

The Legends of the River Kingdoms

A legend that mentions the Stolen Lands attracts your attention.

A nature fey called Nyriiss caught the eye of an Eldest in the First World. The love of the two spirits created a well-spring of power that infused both the Eldest and Nyriiss. The leap in power Nyriiss experienced from the results of their love-making caused them to begin claiming they were now the newest of the Eldest. Their Eldest lover encouraged Nyriiss and was proud when the rest of the Eldest proved discontented. The other Eldest sent the Jabberwock to test this upstart; if Nyriiss could win, then perhaps they were Eldest after all. Nyriiss, by virtue of their magic and might, fought the beast to a standstill. Thinking this was their moment of triumph, Nyriiss claimed the fight proved their worth as an Eldest. But this was not a victory, merely a draw and the other Eldest were not impressed. At this wild boast, all the Eldest except their lover fell upon Nyriiss and ripped away a portion of their essence. Ambition, Love, and Pride had led to this, so they were taken away. Nyriiss' Pride and Love were bound in the form of a sword as it can cut two ways. The sword and Nyriiss' lover were banished from the First World and Nyriiss' Ambition was scattered into the Material Plane. It is said that this is the reason the Stolen Lands encourage the rise of so many would-be nations: the Ambition of a powerful fallen fey sprinkled throughout the countryside like so much dust. Perhaps if this is so, a powerful sword forged of Pride and Love wielded by a former Eldest of the Fey also await adventurers who delve into the hidden places of the land.