

STPSP: BA'KU

Introduction

STPSP: Ba'ku is an auxiliary entry in the *Star Trek Planetary Systems Project* (STPSP). This is an attempt to accurately portray the major planetary systems in the *Star Trek* universe (with some conjecture, mostly in the form of some ideas of mine.) A fan of the series almost since birth, I wanted to recreate the planetary systems so that it would be possible to create scenarios in them. The Ba'ku system is home to one planet and one surface base. You will require the Trek Pack, *Galaxy-Nebula* family, Son'a Command Cruiser, Son'a Battlecruiser, and Son'a Collector for some of the scenarios. In addition, the one surface base requires the Frontier 55 Cancri add-on for meshes. As for this system, I promise that you won't be disappointed. Enjoy!

The System



System viewed from 315 million KM

Primary Star: (Name Unknown, Class G2V)

First Planet: Ba'ku (Class-M)



The Ba'ku

The Ba'ku are a population of around 600 Son'a settlers living on the planet of the same name. The Son'a themselves are a humanoid species who are largely indistinguishable from humans physically. The Ba'ku are extremely long-lived due to the regenerative effects of the metaphasic particles that are concentrated within the planet's rings. This means that as long as they remain on the planet, they are effectively immortal. The Ba'ku settled on the planet in 2066, having fled the war-torn Son'a homeworld around that time. The Ba'ku reject advanced technology, choosing instead to live a simple agrarian lifestyle and devote their lives to arts and craftsmanship. Some time around 2275, however, a small group of

Ba'ku led by a man named Ro'tin (𐄎𐄌 𐄎𐄎𐄎) chose to follow the ways of the "off-world" Son'a and attempted to overthrow the colony's leadership. When their rebellion ultimately failed, they were banished from the planet, forcing them to wander the region of space known as the Briar Patch while relying on genetic manipulation to artificially extend their lifespans and plastic surgery to rejuvenate their appearance. In 2375, Ro'tin, now going by the name Ru'afo (𐄎𐄎 𐄎𐄎𐄎), allied himself with a group of unscrupulous Starfleet officers led by Adm. Matthew Dougherty and put in place a plan exact to revenge on the Ba'ku by forcibly removing them from the planet and triggering a metaphasic reaction in the planet's rings, effectively "salting the ground" so neither side could have the planet, all under the guise of harvesting the particles in the rings. Thanks to the intervention of Capt. Jean-Luc Picard and the crew of the USS *Enterprise*, Ru'afo's plan was exposed and the effective genocide of the Ba'ku was prevented. Following this, the planet was declared a Federation protectorate and the slow process of reconciliation between the two sides began.

Notable Ba'ku:

Sojef (𐄎𐄌𐄎𐄎𐄎): Leader of the Ba'ku community in 2375.

Anij (𐄎𐄎𐄎𐄎): Member of the Ba'ku community in 2375.

Artim (𐄎𐄎𐄎𐄎): Son of Sojef.

Ru'afo (𐄎𐄎 𐄎𐄎𐄎), born Ro'tin (𐄎𐄌 𐄎𐄎𐄎): Leader of a faction that attempted to take over the colony in 2275, who later returned to exact revenge on the Ba'ku.

Gallatin (𐄎𐄎𐄎𐄎𐄎𐄎), born Gal'na (𐄎𐄎𐄎 𐄎𐄎): Ru'afo's deputy, later defected to prevent the forced relocation of the Ba'ku.