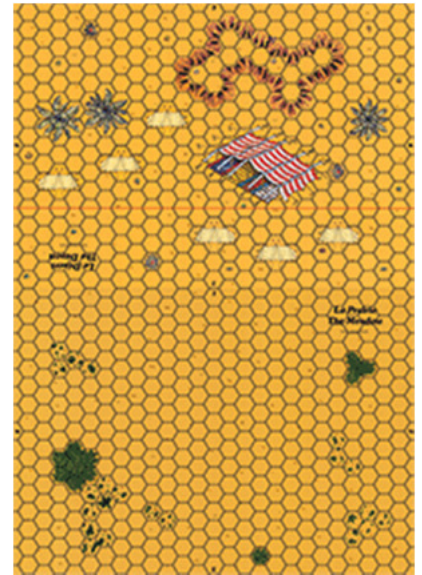


Additional Scenarios for Ager Sanguinis

The camp of Nûr ed-Din

1163: Nûr ed-Din laid siege to Hosn al-Akrâd, the Hospitaller Fortress that will later be known as the Crac des Chevaliers. He camps in the plain of the Bekaa and has not yet begun the siege. But a relief army made up of troops available in the principality of Antioch and in the county of Tripoli was formed. Many reinforcements accompany them: Crusaders led by two French barons, Hughes VIII of Lusignan and Geoffroi Martel, as well as a Byzantine force led by Duke Constantin Coloman. Their approach is hidden by the imposing skyline of the crac and at that moment, most Turks lay in their tents to protect themselves from the heat. The knights get in line and charge furiously.

The Turks must protect Nûr ed-Din and try to escape by the side 3 of the Desert map.



The castle of Araïma

1149: King Louis VII of France leaves Palestine after his failed crusade. But one of the princes of his suite, Bertrand of Toulouse, can't stand that the legacy of the county of Tripoli remains in the hands of his cousin Raymond that he suspects of having ordered the murder of his father. He goes with his troop to the castle of Araïma which controls the trail to Tortosa in Tripoli and seizes it. Raymond asks the Damascenes for help who come to besiege the castle with the reinforcement of Nûr ed-Din.

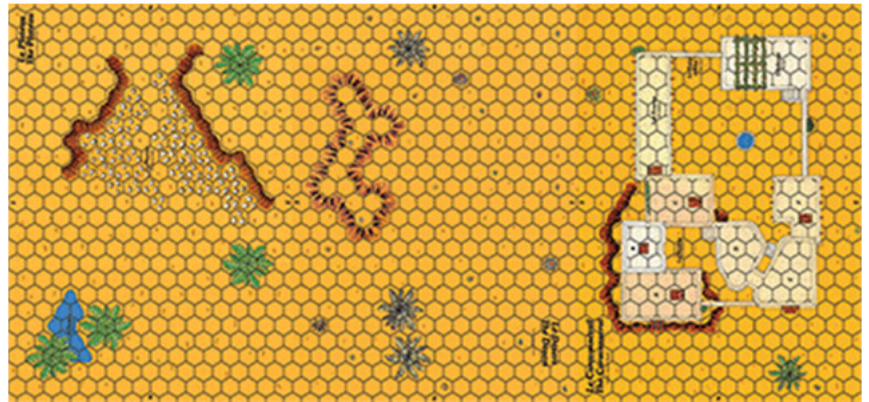
The goal of the allies is to take the castle by killing or taking prisoner the largest number of Crusaders.



Caravanserai in sight!

1158: A caravan is on its way to Aleppo. Among the merchants and travelers lies a mysterious person who never leaves his litter when the caravan moves. The leader of the caravan wants to spend the night in a caravanserai where they will be able to rest from the exhausting journey across the desert. Spies warned the Hospitallers of the arrival of the mysterious character and they decided to intercept the caravan before it reached its shelter.

The Turks must bring the pack camels, and especially the litter, into the caravanserai.



The raiders

Winter 1141/1142: The Franks of Antioch ride beyond the Orontes River to try to take back strongholds conquered by Zenghî. An Antiochian troop led by Josselin of Saone rests in the village of Azmarin. The watch suddenly announce the arrival of a Turkish raiding party led by Aleppo General Alam al-Din who directs a raid towards Antioch. The villagers and the Franks are committed to resist and take position ahead of the village.

The Turks must ride through the village and continue their raid towards Antioch. The Antiochians must stop them.

