

DOME of the LIBRARY

The ruins of an ancient massive dome tops out just shy of 50' in height. The dome was originally a vehicle, crafted by beings from another dimension, that suffered a malfunction and ended up stranded here, buried half in the earth. Those that piloted it died in the accident, and over the centuries a variety of creatures have inhabited it. A spirit naga named The Doom of Cthedrak dwells within, served by those she has charmed and assisted by the emissaries from the Festering Sore orcs. At the very bottom of the dome, covered in tons of the melted slag resulting from the reactor core overheating, is an artifact The Doom of Cthedrak refers to as "The Library". She has been using her oracular abilities to research "The Library" but has been stymied by bouts of insanity brought about by contact with extra-dimensional intelligences as well as the difficulty of physically excavating so much debris.

GROUND LEVEL

The sole entrance to the dome is an enormous door of beaten copper, set into the northern face. Though large enough for a hill giant to pass through without ducking, the pivot hinges upon which it is set are cunningly designed and expertly crafted, so as to open almost effortlessly cycles after their construction.

1. The orcs have set up a temporary shelter within the entrance hall; a rough framework of branches covered in animal hides. A dome within the dome, if you will, that provides additional shelter from the diffuse daylight that fills the room.

2. Hallway stairs up and stairs down.

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2nd LEVEL

5. The Spirit Naga, The Doom of Cthedrak, has claimed this chamber and can often be found here. Along the northern wall is a nest of branches, leaves and torn cloth for her to rest in when she infrequently sleeps, and a low desk containing her personal library.

3rd LEVEL

To gain access to the 3rd level a pass-key must be

located. There were four in existence; three of which can be found on the other side of the airlock on the corpses of the pilots who were killed when the dimensional ship crashed. The fourth card was being carried by the ship's first mate, who was on the main level when disaster struck. It can currently be found far to the south, in the ruins of the city of Jacaar, in the lair of the dragon Jadlierbron the All-Seeing.

LOWER LEVEL

The floor of this level resembles cooled lava; an almost smooth surface of black pitch, punctuated here and there by ripples or odd formations. The majority of the excavation is occurring in roughly the center of the room; the wooden ramp zigs and zags above the main dig, so that those laboring are not immediately visible from the ramp (and vice versa). It is a great, shallow pit, some thirty feet in diameter and nearly fifteen feet deep in the center. There will be 1d4+1 slaves and 1d4 orcs working here at all times.

