

Tattooed monk

While there are countless martial disciplines that dot the countryside of Soburin, the monastic tradition of the Ikari Prefecture is legendary. Known as the Way of the Tattooed Pagoda, these spiritual warriors focus on a mix of meditation, pain tolerance, martial skill, and artistic expression, all of which they channel through elaborate tattoos across their bodies to produce fantastic magical effects. While the monks who champion the Way of the Tattooed Pagoda are often serene individuals, they are deadly opponents when they decide violence is required.

Tattooed Magic

At 3rd level, you gain the ability to activate the tattoos on your body to produce magical effects. As an action, you may spend 2 ki points to cast blur, darkvision, enhance ability, or lesser restoration. When casting these spells you do not need to provide any components and you may only target yourself.

Tattooed Defense

At 6th level, your connection to your tattoos strengthens considerably, allowing you to quickly rearrange them on your body to defend against incoming attacks. As a reaction, you can spend one point of ki to cause one of your tattoos to flow off of your body to intercede with a melee attack or spell attack, absorbing an amount of damage equal to your level + proficiency bonus.

Flurry of Tattoos

At 11th level, so long as you have at least one ki point you can spend an action to detach a number of tattoos equal to your proficiency bonus and throw them as though they were daggers, using your Wisdom modifier for bonuses to attack and damage rolls. These tattoos have a range of 40/120 and they reappear on your body the following round, regardless of whether or not you hit your target.

Body of Art

At 17th level, your tattoos become a scintillating, living canvas of color that easily distracts those around you. As an action, you may spend 6 ki points to cast confusion without the need for components.

In Soburin tattoos are viewed as a form of art as well as a rite of passage. Many individuals getting a tattoo often mark their affiliation to a particular organization, philosophy, or even spiritual path. For some this might be as simple as a clan mark but it could also be something as detailed as a full body piece that signifies the passing of a loved one or a new union. Dragons, elements, nature scenes, clan symbols, and similar markings are all popular choices for tattoos.

The cost of getting a tattoo is normally based on the time and detail required, ranging between 1 and 50 Imperial Pieces (larger, more elaborate artwork can cost as much as 100 gp or more.) When calculating the time it takes to get a tattoo it is generally safe to assume it takes approximately thirty minutes for every Imperial Piece spent.

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