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The word “desert” conjures images of a desolate empty place of windswept dunes and strange rock formations. It is a common barrier that adventurers must pass in their journeys. However, unlike this desolate, empty appearance, the desert is actually home to a unique biome full of vibrant, colorful life. To add this unique feel of desert life to your world your friends here at Healing Fireball Publications have created this collection of tables to populate any desert.

Table I: Animals of the Desert

D100	Animal	D100	Animal	D100	Animal
1	Arabian Camel (one Hump)	34	Bactrian Camel (two Hump)	67	Cactus Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl
2	Diamondback Rattlesnake	35	Pinacate Beetle (Stinkbug)	68	Western Ornate Box Turtle
3	Armadillo	36	Gerbil	69	Skunk
4	Armadillo Lizard	37	Gopher Snake	70	Pronghorn Antelopes
5	Assassin Bug	38	Gray Wolf	71	Puma
6	Prairie Dogs	39	Fennec Fox	72	Raccoon
7	Banded Gecko	40	Ground Squirrel	73	Red Fox
8	Banded Gila Monster	41	Hare	74	Red Kangaroo
9	Bandicoot	42	Harvester Ants	75	Red-Tailed Hawk
10	Bark Scorpion	43	Hedgehog	76	Ringtailed Cat
11	Barn Owl	44	Horned Lizard	77	Roadrunner
12	Black Widow Spider	45	Horned Viper	78	Sand Cobra
13	Black-Tailed Jackrabbit	46	Striped Hyena	79	Sand Fox
14	Blister Beetle	47	Iguana	80	Serval
15	Blue-Tongued Skink	48	Jack Rabbit	81	Greater Earless Lizard
16	Bobcat	49	Jackal	82	Side-blotched Lizard
17	Brown Recluse Spiders	50	Collared Peccary	83	Sidewinder Rattlesnake
18	Shrew	51	Jerboa	84	Sonoran Desert Toad
19	Cactus Wren	52	Kangaroo Rat	85	Sphinx Moth
20	Caracal	53	Kingsnake	86	Spotted Hyena
21	Carpenter Bees	54	Lappet-Faced Vulture	87	Striped Whipsnakes
22	Centipedes	55	Fire Ants	88	Praying Mantis
23	Chuckwallas	56	Meerkat	89	Tarantula Hawks
24	Collared Lizard	57	Mongoose	90	Termites
25	Copperhead Snake	58	Mountain Lion	91	Thorny Devil
26	Cottontail	59	Mule Deer	92	Turkey Vulture
27	Coyote	60	Oryx	93	Valley Quail
28	Desert Bighorn Sheep	61	Ostrich	94	Veiled Chameleon
29	Desert Tortoise	62	Pack Rat	95	Velvet Ants
30	Tarantula	63	Peregrine Falcon	96	Locust/Cicadas
31	Dingo	64	Pika	97	Arabian Horse
32	Donkey	65	Wallaby	98	White-Nosed Coati
33	Dung Beetle	66	Porcupine	99	Wild Burros
				100	Wolf Spider

Using these tables in your game

To use the tables in this product in your game, simply roll 1d100 on the above master list, either at random intervals while in the desert or once for every two hours of travel through this environment. Alternately, choose one of the below specific tables and roll 1d20, consulting the chosen table.

Animals by Type:

Table II: Dangerous

D20	Dangerous Animals
1	Dingo
2	Porcupine
3	Mountain Lion
4	Gray Wolf
5	Puma
6	Spotted Hyena
7	Red Fox
8	Striped Hyena
9	Bobcat
10	Coyote
11	Gray Fox
12	Jackal
13	Collared Peccary (Javelina)
14	Black Bear
15	Serval
16	Sand Cobra
17	Diamondback Rattlesnake
18	Red Kangaroo
19	Black Widow Spider
20	Bark Scorpion

Table III: Flying

D20	Flying Animals
1	Bat
2	Peregrine Falcon
3	Lappet-Faced Vulture
4	Pygmy-Owl
5	Red-Tailed Hawk
6	Sphinx Moth
7	Turkey Vulture
8	Locust/Cicadas
9	Carpenter Bees
10	Barn Owl
11	Great Horned Owl
12	Hummingbird
13	Cactus Wrens
14	Golden Eagle
15	Bald Eagle
16	Ravens
17	Cliff Swallow
18	Cooper's Hawk
19	Mourning Doves
20	Wasps

Table IV: Small

D20	Small
1	Ground Squirrel
2	Hare
3	Hedgehog
4	Roadrunner
5	Meerkat
6	Mongoose
7	Pack Rat
8	Pika
9	Porcupine
10	Ringtailed Cat
11	Raccoon
12	Skunk
13	Jack Rabbit
14	Shrew
15	Bandicoot
16	Prairie Dogs
17	Gerbil
18	Cottontail
19	Kangaroo Rat
20	Fennec Fox

Table V: Fantasy Monsters

D20	Fantasy Animals
1-2	Zombie
3-4	Skeletons
5-6	Phoenix
7-8	Sphinx
9-10	Dragon/Lindworm
11-12	Cockatrice
13-14	Griffin
15-16	Giant Scarab
17-18	Giant Spider
19-20	Giant Scorpion

Table VI: Desert Dwellers

D20	Creature	D20	Creature
1	Nomadic Tribe	11	Scorpion people
2	Elf	12	Blind Seer
3	Native Townsmen	13	Bandit Raiders
4	Gnome	14	Mummy
5	Ghost	15	Vulture Men
6	Goblin	16	Snake Cult
7	Hermit	17	Prophet and Followers
8	Monk	18	Exiled Criminal
9	Sprite	19	Mining Camp
10	Lizard People	20	Sun Priest

Table VII: Lizards, Snakes and Insects

D20	Animal	D20	Animal
1	Blue-Tongued Skink	11	Horned Lizard
2	Diamondback Rattlesnake	12	Horned Viper
3	Armadillo Lizard	13	Iguana
4	Banded Gecko	14	Kingsnake
5	Banded Gila Monster	15	Sand Cobra
6	Blister Beetle	16	Side-blotched Lizard
7	Copperhead Snake	17	Sidewinder Rattlesnake
8	Dung Beetle	18	Striped Whipsnakes
9	Gopher Snake	19	Locust/Cicadas
10	Pinacate Beetle (Stinkbug)	20	Thorny Devil

Bonus Foliage Tables

The three bonus tables below represent the three major categories of flora that can be found in a desert environment. To use these tables roll randomly or once for every hour of travel. The best way to get an organic feel to the plants is to clump them together. This can be done either by rolling once on the Cactus/Trees and Shrubs and then 1d4 times on the Flowers and Grasses table or to roll 1d4 times on a single table.

Table VIII: Cactus

D20	Cactus	D20	Cactus
1	Barrel Cactus	11	Lophocereus
2	Beavertail Cactus	12	Mojave Yucca
3	Century Plant	13	Night-Blooming Cereus
4	Chain Fruit Cholla	14	Organ Pipe Cactus
5	Cholla Cactus	15	Pachycereus
6	Claret Cup Cactus	16	Prickly Pear Cactus
7	Datil Yucca	17	Saguaro Cactus
8	Desert Christmas Cactus	18	Senita Cactus
9	Fishhook Cactus	19	Soaptree Yucca
10	Hedgehog	20	Teddybear Cholla

Table IX: Trees and Shrubs

D20	Tree or Shrub	D20	Tree or Shrub
1	Big Sagebrush	11	Joshua Tree
2	CottonWood	12	Juniper
3	Creosote Bush	13	Mormon Tea
4	Crucifixion Thorn	14	Ocotillo
5	Desert Ironwood	15	Palo Verde Tree
6	Desert Willow	16	Ponderosa Pine
7	Elephant Tree	17	Russian Thistle (tumbleweed)
8	Fan Palm	18	Screwbean Mesquite
9	Four-Wing Saltbush	19	Smoke tree
10	Honey Mesquite	20	Triangle-leaf Bursage

Table X: Flowers and Grasses

D20	Flowers and Grasses	D20	Flowers and Grasses
1	Apache Plume	11	Desert Sunflower
2	Arizona Poppy	12	Devil's Claw
3	Blue Phacelia	13	Dogbane (Poison)
4	Brittle Bush	14	Dune Evening Primrose
5	Cliffrose	15	Fairy Duster
6	Desert Dandelion	16	Ghost Flower
7	Desert Lily	17	Jimson Weed (Poison)
8	Desert Lupine	18	Spanish Needles
9	Desert Marigold	19	Stinging Nettles
10	Desert Paintbrush	20	Woolly Daisy