

Astaroth

He/Him

The primary Draconian deity. Considered the original and penultimate god in the Draconian pantheon, he is revered and worshiped as the origin and guiding light of dragon-kind, and the reason they did not have to evolve from lesser life forms like the Lycians.

Symbols and icons of Astaroth typically show a black-scaled being somewhere between the anthropomorphized Arathan stature, and the feral posture of Dragons. His horns like shining obsidian, usually in a dignified, regal stance as a King Among Kings, given his stature in the pantheon as a Progenitor God in scripture. Atop his head is a floating laurel of jagged, loose shapes- it is hard to find images or statues that accurately define their form, but the general arrangement can at least be agreed upon.

According to Arathan scripture, it is believed that Astaroth, in his endless benevolence, took pity on the godless beings of Lycia at the height of the conflicts between them and his children (the dragonfolk of Arathar), and seeking peace, split himself into the multifaceted pantheon that those from the old world are familiar with.

New knowledge imparted to a seeker of the world's history by the ancient Wyrms Sago has revealed that a key tenet of Arathan scripture does not hold true to actual events - Arathans were not the creation of Astaroth; in fact, he did not have any part in their creation at all. This calls into question almost every facet of the Arathan scripture about Astaroth, but further details are still hazy and unclear.

Excerpt from Mira's Journal:

Asteroth...in the books that Rhys had, he was described as forming the Arathan people before all else. But that is not the truth, according to Myson. I am conflicted. What Myson described was less an active being and more of a force given a name. It is interesting how the Mana, too, believed in Asteroth despite being from a different world...

"Fucked up Aarindal wants to take Asteroth's throne. With everything Asteroth's capable of doing...someone like that with the power of a god? Absolutely fucking not." - Excerpt from Xena's journal.

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