

# **All about the founders of the Warrior Clans**

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# Introduction

Learn about Shadowstar, Thunderstar, Skystar, Windstar and Riverstar, the founders of the Warrior Clans!

# Chapter 1

Shadowstar was the first leader of ShadowClan in the forest territories. Originally known as Tall Shadow, she was born in the Ancient Tribe and had a brother, Moon Shadow. She was one of the first to agree to leave the mountains, and after Shaded Moss' death on the journey, she took over as leader of the group. Tall Shadow made her camp on the moor and was distrustful of strangers, turning away those who wished to join. After Moon Shadow's death, she willingly stepped down from leadership, handing it to Gray Wing; however, she and Gray Wing later became co-leaders of the group.

During a deadly battle against Clear Sky's group, Tall Shadow wasn't hesitant to kill in order to survive, which resulted in her killing Fircone. Once the groups began to split, she chose to live in the pines, and her group was renamed ShadowClan. Tall Shadow received her nine lives and became Shadowstar; however, after becoming suspicious of Quick Water and her attempts to kill her, Shadowstar started a battle between the Clans. Shadowstar and Quick Water killed each other, making her the first leader to lose her nine lives, and ascended to StarClan.

## Chapter 2

Thunderstar was the first leader of ThunderClan in the forest territories. He was born to Storm and Skystar alongside two siblings, though only he survived after a Twoleg den collapsed over top of his mother and siblings. He was given the name Thunder and was disowned by Clear Sky, thus Gray Wing adopted him as his own and brought him to live on the moor. Hawk Swoop adopted him, and Lightning Tail and Acorn Fur became his adopted siblings. Yearning to live in the forest, Thunder joined his father's camp; however, after growing frustrated with Clear Sky, he left to the moor with Frost after the white tom was exiled. Though he rejoined his father after Tall Shadow's group split, Thunder left to make his own group and grew close to Star Flower. He was very hurt after her betrayal. After having his group renamed ThunderClan, he gained nine lives and became Thunderstar. He named Lightning Tail as his first deputy and became mates with Violet Dawn, having four kits, Lightning Stripe, Sleek Fur, Feather Ear, and Shell Claw, and fostered Blue Whisker. After his death, he was succeeded as leader by Owl Eyes and ascended to StarClan, guiding his Clanmates for moons to come. He also appeared at Pinestar's leadership ceremony and gave him life for making difficult choices.

## Chapter 3

Clear Sky was the first leader of SkyClan, originally from the ancient tribe. He was born to Quiet Rain alongside Gray Wing and has two younger siblings, Jagged Peak and Fluttering Bird. Clear Sky and his mate, Bright Stream, participated on a journey to find a new home; however, after her death, he began to change, growing fearful of losing his loved ones. At their new home, Clear Sky and his own group settled in the forest and fiercely defended his territory. Clear Sky later became mates with Storm, who later left his camp to have her kits elsewhere. He turned away his own orphaned son, Thunder, out of his fear of losing him, and made enemies with his former friends and family.

During the Great Battle, Clear Sky killed his own Tribemate, Rainswept Flower, and after the battle, Clear Sky, realizing his own mistakes, promised to work with the other groups, such as assisting them in defeating One Eye and Slash. He retained his fierce devotion to his group and gained a new family with his mate, Star Flower, and their kits, Tiny Branch, Flower Foot, and Dew Petal. Gray Wing renamed his group SkyClan before he passed, and Clear Sky later received his nine lives and was renamed Skystar, picking Sparrow Fur as his first deputy. Moons later, Skystar is remembered as the first leader to have his territory marked, and guided his Clan from StarClan as they sought the other Clans.

## Chapter 4

Windstar was the founder and first leader of WindClan. Originally a rogue named Wind, she learned to become independent living on the moor and befriended Gorse after Branch left her to fend for herself, and the former later became her mate. Not long after Wind met Gray Wing, she and Gorse joined Tall Shadow's group. Wind's devotion to lead did not go unnoticed, and she was welcomed to the group as Wind Runner. She later gave birth to Gorse Fur's kits, Emberkit, Morning Whisker, Moth Flight, and Dust Muzzle. However, two of her kits died, and Wind Runner decided to form her own group on the moor, where she stayed to raise her two surviving kits, Dust Muzzle and Moth Flight. Her group was later renamed WindClan.

When tensions rose between WindClan and SkyClan when Willow Tail accused them of stealing prey, this resulted in a battle that severely wounded Wind Runner and blinded Willow Tail indefinitely. Moth Flight took her to the Moonstone in hopes of healing her injury, and there Wind Runner became the first leader to receive her nine lives and earned the name Windstar. She was later succeeded by her mate, Gorsestar, after her final death. Windstar is remembered for her fierce determination and resilience to keep her Clan safe. Her descendants continue to live in WindClan.

## Chapter 5

Riverstar was the first leader of RiverClan in the forest territories. Ripple lived with the Cats of the Park until Twolegs destroyed his home, and Ripple fell into the river. He thanked the river for saving him and renamed himself, River Ripple. He encountered the groups from the mountains and befriended them, but remained distant. River Ripple eventually formed his own group next to the river and accepted all visitors. When he spotted Gray Wing numerous times at Fourtrees, he offered the mourning tom sanctuary in his group. His group was renamed RiverClan, and he later gained his nine lives with the name of Riverstar. He appointed his long-time friend, Night, as deputy, and Dappled Pelt became his medicine cat. Riverstar was remembered as a good-natured and wise cat, and his Clan became the first to implement the mentor training program.