

Silk/Malrubius

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Craig Brewer — 15 Aug 2002, 17:43

I've finally finished reading through the archives, and I'm left with a question (which I hope I just haven't overlooked).

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Craig

Christopher Culver — 16 Aug 2002, 05:29 · follows Craig Brewer

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I assume that Severian's incidental visions of Malrubius were actually of Silk, but the machine which saves Severian from the Ascians chose to create an aquastor of Malrubius because Sev's visions of Malrubius-really-Silk had made such an impression on him.

Christopher Culver