

# Ts'ui Mei Character Reference

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Yo, I'm his assistant! So show some hospitality, please and thank you~

-- Ts'ui Mei taunting a group of Crossguards

Musubi's current personal assistant in a long line of family members who've claimed similar titles. His loyalty is matched only by his avarice as he seems to share an almost familial bond with Musubi.

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## Backstory

Somehow the Ts'ui family always finds its way to Musubi...

Born as the illegitimate son of Musubi's former personal attendant, Ts'ui Meili, Mei was thrust into a life of difficulty as he had to live with his poor mother in the slums of a small city near the countryside of Japan. Due to his rough upbringing, he began to develop skill with a knife and briefly ran a business as a charlatan, selling fake potions and medications to those in desperate need. He mostly stayed local until his mother died when he was seventeen, after which he began venturing the countryside of Japan. All was going well until he had been unknowingly followed by a physically powerful farmer who beat him half-to-death.

Now broken physically and financially, Ts'ui Mei found himself sleeping under dead trees and what remained of his hand-made portable shop to avoid the rain. That was, until he came across a man by the name of Musubi. He had naturally heard of him and his fathers' exploits from his mother but didn't care much for the stories at first. Learning more about his father from Musubi, Ts'ui decided to join Musubi on his rampage, journeying with the man for almost an entire decade. As of now he's a somewhat loyal assistant of Musubi, acting mainly to surpass his father as a heinous individual.

### Ts'ui Mei



#### Aliases/Nickname(s)

Ts'ui

### Profile Data

#### Race

Human

#### Pronouns/Gender/Sex

He/him, Male

#### Age

25

#### Weight/Height/Build

[190+/6'0(182cm)/Muscular]

#### B/W/H Size

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#### Hair/Eye/Skin Colour

[Black/Brown/Almond]

#### Distinguishing Marks

- Two red round marks above his eyebrows

# Abilities

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## Knife skills

Ts'ui Mei had learned to wield knives as weapons since he was just a child and as such he became skilled in dagger combat, alongside hidden blade tricks. His skill extends to hiding knives, using them as close-quartered weapons, and throwing knives.

## Salesmanship

Ts'ui Mei spent a good portion of his teenage years as a snake oil salesman, as such he knows how to manipulate people, especially those who are desperate, into doing his bidding. His serpentine tongue and superficial charm allow him to capture the hearts of naïve fools and this even works in battle to enhance his tricky nature.

## Many Faces

Have you seen Ts'ui Mei before? Well this person is new! Being a snake oil salesman meant lying about more than just your products, and Mei is rather skilled at disguising himself. In spite of his large size and build, he can slip into very convincing disguises so long as most of his face is covered, enhancing his trickery.

# Strengths

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## Charismatic

Ts'ui Mei is an attractive man with a silver tongue who's definitely willing to use it, weaving fake stories in an instant to capture the hearts and imaginations of his victims. This combined with his knack for disguises allows him to be a very potent scout and intel gatherer.

## General Combat Competence

Where Musubi handles the magic and spells, Mei is much more down and dirty being skilled in hand-to-hand, plus knife combat. This allows him to hold his own even against threats more physically imposing than he is, Besides, it'd be practically impossible for him to survive in his environment if he didn't pick up at least some kind of combat-based skills

## Impressive Physicals

He's still a mortal human at the end of the day, but he's definitely above average in physical qualities, the most fine of which is his endurance, allowing him to take beatings from multiple people at the same time and still get back up at the end of the day. He's gotten used to being ganged up on and body-blocking for Musubi, so it pays to have thick skin.

# Weaknesses

# Avarice

Musubi often drops coins or valuable items on the ground as a way to "summon" Mei if he's gone missing. Mei is a rather greedy individual who will sometimes prioritize stealing something valuable, regardless of whether he needs or can even use it, over completing his missions. His kleptomaniac streaks have gotten him into trouble on more than just one occasion.

# Arrogance

Mei has a bad habit of underestimating prey based on surface-level judgments. Despite having been reprimanded for this many times, his arrogance still remains and mostly affects his intellectual reasoning. More often than not he'll end up in a situation where he believes someone to be much less intelligent than they truly are.

## Can't Smell

Since birth Mei's brain has been incapable of registering smells. While it definitely helps with bearing the stench of Musubi, it has led to situations where Mei has unknowingly worked with incredibly dangerous materials or couldn't sniff out when he was in danger.

# Gallery



# Author's Notes

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