



What If DS9 Aliens Weren't All Humanoids?

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Fanart I drew of some of the species in DS9, but more alieny and unique. Inspired by a post on this site, but I forget which one.

Chapter 1: All Together Now

All of them together.

The next chapters are the individual pictures, along with short descriptions/explanations. Well, and Dominion group photos...

Starfleet, Bajoran, Dominion -- even the Prophets and Pah-Wraiths are getting in on the group photo!

Chapter 2: Jadzia Dax

I couldn't remember what Jadzia's eye color was, so I picked a random one.

Presenting aquatic, bioluminescent, slug Jadzia! She's wearing a mask because she's a water-breather. The thing around her belly is to protect the slit that the Symbiote goes into. In this version, Trill is a dark planet covered mostly in water, and its inhabitants have evolved accordingly.

She can still type and grab things with her three little claws. And I imagine those antennae-things are probably good for whacking things (not too hard, of course, since they're probably sensors as well).

Chapter 3: A Random Bajoran

I suck at the earrings, lol.

This isn't Kira, it's just a random Bajoran. Blue eyes to represent how the Prophets have changed the Bajoran people, big ears because of their Pah thing, four-digit talon feet/hands because I was going to make them bird people but forgot halfway through.

If you look closely, their pupils are sorta hourglass shaped. That is mostly for aesthetics, but partly to represent time and such. Nose partly inspired by a baboon. They're holding a candle for the whole spiritual vibe.

Four arms and eyes are because why not? And I'm thinking they might have small tails and possibly fangs.

Chapter 4: Gul Dukat

I couldn't remember Dukat's eye color, so I picked green. Honestly, this might not even be Dukat...

Snake Cardassians! I tried to keep the most important bits, like the head thing and the brow ridges, and the chin spikes. They were already partially cobras, this just makes them moreso.

Blue tongue because I believe their blood is blue. Weird eyes, clawed hands, forked tongue, lotsa scales, cobra frills, rattle tail -- I had a lot of fun with this.

And he's probably venomous.

Chapter 5: Odo

He looks kinda grumpy.

Oh, fair warning: the Prophets/Pah-Wraiths aren't getting an entry.

Odo's biggest influence were Bajorans and Cardassians, and his form reflects that. He's not the best shapeshifter, and puts function over form, so he's ended looking a little weird.

But Odo doesn't want to look exactly like the Bajorans/Cardassians, no matter how much he claim otherwise. This form is something uniquely him, and -- though he doesn't know it -- has some things unique to his species.

He's as well just a tad more androgynous.

Chapter 6: Quark

I completely forgot what Ferengi noses look like.

I present to you, bat-frog-thing Quark! I put gold in his eyes to represent latinum. Ferengi come from a swamp world and have good hearing. Beyond that...

I'm not entirely sure how to explain this. Though I do have a funny mental picture of Quark trying to escape Odo by flying into an air vent or something else small, and Odo just turns into a hawk and chases him.

Small, unassuming, kinda cute -- you'd never expected this thing to be greedy, sharp-toothed, scheming conman. Exactly as the Ferengi want it.

Chapter 7: Dominion Group Shots

Next up: The individual Dominion species

Chapter 8: The Voice Of The Link

Tentacle arms because I hate drawing hands. And because I just think it fits her to have whips for arms.

Commander of the Dominion, Voice Of The Great Link, it's the Female Founder herself!

She's a sandy living puddle with a god complex, hates Solids, and might be dying (shhh, it's a secret!).

Glowing eyes, no mouth, a crown -- there's a reason the Vorta see her and think 'yep, that's a goddess'.

Chapter 9: Weyoun 6

Weyoun 6 is adorable!

Lemur Vorta are best Vorta. This adorable, tiny, friendly-looking creature with bad eyes/smell/taste (but great hearing) is the perfect diplomat/ambassador -- no one expects it when he stabs you in the back!

Not that Weyoun 6 would do that, but the other Weyouns/Vorta definitely would.

As well, their eyes are great in the dark, but very poor when it's at all bright. Tree-climbers with tiny, mildly venomous, fangs. He can probably jump pretty well.

He's wearing clothes that are the colors of the founders, of course, since he's suppose to be a representative of the Dominion.

Chapter 10: Jem'Hadar (Before/After)

And that's all, folks! Hope you enjoyed!

Before the Dominion got a hold of them, the Jem'hadar were tough-but-happy chameleon-mammoth-sloth-hedgehog-beasts. They had great vision, could turn invisible, slept in trees, and had prehensile tongues. They were a primitive people, still developing, but already using tools with their midlimbs.

Now they're sickly, infected by Ketrecel White. Near-mindless addicts and soldiers, expendable with little-no survival instinct. They obey the Founders in all things, for Victory Is Life.

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