The Shattered Lands

Geography

The Shattered Lands are a mix of flat open areas of dry rock and sand split by high reaching mountains and sickeningly deep crevasses threatening to suck anything down into them. It is bordered by the Allanora Sea on its West, and the ocean on its East. One lake exists on the southern end of the mountains but its waters are black and oily. The rocks and dirt seem burned and charred, and the sand is coarse and even sharp in some places.

Ecosystem

No plants grow within The Shattered Lands. The few creatures that call this place home live off of each other, or the small species of fungus that can be found underground, or at the edges of the mountains.

History

The Shattered Lands are a visual representation of what scholars believe the rest of the world looks like: empty and charred. It is a reminder of the cost of the gods war and the shattering of the planet. For hundreds of years the land was unlivable, but at the beginning of the 7th century it was discovered that the land was slowly healing itself. Once there was enough room, a large group of people migrated to the land and built a life for themselves, eventually they built Redmont and claimed their place as one of the Holds.

Around the turn of the current century however a troubling discovery was make. The constant growth of living things had slowed. The entire Hold frantically began expanding their efforts of helping the land but to no avail. Shortly after the ruling of Redmont Fort fell to Thaulai, it was discovered that growth had not only stopped completely, but was slowly starting to reverse its effects. Now the residents of the Hold are working furiously to discover the cause and, while some solutions have been brought forward, not one has properly made any significant change.
In 1051 AGW, Redmont is a booming town as people from all over Ovenica flood to seek the riches that potentially lie within the Shattered Lands. The Shattered Lands have mostly cleared up but are still vastly unexplored and are seeing a “gold rush” from people looking to find adventure.

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