

The Isuja Newsletter #4

Welcome!

Welcome to the Isuja Newsletter! This is a newsletter for the fans, if there are any, of the Isuja project. Our goal is to develop a perfectly realistic world. (Though there may be magic; we haven't decided.) This is our **fourth** issue (our [previous issues](#) are on the website).

What We've Been Doing

These past two weeks, we removed several creatures from our biosphere, due to their being too complicated. We instead opted to evolve them from other things later. We needed to rework all of our ecosystems to account for this, meaning that Henry stressed out about various diagrams even more than usual this week.

Creature of the Week

Our Creature of the Week this week is *phtyaricheri*. Heard them mentioned before? Maybe with slightly different spelling? What we thought was *kh* should actually be *ch* (but it's still pronounced the same. Weird, Greek!). Anyway, *phtyaricheri* was a fearsome predator of the benthic environments on the ocean floor. It fed on anything in its path, which ended up being *phthorophagos*, *akidastoma*, and *asvestos*. Those creatures represented a huge portion of the biosphere in ancient times, meaning that food was abundant and the *phtyaricheri* could grow to be quite large, often reaching a meter in adulthood. They did not rival the *kolymvitis* in size, but often traveled in packs when food was scarce, and a group of just four *phtyaricheri* could easily kill a *kolymvitis*. The *phtyaricheri* also had mineralized shells on their backs, which provided defense against anything that dared fight back. In short, you really don't want to cross one of these things!

Isuja's Galaxy

Isuja's star is located 41,868 light years out from the center of its galaxy, which is 81,726 light years wide. There aren't many other star systems close to Isuja — the nearest one is four light-years away — but there are nearly forty stellar objects within twelve light-years from Isuja. In fact, the Star is actually the biggest in the area, by quite a bit: it's about 1.3 times the size of the next-biggest one. The Star is, however, only nineteen light-years away from a giant star seven and a half times the Sun's mass.

Worldquill

Isuja finally has its own Youtube channel! That's right, Worldquill, which has been mentioned on our website since before New Year's Eve, is finally actually a thing. Now you can see video showcases of Isuja, tutorials, information videos, and whatever else we decide to put up on there! Well, we don't have much yet, but we'll definitely get some content soon!

Resources for Worldbuilders

If you want to make your own world, or just want to do some research, we recommend [Artifexian](#) and his worldbuilding spreadsheet, [The Worldsmith](#). Also try out [Worldbuilding Pasta](#) for tectonics; for evolution, you can't do much better than Biblaridion's [Alien Biospheres series](#). If you want to learn more about conlanging, check out David J. Peterson's book *The Art of Language Invention*. Just from these four we learned all we know. They are all so amazing and have such helpful work.

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