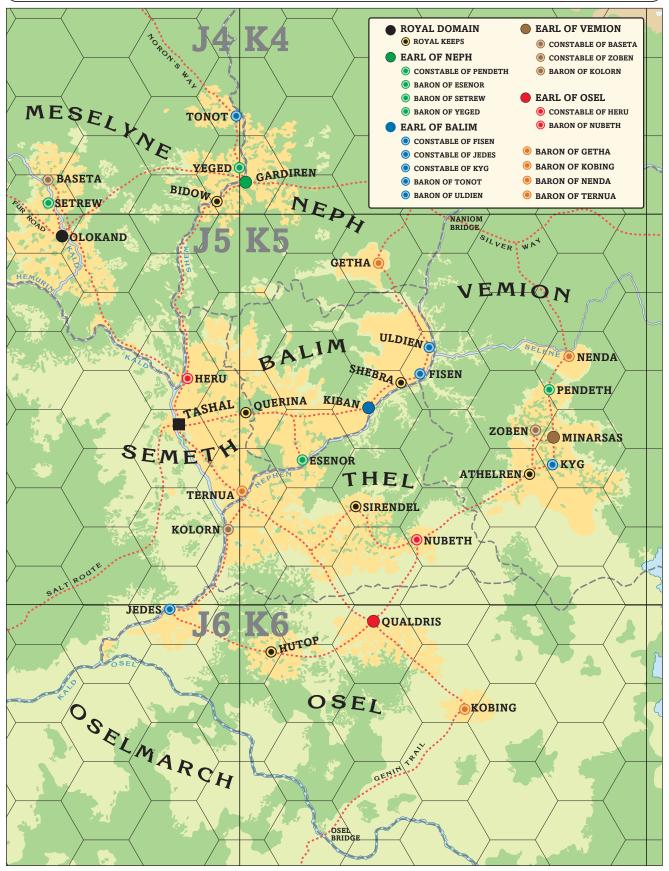
### POLITICAL MAP

## **KALDOR** 1



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## **KALDORIC SUCCESSION**

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After a generation of peace and prosperity, Miginath remains one of Kaldor's most successful and longest-reigning rulers. He has the love of most common people and the grudging respect of the nobility. However, because Miginath has not named an heir, his death may precipitate a succession crisis. The succeeding Elendsa clanhead, chosen by the clan succession council, will become the new monarch. Succession favors the eldest legitimate male, but is far from automatic.

Miginath has three bastard sons, all prominent in his government. The eldest, Sir Maldan Harabor, is the powerful Sheriff of Meselyne. Sir Koris Harabor, is Marshal of the Royal Guard. Sir Tulath Kaphin is the Sheriff of Vemion and his powerful mother is the king's consort and Lord Privy Seal. If Miginath recognizes one of his sons it would simplify, but not resolve the succession.

The Earl of Balim, Sir Troda Dariune, is a cousin of the king. Clan Dariune, Kaldor's second most powerful family, have always supported Clan Elendsa. Sir Troda has his own claim to the throne, but has a confidential understanding with King Miginath to leave the choice of heir to the succession council. Blood ties to Clan Elendsa gives the Dariune clanhead a seat on this council. At that time, the Dariunes might press their own claim or simply exercise their influence to ensure that a good selection is made.

Negotiations are underway for the betrothal of Scina, the heir apparent of Clan Dariune, to Princess Cheselyne (the Younger). The princess has her own claim to the throne as granddaughter of Miginath's dead elder brother Haldan. Her mother (Cheselyne the Elder), passed over once in favor of Miginath, is a cunning but unpopular woman. The daughter is equally cunning and far less scrupulous.

Sir Conwan Elendsa, the Sheriff of Semeth, is the eldest legitimate male Elendsa. He holds Etoss, Baray, and Orcale manors, iron mines at Tallor, and is one of Kaldor's wealthiest knights. Sir Conwan's claim is compromised by an inconvenient oath (see: QUERINA, p43) which only the Serekela of Kaldor can annul.

#### Succession Law

When a clanhead dies or is removed from office, a succession council of clan adults (50% blood minimum or adopted) is convened to choose a new clanhead. Most often the eldest, legitimate son of the deceased is chosen, but councils have been known to ignore such traditions. The preference of the deceased, expressed in a will or testament, may be decisive, as might the concerns of a liege. Rival candidates are often allowed to plead their cases before the council. Succession disputes can lead to violence, if not civil war.

#### Kaldoric Subinfeudation

Kings of Kaldor have generally sought to keep the lands of their tenants-in-chief scattered throughout the kingdom. This reduces a lord's ability to rebel, since his bases are isolated from each other.

As another security measure, the king makes alliances, often by marriage, with his powerful vassals. Sir Troda Dariune, the Earl of Balim, for example, is the king's cousin. The royal bureaucracy is an exercise in nepotism. All of this jockeying for power is a matter of constant intrigue. Only rarely is violence resorted to, and then often in a manner that can be denied later.

The Baron of Kobing, Sir Orsin Firith, is the eldest son of the deceased Princess Lenera. Sir Orsin is a charismatic, ambitious warrior who is the Warden of Oselmarch.

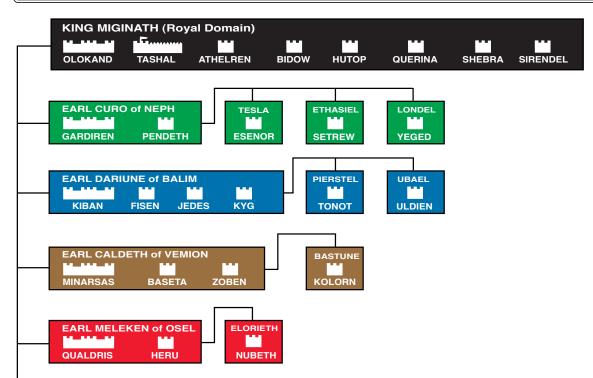
The Baron of Nenda, Sir Erelar Hirnen, is the eldest son of the king's sister Erelora. Sir Erelar's brother is the Lord Chancellor of Kaldor.

Dosyl, the infant son of Sir Harapa Indama and Princess Udine Elendsa, has a claim to the throne. Dosyl's grandfather, Sir Chimin, is the Baron of Getha and the Sheriff of Neph.

Sir Karsin Ubael, Baron of Uldien, married Serli Firith, a daughter of Princess Lenera. His two surviving children have a claim to the throne.

Miginath and Erila

## SUBINFEUDATION

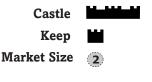




### KALDOR SUBINFEUDATION

The following pages list all major settlements in the Kingdom of Kaldor, a complete list of all manors owing fealty to them, and key political and economic data.

Icons indicate type of fortification and market size which is an assessment of trade volume ranging from 1-9. Hârn's largest market center is Cherafir (6). See PILOTS' ALMANAC for details. Kaldor's riverside settlements are not considered ports though they all conduct some river trade.



#### MANORS

Manors owing fealty to a major settlement are listed, indented to show their subinfeudation rank.

#### HUNDRED

A legal subdivision of a shire, held by a Bailiff of the Hundred for the Sheriff. Hundred Moots are identified by the entry B/H under holder.

#### HOLDER

The holder of this fief. Clans hold land in fee simple; named officials (bailiff, constable, etc.) hold fiefs "in trust" for their liege.

#### **GROSS ACRES (AC)**

The total acreage of a fief, typically Woods (20%), Demesne (40%), and Tenants (40%).

#### LAND QUALITY (LQ)

A factor describing the quality of the arable land on the fief, based on an average of 1.00.

#### HOUSEHOLDS (HD)

Each household averages 20 tenant acres. Population equals HDx5. Major settlements (castles and keeps) have a significant free population; assume 60% of households given, mostly supported by food grown in local manors.

Abbey households include both clerics and rural tenants. Assume 40% of population are clerics, including acolytes. For example, Brynd Abbey has 49 HD, a population of 245, of which 98 (40%) are clerics.

## BARONY OF KOBING

## KOBING [K6] ■ Firithel Hundred, Oselshire, 345



Kobing keep was built by Aidrik IV in 428, replacing an ancient stone tower of Khuzan origin. Clan Firith acquired the keep and barony in 441. The Firiths held land in the area before Lothrim's time and claim the oldest noble bloodline in Kaldor. They like to call themselves Barons of Kobe.

The Kobing region is known for its numerous barrows, although most are hard to distinguish

from natural hills. The Melderyni mage Genin arrived at Kobing around 579 to study the barrows. Genin remained in Kobing for some years, and also launched several expeditions in search of Khuzan and Sindarin ruins.

Baron Orsin Firith acquired his title in 715. His father, Sir Jerin Firith, married Princess Lenera Elendsa in 672. The energetic and ambitious Orsin has a claim to the throne.

Sir Orsin is Lord Marshal of Oselmarch. He commands some of Kaldor's best-trained soldiers to secure the southern frontier against the Pagaelin. The baron is an accomplished warrior and a brilliant leader. He lost an eye fighting the Pagaelin in 718 and enjoys the loyalty of his men.

Baron Orsin has twice petitioned the king to establish a keep at Oselbridge. Both petitions have been denied. The baron suspects the Mangai is responsible for the king's reaction. The Mercantylers' Guild has a seasonal trading post at Oselbridge. The guild has its own ambitions and has already begun construction of a fortified manor like Trobridge Inn. See HUTOP, p31.

The baron has increased aggressive patrols seeking to provoke the Pagaelin. A larger conflict would increase the likelihood of him receiving a crenellation license for Oselbridge. Acquiring the dormant title "Earl of Chybisa", is another of his lofty goals.

Fief	Hundred	Holder	AC	LQ	HD
KOBING	Firithel	Firith	1290	1.03	69
Disen		Reeve	600	1.03	12
Bethine	Firithel	Bailiff	1350	1.03	26
Ardel		Reeve	600	1.03	13
Chelya	Firithel	Gephian	1010	1.03	18
Taries		Reeve	490	1.03	10
Damina	Taniran	Bailiff	1470	1.09	23
Iason	Tishilan	Bailiff	1700	1.03	38
Intrel		Bailiff	1520	1.03	32
Huduson	Firithel	Bailiff	2150	1.03	41
Obris		Reeve	640	1.03	13
Inderen	Firithel	Mislas	1620	1.03	35
Kovindel	Daynora	Klunn	2620	1.10	53
Helvinfel		Bailiff	1620	1.09	33
Minta	Tishilan	Bailiff	1690	1.03	38
Nerield	Firithel	Feldsaar	1520	1.02	30
Haelin		Reeve	620	1.02	15
Qualire	Valganara	Bailiff	1640	1.04	33
Zena		Reeve	550	1.04	11
Ragulian	Valganara	Kailian	1420	1.04	28
Chire		Reeve	510	1.04	10
Dovet		Ryselith	1160	1.04	24
Varden	Firithel	Bailiff	1680	1.03	34
Tabral		Reeve	710	1.03	14

Baron Orsin Firith

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## CHURCH OF LARANI

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### LEDYNE [K5] Taniran Hundred, Thelshire, 255

Ledyne is the seat of the Rekela of Pagostra. The diocese was founded circa 160 at Lyntord. During the revolt against King Uthred, Pagostra was the center of the rebellion and many local priests backed the rebels. After the revolt was crushed, the Rekela and several priests were executed for treason. The church reorganized its lands in 389, stripping three abbeys from the diocese. Lyntord and Irtivir were given to the Rekela of Serelind, Halaina to the Serekela. The Rekela's seat was moved to Ledyne, much closer to Caleme.

Rekela Cerdan Bantire, appointed last spring, is a relatively young 38. Rekela Bantire is a renowned scholar and historian. Prior to his appointment he was the Serolan of Caleme. The Rekela plans extensive travel throughout southern Kaldor to acquaint himself with Pagostran nobles and their loyalties.

A generous donation from the Serekela has been received to improve Ledyne Abbey. Plans to build a new cloister, library, and fortified chapter house have been drafted.

The Rekela is concerned about the disappearance of the Earl of Osel, a loyal parishioner. The earl's wife has requested his assistance in locating her husband. Lady Thilisa's father, the Earl of Vemion, has also asked the Rekela to inform him immediately if anything is learned about Earl Meleken's whereabouts.

The large chapter house at Nebulan is the center of the Order of the Lady of Paladins operations in Pagostra. Sir Remiu, the Reblena, is skilled and loyal, but he is also extremely ambitious and was passed over when Sir Houla of Artona was made Senior Reblena. He works closely with the Warden of Oselmarch, and supports the baron's plan to build a keep at Oselbridge. Unknown to the baron, Sir Remiu believes the keep should be held by the order with himself as constable.

FIEF	Hundred	Holder	AC	LQ	HD
LEDYNE	Taniran	Rekela	2490	1.14	41
	Talliall				
Halda		Reeve	700	1.13	10
Clima	Taniran	Bailiff	1420	1.12	20
Erderem	Cedmyme	Serolan	2100	1.08	34
Dirthilon		Bailiff	2020	1.09	33
Sitane		Reeve	520	1.09	11
Fancet	Valganara	Serolan	1990	1.04	40
Nebulan		Reblena	1310	1.04	24
Riana		Reeve	600	1.04	15
Whalen		Reeve	590	1.04	13
Yonne		Reblena	1640	1.04	32
Firates	Taniran	Bailiff	1170	1.09	20
Kandare	Taniran	Bailiff	2100	1.10	33
Tarial	Tarial	Serolan (B/H)	1700	1.07	28
Elsyne		Reeve	530	1.07	10
Endale		Reeve	740	1.07	12
Forena		Reblena	1650	1.07	26
Staxer		Bailiff	1600	1.07	27
Valyne	Daynora	Serolan	1550	1.07	29
Hegen		Reeve	760	1.07	14
Heveral		Reblena	1950	1.07	41
Wahlene		Bailiff	1900	1.08	39
Bream		Reeve	600	1.07	11
Wylain	Habimas	Reblena	2790	1.15	52
Cussard		Bailiff	1740	1.14	29
Drezel	Taniran	Bailiff	1170	1.13	17
Wythia	Firithel	Serolan	1780	1.03	36
Tebelon		Bailiff	1190	1.03	23
Orin		Reeve	630	1.03	11
Uril		Reeve	590	1.03	11
Tykan		Bailiff	1540	1.02	33

Rekela Cerdan Bantire

## CHURCH OF PEONI

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Peonians have little interest in holding land and are much amused by the territorial habits of their Larani brothers. Pelnala is the name used in the Peonian church to mean High Priest/Priestess, or in this case Abbot or Abbess.

FIEF	HUNDRED	Holder	AC	LQ	HD
ERONE	Tuselion	Pelnala	2960	1.19	79
BROMELEON	Asolade	Pelnala	1660	1.10	23
Poynter		Baliff	1320	1.09	18

### ERONE [J5] "TIRRALA'S HOMESPACE" Tuselion Hundred, Semethshire, 395

Erone Abbey, built in 335, is held by the female, celebate *Order of the Balm of Joy.* Velira Siwen, 51, abbess since 715, is a highly spiritual woman who leaves politics to Sulaplyn Brygyne of Kynge in the Tashal temple.

Located on the road to Tashal, the nunnery has a reputation for excellence in the healing arts. No wounded or sickly folk are turned away. Erone includes a large temple, a nunnery, a manor house, and a large, overburdened hospital.

The famous Erone hospital is built upon natural mineral springs long considered therapeutic. The hospital produces a variety of oils, unguents, salves, balms, elixirs and potions, extracted and blended from all manner of efficacious herbs and fungi. The clerics gather these themselves or acquire them through trade. Sale of medicines brings much-needed silver to the abbey.

The abbey enjoys the patronage of many noble benefactors, including the king, the Baron of Ternua, and the Lady Thilisa of Qualdris. Despite this support, Erone is constantly on the verge of financial collapse.

It is in debt to the Qualdris usurer Tommas of Cuke for the funds needed to replace the hospital, roof, damaged in a storm. The Pelnala is considering a personal appeal to the king for assistance.

Pelnala Velira Siwen

### BROMELEON [J6] "GRATEFUL PEACE" Asolade Hundred, Oselshire, 115

Saint Bromel had no intention of founding a large community when he built his tiny cell in this place of solitude. Gradually others came and cleared land. The monastery was built by the *Irreproachable Order* in 420 with a grant from Aidrik III. It is a contemplative community that serves as a retreat for Reslava, ranking clergy, and high-born benefactors.

The peaceful clerics have never been attacked by the Pagaelin, who shun the site. The monastery sits atop a gentle hill and is enclosed by a thick, eight-foot high, "palisade" of gnarled red rose bushes.

A mixed community of celebate clerics and lay families lives at Bromeleon. The clerics live within the monastery, and all others live in cruck-framed longhouses scattered around the base of Bromeleon Hill. The stone church has a dirt floor and a steeply pitched roof. The monastery has a magnificent herb and vegetable garden. The clerics alternate long hours of labor in the garden and fields with periods of prayer in the chapel. The lay families have a communal lifestyle, assisting the clerics and each other in all tasks.

Pelnala Rablar Oppias, 48, is an inspiring spiritual leader. He excels at spiritual and theological training, and resolution of disorders of the soul. He enforces the ancient monastic *Rule of Saint Eshaela*, which prohibits speaking during daylight hours, and requires a severe diet lacking in all meat, fish, fungi, and roots. Lay families are not expected to follow the rule.

The subordinate manor of Poynter is a hospice for lepers and their families. The abbey has established small holdings for the families to live and work. The isolation, on the edge of Oselmarch, serves them well. Six priests and fourteen acolytes labor to make the manor selfsufficient and care for those too weak to work. There are no guildsmen at Poynter, so the priests take all their work to Bromeleon.



Pelnala Rablar Oppias

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