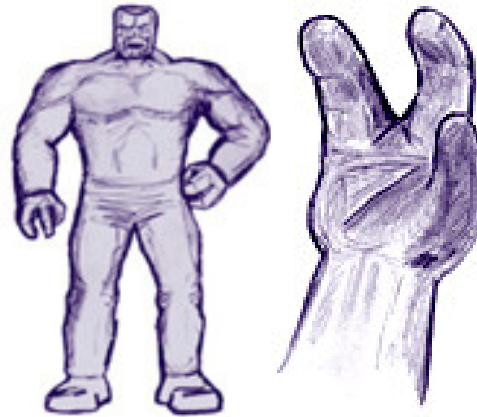


## The Brikar

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*As introduced in the Star Trek 'New Frontier' and 'Starfleet Academy' series of books with the character of Zak Kebron. The work here is an amalgamation of information and images found on Kurt Danhausers New Frontier encyclopaedia web pages and an adjustment of the Brikar species template by Alan Shock and previewed on the Trekrpg website, bringing the species more in line with the beings as I see them.*

The Brikarians are a technologically sophisticated, roughly humanoid civilisation from the low- gravity world of Brikar. They are a proud, warrior race and are members of the Federation. Though not unemotional actually, the Brikar have a renowned stoicism and a chauvinism that is equally famous. The Brikar have traditionally harboured a dislike for Klingons stemming from intense border disputes that occurred before the Klingon Federation Alliance of 2293. In 2358, the Brikar attempted to form an alliance of races hostile to the Federation and made a bid to take over the Federation. The few skirmishes that were fought over a number of weeks were later called the Brikar-Federation War.



Physically Brikarians are bipedal, roughly humanoid beings possessed of very tough hides and dense physiques making them appear like living rock statues. Unlike most other species that come from low-gravity worlds, the Brikar are immensely strong and heavy. Other low-gravity species such as the Elasians are lithe, relatively frail beings who can hardly stand in gravity's such as Earth normal. Yet the Brikar are powerfully built and quite dense. This apparent disparity lends credence to the common belief that the Brikar have genetically altered their physical make-up over the centuries, and have in effect bred themselves for physical strength. In the relatively higher Earth gravity, Brikarians appear more flattened vertically than on their home-world, and they experience some difficulty in moving. However, they retain their incredible strength. The average Brikarian is capable of lifting several tons, even in Earth gravity.

Although fairly rigid in physique Brikarians can be capable of unexpected quickness. They have large lung capacities, slow metabolisms and airtight mouths, allowing them to hold their breath for 20 minutes at a stretch. They have the well- deserved reputation for being hard to scare, owing to their size, strength, and tough hides which can withstand phaser blasts that would kill ten humans. In appearance, Brikarians have chiselled features and the surface of their bodies are covered in facets like rough crystals. They have small all-black eyes, two vertical slits for a nose, a simple slit for a mouth, and have two small circular ear holes on either side of their proportionally small and compact heads. They have three-fingered hands featuring two fingers in a V-shape and an opposable thumb.

### **Treatment: Gravity Harness +2**

**Gravity Compensation Harness.** A small device worn over the Zak Kebrons uniform that allows him to function within normal gravity conditions. Created by Lt. Robin Lefler, specifically for Lt. Kebron although a similar device would be easy to construct. If the harness breaks down however the wearer is left floundering unable to move in a strong gravity field. It should be noted that this device would be able to work in reverse lessening the inherent

Brikar	
<b>Attributes:</b>	
Fitness 4 [6]	Strength +1
	Vitality +1
Co-ordination 2 [4]	
Intellect 2 [5]	
Presence 2 [5]	Empathy -1
Psi 0 [5]	
<b>Skills:</b>	
Culture (Brikar) 2 (3)	
History (Brikar) 1 (2)	
Language; Brikar 2	
Unarmed Combat (Wrestling) 2 (3)	
World Knowledge (Brikar homeworld) 1 (2)	
<b>Typical Advantages/Disadvantages: (6)</b>	
High Pain Threshold +2,	
Toughness +2,	
Medical Problem: Gravity Intolerance -2,	
Rapid Healing +1	
Treatment: Gravity Harness +2.	

## Species Template

strength and speed of individuals from a higher gravity world or increasing the strength of standard gravity dwellers, as long as their internal bone structure would be able to withstand the enhanced strength.