



TIA-NALÁRI ALLIANCES

The Chéler tia-nalári (noble) clans organise themselves into a number of alliances. These are coalitions of mutual interest, forged by marriage, shared trading activities, and political expedience. Movement between alliances is fairly common. As at TR720, there are 15 alliances, with six of the 57 Tia-Nalári clans considered 'independent'. Allies generally support each other in the Nálstrad and cooperate in trading ventures. Several clans do not own their own ships; alliance participation is how they principally gain access to lucrative trading ventures. However, trade ventures often cross alliance lines, and clansmen may serve on each other's ships, though rarely on the vessels of hostile clans.

The alliances have no formal standing in the Nálstrad (parliament), where a delegate might refer to his 'friends' or *fýteren*, but not to 'allies'. Most clans profess opposition to the idea of political parties, and try to avoid any overt appearance of factionalism. The alliance table shows the groupings at the beginning of TR720. It is possible that several of the clans listed will shift to other alliances in any given year.

MAJOR ALLIANCES

Aémon, Tårkenby, Hlanéndès
Wésen, Urviénda, Beldésen, Chadíron
Ethiásen, Bredýn, Dýsen, Kevàrin
Påserin, Aábel, Láarsel, Nòordsen
Silkán, Banága, Elbráth, Kalínby
Hásketh, Bjándsen, Fyagélsen
Ekàtriása, Lérdensen, Wentélsen
Pélanby, Udésen, Daséndisèn, Elionásen, Jáager

OTHER ALLIANCES

Zàrion, Sethàlis, Tirdáan, Ráldensen
Jàren, Galàth, Maràya
Armòrian, Yàalsen, Manàgath
Yvårnis, Vargòth, Surdáas
Ánsenby, Tralisél, Komòrdry
Pasúra, Láagen
Frýdsen, Riélsè, Ôrbion

INDEPENDENTS

Bjélsen
 Dàrelby
 Hýzel
 Jáagensen
 Pírdas
 Redáro

Alliance	Offices	Notes
Aémon Tårkenby Hlanéndès	Crown Marshal of Royal Guard Vástrad (Cabinet)	Royal clan & allies. Friendly to Wésen, Påserin, Pélanby and Silkán (Tårkenby hostile to Silkán).
Wésen Beldésen Urviénda Chadíron	Lord Marshal Court of Appeal	Friendly to Aémon, compete with Påserin. Timber & cloth traders.
Ethiásen Bredýn Dýsen Kevàrin	Lord Chief Justice Vástrad (Cabinet) Evánekin Testrad	Friendly to Pélanby, hostile to Jàren.
Påserin Nòordsen Láarsel Aábel	Lord Admiral Court of Appeal	Cloth traders and shipwrights. Friendly with Aémon, compete with Wésen.
Silkán Banága Kalínby Elbráth	Vástrad (Cabinet)	Traditional herring cartel. Hostile to Tårkenby and Pélanby. (Silkán are friendly to Aémon)
Hásketh Bjándsen Fyagélsen	Vástrad (Cabinet) Chélemby Testrad	Sárajinian religious reactionaries.
Ekàtriása Lérdensen Wentélsen	Evánekin Testrad Gríndenkikè Testrad	Ekàtriása attempt to remain 'neutral'.
Pélanby Jáager Daséndisèn Elionásen Udésen	Ánstrad Testrad Koládis Testrad	Rapidly growing alliance. Friendly to Aémon, Hostile to Silkán.
Zàrion Ráldensen Tirdáan Sethàlis	Ánstrad Testrad Gríndenkikè Testrad	Friendly to Jàren Alliance.
Jàren Maràya Galàth	Vástrad (Cabinet) Chélemby Testrad Gríndenkikè Testrad	Friendly to Silkán, Zàrion. Hostile to Ethiásen.
Armòrian Manàgath Yàalsen	Vástrad	Links to organised crime (not public knowledge)
Yvårnis Vargòth Surdáas	Koládis Testrad Chéler Mint	An 'older' alliances, somewhat fallen on hard times.
Ánsenby Komòrdry Tralisél	Vástrad (Cabinet)	A weakening and loose alliance. Compete with Påserin.
Pasúra Láagen	Evánekin Testrad	A small by effective alliance. Compete with Påserin.
Frýdsen Riélsè Ôrbion	-	Leathergoods traders.

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FEUDS AND CONFLICTS

At any given time, there are any number of feuds and conflicts between, and even within, the leading clans of Chélembý.

TÁRKENBY-KALÍNBY

This feud dates back to a perception of betrayal of Kalínby's interests by clan Tárkenby in an earlier feud that led to clan Tárkenby taking control of Nêhem nalârd south of Kolâdis around TR478. The feud intensified some years later when clan Tárkenby offered Kolâdis castle to the Crown. It has continued at varying levels of intensity for the last century and a half, and has recently flared up with the burning of a mill near Kolâdis. See *KOLÂDIS 12* and *CHÉLEMBY KINGDOM 58* for further details; additional details can be found in *CHÉLEMBY CITY 18, S8* and *S9*.

ELIONÁSEN-ELBRÁTH

Clans Elbráth and Elionásen are two smaller tianalári clans with long-standing antipathy. Their dislike predates their arrival on Chélembý. Last year their feud became considerably more bitter. Through a series of escalating actions, Elionásen (with the support of their allies, principally Pélanby and Udésen) eventually dealt a number serious blows to the Silkán alliance, of which Elbráth are members. See *CHÉLEMBY KINGDOM 57* for further details; additional details can be found in *CHÉLEMBY CITY 17, I10* and *P4*.

PÉLANBY-SILKÁN

This feud is an extension and escalation of the Elionásen-Elbráth feud, which has now embroiled most of the members of the Pélanby and Silkán alliances. This has led to the intervention of the Crown seeking to conciliate between these two major groups. See *CHÉLEMBY CITY G5, G9, S7* and *S12* for additional details.

BJÁNDSSEN-PÍRDAS

There is tension between clans Bjánsen and Pírdas and their respective allies on matters of Sárajinian religious theology and practice. Since TR692, clan Pírdas have been the 'official' Sárajinian religious clan of Chélembý, largely due to their more tolerant and modern view of matters such as the Ljârl and the place of religion on Chéler society. See *CHÉLEMBY KINGDOM 52* and *KOLÂDIS 3* for further details.

ETHIÁSEN-JÄREN

Clan Ethiásen and their allies have a shared history of conflict with a number of clans of Járind ancestry, including particularly those of the Jären alliance. There is particular ongoing tension between clans Galáth and Bredýn; see *ATLAS KELÉSTIA SHKN-G6 (CHÉLEMBY) 2, 6*

and *11* for further details.

ARMÔRIAN-ZÁRION/JÄREN

Clan Armôrian and its allies are increasing in conflict with the clans of the Zârian and Jären alliances. There are tensions between clan Marâya and Armôrian at Kyû nalârd (see *ATLAS KELÉSTIA SHKN-G6 CHÉLEMBY 11*).

CLAN PÂSERIN CONFLICTS

Clan Pâserin is a large clan, with over 1,600 members. It is, however, one of the most fractious, and is in danger of splitting into two or three clans; in fact it already operates as three sub-clans. The largest is sub-clan Pâsar, who are principally Sárajinian worshippers. The two other sub-clans each follow a different brand of Àgríkanism. The Êken sub-clan are followers of brand of 'Àgríkanism' which traces its lineage back to the Sówys Fire Cult of southern Hârbáal; today the sponsor the Àgríkan Order of the Gate of the Living Flame. Finally, the Léku sub-clan follow a militant form of Àgríkanism heavily influenced by Hârníc practice. See *ATLAS KELÉSTIA SHKN-G6 (CHÉLEMBY) 1, 5, 10, 12, 13* for details of the clan's holdings.

Some in the Léku sub-clan are manoeuvring to separate themselves from the clan, and hope to take a nalârd and a ship with them. This situation could lead to considerable violence, given the links the Léku sub-clan have to the Àgríkan militant orders present in Chélembý. See *CHÉLEMBY KINGDOM 53* for details of the religious differences within the clan.

CLAN WÉSEN CONFLICTS

Until TR701, clan Wésen were arguably the most powerful clan of Chélembý; that year saw the deaths of several leading clan members, including the válhakâr, in suspicious circumstances, and the disappearance of a substantial element of the clan's 'treasure'. The decision to appoint the current válhakâr Mâten over the previous clanhead's son Bjânsyn has resulted in ongoing tensions amongst factions within this large clan. See *CHÉLEMBY CITY S12* for further information.

There are also ongoing tensions between Wésen and a number of allies of clans that have succumbed in previous feuds and conflicts. An example of this are the previous allies of clan Chóam, clans Tralisél and Riélsè. See *ATLAS KELÉSTIA SHKN-G6 CHÉLEMBY 4*. Another example is the virtual destruction of clan Pru, leading to the acquisition of Prúby nalârd (see *AK SHKN-G6 13*).