DOGS OF WAR – ARMY FOR HIRE

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This is a tale of the Warhammer world – of warlords and bandits, of sell-swords and freebooters, and of brave adventurers who willingly risk all upon the battlefield for the chance to win measureless riches. They are the Dogs of War! This army list is part of the Ravening Hordes project, a temporary list that allows veteran players to incorporate Dogs of War into their armies. It’s a list which will prove useful to any Warhammer player, whether he wishes to incorporate new mercenary units into an existing force, or raise an entire Dogs of War army.

Unlike other Warhammer armies, the Dogs of War do not come from a particular place, nor do they comprise a particular race, although men do feature very strongly amongst their number. They are bands of warriors who live by fighting – fighting for pay, fighting for adventure and, most importantly of all, fighting for the chance to win fabulous wealth. Some are merely bandits, pirates and cut-throats of the most untrustworthy kind, but others are gallant princes and buccaneers who lead bold warriors to adventure and conquest in faraway lands.

As already explained, not all mercenaries are human, although many are. Amongst the Dogs of War, freebooters from the frozen wastes of Norsca rub shoulders with Corsairs from Araby and mysterious warrior monks from the east. Mercenaries commonly form into itinerant bands under the leadership of a charismatic or especially brutal leader. The most famous of these bands are, more often than not, known by the name of their leader, such as Hagar Whitefang’s Were-Marauders, Khalag’s Sure Shots, and the renowned Golfgag’s Ogres. An entire army of Dogs of War is made up of many of these bands under the overall leadership of a roguish mercenary general.

ANY TIME, ANY PLACE, ANYWHERE...
Mercenary armies of Dogs of War fight all over the world. They are drawn to places where fortunes can be won by ruthless adventurers. The treasure houses of the Lizardmen in Lustria are a major prize and have attracted many a would-be conqueror. Further east, the mysterious Dragon Isles and the shadowy lands of Cathay have tempted soldiers of fortune. The world is truly awash with rag tag armies of sell-swords who nurture wishful dreams of wealth!

Although Dogs of War ply their bloody trade to every point of the compass, the most notorious breeding ground of mercenaries is the land of Tilea in the Old World. From all the kingdoms of the Old World and many lands beyond, sell-swords come to Tilea where they can be assured of ready and profitable employment. Tilea is an anarchic and largely ungovernable country, where self-serving individuals rule precariously over proudly independent cities. The real power lies with the wealthy Merchant Princes who plot and scheme against the tax-gathering authorities and each other with almost equal enthusiasm. Indeed, such is the tradition in Tilea that all armies of any size are mercenary armies – paid for and deployed by a wealthy prince, a devious merchant or ambitious tyrant.
THE DOGS OF WAR ARMY LIST

This Dogs of War army list is part of the Ravening Hordes project. Ravening Hordes is a complete set of army lists that allows veteran Warhammer players to convert their existing armies into a suitable format for the new version of the Warhammer game. Ravening Hordes is not a permanent addition to the Warhammer range – the idea is to enable players to get by until such time as the new Warhammer Armies supplements are ready. Players should be aware that the new Warhammer Armies supplements will supersede and to some degree change the temporary information given in Ravening Hordes – we don’t know quite how though as we haven’t written them all yet!

As the idea behind Ravening Hordes is to enable existing players to ‘get by’, we call this a set of ‘get you by’ army lists. If you are a new player, you might find these lists interesting as an insight into the armies we will be revising in the future. However – bear in mind that not all of the troop types described are currently available and that some will change when the new Warhammer Armies books come out. We recommend that new players consider collecting one of the new armies described in the new Warhammer Armies supplements and for which all the redesigned models are available. The new army books have started to be released, and a further volume will be added every few months.

We’ve prepared the Ravening Hordes lists because we are all Warhammer players who own large armies – some of which contain models collected over many years of gaming. Just like everyone else, we want to be able to continue to use our existing armies right now – so Ravening Hordes has been created to enable us to do just that. Of course, that won’t stop us collecting new armies of new models or adding to our existing armies. Ultimately, however, we know that some old troops may have to be retired for most purposes because they don’t quite ‘fit in’ with the new rules. As yet we don’t know exactly what things are going to change – we’ve still got many hard hours of playing and testing to go...

CHOOSING AN ARMY FOR BATTLE

The Dogs of War army uses the same system as the other Ravening Hordes lists for selecting forces for battle. This is explained below and is different from the old rules.

How the army list is organised

The army list is divided into four sections:

- **CHARACTERS**
- **CORE UNITS**
- **SPECIAL UNITS**
- **RARE UNITS**

Characters represent the most able, ruthless and successful individuals in your army: extraordinary leaders such as Heroes and Wizards. These form a vital and potent part of your forces.

Core units represent the most common types of warriors in the army. They usually form the bulk of the army and will often bear the brunt of the fighting.

Special units are the best of your warriors and also include some of the more common engines of war. They are available to your army in limited numbers.

Rare units are so called because they are scarce compared to your ordinary troops. They represent unique units, uncommon creatures and unusual machines.

How to choose an army

Both players choose armies to the same agreed points value. Most players find that 2,000 points is about right for a battle that will last an evening. Whatever value you agree, this is the maximum number of points you can spend on your army. You can spend less and will probably find it is impossible to use up every last point. Most 2,000 points armies will therefore be something like 1,998 points or 1,999 points, but they still count as ‘2,000’ points armies for our purposes.

Choosing characters

Characters are divided into two broad categories: Lords (the most powerful characters) and Heroes (the rest). The maximum number of characters an army can include is shown on the chart below. This table applies to all armies except the Bretonnians who have their own version at the start of their list.

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IMPORTANT: The number of characters is the total number of characters allowed in the army including Lords. For example: a 2,500 points Dwarf army may have up to 4 characters in total, of which 1 may be a Lord (ie, 1 Lord +3 Heroes).

A Dogs of War army does not have to include Lords, it can include all of its characters as Heroes if you prefer.

At the beginning of the battle choose one of the characters in your army to be the General and tell your opponent which one it is. Your General will always be the character with the highest Leadership value in your army. However, as there can obviously only be one General in each army, you will have to choose who to elect if two or more of your characters tie for highest Ld.
**Chariots & ridden monsters**
Characters are sometimes allowed to ride on the backs of monsters or in chariots. Each character must be given their own chariot or mount. They will not all cram into one!

**Magic items**
Dogs of War characters may choose magic items only from the common ones listed in the rulebook. Note that you cannot take magic items from other army lists. Lords may have up to 100 points worth of magic items. Other characters may have up to 50 points worth of magic items. Special characters and leaders of special Regiments of Renown come with their own set of magic items and cannot be given any extra normal or magic equipment. Their items cannot be taken by other characters either.

Units that can take magic banners are listed at the beginning of the army list.

**Choosing troops**
Troops are divided into Core, Special and Rare units. The number of units of each type that are available to you depends upon the points value of your army. This is indicated on the chart below.

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For example, if you are choosing a 2,000 points army you must take a minimum of 5 Core units and could choose to take up to 4 Special and/or up to 2 Rare.

In addition, if an individual entry has a number limiting it, eg, 0-1, then you may only have that many in your army. Otherwise you may have as many as the restrictions above and points allow.

**Unit entries**
Each unit is represented by an entry in the Army list. The unit’s name is given and any limitations that apply are explained.

**Profiles.** The characteristic profiles for the troops in each unit are given in the unit entry. Where several profiles are required, these are also given even if, as in many cases, they are optional.

**Unit Sizes.** Each entry specifies the minimum size for each unit. In some cases, units also have a maximum size.

**Equipment.** Each entry lists the standard weapons and armour for that unit type. The value of these items is included in the points value. Additional or optional weapons and armour are listed together with their extra cost.

**Special Rules.** Many troops have special rules which are described in this section.

**Special Characters and Regiments of Renown**
In the next issue of White Dwarf you will find a collection of Dogs of War Special Characters and Regiments of Renown. In the future, new characters and regiments will be published, to complete and enrich the selection available. The Special Characters can be fielded only by Dogs of War armies. The Regiments of Renown can be fielded by Dogs of War armies as well as by any other Warhammer army, following the rules and the exceptions mentioned in the ‘For Hire’ entry of each one of the Regiments.

**Fielding ‘Dogs of War’ units in other Warhammer armies**
Other armies from the Ravening Hordes or the Warhammer Armies books can field units from the Dogs of War list. In general they are included in the lists as a Rare choice. In addition, the following restrictions apply:

- Empire, any Chaos, Dark Elves, Skaven, Vampire Counts, Khemri, Dwarfs, and Lizardman armies can field any unit from the Dogs of War army list.
- Chaos Dwarfs, Wood Elves, High Elves and Orcs & Goblins can field any unit from the Dogs of War army list except for the Dwarf mercenaries.
- Bretonnia cannot field Dogs of War at all.

**Important points to remember**
- The number of characters is the total number of characters allowed in the army including Lords.
- The number of Core units is the minimum you must take. The Special and Rare numbers are maximums.

**Champions, Musicians & Standard bearers**
Any unit of foot troops in the army may upgrade a model to a Champion, Musician and/or Standard Bearer for +10 points each. Any unit of cavalry may upgrade a model to a Champion, Musician and/or Standard Bearer for +15 points each.

A Champion will have +1BS if the unit he is with is equipped with bows, crossbows or longbows, otherwise he will have +1A. A Standard Bearer from the Paymaster’s Bodyguard may carry a magic banner worth up to 50 points.

**SPECIAL RULES**
The following special rules applies to the Dogs of War army:

- **Spells:** Dogs of War Wizards may use any of the Lores of Magic in the Warhammer rulebook.
- **Pikes:** Fight in four ranks; requires two hands (see page 89 of the Warhammer rulebook).
- **Champions**
- **Paymaster:** The Paymaster is the man responsible for the cash which will be used to pay the army. He always carries with him the keys of the pay chest and that makes him at least as important as the General in the eyes of the mercenaries. To represent this, his key is treated exactly like a Battle Standard (+1 combat resolution, re-roll Break tests within 12", can be captured by the enemy if he’s killed etc.). In addition, if the Paymaster is killed, every unit in the army must take a Panic test at the end of that phase. From that point on, every unit in the army will hate the enemy unit that captured the Paymaster’s key.

**MAGIC ITEMS**
You may choose magic items for your characters and units from the following list (these are found in the Warhammer rulebook page 154).

**Biting Blade (magic weapon):** -1 to the opponent’s saving throw. 10 pts.

**Sword of Might (magic weapon):** Bearer receives +1 to his Strength. 20 pts.

**Sword of Battle (magic weapon):** Bearer receives an extra +1 Attack. 25 pts.

**Sword of Striking (magic weapon):** Bearer receives +1 to his To Hit rolls. 30 pts.

**Enchanted Shield (magic armour):** Counts as a shield, 5+ armour saving throw. 10 pts.

**Talisman of Protection (talisman):** 6+ Ward save against any wound suffered in the battle. 15 pts.

**Dispel Scroll (arcane item):** Automatically dispels an enemy spell (one use only). 25 pts.

**Power Stone (arcane item):** An additional +2 dice to cast a spell (one use only). 25 pts.

**Staff of Sorcery (arcane item):** +1 to Dispels rolls attempted by the bearer. 50 pts.

**War banner (magic banner):** Unit counts an additional +1 bonus for combat resolution, but cannot pursue. 25 pts.
LORDS

Grizzled veterans covered in the scars from a life of war, or mysterious Wizards from faraway lands. The General of a Dogs of War army is a powerful individual, feared and respected throughout the Old World.

MERCENARY GENERAL ...................... 90 points per model
HIRELING WIZARD LORD ............... 175 points per model

**Equipment**: Hand weapon. A Wizard Lord may not have other equipment except barding for his Warhorse. A General may have a morning star (+3 pts) or halberd (+6 pts). He may also carry a longbow (+15 pts), crossbow (+15 pts), pistol (+10 pts), or brace of pistols (+20 pts). He may wear light armour (+3 pts) or heavy armour (+6 pts) and may carry a shield (+3 pts).

A General or a Wizard Lord may ride a Pegasus (+50 pts). A General or Wizard Lord may ride a Warhorse (+15 pts) which may be barded (+6 pts). If a General is mounted, he may have a spear (+3 pts) or a lance (+6 pts).

**Special Rules**: A Hireling Wizard Lord is a Level 3 Wizard. This may be increased to Level 4 at a cost of +35 pts. A Pegasus can fly.

HEROES

The Paymaster is the keeper of the army’s pay chest, and that makes him a very popular fellow. Mercenary Captains are expert leaders of men, roguish and often loved by their soldiers. Hireling Wizards are outcasts or renegades from the Orders of Magic and live by selling their magic powers for the best offer.

1 PAYMASTER ....................... 55 points per model
MERCENARY CAPTAIN ................. 50 points per model
HIRELING WIZARD .................... 60 points per model

**Equipment**: Hand weapon. A Wizard may not have other equipment except barding for his Warhorse. A Captain or a Paymaster may have an additional hand weapon (+4 pts), great weapon (+4 pts), morning star (+2 pts) or halberd (+4 pts). He may also carry a longbow (+10 pts), crossbow (+10 pts), pistol (+7 pts), or brace of pistols (+14 pts). He may wear light armour (+2 pts) or heavy armour (+4 pts), and may carry a shield (+2 pts).

A Captain may ride a Pegasus (+50 pts). A Captain, Paymaster or Wizard may ride a Warhorse (+10 pts) which may be barded (+6 pts). If a Captain or Paymaster is mounted, he may have a spear (+2 pts) or a lance (+6 pts).

**Paymaster**: A Dogs of War army must include a Paymaster. The Paymaster may not be the army’s General.

**Special rules**: A Hireling Wizard is a Level 1 Wizard. This may be increased to Level 2 at a cost of +35 pts. A Pegasus can fly.

CORE UNITS

PIKEMEN ..................................... 10 points per model
Pikes are the infantry's weapon of choice in Tilea. Twice as long as a normal spear and longer than a cavalryman’s lance, the front of a unit of pikes is an impenetrable wall of steel.

**Unit Size**: 10+

**Equipment**: Hand weapon, light armour and pikes. May have heavy armour (+1 pt).

CROSSBOWMEN ............................. 8 points per model

**The bulk of the missile troops in a Dogs of War army are formed by crossbowmen from Tilea, Estalia and the Border Princes.**

**Unit Size**: 10+

**Equipment**: Hand weapon and crossbow.

DUELLISTS ................................... 5 points per model
Small units of lightly armed skirmishers are normally employed to protect the flanks of pike-armed units.

**Unit Size**: 8+

**Equipment**: Sword (hand weapon). May have one of the following: bucklers (count as shields, +1 pt), additional hand weapon (+2 pts), pistol (+4 pts). May also have throwing knives (+2 pts).

**Special Rules**: Duellists are skirmishers.
HEAVY CAVALRY .................................. 19 points per model
Cadet sons of nobles from Bretonnia, the Empire and Tilea form the shock cavalry of most mercenary armies. Kislevite Winged Lancers are sometimes employed and are much renowned for their swift manoeuvres.

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Unit Size: 5+

Equipment: Hand weapon, lance, heavy armour and shield. May have barding for their steeds (+2 pts).

LIGHT CAVALRY .................................. 11 points per model
Scouting ahead of the army, harrying the enemy supply line, attacking vulnerable war machines and engaging the flanks of the enemy line are but a few of the roles performed by these precious troops. Riders from Araby or from the steppes of Kislev are the best choice available to mercenary captains.

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Unit Size: 5+

Equipment: Hand weapon. May have spear (+1 pt), bow (+4 pts) and/or shield (+2 pts).

Special Rules: Light Cavalry are fast cavalry

SPECIAL UNITS

OGRES ................................................ 35 points per model
Massive, ferocious, resilient and not too bright, Ogres make perfect mercenaries. Their ability of eating practically anything means that they are also easy to maintain.

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Unit Size: 3+

Equipment: Hand weapon. May have additional hand weapon (+6 pts), great weapon (+6 pts). May have light armour (+3 pts).

Special Rules: Ogres cause fear.

DWARFS ................................................ 7 points per model
The Dwarf race is cursed by an irresistible lust for gold and they certainly don’t dislike fighting (especially against Greenskins). It’s easy to understand how some young Dwarfs decide that they’d rather earn their gold fighting than spend their life scraping the underground in search of rich ore.

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Unit Size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon, light armour. May have great weapon (+2 pts) and/or crossbow (+5 pts). May have heavy armour (+1 pt) and/or a shield (+1 pt).

Special Rules: Dwarfs flee and pursue 2D6-1” and hate Orcs and Goblins of all types.

NORSE MARAUDERS .............................. 7 points per model
Raiding and pillaging is what the berserker Norse are good at, and at times the best way of neutralising the threat they represent is to offer them a job…

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Unit Size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon and light armour. May have a shield (+1 pt). May have great weapons (+2 pts), additional hand weapons (+2 pts) or flails (+1 pt).

Special Rules: Norse Marauders are subject to frenzy.

0-1 PAYMASTER’S BODYGUARD............ 9 points per model
Only the oldest and most trusted veterans are selected by the Paymaster to form their own bodyguard. These sturdy fighters are handsomely paid and that gives them extra motivation to protect the Paymaster with their lives… well, most of the time.

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Unit Size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon, halberd and light armour. May have heavy armour (+1 pt).

Special Rules: Bodyguard – as long as the Paymaster is alive and with the unit, they are stubborn.
0-1 HALFLINGS .................................... 6 points per model
Halflings are not warlike people, but there are a few among them that just cannot settle in the peaceful land of the Moot. These ‘adventure-loving weirdoes’, as they are referred to by other Halflings, often decide to band together and wander the world as hired bowmen.

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Unit Size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon and bow. May swap their bows for spears, light armour and shields.

Special Rules: Halflings suffer no movement penalties when moving through wooded terrain.

RARE UNITS

CANNONS .......................................... 85 points per model
Since Dogs of War armies are always on the move, they cannot afford to carry and maintain the massive Great Cannons typical of the Empire. For this reason, lighter, easy to move, small calibre guns are a treasured element of many mercenary armies.

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Unit Size: 1 cannon with 3 crew.

Equipment: Hand weapon.

Special Rules: See the Warhammer rulebook for details of these weapons (page 122). The Cannon is the smaller of the two types.

HALFLING HOT POT .......................... 50 points per model
Mercenary Generals know very well that Halfling cooks are an important element in attracting freelance fighters to their army. Another advantage of hiring such refined chefs is the access to the Hot Pot, a weird catapult-like device that uses a cauldron full of hot soup as a projectile. This improvised form of artillery is used only in the direst circumstances (persuading a Halfling to give up his food is not an easy task to accomplish!).

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Unit Size: 1 Hot Pot with 5 Halfling crew.

Equipment: Hand weapon.

Special Rules: Treat as a stone thrower from the rulebook (page 120) with the following changes. The Hot Pot has a maximum range of 36”. Hits are resolved at S3, with no armour save allowed. The model under the hole of the template suffers a Strength 6 hit, with no armour save allowed, which causes D3 wounds.
Tilea is the home of the mercenary, where Dogs of War go to find employment and where would-be lords and rulers go to find them. It is split into many squabbling republics and principalities, which ensures that there is always work for a warrior willing to fight for gold. No mercenary worth his sword will ever get bored in Tilea!

Every year, expeditions large and small set off for the fabled lands of Lustria and Cathay, seeking new trade routes or simply off to plunder. This makes Tilea a magnet for every scoundrel with a lust for gold and an eye for adventure. It is the heroes’ starting point in countless tales of daring exploits, brave rescues, and impossible deeds – and some stories are true!
Welcome to the second part of Dogs of War, a get-you-by army list for veteran gamers who have existing armies from the last edition of Warhammer. This month Alessio describes the Regiments of Renown – daring self-swords, infamous the world over, who will fight for any army in the known world...

In this second article I’ve collected all the named regiments that we have published in the past. Let’s call them Regiments of Renown (RoR), to distinguish them from the normal units you can find in the basic Dogs of War army list (WD 251). Of course you can field these models as normal Dogs of War, but with the rules included in this article, you now have a chance of fielding these special versions of the basic mercenary troops. Unfortunately we did not have enough space to include the colourful background that Nigel Stillman and other authors have written for these regiments. These great stories can still be found in the Dogs of War army book of the fifth edition of Warhammer and in various White Dwarf articles. I am sure that our Mail Order Trolls will be more than happy to help you find the background you are interested in.

In what respect are they special then? Well, first of all these regiments have a name, they have one or more unique characters leading them and often have special rules or equipment that differentiate them from the norm.

All named models in a Regiments of Renown count as characters in the game. These characters cannot leave their unit (unless specified), but they do not use up any of the character slots from the army lists (unless specified). If the characters have different equipment than the rest of the rank and file, this is clearly listed in the Equipment list. Note that, regardless of their Leadership value, these characters can never be an army’s General.

In some cases, such as the Birdmen of Catrazza or the Giants of Albion, these regiments are absolutely weird and quite entertaining, and I tried to keep them only as part of the Dogs of War armies for the sake of game balance.

PIKES
Being a unique feature of Dogs of War and Regiments of Renown, I thought it would be useful to repeat the rules for pikes. Furthermore, it offers me the chance to provide additional clarification (in bold in the text).
- Fight in four ranks, requires two hands (see page 89 of the Warhammer rulebook).
- Always strikes first in the initial round of hand-to-hand combat, even striking before enemies who have charged. Note that enemies who are entitled to strike first because of a special ability or magic, will still strike before pike-armed models.
- Models armed with pikes receive a +1 Strength bonus in the Close Combat phase of the turn they are charged by cavalry units, chariots or monster riders (note that this bonus only applies to attacks directed against the above charging units, not against other units).

These special rules cannot be used against enemy units fighting the pikemen’s flank or rear.

REGIMENTS FOR HIRE
In the next few pages, you will find all the information you need to field Regiments of Renown in your Warhammer battles.

For Hire. This paragraph states which armies the regiment can fight for and its position (Core, Special, Rare) in the relevant lists.

Points. Each regiment has a basic cost, which includes all the equipment, characters and their magic items. These cannot be modified in any way.

Profiles. The characteristic profiles for the troops and characters in each unit are given here.

Unit Sizes. Each entry specifies the minimum size for each unit. Normally the unit’s size can be increased by buying extra models at the cost given, but in some cases units also have a maximum size.

Equipment. This entry lists the weapons and armour for that regiment. The value of these items is included in the points value.

Special rules. Many troops have special rules which are described in this section.

Magic Items. Some characters carry magic items and their rules are given here. Note that the player cannot buy new magic items for the characters of the Regiments of Renown.
VESPERO’S VENDETTA

For Hire: Vespero’s Vendetta can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

Points: Vespero and four duellists cost a total of 125 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra models at a cost of +10 points each.

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Unit size: 5+

Equipment: Two hand weapons, throwing knives and cloaks (see below).

SPECIAL RULES

Skirmish: Duellists are expert street fighters used to dashing through the narrow alleys of Tilean cities and fighting as individuals. Vespero’s Vendetta therefore skirmish as described in the Warhammer rulebook.

Cloak & Dagger: The duellists are armed with two hand weapons – a sword and a dagger. Duellists also carry a cloak which is draped over the dagger arm and used to parry opponent’s weapon thrusts in hand-to-hand combat. The duellists therefore have a 6+ armour save in hand-to-hand combat.

MAGIC ITEMS

Grimacing Death Mask (Enchanted item)
The mask, which represents the grimacing face of death, is the last thing Vespero’s duelling opponents see before they meet their sudden end. To represent the scarifying effect of the mask, Vespero causes fear in the enemy.

GIANTS OF ALBION

For Hire: Hengus and the Giants of Albion can be hired in Dogs of War armies and they count as two Rare Units. No other Warhammer army can hire them, sorry!

Points: Hengus, Cachtorr and Bologs cost a total of 450 points.

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Unit size: Huge!

Equipment: Both Giants and Hengus are armed with a hand weapon.

Magic: Hengus the Druid is a level 1 Wizard and always uses the Lore of Beasts.

SPECIAL RULES

Oggum Staff: Hengus has an Oggum Staff, which is a special kind of magic item made by the Druids of Albion. Not only do the Oggum marks on the staff endow the bearer with power over Giants to make them serve him, but they also protect the owner from harm. To represent this, as long as the Giants are within 6" of Hengus, they may use his Leadership value. In addition, Hengus has a Ward save of 4+.

Independent Models: Hengus, Cachtorr and Bologs are individual models and move independently, though they may not join regiments. The enemy is awarded Victory points separately for each model slain. Hengus is worth 100 points and each Giant is worth 175 points.

Giants of Albion: Cachtorr and Bologs are large targets and cause Terror. Giants treat obstacles like open ground, but are prone to falling. Roll a D6 if they cross an obstacle or lose a round of combat. If you roll a 1 the Giant has fallen and can squash those underneath. Use the Scatter dice to see which direction he falls in, and the model itself as a template. Those underneath take a single S5 hit which causes D3 wounds. Giants may not attack and are hit automatically in hand-to-hand combat whilst on the ground. They are automatically killed if they break from combat while on the ground. It takes a Giant one turn to stand up. Giants also fall over when they die.

In close combat you must roll a dice each round to determine what the Giant will do that turn. Against other large targets: on a roll of 1-3 Giants will Yell and Bawl (Giant does not attack, but enemy side automatically loses the fight by 2); on the roll of a 4-6 they will Eadbutt (D6 S6 hits, randomised like missile fire for ridden monsters). Against smaller opponents: Giants will Yell and Baul on the roll of a 1-2, on the roll of a 3-4 they will Jump Up and Down (2D6 S6 hits on unit, randomised like missile fire, but first test to fall over – see above) and on the roll of a 5-6 they will Swing With Club (D6 S6 hits on unit, randomised like missile fire).

Assassination’s a dirty job, but someone’s got to do it! Vespero
PIRAZZO’S LOST LEGION

For Hire: Pirazzo’s Lost Legion can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia and Vampire Counts.

Points: Pirazzo and four troopers including Standard Bearer and Musician (these five models are armed with crossbows), plus five troopers armed with pike, cost a total of 160 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be increased by adding extra crossbowmen to the first rank at a cost of 9 points each and extra pikemen to the rear ranks at a cost of 10 points each.

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Unit size: 10+

Equipment: Pike or crossbow (see special rules below) and light armour. Pirazzo is equipped with a hand weapon, crossbow and light armour.

SPECIAL RULES

Mixed formation: The first rank of Pirazzo’s unit is always made up of crossbow-armed figures, all Crossbowmen must be placed in the first rank. The second and following ranks are made up entirely of Pikemen. During the game, remove casualties from the back as normal, it is assumed that pike-armed models step forward and discard their pikes to pick up the crossbows of the fallen first rankers. Only when all the pikemen have been killed, can casualties be taken from the Crossbowmen in the first rank.

RICCO’S REPUBLICAN GUARD

For Hire: Ricco’s Republican Guard can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

Points: ‘Ragged’ Ricco plus nine pikemen, including a Standard Bearer and Musician, cost a total of 180 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra Pikemen at a cost of 12 points each.

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Unit size: 10+

Equipment: Pike and heavy armour. Roderigo is equipped with two hand weapons and heavy armour.

BEORG BEARSTRUCK

AND THE BEARMEN OF URSLO

For Hire: Beorg and his Bearmen can be hired as a Special Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia, High Elves, Wood Elves and Lizardmen.

Points: Beorg and nine Bearmen, including Oerl the Young (the Banner Bearer) and a Horn Blower, cost a total of 255 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra models at a cost of 8 points each.

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Unit size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon, light armour and shield. Beorg is a were-bear – he wears no armour and fights with his claws and teeth!

SPECIAL RULES

Frenzy: Like all Norse Marauders, Beorg and his men are subject to the rules for Frenzy.

MAGIC ITEMS

Bear Fang (Talisman)
This gigantic and ancient yellowed canine tooth is the sacred talisman of lordship amongst Beorg’s tribe. Beorg wears it about his neck. The talisman wards off blows that would otherwise harm its wearer, giving him a Ward save of +4.

Bear Banner (Magic Standard)
Oerl carries the tribe’s totem into battle – an entire bear skin whose grizzly head leers out from the top. The skin’s power is immense, driving the warriors into a fury that is almost impossible to stop. To represent this, the entire unit receives a +1 to hit bonus in the initial round of each hand-to-hand combat.
**VOLAND’S VENATORS**

**For Hire:** Voland’s Venators can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

**Points:** Voland and four Venators cost a total of 195 points including a Standard Bearer and Musician. This is the smallest unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra models at a cost of 24 points each.

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**Unit size:** 5+

**Equipment:** Hand weapon, lance, heavy armour, shield, barded warhorse.

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**THE ALCATANI FELLOWSHIP**

**For Hire:** The Alcatani Fellowship can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

**Points:** Roderigo Delmonte plus nine pikemen, including a Standard Bearer and Musician, cost a total of 125 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra pikemen at a cost of 9 points each.

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**Unit size:** 10+

**Equipment:** Pike and light armour. Roderigo is equipped with two hand weapons and heavy armour.

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**MARKSMEN OF MIRAGLIANO**

**For Hire:** The Marksmen of Miragliano can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia and Skaven.

**Points:** Maximilian and nine Marksmen cost a total of 180 points including a Standard Bearer and Musician. This is the minimum size of regiment you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra models at a cost of 11 points each.

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**Equipment:** Hand weapon, light armour and crossbow.

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**AL MUKTAR’S DESERT DOGS**

**For Hire:** Al Muktar’s Desert Dogs can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia and Khemri.

**Points:** Al Muktar, Sheikh Ahmed Shufti, Ibn the Standard Bearer, a Horn Blower and two riders cost a total of 245 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra riders at a cost of 13 points each.

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**Unit size:** 6+

**Equipment:** Hand weapon, shield and warhorse.

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**MAGIC ITEMS**

The Sheikh carries the Scimitar of Dakisir – heirloom of his tribe. The Black Banner is carried aloft by blind Ibn the beggar boy, who cannot see the peril he is in and so is always at the forefront of battle.

**Scimitar of Dakisir (Magic Weapon)**

This scimitar is an heirloom of the tribal sheikhs of the Desert Dogs. It was forged centuries ago in the Kasbah of Dakisir, long ago sacked and ruined by the Undead. The blade is decorated with magical texts inlaid in gold. Thanks to his impressive weapon, Sheikh Ahmed Shufti adds +1 Strength to blows he strikes and +2 Strength for blows struck in the turn in which he charges.

**Black Banner of the Muktarhin (Magic Standard)**

When calculating which side wins the combat, the banner adds +D3 to the Desert Dog’s score.
ASARNIL THE DRAGONLORD

For Hire: Asarnil the Dragonlord can be hired as a Rare Unit in Dogs of War armies. Note that he will take up one of your characters slots as well as the Rare Unit slot. Alternatively, he can be hired as a Rare Unit (and he will in this case take two characters slots as well!) only in the following Warhammer armies: High Elves, Wood Elves, Empire, Lizardmen.

Points: Asarnil and his mighty Dragon Deathfang cost a total of 460 points.

Equipment: Hand weapon, lance, heavy armour and shield. He rides Deathfang, the Dragon.

SPECIAL RULES

Deathfang. Asarnil’s loyal Dragon is a large target, can fly, causes terror and has a S4 Breath Weapon (see the Warhammer rulebook for the appropriate rules).

In addition, if rolling on the Monster Reaction chart for Deathfang add +1 to the dice score. If you roll a 6 then you may choose any result you wish.

MAGIC ITEMS

Amulet of Dragonheart (enchanted item)
This amulet was one of the potent artefacts made by Caledor the Dragontamer for the Elven Dragon Princes. It is said that the gleaming gem hanging around Asarnil’s neck is a stone found at the heart of a mountain, blessed by Caledor the Dragontamer himself.

The dazzling light of the Amulet of Dragonheart makes the shape of Asarnil and his Dragon appear blurry and vague, as if glanced through a haze. All missile attacks against Asarnil and his Dragon suffer a -1 to hit penalty.

OGLAH KHAN’S WOLFBOYZ

For Hire: Oglah Khan’s Wolfboyz can be hired as a Special Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia, Empire, Dwarfs, High Elves and Wood Elves.

Points: Oglah Khan and five Hobgoblin Wolfboyz including the Standard Bearer and a Horn Blower cost a total of 190 points. This is the minimum size regiment you can hire. The size of the regiment may be increased at a cost of +15 points per additional Hobgoblin.

Equipment: Hand weapon, spear, bow, light armour and shield. They ride Giant Wolves.

SPECIAL RULES

Fast Cavalry: See page 117 of the Warhammer rulebook.

MAGIC ITEMS

Pelt of Wulfag (enchanted item)
When able to pursue a broken enemy, the Wolfboyz must always do it and they can add +D6 to their pursuit move.

LUMPIN CROOP’S FIGHTING COCKS

For Hire: Lumpin Croop’s Fighting Cocks can be hired as a Special Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

Points: Lumpin Croop and five Halflings including Ned (properly Neddly) Hamfist the Standard Bearer and a Horn Blower cost a total of 90 points. This is the minimum size regiment you can hire. The size of the regiment may be increased at a cost of +7 points per additional Halfling.

Equipment: Hand weapon, bow. Lumpin Croop is equipped with hand weapon, bow, shield and light armour.

SPECIAL RULES

Skirmishers: See page 115 of the Warhammer rulebook.

YE WORLD RENOWN HALFLING FIGHTING COCKS

Expert Marksmen, Trackers & Woodsmen.
Baggage Train guarding a speciality.
Ask for Lumpin at the sign of the Fat Pig.
TICHI HUICHI'S RAIDERS

For Hire: Tichi-Huichi’s Raiders can be hired as a Rare Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia, any Chaos, Chaos Dwarfs, Skaven, Vampire Counts and Khemri.

Points: Tichi-Huichi and five Skink Cold One Riders including a Standard Bearer and Musician cost 250 points. This is the minimum unit you can hire. The regiment may be increased by adding more Skink Cold One Riders at +22 points each.

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Unit size: 6-20

Equipment: Hand weapons, spears, scaly skin (counts as light armour) and shields.

SPECIAL RULES

Cold-Blooded: Skinks are cold-blooded and slow to react to psychology. Roll three dice when testing against Leadership and choose the two lowest scores.

Cold Ones: Cold Ones cause fear, are subject to stupidity, and give their riders +2 to their Armour saves in place of the usual +1 for mounted troops.

Blessed by the Old Ones: Tichi-Huichi and his Skink Cold One Riders enjoy the special favour of the Old Ones. They belong to a portentous spawning, brought forth for a mission devised untold millennia ago, and consequently a mysterious aura of protection pervades the regiment. To represent this, hand-to-hand opponents will never pursue Tichi-Huichi’s Raiders if they beat them in combat. A strange, tropical fatigue descends on the foe, securing Tichi-Huichi’s chance to get away and live to fight another day.

LONG DRONG’S SLAYER PIRATES

For Hire: Long Drong’s Slayer Pirates can be hired as a Special Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia, Chaos Dwarfs, Wood Elves, High Elves and Orcs & Goblins.

Points: Long Drong Slayer plus nine Dwarf pirates including a Standard Bearer and Drummer cost a total of 285 points. This is the minimum unit you can hire. The regiment may be increased at a cost of 45 points per additional Ogre.

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Unit size: 4+

Equipment: Two hand weapons and heavy armour.

SPECIAL RULES

Unbreakable: Like all Slayers, Long Drong’s Pirates are unbreakable (see page 112 of the Warhammer Rulebook). Note that, being Dwarfs before Slayers, they still hate all Greenskins.

Festooned with Pistols: All the pirates, including Long Drong, gain an additional Attack because they are fighting with a pistol in each hand. Since they are festooned with pistols which they shoot off in a hurricane of destruction, all of their attacks are considered to be Strength 4 of armour piercing pistol shots. The Pirates carry so many pistols that they never need to reload, therefore their pistol bonus is always in action, not only in the first round of combat.
BRONZINO'S GALLOPER GUNS

For Hire: Bronzino's Galloper Guns can be hired as a Rare Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia.

Points: Master Gunner Bronzino and one galloper gun team cost a total of 165 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. You may buy extra galloper gun teams at a cost of +100 points per gun team. Each extra team counts as an extra Rare choice.

MW S B SS T W I AL d
Bronzino 4 5 5 4 4 2 5 3 8
Warhorse 8 3 0 3 3 1 3 1 5
Crew 4 3 3 3 3 1 3 1 7
Gun 8 – – – 6 2 – – –

Unit size: Each gun has a crew of three, one crewman rides a warhorse.

Equipment: Hand weapon. Bronzino is equipped with a hand weapon and heavy armour. He rides a warhorse.

SPECIAL RULES

Cannon Rules
Bronzino's light guns follow the rules for cannons (the smaller kind) found on page 122-123 of the Warhammer rulebook. The following exceptions apply:

Small Calibre: The maximum range you can guess is 24". The shots are Strength 7, D3 wounds, no armour save.

Rapid Movement: The galloper gun is harnessed to a warhorse ridden by one of the gunners. This enables the gun and its entire crew to move 8" (the remaining crew are assumed to jump on the harness and hitch a lift).

The galloper guns may march move.

If the galloper gun is charged, the crew may hold or flee. If they flee, the gun is assumed to be limbered up immediately without any movement penalty. If the gun and crew are caught they are destroyed.

Close combat: The crew fight in hand-to-hand combat as normal, the mounted gunner fights as normal from horseback.

Deployment: The guns are deployed as separate teams, each gun and its crew operating as an independent unit. Bronzino must be deployed together with one team, but he can then ride from one team to another or operate on his own as a separate Hero. When he joins a team, he follows the normal rules for characters joining war machines (see page 118 of the Warhammer rulebook).

BIRDMEN OF CATRAZZA

For Hire: Daddallo's Birdmen of Catrazza can be hired as a Rare Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in an Empire army.

Points: Daddallo and four Birdmen cost a total of 150 points. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be increased by adding extra Birdman models at a cost of +25 points each.

Profile M WS BS S T W I A Ld
Daddallo 4 4 4 3 3 2 3 1 8
Birdmen 4 3 3 3 3 1 3 1 7

Unit size: 5-10

Equipment: Hand weapon and light crossbow (count as bows).

SPECIAL RULES

Flying unit: Like all units of flyers, the Birdmen can fly and always skirmish, as described on page 106 of the Warhammer Rulebook.

Shoot on the Wing: The wings of the Birdmen are flapped by means of stirrups on their feet. This means that they have both hands free to load and shoot their crossbows while flying. This in turn means that the Birdmen suffer no penalty for shooting on the move unless they move on foot.

BRAGANZA'S BESIEGERS

For Hire: Braganza's Besiegers can be hired as a Core Unit in Dogs of War armies. Alternatively, they can be hired as a Rare Unit in other Warhammer armies, except Bretonnia and Skaven.

Points: Braganza and nine Besiegers cost a total of 195 points including Standard Bearer and Musician. This is the minimum size of unit you can hire. The regiment may be enlarged by adding extra Birdman models at a cost of +12 points each.

Profile M WS BS S T W I A Ld
Braganza 4 5 5 4 – 2 5 3 8
Besiegers 4 3 3 3 3 1 3 1 7

Unit size: 10+

Equipment: Hand weapon, crossbow, heavy armour and pavise. Luca Braganza is equipped with a hand weapon, crossbow and heavy armour.

SPECIAL RULES

Pavise: A pavise is a large shield which each Crossbowman can prop up in front of him. To represent this, Crossbowmen equipped with pavises have an armour save of 3+ both from close combat and missile attacks (note that this is not improved in close combat by the combination of hand weapon and shield).
Al Muktar’s Desert Dogs

‘Vengeance with a Smile’ – Vespero’s Vendetta

The savage Bearmen of Urslo

Beorg Bearstruck, leader of the Bearmen

Al Muktar’s Desert Dogs