

Ladder Wells

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Going up, analog style. Since yinrih are arboreal, climbing is second nature to them. While stairs may exist, for example, separating the nave and sanctuary of a lighthouse, ladders are the preferred way to ascend when elevators aren't available.

Since a single paw can support the weight of the entire body, the rungs of the ladder also act as a hand rail, as long as the yinrih keeps one forepaw holding onto a rung, they won't fall very far if another paw or the tail should lose grip.

They can cary small objects, such as parcels and bags, in their tail as they climb.

The ladder well is located in its own room to prevent people from stepping into the well and falling down on accident. The ladder between each floor is staggered so that if a person does fall, they land one story down. A single-story fall will be painful and perhaps temporarily incapacitating, but there's no lasting damage. In any case, it shouldn't be any worse than a human falling down a flight of stairs. It's also easier to retrofit ladder lifts for the elderly, as it just goes straight up.

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