

# The Combined



“The Combined are as dangerous as they are fascinating; they are nothing like the other pony species originating from their home world. Their reckless expansion into all branches of science are both exciting and frightening to the Galactic Council.” –C.I.B.

*“No Goddesses, for they are false.  
No Religion, for it leads to ignorance.  
Only Science will set you free” –The Combined Mantra*

## Species Traits

**Ability Scores:** +2 to two stats of your choice

**Size:** Medium

**Speed:** 6 Squares

**Vision:** Normal

**Skill Bonuses:** +

**Tech-Reliant:** The Combined are made up of Unicorns, Pegassi and Earth Ponies, though they have lost their natural ability to use magic or flight. **They must use technology to reproduce these powers, as there is no longer a difference between the Combined.**

**The Poneletariat:** The Combined hold dear the belief they create their own destinies. Highly self-reliant, they are as varied as their fur-colors. **They may call upon their will once a day to add a bonus equal to double their level to any roll. This may be used after a roll.**

**Technophiles:** The Combined adore technology in all its forms. They’re quick to learn new machinery and gadgets at a moment’s notice. **When you use a one-time [Technology] item, you have a 50% chance to save it to use again.**

## Council’s Database Information File

**Lifespan:** 40 years average. Older Combined tend to take on more intellectual pursuits, as accumulated knowledge is highly prized by the populace.

**Physiology:** The Combined are divided into three sub-species that maintain vestigial organs, such as horns and wings that no longer function. Earth Ponies, Unicorns and Pegassi prefer to be called simply the Combined as a demonstration of obedience to the Poneletariat.

**Religion:** The Combined do not practice a state-sponsored religion. Secularism and Agnosticism are values taught. Allegiance to the Poneletariat carries no dogma other than following the writ of law, regardless of morals.

**Governance:** The Combined follow the Poneletariat in a compulsory fashion. This massive collection of corporations votes for measures using currency, making the richest the most powerful and influential.



The Combined are the newest race to start exploring the stars, but they have made a deep mark already upon galactic society. Their steadfast adherence to the idea of self-determination and evolution through science allows them to take on new opportunities from unique, fresh perspectives.

They are a numerous short-lived race that live rich, explosive lives. Pushing boundaries rather than dogmatic adherence to tradition make them a controversial species that can't be ignored by the older citizens of the galaxy. All eyes are upon the Equestrians to see what they will do next.

Play a Combine Member if you want...

- To create your own destiny
- To prove science and logic trump religious dogma
- To take on new horizons with ease
- To bring success to your species as a whole rather than a Goddess or Government



## **“E Pluribus Unum: Out of Many, One”**

Far removed from the center of the Universe, the lush planet of Equestria saw the evolution of many herbivore species, but three in particular rose to prominence under the careful watch of Goddess-Princesses that claimed to control the Sun and Stars above.

Tranquility was maintained until the rise of the newest Princess-Goddess known as Twilight Sparkle. Her teachings about the pursuit of knowledge spread throughout the lands, inspiring an intellectual class to develop within two centuries.

Understanding in the form of basic laws for Magic and how the natural world worked brought rapid advances in technology by leaps and bounds. Where incantations were once seen as simply manipulating reality, Unicorns began to put forth ideas that all supposed metaphysics could actually be explained by mathematics.

Science along with secularism began to replace the dogmatic following of religion. Equestrians started relying more heavily on technology with each generation, as ideas about self-governance fermented among the populace.

## **“Sic Semper Tyrannis: Death to Tyrants”**

Corporations developed in response to the heavy-hoofed theocracy that ruled every part of an Equestrian's life. Their products brought new ways to live, and their research gave a new understanding to how the cosmos worked. Soon the ponies were spreading ideas freely without supervision by the Goddess-Princesses or their government.

As the influence of religion waned in the public so too rose secularism. Living for one's personal life instead of working toward a greater good pushed the idea of a collective need out of the cultural zeitgeist. Ponies from all walks of life began to demand reform so they had more say in how they were ruled: equal representation, fairer working conditions and relief from heavy taxes were the loudest demands.

The theocratic government panicked in the face of the groundswell of anger rising up against them. Some chose to flee the planet, others met the cries with compassion and understanding. The oldest and most powerful though sought to crush the people beneath an iron hoof.

A massive war broke out between the populace and the Goddess-Princess of the Sun. In the end, the flag of the Poneletariat would raise over her palace.