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# Arthur's deed : Uther Vendragon



nter ancient times, where Brittany realms were shaken by passions and wars. One event will mark the history of the legendary lands of Cornouailles forever. The powerful king Uther Pendragon fell madly in love with the

beautiful Ygraine, the Duke Corlois spouse. Refusing to give in to the king's advances, Ygraine remained loyal to her husband, thus plunging Uther into a mad rage. The Duke, defending his lady's honor, rebelled against his sovereign and took Ygraine to the fortified castle of Tintagel. War then broke out, and Uther, unable to contain his desire, besieged the fortress. It was at the heart of this conflict, marked by cunning and magic, that the events that were to change the destiny of Brittany took place....

Arthur's deed is a series of « on foot » tournaments on the Arthurian theme organized by medieval re-enactment troupes of the end of the 14th and beginning of the 15th century. These tournaments follow the events of Arthur reign: from Arthur's conception until his death.



our first chapter tells about the Tintagel siege. Uther Vendragon, madly in love with Ygraine, spouse of the Duke Corlois of Cournouailles, wages a war to win her over. Uther, King of Britany, throws all his power and rage upon the Tintagel fortress where the Duke Corlois and Ygraine took shelter. The siege takes then an unexpected turn of event when magic gets involved : Merlin the Enchanter transforms Uther into Corlois, allowing him to enter Tintagel as its lord. Decieving Ygraine, he sleeps with her the whole night, thus conceiving the futur King Arthur.

Come and write your legend through the clash of steel 1







## Historical outfits

Taking part in the event is under strict review of your military and civilian outfits by our Historical Authentication Committee.

We will do a final check of your military equipment the 1st day of the event to have safe and enjoyable fights.

# Military kit

## Lords tournament

The noble competitor must have a full armour kit with a closed helmet.

It must be placed in the historical period between 1370 and 1420.

Composition of your armour :

- Gambeson
- Closed helmet by visor or helm
- Steel cuirass or brigantine (no Wisby)
- Riveted chain mail
- Padded riveted mail collar
- Steel gauntlets
- Steel or leather+steel canons
- Steel elbows
- Steel or leather+steel rerebrace
- Steel or leather+steel grieves
- Steel knees
- Steel or leather+steel cuisses









### **Sergeants Tournament**

You must have a military kit placed in the historical period between 1370 and 1420.

Mandatory elements :

- Gambeson
- Head and lower face protections: Bascinet with camail or padded collar, Chapel with Bevor or padded collar/hood.
- Steel gauntlets or riveted mail gloves

You can add :

- Riveted chain mail
- Riveted mail on collar and hood
- Steel/leather cuirass, or brigantine (no Wisby)
- Armoured legs\*
- Armoured arms\*

\*For armoured legs and arms :

- Arms: steel, leather+steel, leather canons and shoulders
- Legs: steel, leather+steel, leather grieves

You cannot have armoured upper arms, cuisses, feet.

# Warning!

We strongly recommend the use of modern groin protection under the braies if you want to sire heirs.









# **Civilian outfit**

Here are the minimal requirements. You can accessorize and decorate your outfit depending on your status.

#### Men : no braies are to be seen !!

<u>Braies and shirt</u>: linen, cotton or mix cotton with linen. Avoid drawstrings collar and gathered sleeves if your character is not from Italia.

<u>Hoses</u>: wool, separated ones, closed hoses or semi closed ones (a broad gore that is not sown to the hoses is covering the braies)

<u>Doublet</u> : wool, mix cotton with linen, silk, noble fabric. Mostly close to the body and cannot reach higher than the hips.

<u>Hat</u> : outside, hat or hood. The hood can be worn without a hat. Inside, the hat or hood is not mandatory (recommended for nobles)

<u>Belt</u>: with buckle, ostentatious and a pendant depending on the status. Rope is allowed to poor characters (i.e. farmer, servant)

<u>Leather shoes</u>: Historically place in our period of time. We accept non-slip rubber soles and hobnailed ones.



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## Lady

<u>Shirt</u>: linen, cotton or mix cotton with linen. Avoid drawstrings collar and gathered sleeves if your character is not from Italia.

<u>Hoses</u>: wool, tight to the leg and reaching under the knee or above. Should be hold by garters (ropes are for the lower classes).

<u>Cotte or corset</u> : first dress, mainly wool or mixed cotton with linen. Nobles can wear silk or brocade. No 100% linen allowed but can be short sleeved.

<u>Hat</u>: outside, hat or hood. The hood can be worn without a hat. Inside, the hat or hood is not mandatory, though a silk or cotton veil for nobles and middle-class is recommended.

Gown : Noble or middle-class only. Noble fabric (wool minimum)

<u>Belt</u>: with buckle, ostentatious and a pendant depending on the status. Rope is allowed to poor characters (i.e. farmer, servant). Not mandatory over a gown.

<u>Leather shoes</u>: Historically placed in our period of time. We accept non-slip rubber soles and hobnailed ones. Avoid boots.

















We kindly remind you that male braies must not be seen when standing up, whether in military or civilian outfit.

## Programme

Saturday Morning : Sergeants tournament Noon : lunch Afternoon : Archery – Lords tournament - battle Evening : Banquet Sunday Morning : Challenges of courtesy valour

Noon : lunch

Afternoon : Archery Finals

End of the event is 16h30

There will be various activities along the weekend. You can take part in them or just enjoy your time.

Rules of the tournaments and fights will be sent to you later on, by January. We're using Fiore dei Liberi style so you can already feel technic will prevail over blunt force.







## **Fighting Equipment**

We will provide spears, pole arms, daggers and wooden clubs. Sergeants will use their own shield. Nobles will use their own longsword.

# Civilian equipment

You must bring your own table equipment (cutlery, plate, glass).

## **General Rules**

Only registered fighters can access the tournaments.

Ladies will be judge of your knightly valour and their points can turn the tides of the results. We keep it fair to your fighting qualities, but it's up to you to show how superb and noble you are.

