

WHAT'S THE SCENARIO

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MUSTAFAR: DARTH VADER'S CASTLE



Source: starwars.com, castle design by Doug Chiang

The atmosphere was thick, burning with sulfur and volcanic ash. No sunlight was able to penetrate to the surface. Located at the end of a raging lava river lied a towering, complex black structure unlike any other. Designed and constructed by the Sith Lord Darth Vader during the reign of the Galactic Empire as a testament to his own might, the former Sith's personal residence sits on the site of an ancient Sith cave and the planet of his greatest defeat. The unique structure consists of a large obsidian central spire flanked by taller tuning towers to help channel the dark side. Lava ebbs and flows through the building, providing power to various systems and ambient lighting throughout in a design synonymous with the dark side of the Force and the building's creator.

With the castle's location recently discovered from the darkest corners of former Imperial archives, agents of the Brotherhood have been dispatched to reclaim the Sith site and any relics of value. Thought forgotten in time for almost thirty years after the death of the Dark Lord and collapse of the Empire, the place where "Jedi go to die" still holds many secrets and surprises; from Sith and Jedi artifacts, Vader's personal effects and access to the nexus of dark side power the castle is built upon.



Source: Brett Northcutt @ Industrial Light & Magic

Hidden In the depths of the castle lies Darth Vader's meditation chamber, constructed in the ancient Sith cave where he created his first lightsaber and completed the transformation into the Dark Lord. Inside a single catwalk extends from the black durasteel door to the center of the room, hot swirls of red and orange lava filling the floor of the chamber while an excess of steam adds a slight haze. Surrounded by four obsidian tuning pillars lies a raised platform, a single obsidian throne in the center. Like the rest of the castle, the entire chamber has been constructed to channel the dark side energy within.

The legs of [POSTER1]'s assigned transport shuttle extended from the body of [HIS/HER] craft and reached for the castle's exterior landing platform as the pilot set it down gently on the smooth dark surface. Releasing the flight stick with his left hand, he powered down the shuttle's systems one-by-one.

"[SIR/MA'AM], the shuttle's picking up another life form inside the castle," noted the pilot, reaching for his sidearm with one hand and crash webbing with the other. [POSTER1] raised their hand, motioning the pilot to stay as they disembarked the shuttle to deal with the matter on their own.

As the durasteel access door at the rear of the castle's bottom-most antechamber slid open, a breeze of hot pressure and steam escaped from the room beyond that obscured their vision momentarily. Stepping forth onto the catwalk revealed [POSTER2] at the base of the steps to the obsidian throne, not prepared to let Vader's castle fall out of their hands.

"This castle and the relics within are spoken for."

Writer's Note

Darth Vader's castle was the best segment in Rogue One for a lot of fans, and I think it'd be a killer venue to for people to be able to write at in general - not just in a scenario hall!

Sources

- [Darth Vader's Castle Wookieepedia Page](#)
- [Vader's Castle Image without Lambda from StarWars.com](#)
- [Original Meditation Chamber image](#) by Brett Northcutt @ ILM Visual Development, one without Rogue One watermark is [here](#)