Ur-Turuk City Guide



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INTRODUCTION

The Sorcerers of Ur-Turuk RPG featured a chapter on the people, history and geography of the ancient City of Sorcerers. Although sufficient to run a game set in the city, it did not really offer enough depth for an extended campaign. Therefore, the idea of this book was born.

A GM can use this book to populate the narrow streets, noble palaces and myth-shrouded temples of the city as a backdrop to the adventures and intrigues of the Sorcerers and their Vahnam. A player can safely read this book as there are no secrets contained within. This was entirely intentional on the part of the author. For one thing, adding secrets of the setting would restrict the potential audience for the book (always a bad thing) and for another it then artificially constrains the GM to following those plots. The hints and suggestions within give a GM room to determine their own story behind the scenes whilst still maintaining a constant setting.

A GM should also remember that this book provides what is commonly known or believed about the city, both historically and today. Just because something is written here does not mean that it is absolute truth in your game. A player should never complain "but in this book it says..."!

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