



## ARTISAN'S WORKSHOP

### MAP DESCRIPTION

The workshop is nestled deep within the frozen forest, surrounded by tall trees, their branches drooping under the snow's weight. The workshop's wooden tiled roof is covered in slabs of deep snow. The stone chimney bellows white smoke into the frigid air. A warm glow flickers through the frosted windows.

Inside the shop, tools and materials of all kinds are carefully organized and displayed in neat rows. In the centre of the shop, a sturdy workbench stands, its surface dusted with sawdust and shavings. Sunbeams filter through the windows, illuminating the intricate carvings and pieces of furniture that line the walls. The atmosphere of the shop is one of peace and tranquillity, making it the perfect place to craft and create beautiful pieces of art.

### NOTES AND TIPS

- **30x45 Grids Map**
- There is plenty of space within this map to have more than one encounter. Combat could happen in the woods, at the entrance to the Workshop, and inside both the main workshop and the storeroom.
- Many cultures celebrate the winter solstice in fun and interesting ways. The origins of our somewhat commercialised holidays can be rather interesting and lead to some unique encounter ideas. Do a little research, it's fun to see some of the less sanitised origins of our holidays!
- **The Old Toymaker:** A toymaker lives in the woods by himself, crafting toys and trinkets. Rumour has it he once crafted magical items for famous adventurers. Why did he stop and will he be happy to see the party? He has a wooden automaton, which helps in his workshop. He will set it on the party if they do not leave.
- **Retired but not 'retired':** This is the home of a retired adventurer who can't help but keep on adventuring in his twilight years. He has got himself into some trouble with a local monster that has recently tracked him back to his home. The party can hear about him and come to help, or find his house at dusk and encounter him before the monster attacks. He might not want the party's help, but he obviously needs it.
- **The Winter Sprites:** An artisan makes toys for the local children and every winter solstice hands them out to brighten up the darkest nights. But this year a gang of winter sprites has been stealing his creations. Have the party stake out the storeroom and workshop and wait for the sprites to invade. Use themed Goblins or other small creatures as a base for the sprites.

### VARIANTS

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