed by longer blaster tubes, which align the plasma energy carrier waves more closely through additional galvanic circuitry, lens crystals, or other collimating devices.

Lightsabers
Lightsabers tend to follow a similar basic structure, although many are very individualized by their Jedi builders. While the pure energy blade has no mass, the electromagnetically generated arc-wave energy creates a strong gyrosopic effect that makes the lightsaber a distinct challenge to handle. Operating on the complex principle of tightly controlled arc-wave energy, it requires focusing elements made from naturally-occurring crystals that cannot be synthesized. A lightsaber must be assembled by hand, as there is no exact formula for the crucial alignment of the irregular crystals. The slightest misalignment will cause the weapon to detonate on activation.

Light saber design often relate to personal histories. Darth Vader’s lightsaber looks much like the one he used as a Jedi learner, only darker. Luke Skywalker’s lightsaber, on the other hand, follows the type used by Luke’s mentor Ben Kenobi.

Droids
Mechanical beings were first developed in the distant past. While their functionality has become quite sophisticated, the replication of true sentience has proven difficult and even dangerous, and most droids are given processing abilities that rate no more than their immediate assignments. Most speak only in operatic tones to other droids, unable to communicate directly with other humans. New masters customarily reprogram a droid’s behavior to match its new environment, and erase its memory to “start it over.” A typical droid thus lives many lives, never knowing its origin. Those few people who observe droids closely may notice that droids who somehow escape memory wipes actually tend to develop identities and sense of their own based on experience. In the Empire, no laws protect droids from abuse and those who give them any respect are looked upon as strange.
Luke Skywalker

A YOUNG FARMBOY living on the remote desert planet Tatooine, Luke Skywalker yearns to escape the dull routine of his daily chores on his uncle's moisture farm. Luke dreams of becoming a space pilot, but is torn between his desire to enroll in the Academy and his loyalty to his uncle and aunt, who need him on the farm. When Luke discovers a cryptic secret message hidden in one of his new droids, he sets out on a quest and is catapulted into a world of adventure which will at last fulfill his true destiny.

DATA FILE

- Luke's best friend was Biggs Darklighter, who left Tatooine to enlist in the Academy. Biggs graduated with a commission on the freighter Rawl Ectoplicus, Luke is reunited with Biggs on the flight deck of the Rebel base at Yavin 4, where he learns that Biggs has become a Rebel pilot. The friends fly and fight together in the critical attack on the Death Star.
- Sandstorms scour the surface of Tatooine for days at a time, but farm work on the vaportor still has to be done. Luke wears a desert poncho and goggles for protection on windy days.
- Luke owns a substantial T-16 skyhopper (his own model of it is shown above), which he races through the narrow ravines of Beggar's Canyon with his friends, blasting womp rat dems in his rooms.
- Luke's Landspeeder hovers above the ground, suspended by low-power repulsorlifts which keep the craft floating even when parked. Three turbines boost the repulsor drive effect and jet the speeder across the wide open spaces of the desert. The windshield can be closed to a sealed bubble, but Luke hasn't been able to fix the back half, so he keeps the cockpit open.
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LUKE SKYWALKER first climbs into the cockpit of an X-wing starfighter to fly as “Red Five” in the attack on the first Death Star. Fighting for the Alliance in the years afterward, Luke takes his X-wing and other craft into battle and adventure against space pirates and Imperial ships, bringing victories for the hard-pressed Rebels and becoming one of their most innovative leaders. His Force abilities are awakened by Master Yoda and, over the years, Luke grows towards the moment when he will become a Jedi Knight at last.

While not as advanced as Imperial targeting equipment, the X-wing targeting display still provides confirmation of targets within the strike zone of the four oversized long-range laser cannons.

T-65 X-wing

X-wing fighters include a socket for an astromech droid, which handles in-flight maintenance and repairs. The X-wing fighter carries a small payload of proton torpedoes in addition to its laser cannons, but the torpedoes are expensive ordnance in short supply for the Alliance and Luke goes into battle against the Death Star with only a single pair.

The stolen Death Star plans allow the Rebel leaders to simulate the effects of different kinds of attacks on the battle station.

The target exhaust shaft leads straight to the hypermatter reactor deep within the core of the Death Star. Luke takes his critical shot using the Force, triumphantly destroying the entire gigantic battle station.
Luke helped the Alliance acquire its squadron of defense speeder craft, equipped with armor plating and heavy-duty blaster cannons. Laboriously modified to operate in the frozen temperatures of Hoth, the snowspeeders have no defensive shields and must rely on agility and speed in battle. Luke, as a wing commander, leads the Rogue Squadron of snowspeeders against the Imperial Blizzard Force AT-ATs.

In a quad-laser turret of the Millennium Falcon, Luke faces a storm of TIE fighters as the Falcon escapes the original Death Star. Despite his inexperience, Luke adapts quickly and destroys two fighters, matching Han Solo’s tally and winning the Corellian’s respect.


Growing up, Luke never knew much about his father. Ben Kenobi revealed that Luke’s father had been a Jedi Knight, a space pilot, and a warrior, but the secret of his father’s death remained clouded by the evil figure of Darth Vader. Only in close combat with Vader does Luke learn the truth that will pose his greatest challenge with the Force.

**Jedi Knight**

Having faced the challenge of his father’s identity, Luke develops his abilities with the Force according to the teachings of his mentors Ben Kenobi and Yoda. Though he walks his path alone and without fellow initiates, Luke strives to fulfill his destiny and become a Jedi. Returning to Dagobah, he learns from Yoda that he has almost achieved that noble level at last. Centering his determination, Luke moves on to face the darkest challenges of the Emperor and Darth Vader, holding in his heart the galaxy’s hope for freedom.
STRONG-WILLED and a woman of action, Princess Leia Organa of Alderaan uses her position in the Galactic Senate as a cover for diplomatic aid to the Rebel Alliance. Able to travel throughout the galaxy on her consular ship Tantive IV, Leia brings aid to beleaguered planets and secretly makes connections for the Rebellion. A beautiful and pensive young woman, she understands only too well her crucial position at a fateful time for the galaxy, and she hides her personal feelings behind stern discipline and dedication to her cause. As the adoptive daughter of Viceroy Bail Organa, Leia was trained for her royal position by the finest minds on Alderaan. The Princess was highly educated in martial and political arts in a lifelong preparation for her role.

While on a secret mission to summon the aid of the Jedi Knight Obi-Wan Kenobi, Leia is trapped on board her diplomatic starship. Knowing she will be captured, she nonetheless fights to the end, and does what she can to ensure that her message will reach Obi-Wan, via R2-D2, even if she herself cannot.

Princess Leia's consular starship is a Corellian Corvette, a common and traditional ship design seen throughout the galaxy. Blending in anonymously amongst galactic space traffic, so many Corvettes have been converted for smuggling or covert uses that they are sometimes called "Blockade Runners."

A princess alone within the soulless metal depths of the Death Star, Leia was incarcerated by Darth Vader after her capture. She held firm against every torture.

Princess Leia's influence, royal connections, and diplomatic abilities obtained much of the vital communication and scanning equipment in the Rebel command center on the Fourth Moon of Yavin.
Within the frozen command center of Echo Base, Leia watches the scanners intently for any sign of Imperial detection. Her concerns are always with her people.

When Echo Base is discovered and invaded by Imperial forces, Leia inspires the Rebel pilots, staying at her command post and directing the evacuation even when the base begins to collapse around her.

Although her background has given her little training in mechanical hardware work, Leia does her best to help with repairs when the Falcon is in trouble.

Jabba’s Slave

Braving the dangers of Jabba’s palace in her quest to rescue Han Solo, Leia knew she could face torture or death if captured. Though she did not anticipate the grueling experience of serving as Jabba’s slave girl, she endures her captivity with fierce spirit and keeps ready to turn on Jabba when the time is right.

Rebel Leader

Exposed as a Rebel, Princess Leia’s career as a recognized diplomat is over, but she contributes more than ever to the strength of the Alliance. No longer content to be just a great symbol, a leader, and a negotiator, Leia also returns to action in the field, proving that she is still one of the best shots in the Alliance.

Forest Diplomat

Leia’s good spirit and natural gift for diplomacy help her to win the confidence of the Ewoks she meets on Endor. By swapping her combat uniform (right) for clothes they make for her, she helps win humble allies that will topple the Empire.
Han Solo

Mercenary pirate, smuggler captain, and cocksure braggart, the overly confident Han Solo is a rugged individual of the Galactic Rim. From impoverished beginnings, Solo worked up through petty thievery to gain a commission in the Academy, from which he was later expelled. A Corellian pilot of the finest caliber nonetheless, Solo gained control of his destiny when he won his ship, the Millennium Falcon, in the best game of sabacc he ever played. His reputation as a gunfighter matches his renown as captain of the Falcon. Reckless and foolhardy, he is also courageous and daring, a match for any adventure.

As a child Solo was raised by space gypsies, never knowing who his real parents were. He learned tricks and self-reliance from his adoptive community.

Solo’s last-minute rescue of Luke Skywalker saved the Rebel Alliance and won him one of the highest medals of honor, along with Chewbacca and Luke Skywalker.

DATA FILE

- One of Han’s regular employers has been the crime lord Jabba the Hutt. When Han had to jettison a cargo to avoid arrest, he incurred Jabba’s wrath and was unable to pay him back. This has led to Jabba posting a deadly bounty on Han’s head that will haunt him until he resolves the situation.

Captains Solo’s loyal friend and first mate is the imposing Wookiee Chewbacca. Each has risked his life for the other in many tight situations. Between Han’s fast draw and Chewbacca’s violent strength, the two are not to be trifled with.
Millennium Falcon

This battered and aging YT-1300 light freighter has had a long history in the hands of several captains. Han’s extensive modifications to the ship have made it one of the fastest vessels in hyperspace. Even at sublight speeds its velocity and maneuverability are extraordinary for a ship of its class. The Falcon sports Imperial military-grade armor, quad-laser cannons, a top-of-the-line sensor rectenna, and many other illegal and customized hot-rod components. The ship serves them as a unique home and powerful workhorse.

Han proves to Leia that there is more to being a scoundrel than having a checkered past. A princess and a guy like him?

Solo, Rebel Leader

After the victory at Yavin, Han eventually accepts a commission as captain in the Rebel Alliance. At frozen Echo Base on Hoth, he volunteers for difficult perimeter patrol duty even though he does not like tauntauns or the cold. Han is a natural leader and serves as an inspiration to many of the troopers around him.

HOTH EQUIPMENT

With their patrol craft paralyzed by the icy cold, the Rebels must survey the snow plains of Hoth with hand-carried gear. Han Solo is an expert at keeping a low profile and seeing others before they see him, and has helped design the Echo Base perimeter survey plan.

Han in Carbonite

Trapped in a plot by Darth Vader to ensnare his friend Luke Skywalker, Han Solo is taken to the industrial bowels of Cloud City and flash-frozen in carbonite to test the process meant to immobilize Luke. Carbon-freezing is a way of bonding condensed Tibanna gas for transport, but can be used to keep life forms in suspended animation when the painful process of freezing does not kill them.
Chewbacca

A mighty Wookiee from the planet Kashyyyk, Chewbacca was rescued from slavery by the daring Han Solo. Teaming with him to repay the traditional Wookiee life debt, Chewbacca later "adopted" the wayward Corellian and became his best friend. The great Wookiee now uses his mechanical abilities to keep Solo's heavily modified firecracker spaceship flying, and serves as both a fiercely loyal copilot and a trusty fellow adventurer. Chewie enjoys a good fight and likes the action that Solo gets them into, but sometimes acts as his partner's conscience when Han gets a bit too mercenary.

**Bowcaster Ammunition**
The traditional Wookiee bowcaster uses a magnetic accelerator to fire explosive quarrels, which are enveloped in a penetrating energy shell as they are fired. The bowcaster has a range of 50 meters and requires immense strength to cock.

**Data File**
- Chewbacca has a family on his home planet of Kashyyyk, including his wife Mala, his son Lumpy, and his father Ichty. Wookiees are long-lived. Chewbacca is over 200 years old, in a Wookiee's prime.
- Chewbacca loves strategy games, but hates losing -- especially to someone he doesn't know.
**C-3PO PROTOCOL DROID**

In a galaxy filled with countless cultures and languages, protocol droids assist their masters in matters of etiquette, custom, and translation, ensuring that intercultural relations proceed peacefully. C-3PO is fluent in over six million forms of communication and has a strongly programmed desire to see things run smoothly, but neither of these traits prepared him for the turbulent events he would face. Transplanted into a world of adventure, this pragmatic character is often overwhelmed by the extraordinary action around him, but he faithfully serves his masters.

A protocol droid often works with a counterpart maintenance or utility droid. Such droids usually have limited communication abilities, and the protocol droids interpret their output for human masters. C-3PO and his counterpart R2-D2 make a capable team with their varied abilities.

**DATA FILE**

- C-3PO has served many diplomats and noble figures in his time. Luke Skywalker is his 43rd master.
- A metal O-ring jarred loose from C-3PO’s left knee joint helped Darth Vader’s stormtroopers track the droids on Tatooine.
- Accustomed to a high society and a refined environment, C-3PO abhors the dust and grit he gets in his joints during outdoor travel.
- Although C-3PO regularly bickers with R2-D2, the two droids have often stood by each other in tight spots.
- C-3PO’s component linkages are designed to disengage rather than break, so broken links can be easily repaired.
R2-D2
ASTROMECH DROID

DESIGNED AS a sophisticated computer repair and information retrieval droid, R2-D2 is a highly useful astromech unit filled with apparatus of all sorts. His long history of adventures has given him distinct personality and quirkiness. R2 exhibits a strong motivation to succeed in his assigned tasks, displaying stubborn determination and inventiveness that are extraordinary for a utility droid. A protocol droid like C-3PO must translate his electronic beeps and whistles for human masters, but that doesn't stop R2 from trying to communicate anyway, and he usually manages to get his points across, even without an interpreter. Highly loyal, R2 is never reluctant to risk damage or destruction to help his masters and accomplish missions.

Princess Leia entrusted R2-D2 with the stolen Death Star plans and her urgent message to Obi-Wan Kenobi, which R2 faithfully found a way to deliver. Hologram recording and projection is one of R2-D2's standard capabilities.

An on-board R2 unit is a vital component of the Incom T-65 X-wing. The droid's in-flight adjustments allow for optimum performance. Most pilots would want to use the available droid in the best condition, but Luke Skywalker grows attached to R2-D2 and chooses the droid to accompany him in the attack on the Death Star.

DATA FILE

- Durable and strongly built, R2-D2 has been around even longer than his counterpart C-3PO.
- R2-D2 resorts to innovative deceit when necessary, which makes 3PO throw up his hands in dismay. One of R2's deceptions began all of Luke's adventures.

Arm Extensions

R2-D2's extension arms include everything from welding tips to cutter devices, clamps, and magnetic depolarizing leads. Many such devices are built into his various compartments, and an interchangeable component design allows him to be equipped with still others for special tasks.
Astromech units are standard droid types, and Jabba's personnel found a fitting that would allow R2-D2 to serve drinks on board Jabba's sail barge.
Lando Calrissian

The DASHING Baron Administrator of Cloud City has a past that few on Bespin would suspect. As a rogue and con artist, Lando built his early fortunes from modest beginnings, becoming a daring smuggler captain with a good head for business and a bad habit of gambling. He flew the Millennium Falcon for years before losing the ship to Han Solo in a sabacc match. The same game later won Lando control of the fabulous gas mining colony on Bespin. As the flamboyant leader of Cloud City, Lando combines his sense of style with a newfound sense of responsibility and has come to enjoy his role as Baron Administrator.

Cloud City

Suspended high above the core of the gas giant Bespin, Cloud City was once the headquarters of great royal leaders. The city's glorious past has filled the skyline with monumental majesty and ethereal beauty. The city is supported on a single giant column which stems from a processing reactor at its base. In the city's hollow air shaft core are gigantic directional vanes that control the facility's location in space.

Cloud City is home to industrious citizens and advanced technology. Facilities throughout the city process for export the rare anti-gravitational tibanna gas from the exotic atmosphere of Bespin.

Calrissian is forced to betray Han Solo and his friends to Darth Vader in order to preserve Cloud City's freedom. When Lando learns that Vader has no intention of keeping the bargain, he plots a rescue and escape with his aide Lobot.
Having become a renegade on the run from the Empire, Lando fell in with the Rebels after leaving Cloud City. His penetrating judgment at the Battle of Tanaab won Lando promotion within the ranks, and the former con artist and baron became a general within the Alliance. He once more wears a cape of honor and authority. Grown beyond his self-centered past, Lando still finds adventure but now contributes his abilities to a greater cause.

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Lobot

Equipped with cybernetic implants, the Chief Administrative Aide of Cloud City keeps in direct contact with the city's central computer. Able to monitor a vast array of details at once, Lobot is an ideal assistant to Lando Calrissian. Lobot takes great satisfaction in making Cloud City a well-run success.

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**DATA FILE**

- Using a comlink and his security code, Lando can address all parts of Cloud City from any central computer terminal.
- Lando uses an old underworld contact on Tatooine to secure a guard job at Jabba's palace.
Far out in the remote Jundland wastes lives the hermit Ben Kenobi. Ben is a figure of mystery to the Tatooine settlers, dismissed by many as a crazy wizard. In truth Kenobi is a Jedi Knight, a great warrior of the Old Republic who fought in the Clone Wars. One of Kenobi’s students turned to the dark side of the Force, betraying the Jedi and assisting the rise of the Emperor. Crushed by his failure with the man who became Darth Vader, Kenobi retreated to Tatooine, watching over the young Luke Skywalker and waiting for the time to reveal Luke’s birthright as the son of a Jedi. Kenobi’s powers make him a threat to the Empire even in his elder years.

In accordance with Jedi philosophy, Kenobi lives simply. In his hut are only a few scant reminders of his former life and great exploits. It is here that Kenobi gives Luke his father’s lightsaber.

Hovering training remotes are used by Jedi and also by gunfighters to sharpen reflexes and develop coordination. They can be set to varying degrees of aggressiveness and their shock rays adjusted from harmless to painful.

On board the Death Star, Kenobi uses his technical knowledge and Jedi mind powers to disable a crucial tractor beam without being noticed. This is his first return to such heroic action in many years.

Even after he is struck down by Vader, Kenobi returns in spirit to guide Luke on his path to becoming a Jedi. On Hoth and near death, Luke sees Kenobi just before being rescued by Han Solo.

It is Kenobi who first awakens Jedi abilities in Luke and begins to train him, but Luke can learn from him only briefly before Kenobi faces his final lightsaber duel. Afterward, as Luke learns the ways of the Force, he is able to meet Ben again in spirit.

DATA FILE

- Ben Kenobi once rescued Luke when the boy had become lost in the Tatooine wilderness with his friend Windy. In spite of this, Owen Lars forbade Kenobi from ever coming near their farm again.

- Luke Skywalker returns to the home of Ben Kenobi to build his own lightsaber after losing his father’s in the battle on Cloud City.
NOT TO BE JUDGED by his small size, the wise Jedi Master Yoda is very powerful with the Force. At almost 900, his years of contemplation and training have given him deep insight and profound abilities. One of his greatest challenges is the training of Luke Skywalker, who arrives on Dagobah an impatient would-be Jedi. In the short time he has with Luke, Yoda must instill in him the faith, peace, and harmony with the Force that will fulfill Luke's potential and guard him from the dark path of temptation, anger, and evil. To his final student Yoda imparts the heart of the ancient Jedi traditions that are the galaxy's last hope.

Dagobah
A remote planet of swamps and mists, inhospitable Dagobah hides a tremendous variety of life forms, including gnarl trees, butcherbugs, and swamp slugs. This inhospitable setting provides a good hiding place in the dark days of the Empire.

Through the Force, Luke Skywalker is able to see his mentors Yoda and Obi-Wan, as well as his father Anakin, all finally at peace due to Luke's heroic efforts. United in the Force, their Jedi spirits are restored and complete.

On Dagobah, Yoda uses his attunement with the natural world to live peacefully on the resources around him. His gimer stick, for example, serves as a walking staff as well as a source of pleasant gimer juice, which can be chewed out of the bark.
Rebel Leaders

HARD-PRESSED for ships and weapons, the Rebel Alliance relies on its capable leaders to make the most of every asset. Living up to the highest standards of virtue and duty, they come from many backgrounds – from nobility and powerful government positions to mechanics, pilots, and merchants who have answered the call of justice and freedom. A good Rebel leader can overcome the Empire’s numeric advantage with inventive tactics, or find the words and deeds needed to bring new allies into the fight for freedom. The Alliance recognizes merit, and capable individuals soon find themselves in positions of authority.

DH-17 REBEL BLASTER

While not as powerful or as long-range as Imperial military-issue blasters, the DH-17 blaster pistol is nonetheless a well-made shipboard and close-combat weapon commonly used by Rebel forces.

Carlist Rieekan

The grim General Rieekan keeps the seven hidden levels of Echo Base in a state of constant alert, ever wary of discovery by Imperial forces. The terrible cold of Hoth made patrolling the perimeters of the base difficult until Rebel craft could be adapted to the ice.

Jan Dodonna

General Jan Dodonna is a dauntless master tactician, commanding the Rebel assault on the Death Star in the Battle of Yavin. While the stolen plans provided a complete technical readout of the Death Star, the station seemed invulnerable. General Dodonna identified the one best hope of penetrating the station’s defenses and bombing a small thermal exhaust port. His strategy enabled a small fleet of 30 one-man fighters to annihilate a battle station over 160 kilometers wide.

The Rebel forces won their first victories against the Empire from hangars hidden deep within ancient temples in the remote, jungled Fourth Moon of Yavin.

The tactical display at the Massassi base on Yavin 4 tracks the Death Star as it orbits Yavin, closing in to destroy the Rebel stronghold. The display offers limited ability to zoom in and monitor the movements of the ships in battle.
Admiral Ackbar

Commander of the Rebel fleet, the cautious Admiral Ackbar hails from the ocean world of Mon Calamari. Once a slave to Grand Moff Tarkin, Ackbar was rescued by Rebels and convinced his people to join the Alliance. The giant Mon Cal star cruisers contributed by his people are the largest ships in the Rebel fleet.

Mon Mothma

Mon Mothma is the highest leader of the Rebellion. As a member of the galactic Senate, Mon Mothma championed the cause of freedom until the Emperor's evil closed in around her. Abandoning the Senate, she built the Rebel Alliance and continues to strengthen it through her diplomacy and negotiations.

DATA FILE

- The Rebellion is greatly aided by the Bothan spynet, a galaxy-wide secret organization of daring operatives who claim to be able to obtain nearly any information, for a price. Bothan teams will endure heavy losses to accomplish their objectives.

- This 300-meter-long Nebulon B escort craft serves as medical frigate for the Rebel fleet.
Tauntauns

THE SNOW LIZARDS called tauntauns are one of the few forms of life that thrive in the frozen conditions of the ice planet Hoth. Several different breeds of tauntaun live in various terrains on Hoth, from herds moving across moss-covered tundra to the solitary mountain tauntauns and small packs of lichen-eaters dwelling deep within the ice caves. Tauntauns survive the intensely cold nights by slowing their metabolisms almost to a standstill, and can die if forced into activity once the night cold descends.

Tauntaun Patrols

Tauntauns serve the Rebel troops of Hoth's Echo Base more reliably than patrol vehicles, which are often halted by the winds and cold. Snow-dwelling tauntauns were domesticated and trained early on during the construction of Echo Base. Tauntauns make obedient and hardy mounts, but they secrete thick oils and have an unpleasant odor. Patrol riders learn to ignore this, and ride their tauntauns on constant lookout for Imperial forces.

Hoth

Hoth is uninhabitable except for a subarctic band circling its equator. The Rebels' Echo Base is located on the snowy northern edge of this band. Most tauntauns live in the equatorial tundra and subsist on lichen and ice worms.

DATA FILE

- Tauntauns are irritated by the ultrasonic frequencies of certain droids, such as this tactical 3PO unit, and tend to swat them with their tails. The droids of Echo Base have learned to be careful.
- Many of the Rebels' tauntaun patrol mounts were discovered living in the ice caves that became Echo Base.

On several occasions, tauntauns were killed in the stables of Echo Base by wampa ice creatures stalking the caverns and corridors at night. The medical droids analyzed the wounds and determined their origin.
Medical Droids

The reassuring presence of a medical droid is a welcome sight to any injured Rebel trooper. Medical droids are equipped with encyclopedic memory banks and statistical analyzing algorithms, allowing them to be sure of the best course of treatment in any situation. Dependable and knowledgeable, they can often restore health even to critically injured patients.

FX-7

An antiquated but still serviceable model, FX-7 is designed primarily as a medical assistant droid. Its multiple arms can assess the condition of a patient rapidly by performing various tests and assays suited to the needs of different species. It is also expert at operating medical devices. The precise data provided by FX-7 gives its surgeon droid the information it needs to determine appropriate treatment.

2-1B

An excellent surgeon and field medic, 2-1B is able to perform extremely precise operations that leave little or no scar. 2-1B’s long experience with humans makes him considerate as well as beneficial, and he seems actually to care about his patients.

DATA FILE

- Precise hydraulic systems using several liquids at different temperatures give 2-1B a gentle touch.
- 2-1B treated Luke Skywalker for his injuries on Hoth. Luke requested that the droid treat him again after he lost his hand on Cloud City.
Darth Vader

A GRIM, FORBIDDING FIGURE, Darth Vader stalks the corridors of the Imperial Navy. Once regarded as mad human wreckage, with the increasing favor of the Emperor Vader has risen in power and influence to become a much-feared military commander. Grand Moff Tarkin was one of the few who recognized Vader's capabilities in spite of his bizarre appearance and eccentric conduct, and as Tarkin's right-hand man Vader attained a new level of respect amongst the upper echelons of the Imperial military. Unable to survive without the constant life support provided by his suit, Vader is nonetheless a powerful figure whose knowledge of the dark side of the Force makes him unnerving and dangerous.

Vader allows no one to assist him with his accouterments. In a special isolation chamber, mechanical arms assist in the removal and replacement of certain of his suit components.

**CHESTPLATE**
Vader's life support systems are monitored and controlled through this central panel of chestplate controls on his suit. Skins allow the insertion of diagnostic cards for periodic system checks, while switch panels allow function modification.

Vader plotted with the Emperor to swap Luke to the dark side. In an intense lightsaber battle, Vader tempted Luke with the proposal that the two of them join to overthrow the Emperor. Where Vader's loyalty really stood at this time is lost in the darkness filling his soul.

**DATA FILE**
- Over time Vader has advanced in his ability to manipulate the dark side of the Force, and has used it to sustain his own damaged body as well as to persuade opponents of his will. Under the Emperor's tutelage, Vader learns to kill with mere suggestion.
- Vader's injuries occurred in a battle against his former teacher, Obi-Wan Kenobi, and much of his body is now replaced by machine components.
- Vader incurs the wrath of high officers by piloting his own fighter into combat.

Anakin Skywalker

The horror and tragedy of Darth Vader are revealed when he tells Luke Skywalker "I am your father." Vader hopes to bring Luke down the same dark path of hate and anger that destroyed Anakin Skywalker. Instead he finds that Luke is committed to finding redemption for his father in spite of all that Vader has become.
Imperial Leaders

The Emperor's will is enforced by the might of the Imperial Space Navy and its assault forces. Imperial military commanders carry out the orders of the Emperor and hold the true positions of power in the New Order. The price for failure can be death, but ambition for the highest posts keeps competition fierce amongst officers. While bureaucracy and political whims can place incapable men in high posts, many of the Empire's commanders are formidable military talents in a system that values ruthless efficiency.

Exhaust port

The First Death Star

The Death Star contains a hypermatter reactor that can generate enough power to destroy an entire planet. Invulnerable to large-scale assault, the space station has a fatal weakness in a small thermal exhaust port (connecting directly to the main reactor) which can be bombed by a small fighter craft.

Death Star Gunners

Obeying the orders of their superiors, gunnery crew leaders ensure that the titanic energies of the Death Star laser systems do not overload or hit phase imbalances that would cause huge internal explosions.

Aboard the original Death Star, this conference room can project holographic tactical readouts for evaluation by Tarkin and his Imperial strategists.

Grand Moff Tarkin

Governor of the Imperial Outland Regions, Grand Moff Wilhuff Tarkin conceives the horrific Death Star superweapon as part of his doctrine of Rule by Fear. The Imperial Outlands contain systems too scattered to police effectively, but the fear of the Death Star will subjugate systems across the galaxy.

General Veers

General Maximilian Veers masterminds the devastating Imperial assault on Echo Base, commanding the action in person within the lead walker cockpit. A cunning and capable individual, Veers is a model Imperial officer.
Emperor Palpatine

In the last days of the Republic, Senator Palpatine used deception to become elected President of the Galactic Senate. Once in office he appointed himself Emperor. He declared martial law throughout the galaxy and began to rule through the military forces of the newly-created Imperial Navy. Palpatine affected the simple clothing of a simple man, but drew his powers of persuasion and control from the blackest depths of the dark side of the Force. While the Force has twisted his face, it has also sustained him beyond his years, and even in his old age the Emperor remains a figure of terrible power.

The Emperor's ceremonial arrivals are attended by thousands of massed stormtroopers and air parades of fighter wings.

The Second Death Star
The Emperor conceived the second Death Star as a colossal trap, which would use a false image of vulnerability to lure the Rebel fleet into fatal combat.

Imperial Dignitaries
The Emperor's favor can elevate individuals to positions of fantastic galactic power. High officials owe their posts to Palpatine's whim, and form a society of twisted sycophants and back-stabbers.

Emperor uses cane because he pretends to be weak, not because he needs it.

DATA FILE
- Mysterious and fanatically loyal Imperial Royal Guards protect the Emperor wherever he travels.
- Imperial Royal Guards are so highly trained in deadly arts that their chosen weapon is not a blaster but a vibro-active force pike, which they use with lightning swiftness to inflict precise and lethal wounds.
Imperial Stormtroopers

Imperial stormtroopers are first-strike units sent into critical combat situations in support of both the Imperial Star Fleet and the Imperial Army. Highly disciplined and completely loyal to the Emperor, stormtroopers carry out their orders without hesitation and without regard to their own lives. These grimly anonymous troopers turn the might of their training and weaponry on any opposition to the Empire with utterly ruthless efficiency. Shielded in white space armor worn over a body glove, stormtroopers are protected from harsh environments, projectile and impact weapons, and glancing blaster bolts. Equipped with the finest and most powerful arms and equipment, they are the most trusted and most effective troops in the Imperial military, and the most deeply feared opponents of the Rebel fighters.

Stormtrooper Blaster

The E-11 BlasTech Standard Imperial Sidearm combines excellent range with lethal firepower in a compact and rugged design. A standard power cell carries enough energy for 100 shots. Replacement cells are carried in a trooper utility belt. Plasma gas cartridges last for over 500 shots and the unit features an advanced cooling system for superior fire-delivery performance. A folding three-position stock converts the weapon to a rifle configuration for sustained long-distance firing.

DATA FILE

- A power pack and pressurized gas system in the stormtrooper backplate allows a trooper to survive even in the vacuum of space for limited periods. For extended exposure to open space, troopers wear space backpacks with extended life-support capacity.
- Stormtrooper armor is impervious to projectile weapons and blast shrapnel. It may be pierced by a direct blaster bolt, but will deflect glancing bolts and reduce damage from bolts absorbed.

STORMTROOPER ARMOR

Every component of a stormtrooper's armor and equipment is manufactured to the highest standards in the Empire. Their armor lasts indefinitely and may still be found half-buried at decades-old battle sites.
Stormtrooper Equipment

While the brutal training and intense conditioning of stormtroopers accounts for much of their power and effectiveness, Imperial-issue stormtrooper equipment is also vital in making them the galaxy's most dreaded soldiers. Field troops carry gear such as pouches of extra ammunition (power packs and blaster gas cartridges) and comprehensive survival kits. Standard backpack sets can adapt troopers to extreme climates or even the vacuum of space. Component construction allows standard backpack frames to be filled with gear suited to specific missions, which may include micro-vaporator water-gathering canteens, augmented cooling modules, or a wide variety of base camp and field operative equipment.

Comlink

The hand-held comlink supplements a stormtrooper's built-in helmet transmitter/receiver system with improved range and communication security. Comlink sets can be tuned with sophisticated encryption algorithms to work only with each other. Within or near Imperial bases, comlink signals are boosted and relayed automatically for optimal transmission.

Laser Rifle

In field combat situations, the standard Imperial sidearm offers insufficient accuracy at long range. Field troops are issued blaster rifles, which improve the consistency and accuracy of blaster bolt trajectory by incorporating additional collimating rings and longer conduits of galven circuitry. Imperial blaster rifles are extremely rugged weapons, which give Imperial troops a deadly edge in battle. They are much prized on the black market.

DATA FILE

- Stormtrooper backpack gear can include boosted field communication sets, mortar launchers, and equipment for establishing security perimeters.
- Squad leaders, who lead units of seven troopers, wear orange shoulder pauldrons.
Stormtrooper Helmet

There are a number of different models of Imperial stormtrooper standard issue helmets, incorporating various specialized components and changing over time with new developments. In this model, enhanced optical equipment creates holographic images of the surrounding terrain, shielding the eye from excessive brightness and offering vision through many barriers such as smoke, darkness, and fire. Optical equipment in trooper helmets can range from simple eye lenses to these elaborate vision processors. The helmets are cooled and atmosphere-processed to keep the trooper operating at peak efficiency at all times.
Specialist Stormtroopers

For any military situation there is an appropriate class of Imperial soldier, well-equipped for environments that would challenge the standard stormtrooper. Certain Imperial troopers are selected at an early stage for specialization and conditioned with appropriate knowledge and psychological training. Once specialized, their psychological conditioning to their particular identity is so strong that a trooper almost never wishes to change his division.

Snowtrooper

Equipped with breath heaters under their face masks, snowtroopers are self-sufficient mobile combat elements. Their backpacks and suit systems keep them warm and exceptionally mobile for environments of ice and snow. They can survive for two weeks in deeply frozen environments on suit battery power alone.

Speeder bike

The light repulsorlift Imperial speeder bike carries one or two riders at high velocities for reconnaissance and antipersonnel missions. An unusual turbine repulsorlift makes the bike stable even in extreme maneuvers. Forward-reaching repulsor fields help thread it through obstacles like trees, but their guidance must be used carefully because they are not strong enough to deflect the bike away from obstacles on their own.

DATA FILE

- Other specialized Imperial trooper divisions include flying troopers, liquid-horse seatroopers, tunneling underminders, and Magma troopers who crush revolts on volcanic mining worlds.
- Scout troopers have motion sensors and enhanced macrobinocular viewplates allowing them to see energy emissions, night vision, and designated target magnification.
**Imperial pilots**

**IMPERIAL FIGHTER PILOTS** are an elite group within the Imperial naval forces. Only ten percent of those accepted into training graduate with commissions. Through their intense psychological conditioning, pilots are entirely dedicated to target destruction and know that their mission comes above all other concerns, including those of personal survival and aid to threatened wingmen. Each pilot knows he is expendable. TIE pilots are trained to regard the TIE craft as the most expressive instrument of Imperial military will, and they exult in their role, taking pride in their total dependence on higher authority.

**TIE Fighter**

The standard TIE fighter carries no deflector shield or hyperdrive equipment and employs high-performance ion engines energized by solar array “wings.” This lightweight design makes the craft lethally agile, but leaves the pilot defenseless and unable to travel far from his base station. TIE pilots view shields as tools of cowards.

**DATA FILE**

- Pilots rely on their self-contained flight suits to stay alive in space, as TIE fighters contain no life support systems.
- TIE fighters have no landing gear and are launched from special hangar racks.
AT-AT Pilots

Drawn from hardened combat soldiers, All Terrain Armored Transport (AT-AT) pilots are conditioned to believe themselves invincible. Though they no longer need their armor and life-support suits, they continue to wear them - perhaps as part of their combat history. AT-AT pilot training makes these men masters at guiding the mighty walkers through irregular terrain or city streets, wreaking destruction and terror.

AT-ST Walker Pilots

The All Terrain Scout Transport (AT-ST) is able to move in and through terrain too dense or irregular for full-size Imperial AT-AT walkers. Their pilots are chosen for superior sense of balance and dexterity with the walker controls, since scout walkers must be able to move quickly through the unexpected to accomplish their missions of reconnaissance and anti-personnel hunting.

AT-AT Walker

These gigantic machines are used as terror weapons. Their powerful walking controls can only be operated by pilots of great physical strength. Until the Battle of Hoth, AT-ATs were widely regarded as invincible in combat, and their mere appearance was often enough to drive enemy forces into fearful retreat.
Imperial Droids

The Empire's military forces adapt common droid models to suit specific Imperial purposes and also commission specialized new forms, including illegal assassin and torture droids. Imperial droids are programmed with extremely harsh identity parameters, restricting their abilities for independent action and focusing them tightly on their assigned tasks. This can make them oblivious to external circumstances. Imperial droids are pure machines which rarely develop anything approximating personality.

Mouse Droid

While often used to carry messages, MSE (or "mouse") droids are also used in vast Imperial ships and battle stations to lead troops through long mazes of corridors to their assigned posts. Since they each include complete readouts of their assigned sections, they are programmed to melt their processors instantly upon capture. This gives them an odd combination of paranoia and self-importance.

R4-19

When patrolling the corridors of the Death Star, computer maintenance and repair units go about their tasks automatically, servicing only the equipment and areas permitted to them. Their perception limited for security reasons, they are oblivious to all but their programmed work.

Interrogator Droid

Illegal by the laws of the Republic, this interrogation droid is one of the technological horrors concocted behind the curtains of Imperial secrecy. Completely without pity, this nightmare machine surgically exploits every physical and mental point of weakness with flesh peelers, joint cripplers, bone fragmenters, electroshock nerve probes, and other unspeakable devices. It injects drugs to heighten excruciating pain and erase mental resistance while forcing victims to remain conscious.
Probe Droid (Probot)

Carried to their destination planets in hyperdrive pods, intelligent and eerie probe droids relentlessly search the galaxy for evidence of Rebel presence. Floating above the ground on repulsorlifts and drifting mysteriously on silenced thrusters, probots are equipped with myriad sensors and investigative instincts. They are programmed to find out a location's secrets, communicating their discoveries to distant Star Destroyers via high-frequency HoloNet transceivers.

The Imperial Mark IV patrol droid IM4-099 moves through the streets of Mos Eisley on the lookout for criminal activity or illegal signal emissions. It is equipped with no weapons, but sounds an alarm and transmits an alert on detection.

DATA FILE

- Many Imperial utility droids are equipped with secret spy devices that allow human overseers to monitor military personnel, ensuring obedience.

A probot sent out from the Star Destroyer Avenger detects the Rebel base on Hoth and sends its images of the power generators back to Darth Vader.
Jabba the Hutt

AT THE CENTER of an extensive crime empire is the repellent crime lord, Jabba the Hutt. Equipped with a cunning criminal mind, Jabba has built his syndicate through a long history of deals, threats, extortions, murders, and astute business arrangements. Unlike many of his competitors, Jabba is highly intelligent, and rarely overlooks details or dangers. Once bold and daring, he has settled back in his old age to a life of debauchery in his palace on Tatooine. Jabba enjoys violent entertainment almost as much as he enjoys profits, and he arranges deadly gladiatorial games and creative executions on a regular basis.

Jabba's palace is equipped with many security devices, including a semi-intelligent droid gatewatcher built into several of the entrances.

DATA FILE

- Jabba maintains a lavish estate in Mos Eisley, where he stays when conducting business at the spaceport. Wherever he is, he likes to eat nine meals a day.
- Although few suspect it, the creature called Bublocullar, or Bobo, (right) is actually intelligent. He once ate a detonation link needed for a bomb, foiling an attempt to assassinate Jabba.

Oola

Oola was kidnapped from a primitive clan by Jabba's majordomo Bib Fortuna, and trained by other Twilek girls in the art of seductive dance. Although Jabba finds her highly desirable, Oola refuses to give in to him.

Salacious Crumb

When Jabba first found this Kowakian monkey-lizard stealing his food, he tried to eat him, but later he became amused by the creature's antics. Salacious has since taken on the job of Jabba's court jester.
Jabba's Entourage

CROWDED AROUND JABBA is a wide variety of individuals — sycophants, co-conspirators, hired thugs, and beings of mystery. The crime lord's extensive syndicate offers opportunity to many types, just as Jabba's power and wealth draw many to secretly scheme against him. The Hutt regards the inevitable plots as amusement, pitting the different schemers against each other before compassing their destruction. Amidst all the power plays and convoluted ambitions, many are individuals simply doing their jobs and ignoring the web of intrigue around them. Each in the retinue have their own stories, and curious paths have led every one of them to the desert palace.

Bib Fortuna

Jabba's Twilek majordomo supervises the affairs of both the desert palace and the Mos Eisley estate. Before working with Jabba the Hutt, Bib Fortuna grew wealthy as a slave trader of his own people and became a hunted criminal as a spice smuggler. As Jabba's chief lieutenant, he plots to kill his boss behind a facade of obsequious manners. Fortuna's control within the organization and his tendency to resort to underhanded means with friends and foes alike make him a powerful and dreaded, if cowardly, individual.

A clever Qarren from Mon Calamari, Tessek views the world of Jabba's palace with a clear and calculating mind. As Jabba's accountant, he embezzles money into a secret fund and plans (like several others) to assassinate Jabba and take over his organization.

Jabba finds Bib Fortuna serviceable but not up to the standards of his best majordomo. Sevan Domna, who was killed in an assassination attempt on Jabba decades ago.
Jabba knows that Tessek is plotting against him, as the plan was revealed by one of the B'omarr monks with whom Jabba sometimes secretly confers.

Bib Fortuna and a now-murdered associate brought to Jabba his rancor monster, discovered in a mysterious crashed ship in the Tatooine desert.

Jabba doesn't like humans and there are few who have spent long periods amongst his palace entourage. More welcome are such types as Rodian hunters, the occasional sociopathic Snivvian (right), and grim Weequay thugs.

Most Eloms are sympathetic to the Rebellion, but this vile opportunist carries out extortion activity for Jabba, interacting with few others at the palace.

J'Quille is a brutal Whiphid from the cold planet of Toola, working as a manhunter for Jabba. He is actually a spy for a rival crime lord, and is planning to kill the Hutt with a slow-acting poison in his food.

Gamorrean Guards
Tough, brutish Gamorrean guards stand throughout Jabba's palace as sentries. Prone to violence, these slow-witted creatures are stubborn and loyal. The low intelligence of male Gamorrreans is an asset to their employers, as they cannot be bribed or persuaded to betray. They prefer hand-to-hand combat weapons over blasters.
Jabba’s Entertainers

JABBA HAS COME TO SPEND a good deal of time in his palace, importing entertainers to amuse him in his courts. His wealth and lavish spending can attract real talent, but the palace reputation for danger and mayhem tends to keep out all but the desperate. The bands that do end up playing the palace are typically either slaves to debt, heavy spice users, or the singing dregs of galactic society. Some few are merely very poor judges of venue, and those that leave the palace intact almost always fire or eat their managers. Jabba’s whims keep this odd flootam of musicians and dancers hopping, one way or another.

The body shape of Hutt makes them unsuited to elaborate forms of dance, but Jabba has developed an appreciation for the sinus and rhythmic movements of non-Hutt dancers. A good dancer can obtain the favor and indulgence of the Hutt, and those who are also expert at the arts of manipulation can find profit or opportunity among his entourage.

Lyn Me
A Twi’lek from the barren northern continent of Ryloth, Lyn Me practiced the arts of seductive dance to make her way off-planet. Max Rebo talked her into coming to Jabba’s palace.

These singers were appalled to find out what life at Jabba’s palace is really like. They put on a show of enthusiasm with each performance, desperately trying to figure out how to get out alive.

Jabba’s drum master Ak-rey grew up in a Sullustan monastery devoted to Am-Shah, the god of thunder, where he learned to play the thunder drums of the temple. Ak-rey is assisted by the Klatoonian Umpass-stay, who is secretly also a bodyguard for Jabba.

The Rodian Dada Bodonawieedo has become the favorite bard of Jabba’s palace Gamorreans. At times he plays with the palace bands. Banquin D’ran is the brother of Bith Figrin D’an of the Modal Nodes.

Droopy McCool
Totally oblivious to what’s going on around him, this Kitosan hardly recognizes the stage name given to him by Max Rebo. A far-out quasi-mystic, he hardly fits in with the Rebo band but doesn’t notice; he just plays his tunes. Lonely for the company of his own kind, he claims to have heard the faint tones of other Kitosans somewhere out in the Tatooine dunes.

Some of Jabba’s entertainers are just a little too good.

Misled by Jabba’s enthusiastic appreciation, the egotistical singer Sy Snootles has a very inaccurate view of her own potential. As a vocalist she is too weird to make it anywhere mainstream. She will probably never discover this, since Jabba’s favorite singers find it very hard to leave the palace.

Max Rebo
The blue Ortolan known in the business as Max Rebo is a half-mad keyboard player completely obsessed with food. He accepted a contract with Jabba that pays only in free meals, to the outrage of his bandmates. He may have poor judgment as a band leader, but he is devoted to music and quite good at his chosen instrument.
Boba Fett

A MYSTERIOUS BOUNTY HUNTER with his own code of honor, Boba Fett wears a customized suit of Mandalorian battle armor from another era - battered, scarred, and still lethally effective. Disguised behind his helmet, his origins are enigmatic. Fett takes only certain assignments, but devotes himself to those few with fanatical skill. His cool and calculating ways together with his manifold hidden capabilities have brought in many "impossible" marks, and earned his reputation as the best bounty hunter in the galaxy. From the concealed weapons covering his space suit to the disguised armaments of his starship Slave I, Boba Fett is unerringly a bounty's worst nightmare.

Missile Attachment

"impossible"

Boha projectile

Missile

Jet Backpack

Fett's backpack is an excellent combination jumper-pack and rocket launcher. The launcher can be fitted with a missile or with a grappling hook projectile (attached to a rope and winch). The jet jumper system holds rocket blasts for short flights or for escaping and surprising Boba's prey.

Attachment magnet

Attachment frame

HoloNet transmitter

S-thread detection matrix

Missile boost charge

Stabilizing gyro

Jet Pack adjustment tool

Directional servo

Directional exhaust nozzles

Rotating cockpit capsule

Slave 1

Boba Fett's distinctive starship is an aging, heavily-modified police craft jammed with weapons and customized tracking equipment of every kind, as well as a stolen military sensor masking system to hide him from those he stalks. Four on-board power generators are required to run the many weapons systems that can suddenly deploy from hidden panels.

DATA FILE

- Fett is notorious for completely disintegrating those whom he has been hired to track down and kill.
- Working as a spy for Darth Vader, Boba Fett first encountered Luke Skywalker on a moon in the Panna system, where he almost tricked Luke into giving away the new location of the main Rebel base.
- Fett's services are famously expensive, but his honor cannot be bought. He only accepts missions which meet his harsh sense of justice.
Not even the Corellian smuggler Han Solo can escape the craft and determination of Boba Fett. Outsmarting all his bounty hunter rivals, Boba Fett tracks Solo to Bespin and there takes possession of his mark, loading Solo’s carbon-frozen body into the cargo hold of Slave I.

Boba Fett uses them individually for most purposes, using several together to create a safe anti-security field for secret forced entries.

Having worked for the crime lord in the past as an enforcer, Boba Fett accepted a renewed assignment with Jabba the Hutt in return for a bonus added to the bounty on Han Solo. Some in Jabba’s palace suspect that Fett also stayed on to admire his frozen trophy hanging in Jabba’s throne room, but no one will ever know for sure.

For major demolition jobs, Boba Fett is known to use an antiquated multi-detonator, less susceptible to damper shield effects than a conventional thermal detonator, and capable of tearing a starship engine into fragments.
Bounty Hunters

The restrictive rule of the Empire has made criminals of many, encouraging black-market smugglers and creating long blacklists of proscribed citizens of every kind. Imperial rewards posted for all such "enemies of the state" have made bounty hunting a thriving profession. Often criminal refuse themselves, many bounty hunters act in murderous and violent ways with the sanction of Imperial law. A few work with the legitimate intention of capturing criminals, but the profession as a whole is distinguished by outstanding slime.

**DATA FILE**

- IG-88 droids have attacked Boba Fett several times, badly damaging Slave I but never claiming Fett himself. Fett has now destroyed three of the assassin droids.
- Rodians like Greedo come from a culture that favors bounty hunting as a sport, though Greedo found his match in Han Solo.

**Dengar**

Trained as an Imperial assassin, Dengar underwent brain surgery that replaced his hypothalamus with circuitry, making him a nearly unfeeling killer. Now independent as a bounty hunter, he has claimed 23 bounties and carries a personal grudge against Han Solo for severe head injuries he suffered racing him through the crystal swamps of Agrilat long ago.
4-LOM

Once a sophisticated protocol droid made to resemble the species it worked with, 4-LOM’s programming degraded and it became a criminal, specializing in anticipating the moves of target beings. Teamed with the findsman Zuckuss, 4-LOM provides information and analysis to support his partner’s mysterious ways.

Zuckuss

The bounty hunter Zuckuss uses the mystic religious rituals of findsman traditions dating back centuries on his gaseous homeworld of Gand. His uncanny abilities make other bounty hunters uneasy. Zuckuss is a tireless tracker and weirdly effective.

Boushh

In a galaxy with so many bizarre creatures acting as bounty hunters (or claiming to be), it was easy for Princess Leia to adopt a convincing identity as a Ubese tracker, disguising herself with a dead hunter’s helmet and garb. Leia’s military training served her well as Boushh, and only Jabba suspected her real identity.

Bossk

A reptilian Trandoshan, the tough and resilient Bossk has gone from tracking runaway slaves to claiming bounties posted by the Empire – a count of 12 captures so far. Trandoshans can regenerate lost skin, fingers, and even limbs until they reach adulthood as Bossk finally has. Fond of skinning his quarry when possible, he is as vile and mean as bounty hunters get.
FIERCE NOMADS OF TATOOINE, the Sand People or Tusken Raiders prowl areas like the Dune Sea and the Jundland Wastes, blending invisibly into the landscape. Masters of the desert, they survive where no one else can, protected from the suns by heavy clothing. Their savage and violent ways pit them against the moisture farmers and settlers in lonely, remote lands. They usually stay away from towns and cities, but in the dead of hot season, Raiders emerge from the wastes after the twin suns set to scavenge or steal from the edges of settlement zones. It is best to lock up tight at night - Sand People almost never come into a house but they will slay a lone resister outside.

**Banhashs**

Banhashs roam the dunes and wastes of Tatooine in herds. Sand People use these giant beasts to carry both riders and gear, forming close bonds with them, and even making them members of their clans. Sand People ride in single file to hide their numbers.

**DATA FILE**

- Tusken Raiders scavenge metal from wrecks to make their traditional terror weapon, the gaderffi (or gaffi) stick.

- While Sand People are nomadic, clans often have a particular cave or hollow where they gather to hold special ceremonies or to bury their dead.
Jawas

Concealed in dark robes that protect them from the twin suns, the timid and acquisitive Jawas scavenge scrap metal, lost droids, and equipment from refuse or the many crashed spaceships that dot the desert landscapes of Tatooine. Their glowing eyes help them see in the dark crevices where they hide, and their rodent-like faces are remarkably ugly. While there are a few Jawa settlements, most Jawas patrol the dunes and dusty rocks in gigantic sandcrawlers, ancient vehicles from a mining era long ago. Jawas can offer real bargains in the junk that they repair, but are notoriously tricky and will swindle the unwary buyer.

Droids that wander off or get thrown out as junk are favorite targets for the Jawas. Jawas always carry Restraining bolts which they install to claim itinerant droids. A magnetic suction tube draws captured droids into the bowels of a roving sandcrawler.

Scoured and rusted from countless sandstorms and the blistering suns, sandcrawlers hold droid prisons, mineral ore and metal processors, and wrecked or salvaged junk of every kind.

Droideparts

Jawa recycling talents are legendary. If a droid is too battered even for Jawas to repair, it is cannibalized for spare parts (above). New owners who open up a droid bought from Jawas may find internal parts of which its makers never dreamed.

Data File

- The Jawa clans gather together once a year in a great salvage swap meet, where they trade droids, equipment, and stories of their adventures.
- When a Jawa sandcrawler arrives to sell and trade at the edge of a town, the droids hide, and people watch their 'speeders extra closely. Things tend to disappear when Jawas are around.
Ewoks

Deep within the primeval forests of the emerald moon of Endor, the small, furry Ewoks live in harmony with the natural world around them. They build their villages high in the oldest trees, connecting their dwellings with wooden bridges and suspended platforms. Ewoks hunt and gather by day on the forest floor, retreating to their aerial villages by night, when the forest becomes too dangerous for them.

Wicket W. Warrick

A young loner, Wicket is off traveling when he encounters Princess Leia Organa in the forest. Helping her to the safety of his village, he comes to trust her and senses her goodness of spirit. When Leia's friends arrive, Wicket argues that they should be spared any abuse, but his solitary habits leave him with small influence amongst the village elders. Wicket's thorough knowledge of the forest terrain greatly assists the Rebels in their later attack on the Imperial forces.

Teebo

A watcher of the stars and a poet at heart, Teebo has a mystical alignment with the forces of nature. His subtle perception lets him see more than meets his dreamer's eye, but he is also a practical thinker. His sound judgment has led to his position as a leader within his tribe.

Chief Chirpa

Leader of his tribe for 42 seasons, Chief Chirpa has the wisdom of long years. He leads his people with understanding, even though he has become a bit forgetful in his old age. His authority commits the Ewoks to their dangerous fight against the Empire.

Logray

A tribal shaman and medicine man, Logray uses his knowledge of ritual and magic to help and heal his people. He still favors the old traditions of initiation and life sacrifice. The trophies on his staff of power include the remnants of old enemies. Logray is suspicious of all outsiders, an attitude reinforced by the arrival of Imperial forces.

DATA FILE

- While their technology is primitive, the Ewoks display resourceful ingenuity in constructing hang gliders and complex traps for Imperial occupation forces.
- Ewoks often wear the teeth, horns, and skulls of animals they have hunted as trophies.
The Cantina Crowd

The Mos Eisley Spaceport sees a wide variety of unusual people and things, but the Mos Eisley Cantina is known as the haunt of the weirdest clientele in town. Hardened professional spaces and bizarre outlanders from distant corners of the galaxy can be found here. It's no place for the squawkish, but for its regulars, the cantina provides a pan-galactic atmosphere that helps distract them from their various misfortunes and the miserable hole of Mos Eisley. The regular band suits many tastes, and as long as foolish outsiders don't step in and get their heads blown off, everyone can have their own version of a good time. Deals get made, things get drunk, and the wrong sorts of business go the right sorts of ways. The bartender maintains a semblance of order by threatening to poison the drinks of creatures that give him trouble.

Figrin D'an and his Band

The 8th musicians most often heard in the cantina are highly intelligent creatures with sophisticated musical abilities - a band called the Modal Nodes. Even though they complain, the band members enjoy their out-of-the-way dive and are glad to be away from their home world of Clak dor VII. The lead player is an expert gambler who lives well and pays off his occasional debts with his tunes, and meanwhile tries to keep his members out of trouble. They've been asked to play at Jabba's palace, but they're too smart for that.

DATA FILE

- When Luke and Ben left the cantina they did not realize that they were spotted by the insect-eating Garindan, a low-life informant carrying an Imperial comlink.
- Bodies or severed limbs from altercations in the cantina never seem to be there when the authorities show up... no one is quite sure what happens to them.
Creatures

COUNTLESS VARIETIES of life forms inhabit the galaxy, many known only to those who have encountered them and myriads unclassified by galactic science. Long after dark, space pilots may trade tales over drinks about weird and horrible creatures on remote planets or in the far reaches of space. More than once these stories have turned out to be true, from the haunting howls of Hoth's stalking snow beast to the impossibly gigantic asteroid lurkers, closing their maws on fleeing starships. The doubtable traveler is often the last one to realize that a tentacle is already curled around his leg, about to draw him to some unspeakable death. In a galaxy full of creatures such as these, it pays to be careful.

Dianoga

Dianogas (or garbage squids) have spread throughout the galaxy, growing up to ten meters long and thriving especially in sewers. Feeding on refuse, these creatures are sometimes bred in space stations for waste processing. Older specimens are very aggressive, seizing prey in their seven muscular tentacles.

Space Slug

Silicon-based space slugs survive in a vacuum, digesting minerals with a uranium-based metabolism. Recently a titan space slug was documented by an Imperial Star Destroyer on a pursuit mission in an asteroid field. The slug attacked and digested part of the Imperial vessel before being subdued.

Wampa

Standing three meters high, huge wampa ice creatures hunt tauntauns and other creatures on the snow plains of Hoth, where their howling walls blend with the icy winds at night. Cunning predators, wampas are normally solitary beasts, but they have been known to band together with uncanny intelligence in the face of threats like human settlements.

Rancor Monster

Standing five meters tall, this fearsome carnivore possesses an armored skin and colossal strength. Jabba keeps this beast in a pit beneath one of his palace courts, feeding it a live diet of unfortunate victims and watching its attacks for amusement. Jabba keeps the origin of this bizarre, freakish pet a mystery, though there are little-known legends of rancor-like monsters on the remote planet of Dathomir.

DATA FILE

- Dianogas change color to match their last meal, turning translucent if they have not eaten for a long time.
- Jabba's pet Hoover (below) looks harmless, but creeps up on sleeping victims to suck their blood at night, using its nose trunk to slit through clothing or around blankets.

The animal handler Malakili became an outlaw when some of his circus beasts escaped during a show and killed much of the audience. Jabba then hired him to keep of the murderous rancors, which Malakili has grown fond of.

Gaffi stick: Gift from some Tusken Raiders for killing a giant masked wampa rat that took over their clan cave.

The rock wart of Tatooine uses a painful neurotoxic venom in its bite and sting to kill even large prey.

Lying in wait at the bottom of the Great Pit of Carkoon, the Sarlacc seizes its prey with lashing tentacles, drawing them into its maw. "From which none emerge." The Sarlacc slowly digests its victims over hundreds of years, merging with the sand and keeping them alive to feed off their tortured consciousness - the closest the Sarlacc can come to companionship.
Droids

Mechanical droids perform thousands of different servant functions, saving labor, doing precise or dangerous work, and taking as many different forms as there are tasks. Their abilities to think and communicate vary from protocol droids designed to blend in with civilized society to utility droids that cannot communicate directly with humans. Droids are regarded as slaves and third-class citizens, held in contempt by those many who "don't like machinery that talks back." Those who give them a little respect can find that some droids have personalities and identities of their own.

DATA FILE

- Most droids have their memory banks periodically erased, which prevents them from developing personalities.
- The agromech droid R5-D4 "Red" blew his motorizer so Owen Lars would have to take R2 instead.

CZ-1

This very old secretary droid was modified from a standard model to resemble the Stachatti species he once served. Abandoned on Tatooine and separated from his twin unit CZ-3 after a crash, CZ-1 broke down in the desert and was captured by Jawas. Presently his locomotor are sand-encrusted and too damaged for him to walk or move properly. Still optimistic, he hopes to be repaired and sold soon.

AV-6R7

An Imperial V-series droid supervisor model, AV-6R7 oversees work droids building the second Death Star for Moff Jerecund. It was deprived of arms for failing to keep track of a faulty power droid.

LIN-V8K

Heavily armored, this mining droid plants explosives and sees through radiation, fog, and even sand and light ground fill. LIN was recovered from an abandoned military garrison and refurbished by Jawas on Tatooine.

EV-9D9

Her programming corrupted, Jabba the Hutt's droid overseer EV-9D9 works Jabba's servant droids until they fall apart, employing bizarre forms of droid torture within palace walls to increase motivation.

WED 15 "Septoid 2"

Equipped with extensive repair programming and many useful tools and manipulators, the Fixer's Treadwell droid works at Tothi power station in Anchorhead. Luke wishes he had a "toolkit" droid like this to help him instead of his limited-function binocular Treadwell.

Made by the insectoid Verpine species, this former heavy-labor industrial droid was lobotomized and reprogrammed to serve the droid torture chamber in Jabba's palace.
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