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English 270
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One Pager (4)

Of the Lords and Queens of the Valar

The Lords of the Valar:

Manwë - The mightiest of all the Ainur and most beloved by Ilúvatar. He is the king of all the Ainur and rules the wind, the clouds, and the sky. His love is most given to the birds who roam the sky. Surnamed, Súlimo, he dwells at the borders of the Veil of Arda with his wife Varda.

Ulmo - Ruler of all the waters, he dwells in solitude. Rarely does he step foot upon the land, but when he does, fear is driven into all that see him. His might is second only to Manwë, and great is their friendship. When the children of Ilúvatar are in peril, he never forsakes them, for he loves both man and elf.

Aulë - His power is just less than that of Ulmo's. He is the master of every craft and skill and is ruler of all the earth. The gold and jewels that are coveted by man are his and his alone. The Noldor learned of his skill and he loved them. Melkor is most jealous of him, for they are of like minds, and Melkor destroys his creations. Yavanna dwells with him.

Oromë - Oromë is a mighty lord. He is the hunter of monsters and of beasts. Though not as strong as the warrior Tulkas, his wrath and anger needs to be feared. He loves the trees of the forest and the thrills of the hunt and is surnamed Aldaron, the Lord of the Forests.

Mandos - His name is Námo, and Mandos is the place where he dwells. There he rules, with his wife Vairë, in the House of the Dead and never goes against the will of Ilúvatar. He possesses a great knowledge that is never forgotten and pronounces judgement, giving way to the surname, Doomsman of the Valar.

Lórien - Irmo is his name, and Lórien, the Field of Dreams, is where he dwells with Estë, his wife. Lórien is the fairest of all places in the world. He is the keeper of visions and master of dreams.

Tulkas - Great is the strength of Tulkas and prowess, for his is a warrior and competitor, surnaming him, Astaldo, the Valiant. He bears no weapon nor rides any steed in war, for they only hinder his strength. Though he is of poor counsel, his friendship is true. His love is only for his wife Nesse

The Queens of the Valar:

Varda - The mightiest of all the queens of the Valar, and wife to Manwë. Her power is that of the stars. The beauty of her face is unparalleled for she has the Light of Ilúvatar in it. She was once courted by Melkor; however, she despised him, and when Manwë was injured, she went to him, forsaking Melkor.

Yavanna - Hers is the rule of plants and her might, among the queens, is second only to Varda. She is wife to Aulë, and loves all thing that grow.

Nienne - She is the bearer of sorrow, grief, and sadness because of what Melkor has done to the world of Arda. She, like Ulmo, dwells in solitude, never weeping for herself. Those who seek her, learn pity and embrace hope. Often does she go to Mandos, where she gives strength to the dead, and turn their sorrow into wisdom.

Estë - Wife to Irmo, her power is that of the healers touch. She is able to heal the physical wound as well as the fatigue brought on by weariness. In Lórien where she and her husband dwell, do they bring rest to all, even the Valar come to rest from the weariness of Arda.

Vairë - She is the Weaver and wife to Námo. In her web she sees all that has been, for she is the mistress of Time. Ever does her web grow as the ages go by.

Vána - Wife of Oromë, she is surnamed, the Ever-Young. She is the Spring, and life blooms all around her.

Nessa - Wife to Tulkas and sister to Oromë. She is swift and fleet of foot. Animals of the wild are given her love, but none more then that of the deer, for they are most like her. She is the huntress and dancer of the Valar.