

## Illuminas

Patron Deity of the Teaching of Magic



Description: Illuminas, like Sigmar was once a man, Illuminas was a wizard who originated in Araby, he came to the Empire and made his home in Talabhiem, where he became interested in the different types of magic. He himself had used a style he had learnt in Araby, but progressed through the ranks of Wizard, Illusionist and Elementalist rapidly. He also investigated both Demonology and Necromancy and dreamt of combining magic in a form that all wizards could learn, and he made a step towards this when he helped found the colour schools. However he dreamt that the schools should be a series of teaching and that a wizard should pass through all of them before graduating. But when they fragmented and would not admit wizards from one another, Illuminas left the Empire for the last time and started to teach Wizards in Brettonia instead.

Illuminas left his teaching position in Brettonia at the age of 93, to help the Kings armies when the country was attacked by Dark Elves, a battle he helped win when he cancelled out the magic protecting the black ships of the Dark Elves allowing other wizards to destroy them and rout the Dark Elves. However a Dark Elf Witch summoned a Greater Demon to slay this meddling wizard, and as Illuminas struggled with this mighty foe he cast one final spell that transformed both of them to stone.

The students of Illuminas wept for their loss that night, as they looked at the stone figures, however an apparition appeared to them, telling them not to grieve, but to teach Illuminas's ways to all that would listen.

Over the centuries since his death various small shrines have been set up to Illuminas, the main one being in Brettonia where the stone figure of Illuminas and his demon foe form the central shrine.

Although Illuminas has no organised clergy (the few followers he has are usually wizards), his shrines are usually tended by wizards and their students. Illuminas has several magical items named after him, these are usually granted to a magical student (people from Brettonia and Araby are especially likely to be chosen) who is fresh in the ways of magic, and can learn and spread the teachings of Illuminas as they become more powerful.

Alignment: Neutral

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