

Planets D6 / Ventooine

Name: Ventooine
Region: Outer Rim Territories
Sector: Corva sector
System: Ventooine system
Grid coordinates: P-3
Class: Terrestrial
Primary terrain: Mountains, Mesas
Points of interest: Hall of Satabs
Native species: Ventooinan
Primary language(s): Galactic Basic Standard, Ventooinan
Major cities: Goyoikin (Capital)
Major Imports: Food, Technology
Major Exports: Sansanna Spice, Crystals, Shadeshine



Description: Ventooine was a planet located within the Ventooine system of the Outer Rim Territories. It was ruled by the Satabs until their line was ended by Han Solo and the local Tieress, Chrysalla. The planet exported sansanna spice, crystals, and a mineral named Shadeshine.

Goyoikin

Goyoikin was the capital city of Ventooine, located on the only inhabited continent of the planet. A large golden statue of Han Solo stood in the ruins of what was once the temple of the ruling Satab, erected by the grateful population in thanks for his efforts in overthrowing the last Satab. The city was also home to the Hall of Satabs.

Hall of Satabs

The Hall of Satabs was a nullification chamber that served as a type of burial chamber for the Satabs of Ventooine. As soon as a person stepped within the hall, they were immediately put into a state of suspended animation. The chamber was created to counteract the effect of the Satab regalia, the shadeshine, which, after contact, heightened one's senses to an extreme degree. This would grant the Satab extraordinary powers, but would eventually make the senses so sensitive to external stimuli that the person's body and mind could no longer stand it. This effect could be held off for approximately a standard year by the owner of the stone, but there was no stopping its deadly effect after that time. When a year was almost up, the current Satab would hand the stone over to his successor, chosen from the populace of Ventooine, and step into the Hall.

It was thought that eventually a cure would be found for the shadeshine's effects, and the Hall of Satabs would eventually be dismantled. However, by the height of the Galactic Civil War, the Hall of Satabs was still being used and was the permanent home of many former Satabs. During this time, the rule of the Satabs was overthrown by a local resistance led by Rov Vetter Piin. The ruling Satab at the time was prevented from entering the chamber and was incinerated by the shadeshine. The next owner of the stone, Chrysalla immediately entered the Hall of Satabs to end the shadeshine's powerful influence on Ventooine.

When Luke Skywalker and Lando Calrissian came to the planet around 3 ABY, the chamber was still being maintained as a historic artifact. Luke and Lando were able to trick a group of stormtroopers into entering the chamber, placing them in suspended animation and allowing the Rebels to escape.

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