The Temple of K'thu'uk

A Microlite20 adventure suitable for four 1st level adventurers.

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(+pt) Z+ Verdant Kobold, HD1d8 (4hp), AC15, Spear +0 (1d6-1) or Sling

Divine magic, max level 1. Preferred spells: Guidance and Shield of 2b69L +2 (T0P-T).

Klaldyk (Verdant Kobold Cleric-2), HD148+246 (10hp), AC15,

STR 9 DEX 13 MIND 13, subterfuge +6, all other skills +3

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Verdant Kobold Elder, HD3d8 (12hp), AC15, Spear +2 (1d8-1) or

STR 8 DEX 13 MIND 12, subterfuge +5, all other skills +2

Winged Kobold, HD2d8 (8hp), AC15, Spear +1 (1d6) or Sling +2

STR 8 DEX 12 MIND 12, subterfuge +4, all other skills +1

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Not so long ago the hill and environs was home to one of the

Kobolds called the tree branches their home, worshipping the bones forested, and the Tribe of K'thu'uk held sway. These Verdant

stranger Kobold tribes of the realm. The entire area was deeply

of their Green Dragon ancestor in their whistling, chirping language.

only they knew how, erecting ingenious traps along forest paths, build their farms and villages. The Tribe of K'thu'uk fought back as Then the humans came. They tore down much of the woodland to

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and slumberspores where humans were likely to tread.

heals when out of the Temple at a rate of 1STR/week. 2. Slumberspores block the way. They look like small round purple Random Encounters While in the Temple, roll 1d6 per hour. On a 6, roll 1d6 on the following table. Assume these creatures arrive through the network of small tunnels (see Room 10)

heather bushes, and are quite common. Touching them induces sleep

and can cause a lung infection. EL1

A Small Assassin Vine lays across the path. Search DC15, otherwise it gets a free attack on one random character. EL2

3. Pit trap, 10' deep (1d6 fall), Avoid DC20, Search DC24, Disable DC20.

The humans grew to fear the Forest, and reacted in the way all

forest was taken by fire leaving a vast tract of ash that has only

forest nestles atop the hill surrounded by a river - a fortunate

defence against the flames, and the Verdant Kobold's saviour.

become usable farmland in recent years. What remains of the the

Hidden in the copse is a cave mouth underneath a rock outcropping

shaped like a dragon's jaw. This is the entrance to the Temple of

You have been asked by the Sheriff of Ashton (the closest Human Village) to clear the Kobolds from the area once and for all.

Behemial Shoreson, one of the villagers, was killed in the Trapped

You are promised 15gp for each Kobold head returned to the village

square by midnight three days' hence. In addition, any treasure

supply anything up to 20gp in value from the Microlite20

found in the Copse is yours to keep. Ashton is a small village with

just one tavern (The Burning Oak) and a small shop that is able to

The copse is clearly visible and easily reached in just a few hours

after leaving Ashton. There are a number of hunter's trails through

the copse, though these are regularly trapped by the Kobolds. Roll

1d6 three times on the following table before the Temple entrance

K'thu'uk, now the Verdant Kobold's home and holiest of holies.

Copse just a week ago. Enough is enough.

Equipment List.

is reached:

Entering the Trapped Copse

Humans respond to things they fear. They destroyed it. Much of the

DC20. EL1

4. Net trap, +5, Avoid DC20, Search DC24, Disable DC25. EL2 5. Springback branch, +5 (1d4), Avoid DC15, Search DC20, Disable

6. Poison dart trap, +8 (1d4 +poison -1STR/-1d4STR), Search DC20, Disable DC18, EL1

Note that Avoid checks are (phys+DEX); Search/Spot checks are (know+MIND); Disable checks are (sub+DEX). To save vs. poison roll (phys+STR) against the DC for primary then again 1 minute later against secondary effects.

experienced trap setters in the tribe and have earned their position

opposite sides of the room and will fire at the backs of anyone who

approaches their opposite number. Good luck smoking them out!

Treasure: The maps, sketches and models are worth about 200gp

to cartographers, trapmakers and enemies of Kobolds everywhere

The floor is a morass of mud and still water. Small patches of plant life float on the foetid surface. Two Small Alligators twist as you

The water is only 4' deep, so can be waded with caution by anyone but the shortest halfling. If both Alligators manage to bite the same

character they will try to pull their victim in - roll (phys+STR) DC20

Treasure: Submerged a third of the way into the room is the

Warhammer. A Circlet of Protection (+1 AC) adorns the skull.

A voice shouts as you open the door: "Stop, fiends and bow before

the might of K'thu'uk , the Dragon Who Will Come Again!". A clearly

crazed Kobold wielding a green spear and facepaint points to a

Exits: One west (covered by the tapestry), one north

damage per round, (phys+DEX) DC20 for half.

tapestry depicting a Green Dragon being beheaded by an Elf. He

lust in front of the entrance to this room is a 15' pit tran. Avoid

damage. All the walls of the pit are covered in wooden spikes

DC20, Search DC24, Disable DC20. Anyone falling in takes 1.5d6

angled sharply downward; anyone trying to climb out will take 1d4

In the centre of this room is a large raised dais, around which are

six stone pillars carved in an intricate leaf pattern. Lit torches set in

the walls lick patterns across the floor. Resting on the dais is a large

room; most of the tood and drink is spoiled though you might be room. Three Dire Rats are exploring the contents of this store

The sound of scuttling alerts you to activity as you approach the

Otbit vileusu ere ere are using them. There are usually 1d10

too small for Kobold Elders to enter, and Klaldyk (see Rooms 6 and

themselves along on their knees and elbows). These tunnels are

the other Temple rooms. These are inaccessible to any but the

tiny passageways that criss-cross around, above and underneath

There is no Room 10 displayed on the map; This is a network of

safe place for the characters to rest. Roll no random encounters

Exits: One east. Unlike the other rooms, this door is quite sturdy

of plants and moisture in the air and a feeling of quiet solitude.

avoid contact with the Slumberspores. The Assassin Vine will

Assassin Vine. Spot DC15 to notice each; (phys+DEX) DC20 to Among the plantlife nestles 2 Slumberspores and a nearby

jade figurines (carved likenesses of the green dragon from Room 1)

contain the remains of K'thu'uk's treasure: 80gp, 600sp and three

Treasure: At the end of the eastern corridor are three sacks. These

sockets glowing with a baleful green pulse. Words echo through the

room: "You dare defile my Temple?! You shall die!". K'thu'uk's

As the players approach, the skull lifts from the ground, it's eye

Skull lunges toward you, it's teeth dripping venom.....

and can be latched shut form inside; stress that this room may be a

Spilled soil and plant pots littler the ground. There is a distinct scent

smallest adventurer (a halfling might just be able to pull

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soldd in the tunnels at any point in time.

ettempt to constrict anyone who talls asleep.

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worth 120gp each. There are no traps.

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Exits: Two north, one east

Exits: One south, one east.

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skeleton of a dwarven cleric, still clutching his Masterwork

of leadership. Spot DC20; they are hidden behind barrels at

Exits: One west, one south

Exits: One south, one east

begins to gesture wildly

dragon skull covered in moss.

enter and slide into the water and approach.

to resist. Anyone in the water is at -2 to attack.

Room 5 - EL3

Room 6 - EL3

Room 7 - EL4

raised dais in the centre is a huge statue of a headless dragon; it

appears carved from one solid lump of jade. The tree roots hang

floor of the chamber are tree saplings in pots, and pools of water

gather in the corners.

if it could be moved)

Room 2 - FI 2

Room 3 - EL3

Room 4 - EL4

and twine.

all

and loop around it's neck and outstretched wings. Scattered on the

Four Kobolds are tending the saplings; they have advance warning

of the adventurers' approach and are hiding among the sapling with

Treasure: Kobold equipment, jade dragon statue (worth over 600gp

Overturned barrels, tent canvas and chests mark this as a store

room - and a very disorganised one at that. The mess from the

east side of the room has been pushed aside to make room for a

rough firepit and rags cover a seating area. There's a smouldering

fire in the pit and the charred remains of some woodland creature.

Two Kobolds are fighting over the food and don't notice the PCs at

Rags adorn the floor, some covered in blood from - well, it's better

Four huddled **Kobolds** are sleeping off their night scouting the forest and will only notice the PCs when they're almost on top of

Rough sketches of traps and maps of the forest cover the walls. A

with parchment, lumps of charcoal and small models made of wood

Alligator. Roll Random Encounters once every 2 nours.

more Kobold Elders

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TXITS: Une sourn, one east

Room 12 - EL4

been used to make seed holes by the Kobolds.

6. To decrease the difficulty: remove two Kobold Elders and one Small

5. To increase the difficulty of this adventure: add Winged Kobolds and

remain with that tribe. Find and return them to him and he swears

this land. Though the taint of Undeath has turned his toward Evil, it is

4. K'thu'uk could be negotiated with. He wishes only to be left alone while

SRD for the skull's magic, maximum spell level 2. K'thu'uk's preferred

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3. K'thu'uk was a powerful druid in life; use the Druid spell list from the

Humans to the copse in order to exact her revenge. K'thu'uk knows

2. The Kobolds are under the sway of Symathrae, an evil river Nymph who

aimost died as a result of asn intecting her river. She wisnes to lure more

holdings into the Copse. The Kobolds just wish to be left alone while they attempt to resurrect their Dragon God

was killed by the Sheriff, a wealthy landowner who wishes to expand his

1. The Verdant Kobolds did not cause the death of Behemial Shoreson. He

They will stay their until Spotted (DC20) in which case they will use

Hiding under the tables are two Kobolds and a Kobold Elder.

Rough planting tables line the walls, stacked with pots, soil and

hidden in an old box (Search DC25) is a Shortsword +1 that has

serviceable Leather tunic that will serve as armour (+2 AC) and,

Treasure: 20' good rope, various gardening implements, a

Druid) in life, working for the good of the forest with his Kobold assistants. His death occurred before the first human settler set foot on

the Kobolds work toward returning him to life. He was a Neutral Mage (or

targeted at the Warped Elves to the North; he believes some of his bones

humans will be safe from then onward in the Trapped Copse.

large table surrounded by chairs and upturned barrels is littered

Two Kobold Elders lurk in the shadows; these are the most

them. Award no EL if the Kobolds are killed without a fight.

Exits: One north, one west (to a privy), two east

Exits: One north, one south, one east, one west

not to know where the blood came from.

Treasure: Nothing of worth

Treasure: sundry items - mainly canvas and travel goods

their spears and slings. The DC to Spot them is 16 each.

Exits: Two south, two north, one west

In addition, the characters will hear or spot (DC20) lizardlike creatures swinging from branch to branch in the foliage. By the time they have chance to react however, the Kobolds have disanneared

shears out of the ground like a lunging dragon's maw. It is covered

in a luminescent moss which gives it an eerie glow in the forested

It is not trapped in any way - but do not tell the players that! Let

paranoia on unwelcome visitors. A stone tunnel leads downward to

a battered wooden door. There is a grill set in the wood about 3'

All doors are made of very old, almost rotten wood (12hp) and

temple are covered in patches of phosphorescent moss giving

closed but not locked unless otherwise specified. The walls of this

gloomy lighting to a 10' radius. This is in itself a Kobold trap - roll

inhalation. Anyone who takes more than 3 STR damage develops a

(phys+STR) DC12 each hour or take 1 STR damage from spore

noisy dry cough making hiding or moving silently difficult (-4

penalty). The Kobolds are immune to it's effects. This damage

Gnarled tree roots hang from the roof of this large chamber. On a

the river. 1d6 damage/round from her watery kiss until Resisted

damage from spores intecting lungs, Resist (phys+51R) DC12.

(MIND save) DC12 or fall into deep sleep 1d4 hours. Take 1d4

(144/round until Break free (phys+STR) DC=vine's current hp

Dire Rat, HD148+1 (5hp), AC15, Bite +4 (144 plus disease)

acid, 144/round for 144 rounds, (phys+STR) DC20 for half).

Prestidigitation and Magic Missile. Undead traits. Arcane Magic, max level 2. Preferred spells: Guidance,

5TR 14 DEX 16 MIND 16, communication +7, all other skills +4

K'thu'uk's Skull, HD4d6+11 (26hp), AC16, Bite +6 (1d8+2 plus

STR 8 DEX 13 MIND 14, communication +6, all other skills +3

All Verdant Kobolds have a +4 bonus to Climb (Phys+DEX) checks.

Small Alligator, HD2d8+8 (16hp), AC16, Bite +6 (1d6+4) or Tail

Small Assassin Vine, 248+6 (14hp), AC15, Constrict +4

Slumberspore, 148 (4hp), AC10. If touched in anyway,

(1144) or Seductive Drowning (MIND save) DC15 or be drawn into

Symathrae (River Nymph), HD3d6+3 (12hp), AC17, Dagger +3

(MIND save) DC15

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them search. This is intentional deception designed to inflict

gloom. Beneath the outcropping is a small cavemouth barely 5'

The Temple Entrance The entrance to the Temple is easily found; a stone outcropping

from the around.

1-2 1 x Verdant Kobold - EL1

1 × Small Alligator - EL2

3-4 2 x Dire Rats - EL2

Roll Twice

Room 1 - EL3

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