

# A Very Annoying Seagull

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A big problem in this area is a giant seagull. It sounds bizarre, but it can dispel magical effects that it notices with its screeches. There's even a chance that its screeches will dispel magic it's unaware of, but that's a pretty low chance. It nests on top of the tallest tree in the forest.

A local noble, Aster Darcrest, was walking home when he dropped his signet ring. It's quite valuable. He stooped down to pick it up, but was knocked out of the way by the seagull. The dang thing swooped in, grabbed the ring, and flew back to its nest. He'll pay good money for someone to get it back, and bigger money for someone to kill that stupid gull.



The Seagull, while home, is alert. It squawks nearly constantly, unless it is asleep or gone. Yes, even while eating. It has made its nest out of all sorts of valuables. Mixed in here are a beautiful emerald necklace, dozens of coins, a sword, a whole stained glass window (don't ask me how it got that here in one piece), and yes, Aster Darcrest's missing signet ring, along with whatever else you want to place here. The seagull will attack anything flying, but will be totally unaware of any attempt at its nest from the tree.

There are many pine cones on this level. They are not valuable or magical in any way, but they are very loose. It's easy to take one, but also easy to knock them down. Interacting with them at all causes them to fall and alert the bees, who fly up and attack (if they're still alive).

This level is controlled by the Golden Squirrel brotherhood. Any who wish to pass may, but those who pass the test of Brother Biscuit and Brother Sun may find themselves with a valuable bushel of golden acorns.

This cat has been stuck for a few weeks. he can talk, but he doesn't unless he thinks it'll surprise someone and make them fall out of the tree. Then he laughs. He'll be your friend for some food, but he finds enough up here.

These bees control this level of the tree. They dislike anyone they think might be after their honey, which is everyone. Their honey is tasty and worth a good amount. They don't pay too much attention though. They're quite busy.

The trunk is smooth and difficult to climb. A giant badger nests beneath the tree. It doesn't care a bit for people climbing, but if they make too much noise, it will attack.

