

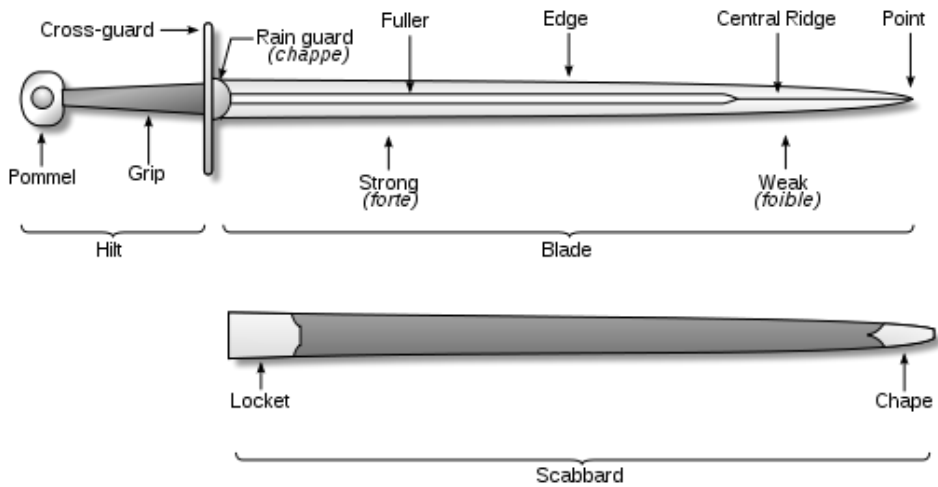
# Truth About Swords and Armor

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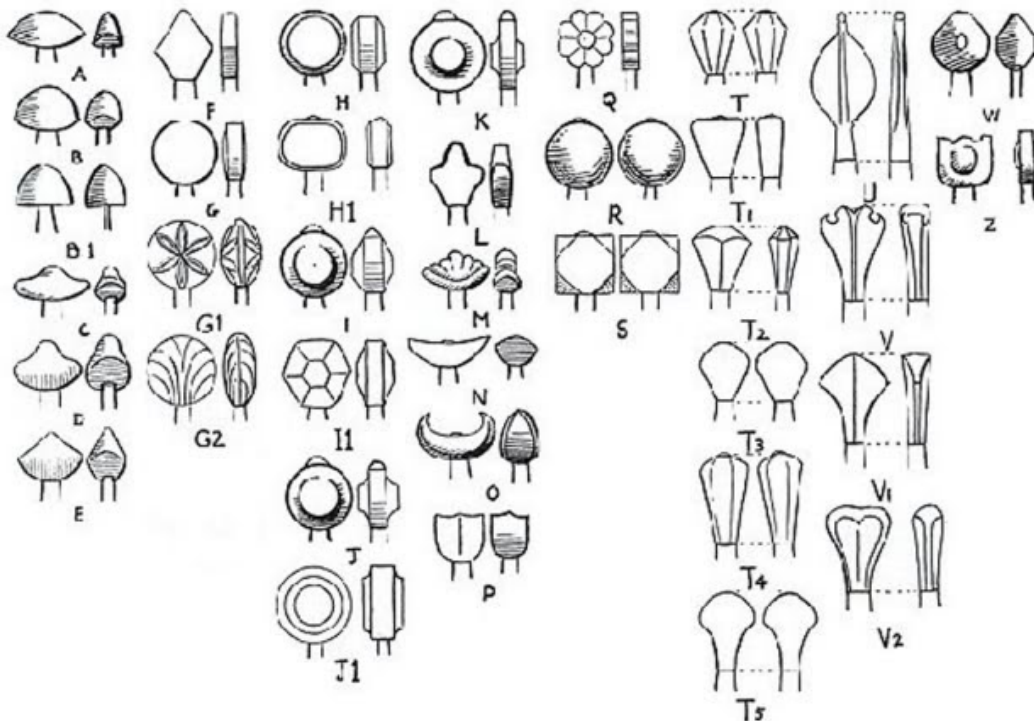
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## Weapons

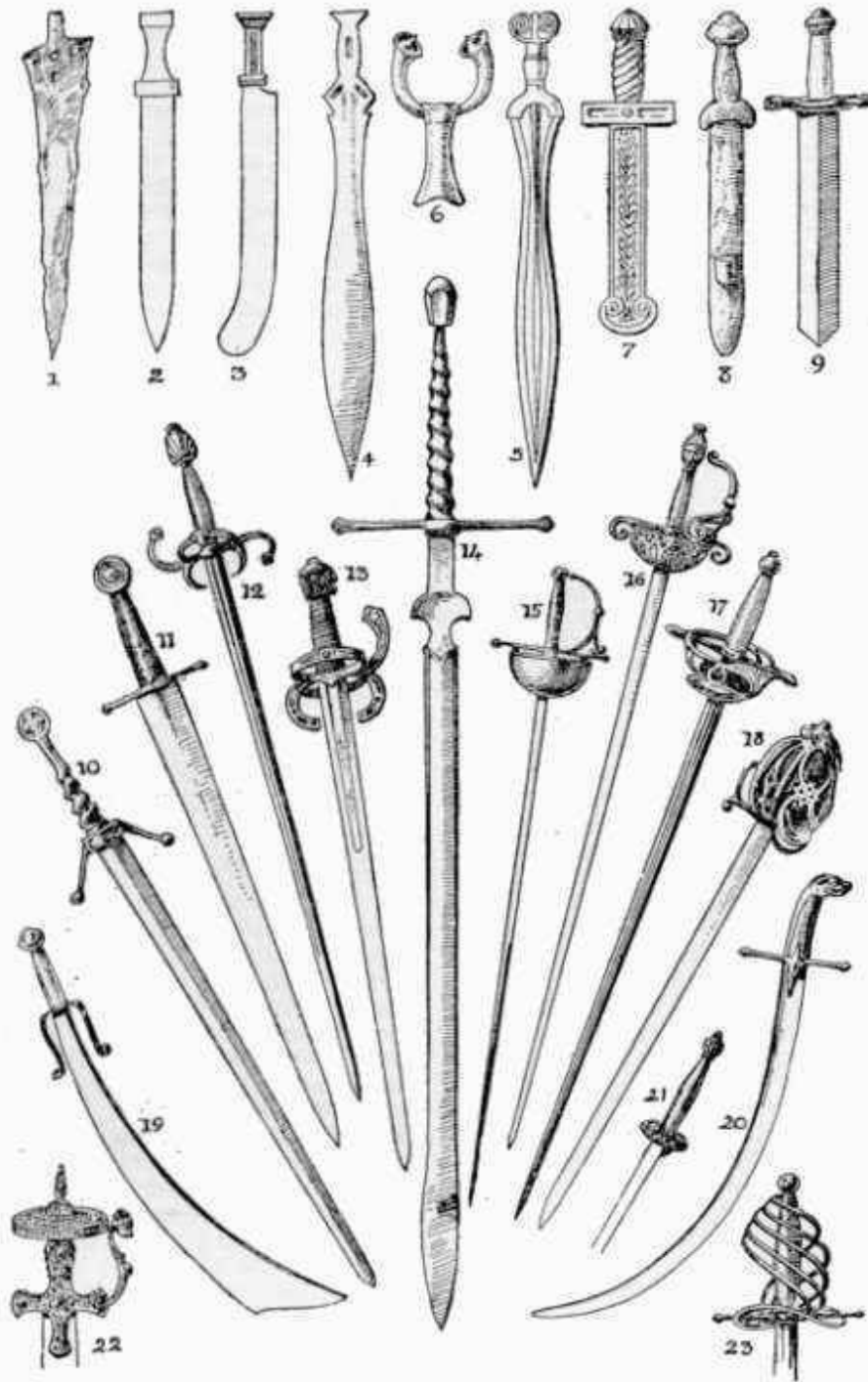
Swords



## Pommel Types



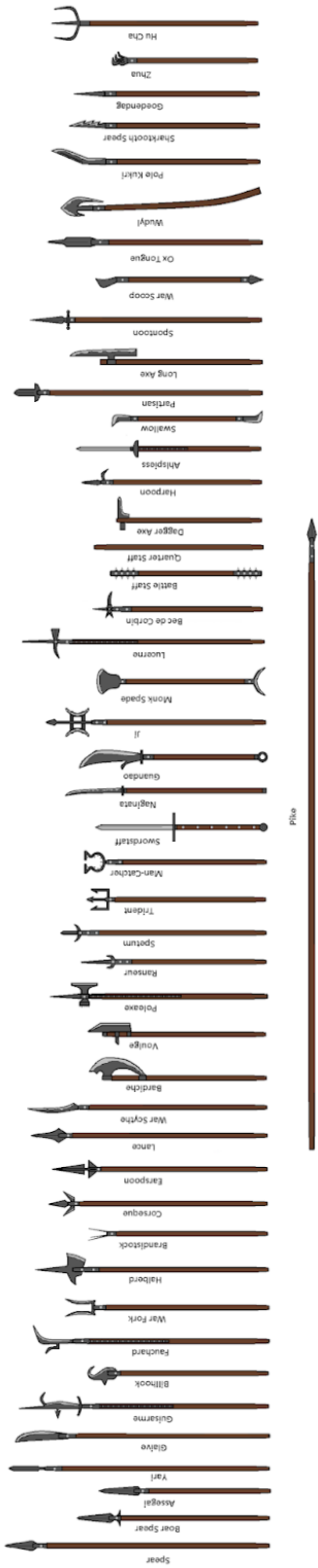
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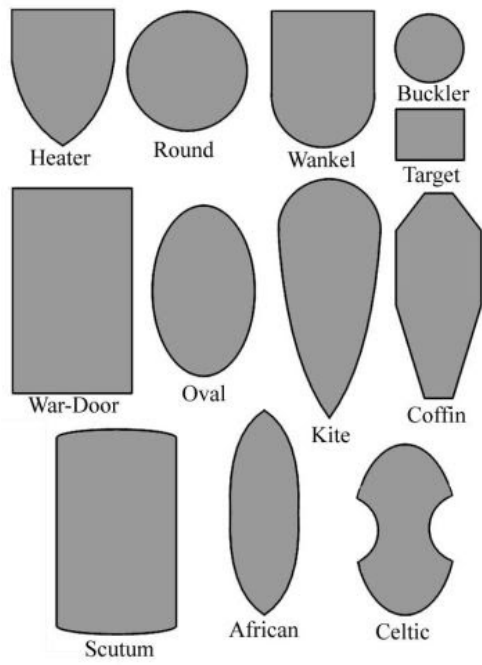
*Swords.*

1. Sword blade from Mycenæ. 2. Persian. 3. Egyptian. 4. 5. Leaf-shaped swords, Bronze Age. 6. Hilt of a Bronze Age sword. 7. Greek. 8. Ancient Irish wooden sword. 9. Roman. 10. 13th century. 11. 14th to 15th century. 12. 16th century. 13. Sword of James IV. of Scotland. 14. Two-handed sword. 15-17. Basket-hilted rapiers, 17th century. 18. Claymore. 19, 20. Scimitars. 21. Hilt of rapier, 18th century. 22. Jewelled hilt of Indian sword. 23. Hilt of French sword, 17th century.

# Long Weapons



## Shields



## Materials

- Wood – covered with glued cloth
- Metal

# Armor

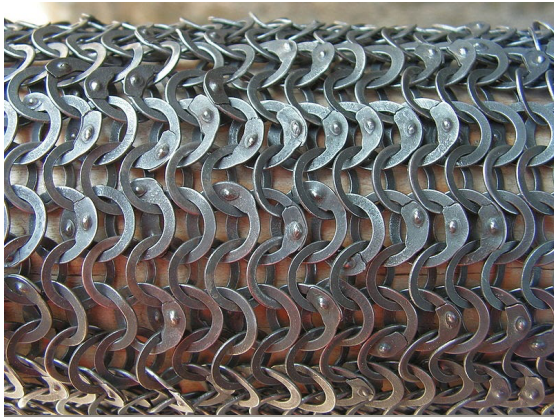
## Cloth



## Leather



Metal (Chain)



Metal (Splint)



Metal (Plate)



## Resources

- Combat (Local resources)
  - HEMA
    - United Clans Swordsman Association
      - <http://www.theucsa.com/>
    - True Edge Academy
      - <http://trueedgeacademy.com/newwordpress/>
  - SCA
    - Kingdom of Artemesia
      - <https://www.artemesia.sca.org/>
  - LARP
    - Utah LARP
      - <http://utahlarp.com/>
- Blacksmithing (Local classes)
  - Any Ren Faire
  - Wasatch Forge - SLC
    - <http://wasatchforge.com/>
  - Ragnar Forge - Eden
    - <https://www.ragnarforge.com/>
  - Stone Fox Forge - Orem
    - <https://www.stonefoxforge.com/classes>
- Museums
  - The Met
    - <https://www.metmuseum.org/about-the-met/curatorial-departments/arms-and-armor>
  - The Louvre
    - <https://www.louvre.fr/>
  - Worcester Art Museum (Higgins Collection)
    - <https://www.worcesterart.org/collection/higgins-collection/>

