

Darlhía Morley

- Also known as: the Tarnished Key, [Valeska](#) (to [N](#), borrowed name from Darlhía's friend, who had passed away several years prior)
- Daughter of [Sarhía Morley](#), Granddaughter of [Lhash Morley](#)
- Friend and partner in crime of [Ridley Donahue](#); romantic partner of [Khella Airus](#).
- Thief by trade, specializing in cat burglary and infiltration.

Personal Timeline:

1165:

- Darlhía Morley** is born to Sarhía Morley (21)

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- Darlhía's (5) father dies at sea; her mother Sarhía (24) is presumed dead in the same wreck, but in fact kidnapped by Pryors; Lhash (44) adopts her orphaned granddaughter

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- Khel (26) and Dar (24) meet investigating the murder of Dar's friend Valeska (24, deceased), have adventures, and begin dating

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- In the wake of his falling out with [Dunlat](#) (33), Ridley (31) nearly kills himself in his despair, but the act is averted by Dar (26). He soon becomes her friend and partner in crime.

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The Raid on Tarengbeth:

- [Eramis](#) (60) orchestrates an attack on [Tarengbeth](#) using [P'lhari](#) (90, appearing 20s or so) and Sarhía (50, appearing 30s or so), bringing them in via Gaelyn's (41) smuggling contacts; [The Tarnished Spade and Shears](#) are killed.

- Ultimately, the attempt is thwarted by [Lodin Volsyr](#) (3000+) and Darlhía (29); however, Dar is licked, leading to a cascade of misery for her friends and family; the [Host of the Tarnished Key](#) sacrifices herself so that Darlhía may inherit it, which lets her retain moments of lucidity as [Corrigan](#) attempts to undo the damage

- Dar is taken into the care of the [Church](#), with visitations from her Grandmother and friends; however, tormented by her lack of physical and metaphysical freedom, she asks Ridley and Khel to break her out. When they do so, with Khel assuming her identity as part of the operation, Dar escapes from Ridley and

throws herself into [the Ghant](#); as a natural born [witchling](#), of sorts, bearing a Tarnish, she is bound to the fate of an enduring spirit, to eventually reform as a revenant.

-The cause of Dar's death is kept secret between Ridley and Khel; the latter returns to [Kerwhick](#). Ridley is unable to face Lhash, and breaks contact without explanation.

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-Dar's spirit begins to re-solidify, connecting her to other [Norn](#) spirited witchlings like [N](#). Lacking some parts of her memory, she introduces herself as Valeska. Eventually, she is able to reach her loved ones as well, though only in states of altered consciousness, including their dreams.

1196:

-Dar (31) helps N (12) to escape [Grimshaw](#) (62), early in the year

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