Racism in Iroe

There are two main opposed racism groups in Iroe, beyond just species or region specific racism: Primordials and Moderns.

The Primordials have been on the surface of Iroe for much longer, and consist of many of the less traditional fantasy races, including Cerithians (catfolk), Ghuls, Fae Elves, and Goblins. These races are usually visually much more distinct from humans. The Moderns have been on the surface of Iroe for only about 2 millennia. They include the more traditional fantasy races including Elves, Dwarves, and Humans. The Modern races greatly outnumber the Primordials and have much greater power in most parts of the world.

Racist slurs for Primordials:

- Primitives

Racist slurs for Moderns include:

- Squatters

Inclusive Moderns and Exclusive Moderns

There are two races whose racial identity is highly disputed: the Halflings and Gnomes. By technical definition, they are Moderns, appearing around the same time as the Elves, Dwarves, and Humans. However, they have much less power in the world, leading to the more racist Elves, Dwarves, and Humans labeling the Halflings and Gnomes "Primitives" as well. The Moderns who want to view themselves as above Halflings and Gnomes are called "Exclusive Moderns" and those that wish to include them are called "Inclusive Moderns." The majority of the Halfling and Gnome societies consider themselves Moderns.

Prevalence of Racism in Iroe

Homogeneous nations are especially virulent with it. The majority of people in heterogeneous societies are not particularly racist, especially if the heterogeneous society includes a reasonable minority of Primordials. Even those in a homogeneous nation at the borders near heterogeneous nations usually exhibit much less racism. In every community of moderate size, there are at least a few bad apples who exhibit some form of racism, whether that's against a specific species or against Moderns or Primordials as a whole.

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