Teplians are a species designed for most settings that account for human-like and/or anthropomorphic species. As their biology is consistent with most Earthly standards, Teplians can be placed in any alternate Earth or earth-like setting that accounts for their evolution. They can also be played as having evolved on a different Earth-like planet in a sci-fi setting as they have some unusual properties and can thrive in more exotic environments. It is our hope that if you enjoy the race, you can adapt them into fiction, roleplay, and collaborative writing. If you do, all we ask is that you give credit to us for creating the species and possibly link to these documents on our pages! Thank you!

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Quick Teplian Fact Sheet

Appearance

Teplians are a short, humanoid species with extremely smooth hairless skin. Their skin is two colors, one color appearing as large fluid shapes over a main lighter-toned body color. They most often are of a curvy build with wide-set hips and proportionally thicker legs than arms. Females tend to be built with a more well-rounded body shape while males average only a hair taller with more muscular upper bodies. The most iconic Teplian feature are their ears, fin-like protrusions from either side that almost give the impression of an aquatic race. Their noses are round and flat with forward-facing nostrils, while a broad ridge traces a shallow curve from the brow to the nose's extension. A short yet broad tail extends from the bottom of their spine.

Average Female Height: 148 cm (4'10") Eye Colors: Blue, green, hazel; rarer brown, others

Average Male Height: 150 cm (4'11") Hair Colors: Brown, black, red; rarer others

Average Adult Weight: 60 kg (132 lbs) Skin Colors: Rust to tans, greys; darker 2nd shade; rarer others

Society and Personality

Teplians are explorers, thrill-seekers, inventors, artists, and gourmets. They thrive on new experiences, and their societies value experience above money or possessions. Community is their second major facet, and older children and adolescents often are seen as the community's responsibility. Teachers and cultural exchange hosts are given great social status. Elders, especially those with highly varied and unique experiences, are regarded with great reverence and often hold leadership positions. Being open to new experiences, Teplian society has relatively few limitations except on actions which impede on the freedom of others. However, they are extremely distractible and slow to come to consensus when there is dissent. They also have a strong relationship with temperature and are easily influenced by it.

Main Features

- Enhanced and ranged thermoception
- Dermal absorption and self-alteration
- Slightly decentralized nervous system
- Long lifespan, high biological resilience
- Unique sexual anatomy
- Open-minded, experimental, diplomatic
- Extremely heightened sense of taste
- Slow metabolism and high energy stores
- Durable muscles, slow muscular buildup and loss
- Long-term toxin and waste filtration, immune system
- Slow light-adjusting vision, weaker sense of smell
- Distractible, reckless, manipulatable, antsy