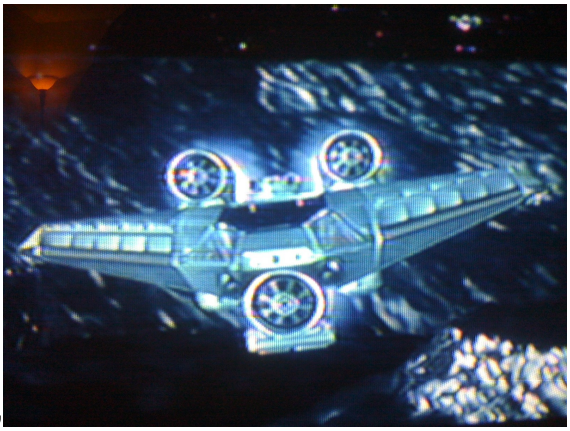
Starships D6 / Xurian Ship



Xurian Ship

Craft: Xurian Supporter Spaceship
Type: Converted Rylos cargo transporter
Scale: Starfighter
Dimensions:
-Length: 19.2m
Skill: Space transport piloting: Rylos cargo ship
Crew: 1, gunners: 1
Crew Skill: Astrogation 3D, space transport piloting 3D+1, starship gunnery 3D+2, starship shields 2D
Passengers: 4
Cargo Capacity: 40 metric tons
Consumables: 3 days
Cost: Not available for sale
Hyperdrive: x2
Nav Computer: Yes
Maneuverability: 2D
Speed:
-Space: 7
-Atmosphere: 350; 1,000kmh
Hull: 4D
Defenses:
-Shields: 1D
Sensors:
  Passive: 20/0D
  Scan: 40/1D
  Search: 60/2D
  Focus: 3/3D

WEAPONS:
  Double Laser Turret
    Location: Mounted on the forward-top hull
    Fire Arc: Turret
    Crew: 1
    Skill: Starship gunnery
    Scale: Starfighter
    Fire Control: 2D
    Space Range: 1-3/12/24
    Atmosphere Range: 50-300/1.2/2.4km
    Damage: 5D
    Ammo: N/A
    Rate of Fire: 1 (fire-linked laser blast)

Photon Bolt Launcher
Location: Mounted in forward hull
Fire Arc: "turret" (turns towards target)
Crew: 1
Skill: Missile weapons
Scale: Starfighter
Fire Control: 2D
Space Range: 1/3/7
Atmosphere Range: 50-100/300/700m
Damage: 8D
Ammo: 10 (Photon Bolt Missiles)
Rate of Fire: 1

DESCRIPTION:

The Xurian ships are the vessels used by supporters of Xur in the Star League. They are converted from typical Rylos light cargo transport craft, armed with a double laser turret and a Photon Bolt missile launcher. Since these ships look like normal cargo ships, they appear small and harmless, which is part of their tactical advantage. By the time a lotal Rylan or Gunstar crew notice the ship's true intentions, it may have come close enough to deliver a devestating attack upon an unsuspecting victim, annihilating them and moving on to the next target, all in the name of their would-be Emperor Xur.

The Xurian ship's hull is shaped somewhat like a flattened, horizontal diamond shape, with its wings tapering outwards evenly from the forward and aft sections. Two engine thristers are mounted to the aft dorsal hull, with a third mounted to the ventral hull, a little closer to the center (or front?). They have been modified with weapons as well. The double laser cannon turret is mounted on the dorsal hull, near the forward section, but it can fire in every direction (fire arc) easily, even to the rear of the craft. The photon bolt launcher is mounted to the forward hull, and though it fires forwards, the missiles can rotate and accelerate in any direction targeted by the gunner, like the typical photon bolt launchers in the Star League's Gunstars.

A single Xurian ship is of little threat to a keen Starfighter and Navigator crew aboard a Gunstar, but several can be a problem as they team up against a lone opponent.

In 'The :ast Starfighter', Alex and Grig encounter a lone Xurian ship near the very edge of the Frontier barrier. Because this was odd for a single ship to be out so far and near the protective field of the Frontier, especially with Xur on the rise and his supporters know to be a threat to Rylos (especially after having blown their Star League base to hell back on Rylos), the ship was challenged by them to identify itself. The ship launched a pair of photon bolts, missing badly, and tried to make a run for it, with Grig flying their gunstar in pursuit. As they gave chase, the Xurian ship showed its arsenal, opening up with bolts and lasers, and trying to evade them by flying into the caverns of an asteroid near the Frontier. Grig finally cornered it into a dead end, forcing Alex Rogan to shoot upon the Xurians and destroy the ship.

Later, as Alex was coming to terms with his position as a Starfighter gunner, he and Grig were attacked by many other Xurian ships. As Xur was soon to breach the Frontier in force with a Kodan armada, his supporters were showing their boldness by gathering for their leader's return. Alex and grig destroyed them to the last ship, and in doing so Alex came fully into being a true Starfighter.

later, Xur would breach the Frontier and make way for Rylos to invade, all the while wondering why his supporters had not met up with his forces. Little did he know that the Last Starfighter had decimated them, and was waiting in the shadows of the same asteroid where that battle had taken place. As the Kodan command ship and its wings of fighters passed overhead, Alex and Grig would power up their quiet gunstar and rush Xur's command ship at full speed, delivering the critical blows that would cripple and destroy the entire armada, and saving Rylos from the threat of

Kodan invasion.

Sadly, Xur excaped the event in an escape pod. Likely, he has many other supporters out there among the Rylans and elsewhere, with many more of their ships to be fought in the future...

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