

THE FORCE UNLEASHED



There are so many things that pop off from it to tell the rest of the story, with a novel and a graphic novel."

The actress laughs when she's asked just who is Maris Brood. "The truth is I will be excited as everybody else when the game comes out to figure out exactly what my story is!" she admits. "It's like working in film and TV. I have no idea what they've edited. I don't know how much of my story remains, or if they've been able to expand on it."

Maris Brood is a female Jedi, "and as anyone who knows about the *Star Wars* universe can tell you, it's a really scary time to be a Jedi." Having survived Emperor Palpatine's Order 66, Brood is simply "trying to survive."

Wilkinson says of her character, "She has lots of different dimensions to her and does things that might go against her conscience. But in the end, she'll do what she has to in order to survive. It makes her a complicated character, which I like. She's not just good or bad. She's trying not to hurt anybody more than she has to, but she can definitely take care of herself, and if it comes down to it, she will stand her ground. She's trying to get through day by day without dying and without losing her mind."

Even Brood's weaponry is unusual. "She has two lightsaber tonfas [ancient weapons, known in-fantasy as guard shotos], which is a first in the *Star Wars* universe," she says. "Even if I was not directly involved with the game, she's an awesome character I would be drawn to. She's assertive and interesting. Her background and history are really compelling to me. I have no idea how much of her story will be revealed in the game and how much in other media."

Along with game-hungry *Star Wars* fans, Wilkinson was eagerly awaiting the release of *The Force Unleashed* and looked forward to fan reaction to Maris Brood. "She's one of the coolest characters I've seen recently in the *Star Wars* universe, and I really hope people will take to her as much as I did." 🙌



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