

Costuming Information for the Sith Dynasty 1^{-1}

One must have a keen understanding of the character of choice, and in our case, we are dealing with Sith and Dark Force users within the Star Wars universe.

Included in the following paragraphs, you will find a small tutorial in regards to the Sith and Sith costuming. Why they chose the colors and styles which they did, along with a slight background on the Sith within the Star Wars universe.

We want to say that before anyone begins costuming for this club to remember we expect integrity within costuming.

If you are doing a custom Sith or Dark Force character, ask yourself the following questions and do it honestly:

- 1. Would George Lucas and Disney approve of this costume on the set?
- 2. Are the components I want to use, represented with what we know to already be portrayed within the Star Wars universe?

If you are in doubt about the answer to those two simple questions, you probably need to up your personal bar. We can not stress the importance of those self imposed questions.

It is very important to remember that we are not trying to build and expand upon what the artistry within the Star Wars saga has already established. What we are doing is <u>portraying</u> what is <u>already</u> there. So although you are encouraged to use imagination with your custom builds, you are also expected to stay within guidelines already in place for that Galaxy Far Far Away.

Canon Costumes (Costumes for characters that already exist)

If you are building a canon costume, our standards are already pre-set by what has been produced by artists within Lucas Film by either movie or Legends integrity. In other words, canon costumes must be character correct, and match the existing artist's renditions. Canon costumes must meet more specific and rigid guidelines than custom ones.

Ask your local temple for information regarding CRLs (costume resource libraries).

Non-Canon Costumes (Costumes for custom characters)

If you are building a character of your own design then the rules are a little more relaxed, with the general rule of thumb being to keep your costume looking like it belongs in the Star Wars universe. Remember that the character you create must be one who could be easily seen as living within Star Wars canon. This means:

- No visible Zippers, Buttons or Fasteners
- Any color is viable for a Sith except Pink, No Pink
- There are no material constraints as long as the material fits the Star Wars universe ie: leather, cloth, metal, plastics and even foam are allowed as long as it fits the above mentioned criteria
- No Mash-up characters are allowed
 ie: no Predator-Sith Hybrids or Super-hero Sith characters

The WIP (Work In Progress)

When Starting out it is important that you post WIP images to the Facebook group of your local temple. Within your posts, you can present the build in progress, allowing the Membership Inquisitor Team and other more seasoned dynasty members to provide input and help guide you.

You may receive suggestions on detailing your costume build. If you include images of your progress, the type materials used, and any questions you may have about your costume progress, you will experience a lot less heartache with possible component denials for costume approval.

Potential Upgrades On Designated Costumes

Official Club Members that desire to make a major upgrade that will change the appearance of a costume already approved for full membership, must consult with the Membership Inquisitor team before making modifications. This shall ensure that the costume will remain within established costuming regulations.

Costume Deliberation/Judging Process

Although Integrity In fabric, accoutrements, armament, Etc. Is absolutely expected, The Sith Dynasty will be forgiving of all canon costumes not being completely accurate to the actual film/TV/game depictions. Each costume will be judged on a case by case basis. Canon approvals with designations will be granted at the discretion of the current Membership Inquisitor Team.

There are two stages of costume approval for canon characters, they are:

• Stage One Costume (Acceptable, but not totally screen accurate)

• Premiere Costume (Screen accurate representations of the character) Although stage one will be judged to be an acceptable costume to achieve a designation, we strongly encourage progressive and continued upgrades to attain a complete screen accurate Premiere costume character.