

# Timeline of the Ancient History of Virdea

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Imperial	Oladaro	Event
-19,775	0	Oldari sailors land for the first time at Celedon.
-19,141	2.10	Oldari Life Engineers create first client race, the Humani (Humans) to serve as agricultural labor.
-18,184	5.29	Oldari magical scholars first form theory to explain magic being used by Virdean Saurians. Life Engineers will confirm this by creating a magical flying race, the Hada.
-17,469	7.67	The last known Life Engine goes dark. Oldari loose contact with their ether ship, the Remarker.
-15,888	12.92	The Oldari make contact with the Ithnuki travelers and their client races.
-14,008	19.18	Ithnuki Travelers initiate the Twilight War with an attack on the semi-mythical Oldari city of Resene.
ca. -12,000	ca. 25	Veteran Dwarrow, Akaoni, and Human soldiers form the Iridium League to seek freedom from their racial indenture to the Oldari.
ca. -11,500	ca. 27.50	The Iridium League, joined by the last of the client races of the Oldari and two of the Ithnuki client races (the Gokab and the Haguni) defeats both the Ithnuki and the Oldari, in part because one political faction of Oldari switches sides at the last minute. The unrepentant Oldari Life Engineers retreat to Celedon, while the Ithnuki disappear.

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		<p>The Iridium League dissolves into petty squabbles as factions, many forming across racial lines, form. Efforts by priests of the new gods to bring about some universal government fail. Three power groups set competing Federations on the Southern Continent, the land of Harbinghol, and the Western Continent.</p>
-11,337	28.06	<p>The Oldari who supported the Iridium League and who did not flee for Celedon find that the remaining races are not enthusiastic about allowing their ancient enemy to be rehabilitated simply because they turned coat during the last battle. As a result, the Oldari retreat into the Havens, a set of four forest retreats, and cease to take an active part in world politics for several thousand years.</p>
-10,989	29.22	<p>The Dwarrow fight a short, sharp fight with the Akaoni leaders of the newly formed Harbinghol Federation and withdraw from their newly built city of Ondar. They would in the next six-hundred years build the Deepings, Dwarrowcleft and Deepings Crag.</p>
ca. -10,000	ca. 32.51	<p>Contact is lost with the Sudosi Empire of the West.</p>
ca. -8,900	ca. 36.17	<p>Harbinghol falls to tribal civil war. Literate scholarship in the Orthune tongue ends as well. Scholars consider this the traditional end of classical era, with historical dates increasingly hard to pin down outside of the Deepings and the Havens.</p>

# A note on sources and translations:

The *Oldari Landing and the Life Engineers* is the subject of a book in archaic Oldari called the *Hesjesuan*. The book provides key dates and names of figures, and is considered by most scholars except for the *Do Li* as the main method of dating events prior to the Twilight War. The *Hesjesuan* is also a mathematical treatise, measuring the speed of the planet's movement through space, its relationship with its satellites, the measurement of the force of gravity, and a long account of air density and the methods of measuring air movement.

A book written from the *Ithnuki* point of view that is a mix of history, philosophy, and magical theory provides some clear dating and a check on Oldari sources. This book, the *Sperengthial*, is written in *Ithi* and its translation is at best speculative.

Translations of this and other works are being carried on by human labor rather than the superior but limited time of scholarly undying. In many cases, the translator has chosen terms of convenience. For example, the *Harbinghol* term for its form of government is *Cavalcadi* in *Orthune*, a word meaning a cluster of horse warriors. Various scholars have translated this to be confederacy, federation, or even empire since not every land ruled by *Harbingholoch Cavalcaddia* was in voluntary association. In each case, the translator is trying to defer to small-minded readers by providing a term that best describes this ancient form of *Akaoni* government to a modern audience. This scholar has accepted these translating impertinences with grace to move the project along, but hopes that all readers make an attempt to read between the lines of sloppy and imprecise translations.