

# Philippine Legends: Undertale F&AU

## Part I: Cavern

Walking with a tour group through the Luzon Rainforest in the Philippines. I've never been to a rainforest before, I couldn't help but look around and take in everything around me, this place felt so magical to me, the way the left over rain sparkled on the leaves of the trees. The sounds of the many birds and other animals. I haven't felt such a sensation in years it was refreshing and intoxicating. My out of real world senses broke however when I happened to notice a separate path along the trail that had long since grown over by bushes, trees and vines. I felt a beckoning force coming from down the path, it was so strong I stopped to take a look when a loud voice boomed, it was the tour guide. "Please stay with the group!" they hollered. I pointed to the overgrown path and asked where it led. Just as the guide was about to answer two men spoke up from the group and said something about a legend involving monsters, a great war, an underground world before they could finish the guide spoke again in a nervous and irritated tone. "That is just a legend or more like a myth, and it's not true and should not be spoken of". With that the guide motioned for the group to keep walking. It was strange how the guide reacted to the two men, it was as if they were hiding something or perhaps something bad happened. Either way I was not satisfied and felt determined to find out what lied down the path. So, without a second thought I made sure I wasn't being watched and slipped into the brush making my way down the over grown path, thinking I was not being followed. I traveled down the path what felt like ages, dodging vines, climbing fallen logs, swatting bugs, when I finally came to a clearing. In that clearing was a large vertical cavern surrounded by beautiful yellow flowers, I peered down the deep chasm where a cool breeze blew upward carrying with it a sweet smell I have never experienced before. It was very refreshing and I felt more determined than ever to investigate and find out what was down there and what the two men were talking about, but how was I going to climb down? It was so steep, it seemed not even experienced mountain climbers would be able to scale down the sheer drop. Just then I heard a rustle in the bushes behind me, I turn to see two shadowy figures emerge from the forest. It

was the two men from the tour group walking towards me. One was tall and slender and had the look of confidence, the other rather stout in size, but not much shorter than I for being five foot five. He looked like he hadn't a care in world, with the puffy belly to match. "I see you stumbled on a hole in the ground, are you satisfied with what you found?" I thought to myself, Satisfied? How could I be satisfied with this? What puzzled me more was why were these two following me? What did they want? Naturally I got nervous and didn't say a word, sensing my uneasiness the tall man spoke. "Heed not human, erm, I mean girl, we are not here to harm you. My brother Sam and I are merely here to observe your actions." "The legend we told you about was true kid. This hole here is the entrance to the underground world. We are the guardians of this part of the rainforest, we guard and make sure the wrong people don't come across our home." The short skeleton added. "I the great Rus shall tell you the history of our world." He explained the full legend and their part in it, in great detail. "S-so let me get this straight, you too are really skeleton monsters that have taken on Human form and your real names are Sans and Papyrus?" I asked and the short skeleton replied. "Yeah it's a skele-ton of info. But it's true, all of it." I shook my head, it was so much information to take in. I suddenly felt dizzy losing my balance I started to stumble backward towards the cavern, next thing I knew I was falling. As I was falling down the deep and dark cavern I starred at the quickly fading images of the two men. I then saw two eyes one glowing blue and the other glowing gold, before I could react in terror everything went black.