

# KINGPIN

"Noone says no to me Mr Smith, either I own the property or noone will, are we clear?"



**Power Level:** 12   **Concept:** Kingpin of Crime   **Occupation:** Criminal Organiser & Mastermind

Str	Dex	Con	Int	Wis	Cha	Melee
18	14	16	18	14	16	+8/+9
+4	+2	+3	+4	+2	+3	Atk Bonus

DMG	FORT	REF	WILL	Speed	Ranged
+5	+3	+2	+2	30	+6
Save	Save	Save	Save	Walking	Atk Bonus

## SKILLS

Bluff (Cha) +13, Diplomacy (Cha) +13, Gather Information (Cha) +13, Innuendo (Cha) +8, Intimidate (Cha) +8, Knowledge (Int)—Culture +9, Perform (Cha)—Acting +8, Profession (Cha)—Manager +10, Sense Motive (Wis) +10, Sleight of Hand (Dex) +8

## Initiative

+2

## DEX

## Dma Bonus

+4/+8 S/L

Fist/W. Stick

## DEFENSE

14/16

Flat Footed

## CHARACTERISTICS

**Real Name:** Wilson Fisk  
**Height:** 6' 7"  
**Weight:** 450 lb.  
**Eyes:** Blue  
**Hair:** Bald  
**Birthplace:** Unknown, possibly New York City  
**Group Affiliation:** Leader of East Coast, non-Maggia Crime syndicates  
**Headquarters:** New York City  
**Relatives:** Vanessa (wife), Richard (son)  
**Other Aliases:** The Brainwasher, Harold Howard  
**Marital Status:** Married  
**First Appeared:** Amazing Spiderman #50

## HISTORY

Very little is known about the Kingpin before he first took command of the East Coast mobs. He has described himself, however as having been "an unpopular, blubbery child" before he began his lifelong pursuit of bodybuilding. Wilson Fisk was impoverished as a child, and committed his first murder when he was twelve. From the start Fisk was determined to be the best in whatever he did, and he believed physical strength to be a major factor in building power in the underworld. Hence, he fanatically trained himself in various methods of bodybuilding and personal combat, finally concentrating on the Japanese art of sumo. His sumo training probably led to his interest in the Orient, which would manifest itself in other ways. Fisk educated himself by stealing books from stores and libraries, and became particularly fascinated by political science. He decided that another key to success would be in using political techniques in organizing and directing groups of criminals. It was his adoption of these techniques that caused him to be thought of as a political "kingpin of crime," a description which became his nom de crime. Although Fisk has always taken pleasure in physical combat with his enemies, he has always recognized the necessity never to place himself in a situation in which the law can prove his responsibility for crimes. As a result, it is believed Fisk has never once been convicted. Even when he inexplicably broke his own rule and was jailed for personally stealing an ancient tablet from Empire State University, charges had to be dropped for lack of evidence. Fisk thus never worked as any criminal's henchman, but formed his own small

## FEATS

Accurate Attack, All out Attack, Assessment, Attack Focus—Grappling, Chokehold, Connected, Improved Grapple, Improved Pin, Infamy, Leadership, Minions, Power Attack, Stunning Attack, Takedown Attack, Toughness

## POWERS

## WEAKNESSES

If Mr Fisk has any weaknesses he hides them well, the most obvious source of weakness he would have would be the possibility of a paper trail or witnesses to the many criminal activities he is responsible for undertaking, however he is careful not to leave any such loose ends, and those that do appear he is quick to remove with a pay off or more overt means if necessary.

## PERSONALITY

For Wilson Fisk life is all about power and control, every facet of his life is a considered choice, a matter of weighed risk and carefully measured benefit. He is duplicitous and cunning as a fox capable of weaving plots of near-machiavellian intricacy and depth through lies and manipulations, half truths and false trails woven upon each other over and over again. Wilson Fisk is a stern yet kindly business man almost legitimate in nature is not entirely a façade he does indeed have legitimate business interests, though even are just a carefully considered ploy to detract and cover his criminal activities with a legitimate façade. When all is said and done Wilson Fisk is a man who will use whatever means necessary, going to any lengths in order to obtain and control anything on which he has set his sights.

## MORE HISTORY

gang right from the start. Fisk's gang rapidly grew in size, influence, power and wealth, thanks to his organizational skills and, when necessary, his prowess in hand-to-hand combat. Fisk was careful to invest his illegal gains in legitimate businesses. The first company which he owned completely was one dealing in spices from the Far East. Today, even though Fisk has built a vast legitimate business empire in various fields, he still professes in public to being merely a "humble dealer in spices." After about a decade of being a criminal leader, Fisk had also achieved enough success in legitimate business to become a prominent member of New York society. It is at this point that he met and soon married Vanessa (maiden name unknown), a beautiful woman not yet 20 years old, and whose love, the Kingpin has stated, gave him the peace he sought after his constant struggle for power. Whether or not Vanessa knew of his criminal activities when she married him is unclear; she did know afterwards. Their son, Richard, was born within a year after their marriage. About two decades later, Fisk, now known as the Kingpin, had become one of the most powerful criminal leaders in both the New York and Las Vegas areas, and had won the respect of many of the other crime bosses. When the costumed crimefighter Spider-Man briefly retired, the Kingpin decided the time had come to fulfill his master plan. For years various major criminals dreamed of forming a coalition of criminal gangs in order to compete with the Maggia, which virtually monopolized organized crime throughout the country. The Big Man (the late Frederick Foswell) had only temporarily succeeded in uniting the independent gangs; others who have tried included the Crime-Master, Doctor Octopus, the first and third Green Goblins, the Mad Thinker, the Owl, Hammerhead, and Silvermane. With Spider-Man apparently gone, the Kingpin now proposed that such a coalition be formed under his leadership, and met with nearly unanimous acceptance. The Kingpin then directed a major crime wave in New York City which came to an end with his first confrontation with the again active Spider-Man. Moreover, the Kingpin's attempt to silence Daily Bugle publisher J. Jonah Jameson backfired when Spider-Man rescued Jameson, who then publicly exposed Fisk as the Kingpin, the crime coalition apparently then fell apart. In the following years the Kingpin suffered a number of reversals. During this time he was offered an opportunity to fully achieve his ambitions for political power when he was recruited to serve as the behind the scenes leader of the Las Vegas area faction of the now fragmented HYDRA. His son, Richard, acted under him as Supreme Hydra of this group. Through HYDRA the Kingpin planned to overthrow the United States government and even achieve world domination, but he turned against HYDRA upon learning that the Las Vegas contingent was actually controlled not by him but by the infamous Nazi war criminal, the Red Skull. Ever since, the Kingpin has pursued more realistic goals than HYDRA's. Eventually, Vanessa, sickened by the Kingpin's life of crime, demanded that Fisk abandon it or else she would desert him. Unwilling to lose Vanessa, Fisk agreed to her terms, and the two retired to Japan. Vanessa even persuaded the reluctant Fisk to turn over his files on the activities of other leaders of organized crime to American legal authorities. To prevent this, the new leaders of the Kingpin's crime syndicate kidnapped Vanessa, who was then apparently killed by a Kingpin aide who correctly saw her as the only obstacle preventing Fisk from returning to crime. The enraged Fisk indeed made a comeback. Not only did he reassume leadership of his former organization, but he also turned over his files on other criminal leaders to the law through the costumed crimefighter Daredevil, now with the motive of ridding himself of any rivals. The ploy worked: as a result of the evidence in the files, many criminal leaders, both inside and outside the Maggia, were convicted. In the ensuing power vacuum the Kingpin rebuilt his coalition, stronger than before. Today he controls the great majority of non-Maggia East Coast gangs dealing in conventional crimes. The Kingpin's organization is now stronger than any single Maggia "family" in the New York area.

The Kingpin again turned his attention to his political goals, and his puppet candidate Randolph Winston Cherryh actually won a New York mayoralty election. However, Daredevil, now the Kingpin's principal opponent among the city's costumed adventurers, found Vanessa alive, though suffering from severe mental problems. Daredevil told the Kingpin he would return Vanessa to him if the Kingpin ordered Cherryh to decline accepting the mayoralty. The Kingpin agreed, and the bargain was carried out. Vanessa was returned to the Kingpin's custody as promised. The Kingpin was angered by Daredevil's various successful attempts at subverting his plans. Finally, Karen Page, Daredevil's former lover who had become a heroin addict, sold the information that Daredevil was lawyer Matthew Murdock to a drug dealer. The information came into the Kingpin's hands, and he seized the opportunity for vengeance. He arranged for Murdock to be rendered virtually penniless and had him framed for bribing a witness to perjure himself. Murdock lost his license to practice law. Already psychologically troubled, Murdock sank into severe paranoia. He confronted the Kingpin, who savagely beat him.

## VEHICLE

Vehicle Type:	Size:	Movement:	Hardness:
Armour Bonus:	Cost:	Features:	

## MORE POWERS

## DEVICES

**Weapons (walking stick) +8:** The Kingpin sometimes carries a walking stick which may be used on a successful melee attack roll to inflict up to PL damage as either Stun or Lethal damage. The stick also contains a concealed laser beam weapon that fires a short pulse of 300 watts, this is done by making a ranged attack roll, which if successful inflicts power rank heat damage. The walking stick can also be used to fire a concentrated spray of sleeping gas, which can affect a single target by making a ranged attack roll. The target must then make a Fortitude save DC 10+PL or become Fatigue, if already fatigued they become exhausted. If already exhausted they become unconscious.

[*Power Stunt:* Dual Damage, Extra Attack—Energy Blast (heat), Extra Attack—Fatigue *Source:* Super Science; *Cost:* 1 pp].

**Fatigue (diamond stickpin) +8:** The Kingpin's diamond stickpin also contains a small, highly compressed container of sleeping gas which is effective when fired directly into an opponent's face at close range. The Kingpin uses the stickpin gas as a last resort. This can affect a single target by making a ranged attack roll. The target must then make a Fortitude save DC 10+PL or become Fatigue, if already fatigued they become exhausted. If already exhausted they become unconscious.

[*Flaw:* Device; *Source:* Super Science; *Cost:* 1 pp].

## HEADQUARTERS

## NOTES

## VILLAIN POINTS

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