

ROOTS-OF-LIFE

Sparrow

"You got some nerve coming back here, rot-breath."

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NAME	GENDER	COLONY	RANK
Sparrow	Non-Binary	Flytrap	Warrior

About

Name	-Sparrow
Name meaning	-named after the bird
Nicknames	-Spar
Gender	-Non-Binary
Pronouns	- they/them
Sex	-Molly
Sexuality	- Demiromantic Omnisexual
Age	-45 months
Colony	-Flytrap
Rank	-Warrior

Appearance

Phenotype	-Chocolate broken caliby cat with white and copper eyes
Scars	-ripped ears/belly scar(scrape from bear)/leg scars/scars on face/nicks

	under fur
Impairments	-
Accessories	-
Genotype	-LL XOxO bbl Dd Aa Mcmc Spsp tata wsws

Personality

Sparrow is a reckless and selfless cat. They're a cat to not be trifled with. They're very easy to agitate and they'll have a lot to say to you before lunging into a brawl. Sparrow's very protective of those who are closest to them and they'll put their life on the line for them. They'll especially be the first in the line of battle if allowed as Sparrow loves to show their strength off. They'll be scared, ragged, mess of fur before they decide to retreat from the heat of battle. Anything to release any kind of steam this firecracker of a cat would jump to it. Sparrow is prone to holding grudges and usually acts out on petty vengeance. Whether it is as small as snatching some prey from under their noses to putting thorns in their beds, so be it. Truly a childish prankster at best. The cats who get on their bad side are truly on their hit list, especially those who were once close to them. They love hard so when a loved one seemingly "betrays" or pains them in a way, it makes them hurt to the core. . When they get in trouble, they rather point to the next cat rather than themselves. Sparrow hates getting all the blame



Despite most of Sparrow's aggressive demeanor, they're most cool and often encouraging, especially around weaker cats. Weakness is not seen as pathetic to them, rather than a cat that needs some more encouragement. So instead of picking on defenseless cats, they'll toughen them up by making them test their boundaries. With a nudge and a flick of encouragement, they'll be the first to lead them to success, even if that means leading them into trouble. If they see a stronger cat messing with a weaker cat, you can bet they'll shred their ears to bits. They'll help older and younger cats get the best of meals and safer spaces even if it means fighting for it. They will not tolerate certain cats being seen as unimportant just because the latter think highly of themselves and they WILL make it known they do not justify this!



Sparrow also has a soft spot for kittens. They think their willingness to learn and to explore is very endearing. Their innocence reminds them of their days as a kitten, when things seemed more bright back then. They wish to have kits of their own one day. They'll risk a whole bear attack again if it means to protect kittens.

They have been very loyal to the Flytrap Colony since they were first accepted in and they'd rather die than run like a coward. Weakness is one thing as they believe they can learn to toughen up, but cowardice is a no-go. They're a loyal Warrior through and through, no doubts about it. When giving a specific instruction, they'll jump to Warrior real quick and do that bidding. They have no plans to let the Colony down and want to be the best they can be. They'll do anything if it means showing off their undying loyalty to Foxglove and the rest of the Flytrap Colony.



Family

Emilia• Mother • NPC

Lilac broken caliby molly with white and amber eyes

Harvest • Father • NPC

Black classic tabby tom with white and copper eyes

Stork • Adoptive Father • NPC

Blue tom with yellow eyes

Starling• Sister • NPC

Blue classic molly with white and copper eyes

Mockingbird• Brother • NPC

Red broken tabby tom with white and orange eyes

Songbird • Sister • Owned by @sasa-lele

Blue classic tabby and white molly with gold eyes.

Breakout • Ex-Mate • NPC

Taupe russet-carnelian silver spotted tabby kink-tailed cat with white and blue eyes

History

The Beginning

Sparrow was born to Harvest and Emilia with Stork acting like the kittens' second father. Alongside her littermates, they all lived in an abandoned wooden den, living their lives to the fullest. Out of the rest of her family, she happened to be close to Songbird and Emilia, being the most daring and feistier cats out of the group. Emilia honed Sparrow's skills for fighting and they used to spend their days teaching each other sparring moves, making her love the art of battle. This worried Stork for a while but Emilia just rubbed it off as Sparrow showing off her "young cat energy". She didn't understand their willingness to sing though which she and Harvest used to joke about so often.

Songbird and Sparrow used to get into the most trouble out of the rest of the litter, daring each other and often roughhousing too hard with each other. Nevertheless, the two were close and they believed nothing would break them apart. Sparrow dramatically vowed to Songbird and the rest of her family that one day, she'll be the one who fights for them and she'll NEVER betray them for nothing! One day, as Songbird and Sparrow were playing around with Starling and Mockingbird, Harvest decided to patrol the area in search of predators, Emilia in tow. Knowing the family were in good paws, they didn't mind much besides Stork. Stork knew there was predator scent in the air but Emilia was confident enough to believe they could chase it off safely.

It wasn't until Harvest came scampering back to the family, quickly rounding them up and out from their home. The ordeal was rushed and so confusing the littermates. All they knew was that their mother was missing and their fathers were not telling them anything. Sparrow was the most about this, wanting to know why Emilia wasn't with them. Harvest and Stork did not respond, only giving a sad knowing look. Their despair on their faces broke Sparrow, knowing that she was so oblivious that her mother needed more protection. Even so, she started to feel resentment toward Harvest. Why didn't he protect her better? Why did he abandon her so easily? From that day forward, Sparrow vowed that no matter what, she would rather die in battle protecting the family, no matter what!



Grizzly Changes

The family trekked away from their home for months on end. For a whole 25 moons, they've been searching for better, safer territory. Sparrow, Songbird and the rest of her littermates made their time by entertaining each other to the best of their ability. Sparrow and Songbird dared each other and were reckless as usual, but Stork warned them to be more careful as they were on unfamiliar grounds. Sparrow, amused, often ignored this as she felt nothing could take her and Songbird down. They were an unbeatable team in her eyes!

Finally after all the wandering, Harvest had found a place to settle a home. Sparrow wasn't sure about his judgment but if the rest of her family was happy, then she would try to be happy too. After scouting the place carefully, her fathers finally found some peace and quiet for a moment. Sparrow and her second-paw sister found that as an opportunity to get into some mischief. The littermates snuck off into the forest, scaring and playing with each other as do. It was until Sparrow found a den that she thought of a cool idea. Songbird and Starling sided alongside her in awe and the gaping den. Seeing that they were as interested as she was, Sparrow dared the two of them to explore inside the den with her. Sparrow, knowing that Mockingbird was a bit cowardly, shrugged it off and went inside. Songbird was sure that whatever was dangerous, she'd be able to fight it off as long as Sparrow was there.

(CW. violence, character death, bear attack) Soon, they happened to stumble upon a bear. The bear was tested by Sparrow and Songbird, and it woke up, lunging for Songbird. It went for Starling instead, striking her down. Like a lightning bolt, the bear turned on Sparrow, slamming down its grizzly claws on her underbelly. Sparrow tried to squirm away before it decided to claw her stomach. Before she could make a true escape, the bear quickly scraped at the caliby's stomach before the rest of her family ran to the rescue. Sparrow heard Songbird's yowls, Harvest and Stork leading the attack, and the fiery throbbing on her soft underbelly. Then everything was starting to muffle around her. (CW. violence, character death, bear attack END)

Sparrow woke up to a full blown tragedy. Songbird was still unconscious while Stork was trying to recover under the sun. She had no clue how long she even was out but one thing was for sure, Harvest and her two littermates were gone. All that was left was Stork and Songbird. Songbird... She was the one who started to lag behind! Realization hit Sparrow like a rock as she glared at her sister. Songbird went against everything Sparrow vowed for them to do. They were supposed to fight like a team, to keep the family alive, not the opposite! Songbird was a coward, a traitor, and Sparrow would be the one who would say it.

It wasn't long before her sister risked a small conversation with her, with attempts of healing a gradually breaking relationship. However, Sparrow had such qualms with her sister and decisively snapped at Songbird. Sparrow called Songbird a traitor and she was a coward for stepping away from the fight. She pushed on the fact that if she didn't strut into the cave, and maybe if she fought any harder, the rest of their family would still be alive. Songbird went from fearful to angry, spitting out that Sparrow was the one that was at fault as well and that both of them had no knowledge of bears in the first place. Sparrow and Songbird were close to blows before Stork returned from

scavenging, running in between to two clashing mollies. Stork faulted himself for not telling them about bears earlier and then turned to the siblings, telling them that they both should've thought about their actions beforehand. He knew they were both reckless but the whole ordeal could've been prevented by the both of them. Sparrow spat at the two, now convinced that Stork was backing Songbird up for her failures.

Days turned to weeks and the family were sitting in tense silence. The only conversations Songbird and Sparrow gave each other were glares and silent hisses. Late in the night, Songbird snuck off into the night, leaving Stork and Sparrow behind. Sparrow knew she was indeed a traitor and stuck up another argument with her father. This time, Stork no longer had patience for Sparrow, diving into a full on fight with the two. Stork sided with Songbird on how Sparrow is never responsible for her own faults and instead blames everyone else. He felt as if her own ego caused Songbird to abandon them as a whole. Sparrow was appalled at the fact that Stork thought of this and again blamed Songbird solely on the fact that she won't admit she's a liar. Stork decided he had enough and chased Sparrow away, only allowing her back until she decided to admit her own faults. So, with her tail high, she stomped off into the unknown.



Tail High

It's been a month since Sparrow had her argument with her remaining father and her ugly fight with the bear. Sparrow still felt resentment towards Stork and her missing sister after all this time. How could Stork possibly side with Songbird instead of her? Why did Stork have to blame only her with this mess? Well good riddance to them then. Sparrow didn't need them anyways, she'll be fine without them. She had learned things about herself, sure, but Sparrow and no intentions of heading back "home". Ranging on her own meant she had to be tough to get the best pieces of food. She fought with housecats just to steal their dinners and to show that she was not a cat to be tested. Scars and nicks pelted her in a fashion only she could be proud of. Confidence was radiating off of her pelt in each tussle she won.

Sparrow started to explore herself one day after finishing a meal she stole from a housecat. She sat down for a moment, realizing that "molly" doesn't seem to define her much anymore. Instead, Sparrow started to use they/them pronouns instead, coming out to themselves as non-binary. In which it felt more comfortable for Sparrow to be instead of just sticking with just "molly". And that was what they were confident to be, and nothing could change Sparrow's mind.

On a groggy day, Sparrow slipped in an alleyway looking for some scraps. Sparrow was eating peacefully until a ragged cat stirred up a fight with them. With a yowl and some more scars, the fight was over. Before they could chase off the beaten cat, some more cats slipped out the shadows. They readied to fight the lot of them before a taupe cat padded forward. He introduced himself as Breakout and he wished to bring them to his sister. The other cats, including the ragged cat flanked them and led them to the leading molly. The molly's name was Scandal and though she didn't like Sparrow, she was attracted to their ability to beat her toughest fighter, Chomper. After a lot of thought, Scandal allowed Sparrow to join the gang, only if they could keep their loyalty to her and only her. Sparrow accepted

every word. And so they were accepted as a low ranked cat.

Sparrow spent the next six months living within the Clasher gang. They roamed around, stealing food from local stores, fighting with trespassing cats, generally being a nuisance. The Clashers enjoyed targeting their rivals, the Jailbirds the most. Their way of running from confrontation before a fight broke out amused them. A mass of twenty cats plus a stronger leader was enough to scare them off easily. So, the Clashers chased the Jailbirds off their territory with the help of Sparrow's ferocity. Even chasing the rivals didn't clean the territory enough, as there were rats to clean up as well. Sparrow was the first in line to chase them off, but of course, she had to get chased off by rats...Worst off, a big rat ripped their ears to shreds. Not their proudest moment. Sparrow REALLY hate rats.

Sparrow pride was bruised, but Breakout's laughs lightened up their situation. Sparrow formed a close bond with Breakout, enjoying xyrs pranks and xyr determination. Later on, they realized that they wanted to be mates with Breakout, much to Scandal's chagrin. Sparrow wanted to start a family sooner or later. Scandal was not having it. Sparrow hated how Scandal controlled her sibling's life and before they could unsheathe their claws, a group of cats viciously assaulted the gang with twice the cats the Clashers had. Sparrow was in the heat of battle, getting separated from Breakout and the group. The fight got way too much to bear and reluctantly, Sparrow disbanded leaving her gang and Breakout behind.



Bring It

Sparrow was again wandering again, except this time their mind was on Breakout. Was he safe? Did xe make out alive? They didn't know but they really wanted to be with Breakout instead of roaming alone. They were lost in their thoughts to notice that they were walking onto a colony's territory. There were broken down human dens with cat scent everywhere in the distance. Odd markings were smeared all over the dens, confusing Sparrow. Before Sparrow could process where they were, they heard pawsteps running towards them again. The Jailbird fighters were chasing them down again, determined to rid themselves of Scandal's toughest fighter.

Sparrow was tired of running from them and turned to fight the cats. Three of the Jailbirds lunged onto Sparrow, not giving them enough time to react. They clawed and bit at them as Sparrow flailed and screeched under the mass of fur. For the first time since the bear attack, they felt like they were going to die. They were about to give up until they heard a yowl. Three cats emerged from the grasses, descending into the battle. Sparrow was able to get up and grappled with the nearest Jailbird, offing the cat.

The other two retreated and Sparrow immediately turned to their saviors, thanking them. One of the cats named Yew who, with their stoic expression, was hard to tell if he was impressed with this ragged cat or not. Leering at Sparrow for a while, they choose to bring Sparrow to their Leader. Keeping their guard up by the potentially fierce cat, Yew led Sparrow inside the odd territory, flanked by the two other cats. They soon arrived at the Flytrap Colony's camp. Foxglove looked over this scarred, bulky, furball of a cat and, without warning, decided to inspect this odd cat some more, making them work hard. Sparrow stayed for weeks, hunting, fighting, and generally tiring themselves out everyday. Sparrow was deseparte at this point working their tail to the bone. After what seemed like forever, the

Leader called the bedraggled Sparrow over once again. Seeing this cat as a new asset to the Flytraps after a rigorous investigation, Sparrow was finally accepted as a Warrior. thankful of her decision, vowed to be the best Warrior they could be.



Trivia

Interests

- ♥ -Fighting
- ♥ -Breakout
- ♥ -Kittens
- ✕ -Traitors and Cowards
- ✕ -Broken Promises
- ✕ -Rats

Beliefs

- -"You claw my eye, I'll rip your fur off. It's a win-win"
- -"Don't blame me, it was your idea and I decided to follow it"
- -"I'll protect you, even if it kills me."
- -"Broken promises means broken tailbones. There's no inbetweens."

Other

- -Sometimes, Sparrow wishes that she didn't discover the bear den so that she and their family could still be in one piece, but she won't admit that
- -Sparrow REALLY hates rats. So much that they'll primarily use those in a bunch of insults
- -Their favorite prey are birds. Sometimes if they're lucky, they'll also go out their way to eat human-charred meats (like chicken or turkey)

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