

# The Arken Expanse

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## Calidas Sector

- Agriworld
- Feudal World
- Feral World
- Pleasure World
- Penal World
- Industrial World
- Hive World
- Frontier World
- Civilized World
- Astartes Homeworld
- Forge World
- Cardinal World
- Shrine World
- Forbidden World
- Dead World
- Gas Giant
- Death World
- War World
- Unclassified
- Watch Station
- Fortress World
- Tau Ruled World
- Eldar Activity
- Tyranid Attack
- Devoured World
- Tomb World
- Orc World  
Retains old classification
- Orc Activity
- Special
- Cemetery World
- Rebel World

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Rogue Trader,

you do not know me, though I know of you. I am a hidden ally that hereby sends you greetings and an offer of friendship. As a token of my willingness to work with you, even though I remain in the shadows yet, I send you the following information, which so far is entirely secret and known only to a select few. Make good use of it, as you see fit. I shall contact you once more, though I make note that I do not demand any recompense for the information given. May the expanse favor you.

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+++ File from the Office of the Lord Admiral Yako Herrogan III. +++
+++ Opening this file without the consent of the Lord Admiral may result in fatal punishment by Bolter +++
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+++ To the Lord Admiral Herrogan III, from the Watchkeeper of the Arken Gate +++
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I have found that which you desire, my lord. I have assembled a report on the Rogue Trader activities that take place beyond the arken gate, and which house is in which position, roughly speaking. Without further ado, I present thee with the information.

The biggest contender among the Rogue Traders is the House of Saloman. They have a few fledeling worlds they are exploiting. They have made contact with the Compact of Hercias, which may lead to riches or ruin, depending on how the Compact acts in the coming years. Initial trade seems to go well, though differences make themselves known. The Compact may need to be brought to heel by our mighty fleet and the groundpounders of the Guard.

The House of Remagius has taken quickly to colonization efforts, as well as direct exploitation of viable systems. They have claimed no less than a dozen worlds so far, though only two are worthy to be marked on the map. The House of Remagius should be kept under watch, though, for they have a spotty history even for a Rogue Trader... there is the mark of heresy upon their past, though I was assured that the relevant part of the family has been... 'dealt' with in times long past.

The House of Ibris is relatively young and intent upon proving themselves. So far they have not ventured deep into the Expanse, instead opting for close-by opportunities in the shadow of Arken's Treasure. Their Flagship, remarkably enough, is a light cruiser of some caliber, which has already seen hefty action against a frigate of House Remagius. There is a Vendetta coming upon the Expanse, I fear.

Most daring of all those present is surely the House of Varkannon. Their fleet is non-existent, for this 'House' consists only of a single ship, though it is formidable indeed and would surely be able to destroy the fleets of entire other Houses, for it is nothing short of a Lunar-Class cruiser. Emperor knows where they got the beast. They have ventured deep into the territory of the expanse and emerged only recently with the revelation of the Star-Corpse Watch, which they have claimed. Along with the claiming of the station and system, they have elected to call to action the servants of the Ommissiah, ushering them towards the new-found station to aid in the exploitation. The House of Varkannon seems devout to the Emperor and the Ommissiah, but their daring may be their downfall yet.

The House of Tynan suffered in their haste, they navigated around the Emperor's Lash and intended to explore and exploit the stars they would find there, knowing that most of the other Houses would venture in another direction. Instead of systems ripe for exploitation they found one of the most dangerous things: traitors. As you well know by now, Lord Admiral, the Magnus Stars, as the rebels call their realm, have rejected the Emperor's calling and instead destroyed two of the five vessels that the House of Tynan had in their fleet. The loss shook them heavily, but they have also made good on the neglect of other Rogue Traders, beginning massive strip-mining operations near the Magnus Stars' borders. They have already claimed vengeance as their right, and I think we may hear in a few years from the Lord High Admiral, to move out and support the House of Tynan.

Though these five Houses are the strongest in presence, others are making their way here as I write this or have already begun to ply their trade for the Imperium. Among the lesser Houses are the following:

- \* The House of Jubal-Kalar
- \* The House of Severnius
- \* The House of Caldmar
- \* The House of Jelen
- \* The House of Fir
- \* The House of Lendemarr

I hope this report is to your satisfaction, my Lord Admiral. I will keep you informed on the happenings beyond the Expanse.

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+++ Things are very seldom what they seem. In my experience, they're usually a damn sight worse. +++
+++ Attributed to Inquisitor Titus Drake, MI +++
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