

Discover legendary artefacts, arm your ruler with fabled swords, shields and various other items of immense power, and prove you're worthy of wielding them!

Artefacts requires the base Bretwalda game to be played.

The Artefacts expansion can be played with or without the Danelag or Vanished Kingdoms expansions, and all optional rules in the base game. It introduces new mythical objects based on Anglo-Saxon and Norse mythology and legends. These Artefacts provide different types of bonuses to the Ruler who controls them.

BOARD



EXCLUSIVE 1 Artefacts board



The Artefacts board is only included in Gamefound version of Artefacts. If you do not have a Gamefound version, ignore all references to the Artefacts board in the rules (the Artefacts module can be played without the board).

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MARKERS



19 Two-sided Artefact markers



1 Raedwald's Helmet marker

CARDS

Season and Artefact cards in this expansion have the Artefact icon to distinguish them from cards in the base game.

20 Artefact cards



4 Season cards:



1x Spring



1x Autumn



1x Summer



1x Winter



ARTECACTS

This module comes with 20 Artefact cards and corresponding markers. Artefact cards are special cards in the game that represent powerful items or equipment that can be utilised by the Rulers. They enhance the Ruler's abilities and provide unique effects that impact gameplay. These cards can be obtained through various means, such as discovering them during the game, purchasing them, or earning them as rewards for defeating opponents.



ARTEFACT CARD AND MARKER

- Card name.
- 2 Card illustration.
- 3 Card effect.
- 4 A marker that corresponds to an Artefact card.



Face-down
Artefact marker.



Face-up Artefact marker.

SETUP

Set up the board using the setup rules for the base game with the following additions:

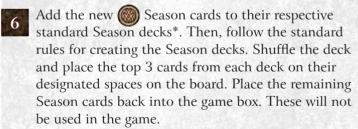


Shuffle face-down the Artefact markers (except the Raedwald's Helmet marker). Place 5 of them on the board as shown in the setup. Keep the rest face-down in a pile next to the game board.

Separate the Raedwald's Helmet card from the Artefacts deck. Place this card and the corresponding marker next to the game board.

Place the deck of Artefact cards face-up next to the game board. Do not shuffle it.

If you have the **EXCLUSIVE** Artefacts board, place it next to the game board, and place the Artefact deck on that board.



^{*} These new Season cards are added ONLY when playing with the Artefacts module.



If you want to ensure that the new Season cards are in play, do not shuffle them with the remaining Season cards when setting up the Season cards, but add 2 Season cards from the base game to each of them and then shuffle them. This way you are sure that new cards will be used.

Variable player count setup

In games where you are not using all 4 non-Danes player Kingdoms, Artefacts that are located in the areas excluded from the game are not placed.

GAMEPLAY

Artefacts are powerful and unique items that help your Ruler in your quest to become Bretwalda. Each Artefact confers a unique ability on the Ruler who has it. This ability only works in the area where the Ruler is located, unless the card says otherwise.

GAINING AND LOSING ARTEFACTS

If your Ruler ends its movement in an area with an Artefact marker, you may claim it for your Ruler. If you do, place the marker face-up in your play area on top of your Ruler card, and search through the Artefact deck for the corresponding Artefact card. Place the card under or next to your Ruler card.

Note that it is possible for more than one Artefact marker to be in an area. In this case, your Ruler can take all the markers. The Ruler now gains the ability(ies) conferred by that Artefact(s) for the rest of the game, or until they are slain.

If your Ruler is slain, place any Artefact cards they had face-up next to the board. Take the Artefact markers from the Ruler card and place them face-up in the area where the Ruler was slain. If another Ruler ends its movement in that area, he or she may claim the Artefact(s).

RAEDWALD'S HELMET







Raedwald's Helmet is an Artefact that provides you with 1 Dalc if your Ruler has it. This Artefact only enters play if the Autumn Season card 'Sutton Hoo' is drawn (this is a new Season card added by this expansion). When the 'Sutton Hoo' card is revealed, the player with the fewest Dalcs (ties are resolved by the Pretender) chooses any area on the board that has no Control markers and is not a home area of any Minor Kingdom (if the game uses the Vanished Kingdoms expansion), and places the Redwald's Helmet marker there. If there is no available area meeting these conditions, the effect of this card should be skipped, and proceed to Bribe Neutral or Danes Units.

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