

AURUMVORAX

The aurumvorax, also called a gold-eater, golden badger or golden gorger, is a small, tough, voracious, vicious beast that resembles an eight-legged badger. An aurumvorax is a carnivore, but it also must consume gold to live. Thus, aurumvorax are detested by dwarves and dragons. Nonetheless, some groups of gnomes befriend aurumvorax, and there are even a few instances in which the gnomes have managed to breed them.

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Small natural beast

Level 12 Elite Brute

XP 1,400

HP 257; **Bloodied** 128

Initiative +10

AC 24; **Fortitude** 24; **Reflex** 24; **Will** 24

Perception +9

Speed 7

Resist weapons 5

Saving Throws +2; **Action Points** 1

TRAITS

Vicious Instinct

At the end of the aurumvorax' turn, it takes an extra standard action, even if it charges or is dazed, stunned or dominated.

STANDARD ACTIONS

(mbasic) Bite * At Will

Requirement: The aurumvorax may not have a creature grabbed.

Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +17 vs. AC.

Hit: 2d8+11 damage, and the aurumvorax grabs the target (escape DC 20).

(melee) Claw Rake * At Will

Attack: Melee 1 (one creature grabbed by the aurumvorax); +18 vs. AC.

Hit: 4d6+16 damage.

(melee) Slaughtering Claws * Recharges when the aurumvorax starts and ends its turn without a creature grabbed

Attack: Melee 1 (one creature grabbed by the aurumvorax); +15 vs. Fortitude.

Hit: 4d10+8 damage, plus ongoing 10 damage (save ends).

TRIGGERED ACTIONS

(melee) Feral Riposte * Encounter

Requirement: The aurumvorax may not have a target grabbed.

Trigger: The aurumvorax is hit by a melee attack.

Effect (Immediate Reaction): The aurumvorax uses *bite* against the triggering creature.

Str 23 **Dex** 19 **Wis** 17

Con 21 **Int** 3 **Cha** 16

Alignment unaligned

Languages -