

Hârn

A Real Fantasy World

RETHEM

Founded after the collapse of the despotic Theocracy of Tekhos, the feudal kingdom of Kanday has a tradition of enlightened and peaceful government.

The kingdom has been involved in three major wars over the past 60 years.

Bloody skirmishes between Agrikan and Laranian religious orders take place

along the Rethemi border. Kanday recently suffered defeat during the Kuseme

War at the hands of the Thardic Republic. The king's greatest fear is an alliance

King Chafin III and

Queen Erela of Rethem

between his two northern rivals.

ERYN RIVER

MAPS AND PLANS

MASTER

Local map of Aleath, largest city in the Kingdom of Kanday

Columbia Games has articles describing many of Hârn's cities, castles,

individuals, interesting local customs or laws, and so on, each of these articles

HârnMaster, 3rd Edition

The HârnMaster character generation

system gives players a rich Hârnic

experience. Characters may start the

game with a wide variety of interesting

occupations and at various levels of

Introductions to religious, Shek-Pvar,

and military occupations are included, as

are average incomes for all occupations

and information about the guild system.

Character contacts with (potentially)

allowing players to explore relationship

HârnMaster uses a realistic interactive

combat system that gives players many

tactical options to control their combat

destiny. The system is elegant, simple, and

influential people can be generated,

and advance their social standing.

easy to use.

keeps, and manors. In addition to information on history, economics, key

contains detailed local maps and floor plans for many buildings.

A feudal kingdom in western Hârn, Rethem was founded by Arlun the Barbarian, a Kuboran tribesman.

Rethem has a violent history and is

Hârn's most unstable, treacherous, and

dangerous state. Only lip service is paid

for Rethemi politics are a maelstrom of

ntrigue and assassination. The largest

settlement, Golotha, is an urban blight

ruled by a theocratic and repressive

to the institutions of fealty and honor,

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF HÂRN!

Hârn is a rough, hazy, forested isle roughly 100 miles off the northwest coast of the continent of Lythia, on the edge of the Haonic Ocean. Compared to other regions of northwest Lythia, Hârn is a wild, barbaric land, where pockets of civilization are surrounded by large tracts of

Hârn's center is dominated by Lake Benath, a freshwater lake drained by the Thard River. The longest river is the Kald (375 miles), which drains the eastern interior. Much of Hârn is hilly. There are four mountain ranges of note: the Felshas, running north-south in central Hârn and boasting the island's highest peak, Mount Wynan, at 9766'; the Rayeshas, running east-west along the top of Lake Benath; the Sorkins, running northsouth along the east coast; and the Jahls in the far north.

Weather and Climate

Hârn's climate is basically maritime-temperate (cool summers, mild winters, and damp). The prevailing southwesterly winds are moist and fog, drizzle, and overcast skies are common. There is ample precipitation all year round, mostly as rain; winter snow and sleet occur, especially in the north. The seas around Hârn are notoriously rough; terrible storms are common.

Vegetation

The moist climate promotes a luxurious vegetation, mostly summergreen deciduous forest and woodland. There are some needleleaf forests, alpine tundras, and permanent snowcaps at higher elevations. Heathlands are common along western margins.

Communications

A lack of good roads and rough terrain combine to make travel difficult, especially in winter. The island is regarded with disdain by continental Lythians and is generally avoided by them. A few adventurous seamen ply their trade between Hârn and Lythia.

Hârn Regional Map

The map of Hârn on the reverse provides a vast amount of information with a unique cartographic system developed specifically for fantasy gaming. The map measures 10 degrees of latitude (250 Hârnic Leagues or 1000 km) north/south and approximately 375 Hârnic leagues (1500 km) east/west. Although this corresponds to 15 degrees of longitude at the equator, the 14 vertical divisions on the regional map grid do not correspond to lines of longitude, which are necessarily curves rather than straight lines. The colors depicted show various

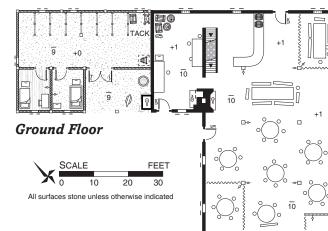
Online Hârn Sources Buy *HârnWorld* and *HârnMaster* publications at

ColumbiaGames.com. PDFs available at RPGNow.com and DriveThruRPG.com.



Join the Hârn fan community and get free downloads at Lythia.com!

See the enhanced online Hârn map at www.harnworld.com.



Floor plan of the Sword & Sceptre, an inn in the city of Aleath

ârnWorld includes this regional map and two books: *HârnView*, which details cultures, economics, history, politics, and religions, and has maps of trade routes, languages, and ocean currents; even charts of the stars; and *Hârndex*, a master index that, among other things, describes most of the places and geographical features found on the regional map. The basic HârnWorld material is supported by an extensive series of publications that detail

kingdoms, cities, castles, manors, and more. Although *HârnWorld* may be used with any RPG system, HârnMaster is a set of RPG rules designed specifically for the setting. Emphasizing character background and combat realism, HârnMaster has rules for character generation, skills, combat, treasure, and more in a modular loose-leaf format allowing dozens of options to customize your game. HârnMaster is supported by many rule expansions including those shown here.



A powerful tribal nation of Peran, the ensely forested region of northwest Hârn. The Kubora are of Jarin stock. Led by Arlun the Barbarian, they conquered northwest Tharda and founded the Kingdom of Rethem 85 years The Kubora have 26 tribes ranging in size from 240 to 1,200 people. They wear heavy hides of bear and wolf as well as woven fabrics that they make and trade for. They deem women inferior but treat them well. Their main export is the wild beasts, mostly bear, wild cats, and wolf, shipped to Tharda down the Scarlet Ribbon for the Pamesani Games. Some Kubora find employment in the Pamesani arenas as gladiators and beast handlers, or as mercenaries in Rethem and elsewhere. Some are kidnapped by slavers, who value their fierce strength.



ORBAAL A pre-feudal state in northeast Hârn. The region was formerly called Jara until the Kingdom of Orbaal was proclaimed 35 years ago after the Ivinian conquest of the indigenous Jarin. It is a very unstable realm, where less than 8,000 rowdy and ungovernable Ivinians have subjugated about 65.000 rebellious Jarin. Orbaal is really a host of semi-independent squabbling clan domains. The ew remaining Jarin landholders are a significant divisive faction, with some promoting unrest and plotting the expulsion of the hated barbarians" from their native soil.



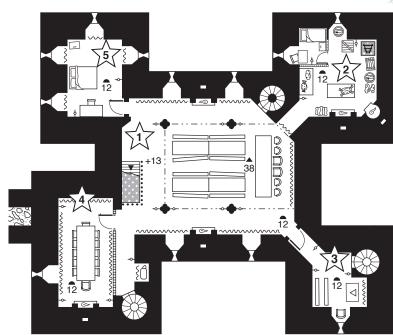
CREATURES

Hârn is home to all manner of creatures, from the nundane and useful to the exotic and deadly. Bestiary articles are a useful source of creatures to help or hinder player characters. Each richly illustrated article includes information on biology, habitat, folklore and superstition and more. Full HârnMaster statistics are provided.

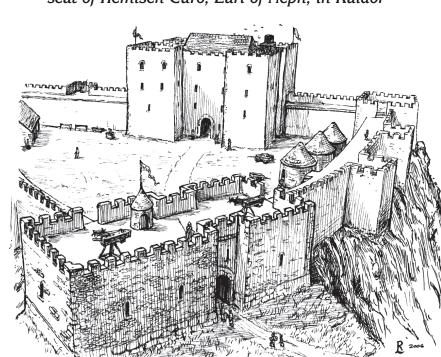
AZADMERE

Azadmere is the mountainous kingdom of the Hârnic Khuzdul dwarves). Azadmere is isolated and has minimal contact with outsiders, although the kingdom does import some of its food from Kaldor in exchange for cunningly wrought artifacts.

The dwarves of Hârn bear a superficial resemblance to humans but average under five feet in height. They are stocky and possess strength out of proportion to their size. As a group, they tend to be secretive, acquisitive, jealous, stubborn, and very clannish. They are also polite and have a strong sense of racial and personal honor. Dwarves may live 200 to 300 years and will rarely, if ever, forget



Partial floor plan and illustration of Caer Gardiren, seat of Hemisen Curo, Earl of Neph, in Kaldor



KALDOR

Kaldor is a feudal realm founded more than five centuries ago. External current dynasty has encouraged a return to traditional principles of feudalism and chivalry while maintaining a tradition of royal justice. The aged king has never married; his death will likely spark a succession crisis.

CHYBISA

Chybisa is Hârn's smallest state. The kingdom was founded by a mixed group of immigrants from Melderyn. Once significantly larger, Chybisa lost most of its territory to rampaging Pagaelin and Hodiri tribesmen during the Migration Wars. Chybisa contains some of Hârn's most impressive fortifications, particularly the royal castle at Burzyn.

THE SHEK-PVAR

The Shek-Pvar are six ancient and esoteric convocations within the Guild of Arcane Lore. They have a common world view known as Pvaric Philosophy, a way of perceiving Kelestia (the cosmic all) in terms of key elemental principles. Shek-Pvar who have learned to attune to these principles may draw certain kinds of power into their Aura and, with practice and discipline, can manipulate these energies to their will.



Convocation	Hue	Element	Principles
Lyahvi	Red	Air	Light/Illusion
Peleahn	Orange	Fire	Pyrotechnics
Jmorvi	Yellow	Metal	Artifice
Fyvria	Green	Earth	Life Cycles
Odivshe	Blue	Water	Hydrotechnics
Savorva	Violet	Snirit	Knowledge/mind

HârnMaster Religion

Religion is pervasive in all levels of Hârnic society. The churches are very powerful and influential. No roleplaying campaign is complete without them.

Cleric Character Generation: Extensive rules and background for generating and running a cleric character for each of the

Ritual Invocations: A selection of rituals (miracles) is given for each religion, as well as common rituals known to clergy of all

Libram of the Pantheon: Each of the ten major deities is explained, with details on their mythos, churches, temple hierarchies, rituals, and much more. Each section also

KINGDOMS OF HÂRN

locations of the various cultures of Hârn.

HÂRNIC CULTURES

While Hârn contains unique cultures and creatures,

ts closest historical equivalent is 9th-14th century

Cultural-Political map shown here gives the general

Britain. Elements from this entire period may be found

and, with the exception of the unique elements described,

the GM may use this historical era as a model. The Hârn

There are nine civilized states on Hârn, seven human and two demi-human cultures. Five of the human states are feudal, one is pre-feudal (Orbaal) and the other (Tharda) is a plutocratic republic. The two demi-human states are Azadmere, kingdom of the Khuzdul (dwarves), and Evael, kingdom of the Sindarin (elves). The influence of both races far outweighs their numbers. The populations, royal clan, and seat (capital) of each realm are given below. Population figures are approximate since no formal census has ever been undertaken.

Kingdom	Population	Royal Clan	Royal Seat
Azadmere	11,000	Tarazakh	Azadmere
Chybisa	8,000	Geledoth	Burzyn
Evael	5,000	Halirien	Elshavel
Kaldor	105,000	Elendsa	Tashal
Kanday	96,000	Kand	Dyrisa
Melderyn	160,000	Toron	Cherafir
Orbaal	73,000	Taareskeld	Geldeheim
Rethem	95,000	Araku	Shostim
Tharda	104.000	(Senate)	Coranan

UNIQUE CULTURES

Two unique "cultures" exist on Hârn: the Ivashu of Misyn, a diverse group of creatures spawned by the god Ilvir; and the Ilme of Ilmen Marsh, a race of intelligent mere-dragons.

GARGUN NATIONS

Gargun is the name for Hârn's orcs, sometimes called Foulspawn. They live mainly in the mountains of Hârn, either in cave complexes or as wandering nomadic bands. Hârn may have as many as 50,000 gargun.

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Nomadic T	'ribes		
Chindra	Moym	Pryeh	Toset
Diaffa	Nuthuk	Ruthuba	Wurokin
Gargun Co	lonies		
Amekt	Gedyf	Korego	Qustup
Bwaft	Gifuso	Lucrain	Sokus
Carcust	Huxuth	Nizus	Ushet
Ejatus	Jobasa	Pazel	Yzug
Fana	Jufyx	Pujet	Zedabir
Felgoth	Jusiko	Pyxyn	Zhakom

BARBARIAN NATIONS

population exceeds 100,000. Each of these nations has fairly well-defined homelands in the wilderness areas of Hârn, which are noted on the Hârn Cultural-Political map. For the most part, the tribal nations are of the same racial stock as the civilized human cultures but, for one reason or another, have remained barbaric or semi-civilized. They are mostly semi-nomadic, meaning they tend to move from one location to another within their range either seasonally or every few years. Some are huntergatherers who do not practice more than rudimentary agriculture. Each tribal nation is divided into several ezen tribes of 30 to 1,200 persons, although few tribes would exceed 200 in size. The following is a list of the

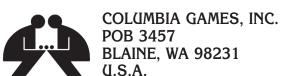
Hârn contains 18 barbarian nations, whose total

daenum	Gozyda	Pagaelin
inoa	Hodiri	Solori
ujoc	Kabloqui	Taelda
helni	Kamaki	Tulwyn
hymak	Kath	Urdu
quani	Kubora	Ymodi

HÂRNIC RELIGION

The inhabitants of Hârn and most of Lythia are pantheistic; they believe in the existence of ten major deities (and hundreds of minor ones), but most worship only one of these. The ten major deities are named

- Agrik: "Lord of the Four Horsemen." Deity of warriors who enjoy the dark side of war: rapine,
- pillage, cruelty, and destruction. • Halea: "Mistress of Hearts and Loins." Amoral
- goddess of wealth and pleasure. • **Ilvir:** "Prince of the Fatherless Multitude." Creator of the Ivashu, the many species of strange creatures
- native to Hârn. Principal deity of the native Jarin people of the northern kingdom of Orbaal. • Larani: "The Lady of Paladins." Deity of chivalry,
- the good goddess of battle, the reluctant warrior. • Morgath: "Lord of Chaos." Master of chaos and
- evil, lord of the undead. • **Naveh:** "Lord of the Pitch Shadows." The bringer of nightmares; the deity favored by assassins and
- **Peoni:** "Lady of Truth and White Virtue." Patron goddess of healing and agriculture, the poor, and
- lovers. Worshiped by most of Hârn's peasant class.
- Sarajin: "King of the Icy Wind." God of battle lust. Principal deity of the Ivinian invaders of Orbaal.
- Save-K'nor: "Keeper of the Var-Hyvrak." God of
- knowledge and subtle, discreet power. Siem: "Lord of The Blessed Realm." Benign god of
- mystery and shadow, magic and dreams, a wielder of esoteric powers and a knower of secrets. Principal deity of the Sindarin and Khuzdul, but also some Jarin and other humans.





GUILDS

Throughout Hârn and western Lythia, virtually all significant commercial and professional activities are within the control of powerful international guilds whose monopolistic rights are protected by law. The guilds tend to take in large groups of related businesses. Most guilds are urban, some are rural, a few are both. Some guilds may be weak, with loosely defined monopolies, but most are strong with rigid monopolies. The guilded professions are Apothecaries, Arcane Lore,

Thespians, Timberwrights, Weaponcrafters, and Woodcrafters.

Heralds, Hideworkers, Innkeepers, Jewellers, Lexigraphers, Litigants, Locksmiths,

Perfumers, Physicians, Pilots, Potters, Salters, Seamen, Shipwrights, Tentmakers,

Masons, Mercantylers, Metalsmiths, Millers and Millwrights, Miners, Ostlers,

HârnManor includes four generated manors

and rules to create your own. It is fully

compatible with *HârnMaster* or any rules

Villages: Rules to generate useful, realistic

Hârnic villages, populated with a variety of

ousehold: Rules to populate the lord's

ousehold. For most lords, a rich household

carries prestige and a penny saved is a

Manor Budget: Rules to operate realistic

illustrate the diverse politics and economics

Manors of Hârn: Four manors that

of rural Hârn are included. Each has a

and retainer of the lord's household.

color local map and data on each villager

erfs, freeholders, and craftsmen.



Chandlers, Charcoalers, Clothiers, Courtesans, Embalmers, Glassworkers, Harpers,

governed by a republican senate. The Thardic Senate is controlled by 66 wealthy patrician families who own 90 percent of the land. It is often deadlocked because of the rivalry between five or six powerful factions, including an imperialist party that intrigues for a revival of the oncemighty Corani Empire. The republic has won a war with Kanday within the Heraldry of the Red Guard, last decade and relations with Rethem are tense; the present state of affairs is

HârnMaster Barbarians

The deep forests of Hârn are home

to 18 tribal nations. Although civilized

leisure time than manorial peasants.

Hârnians look down on them as backward,

most tribesmen have more freedom and

However, much of that spare time must

weapons and armour data, history, culture,

and specific shaman rituals.

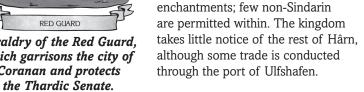
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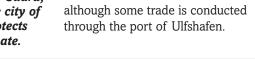
THARDIC REPUBLIC

Tharda is a plutocratic state

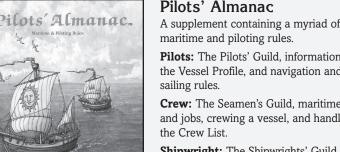


which garrisons the city of Coranan and protects





EVAEL



Shipwright: The Shipwrights' Guild, shipyards, details and illustrations of vessels, and rules for shipbuilding. Maritime Trade: Information on filling out a cargo manifest and rules for handling maritime trade and cargoes. **Port Almanac:** A glossary of about 400

ports, listing shipwright facilities, Pilots' and

Seamen's guildhalls, port fees, market size,

loading facilities and costs, and tides.



Evael is the last remnant of the

Sindarin (elven) kingdom that once

Sindarin population live in isolated

covered all of Hârn. Most of Evael's

clanhouses scattered throughout the

Shava Forest; there are only two large

settlements. The Shava Forest has a

reputation for all manner of strange



MELDERYN

Known as the "Wizards'

Isle," Melderyn is primarily

the southeast coast of

Hârn but also includes

extensive lands on the

monarchy, where real

power is held by an

assembly of scholars

known as the Council

mainland. Melderyn

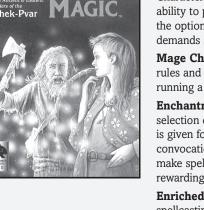
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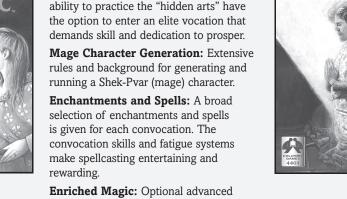
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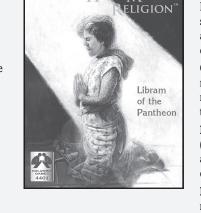
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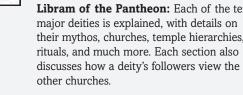




spellcasting rules are included for Cants, Memorization, Astrological Timing, etc.









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ago. When Arlun died, their federation collapsed and most Kubora withdrew once again to Peran.

be spent sharpening spears and fletching arrows because the wilderness is a more dangerous place than the manor. Barbarians: An overview of tribal culture, economics, and religion. A guide to HârnMaster character generation for tribal characters is also included. **Tribal Nations:** A separate article for each of the 18 tribal nations. Each article includes a tribal range map, occupations,