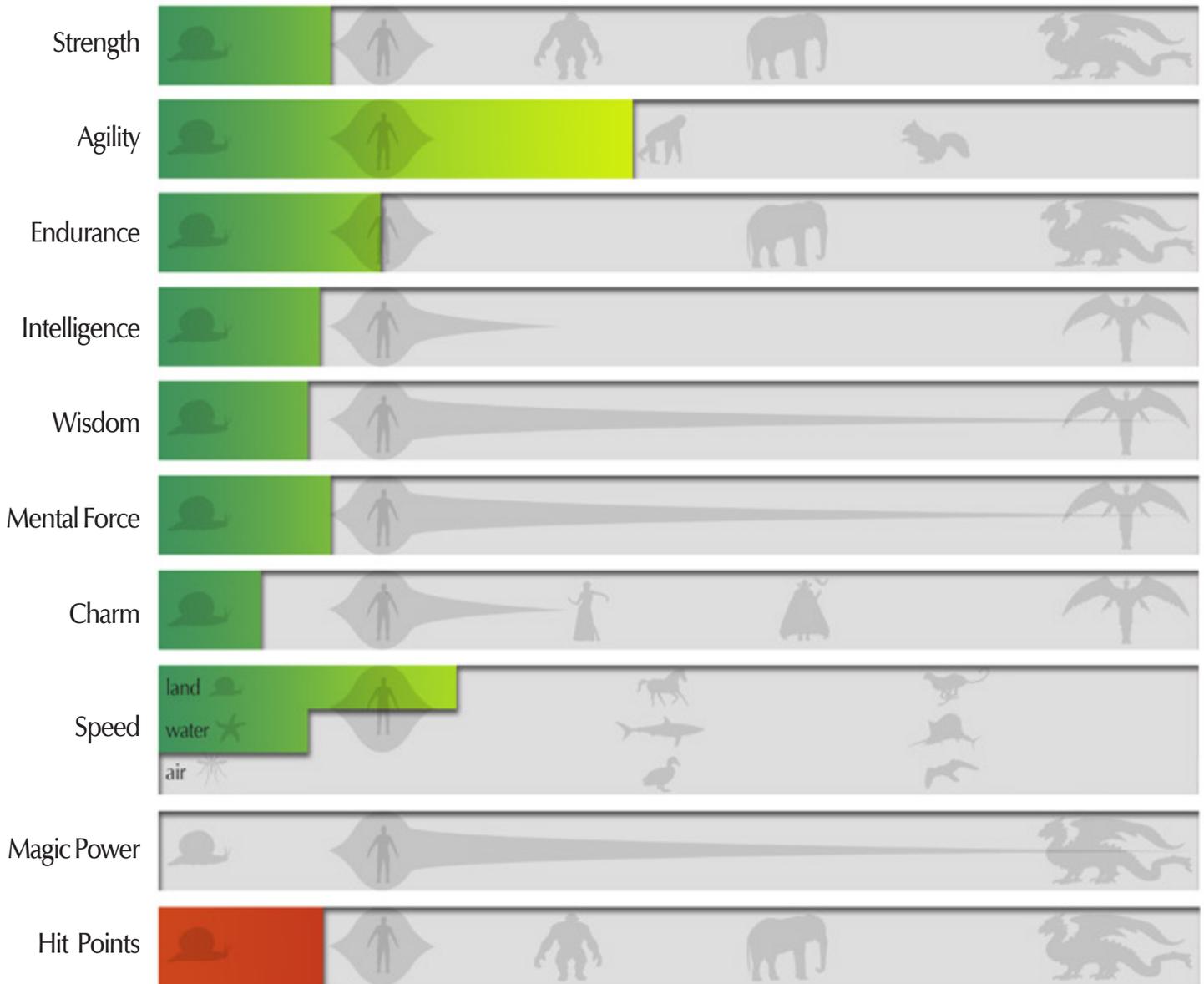


WOLLAGHIN



WOLLAGHIN (3' LONG) CHARACTERISTICS



Category	Reptile
Terrain	Temperate to tropical forests
Food	Carnivore
Aggression	Normal
Size	1-5 feet long
Numbers	1



WOLLAGHIN DESCRIPTION

The Wollaghins are deadly creatures specialized to a life in the trees. Their many legs enable them to move around freely on all sides of trunks and branches. They are light in relation to their size, agile, and very quick. Still they prefer to hang waiting for prey to come along, or sneak up upon it, one slow step at a time. They also drop down, and throw themselves between branches when necessary. Being able to support their weight with only one limb, they can perform delicate and complex tasks with the others.

To build nests, the Wollaghins collect spider webs from which they crochet hanging nests. The creatures don't spend much time in them, but lay their eggs inside, and use them to store away attractive things they happen upon, like shiny objects, or unusually colorful feathers. Ranging from 1 to 5 feet in length Wollaghins usually hunt creatures smaller than themselves, and most often prey which they can swallow whole. Frogs, snakes, birds, insects, spiders, and eggs, are common on their menu, but their attraction to glimmering objects occasionally causes them to attack larger creatures.

The tongues of the Wollaghins are extremely venomous. When it comes in contact with bare skin its venom seeps through pores, and enters the blood-stream of the ones exposed. Small animals are paralyzed in a matter of seconds, while larger creatures experience stiffness and increasing pain during a few hours, until they start cramping, fall down and die. During that time, the Wollaghins keep their distance, and follow their prey from the canopies of the trees. When the targets of the Wollaghins have dense fur, or clothes, the creatures attack using their many sharp limbs, and try to get shot at the eyes or other unprotected areas.

The Wollaghins themselves are immune to a great number of poisons, and their blood is used as serum, and in potions of protection. They are also resilient to disease. Most Wollaghins spend their entire lives above ground

in great forests, but some individuals become overly attracted to the colors and sounds of travelers, and may follow a caravan in the hope of stealing away a necklace or a pretty hat feather. Jumping on to wagons, single specimens may end up far away from the woods. Wollaghins are clever, and when people sleep, a touch of a tongue is barely noticed.

Wollaghin young are tiny at birth, and may be mistaken for stick creatures. They leave the nests of their mothers right away to start hunting small insects. They are silent, solitary creatures, which live for one or two decades.