

SAMNITE 355 - 272 BCE

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CORE

This list covers the armies of the warlike Samnites from the establishment of the Samnite League through the series of wars it fought against Rome.

A Samnite army must include a General and at least three units of Warriors.

Strategy Rating: 3

Climate: Forested or Fertile

ARMY SELECTION

- Command:** Must include a general
May include up to 2 sub-commanders
- Core:** Must include at least three units of Warriors
May include up to 7 other core troop selections
- Support:** May include up to 4 support
The number of support plus skirmish selections must not exceed the number of core selections
- Skirmish:** May include up to 4 skirmish
The number of support plus skirmish selections must not exceed the number of core selections
- Allies:** Up to 25% of the points available may be spent on troops from the Allies section

COMMAND

A Samnite army must include a general and may include up to 2 sub-commanders.

General

TITLE	DL	ML	ATTACKS	NOTES & TRAITS	PTS
SENIOR GENERAL	9 + 2	9 + 2	+3	ARMY GENERAL,, HEROIC LEADER	50
GENERAL	8 + 1	8 + 1	+2		FREE

Note that the ATTACKS bonus for the Heroic Leader trait is already included in the profile.

Up to 2 Sub-commanders

TITLE	DL	ML	ATTACKS	NOTES & TRAITS	PTS
SUB-COMMANDER	8 + 1	8 + 1	+2	HEROIC LEADER	55

Note that the ATTACKS bonus for the Heroic Leader trait is already included in the profile.

Generals and sub-commanders may be on a horse at a cost of 10 points. If the player wishes, this removes the Heroic Leader trait.

Players may select up to 10 units from the Core section. A Samnite army must include at least three units of Warriors.

Warriors

Models per unit: 16-40

ORDER	MR	SHOOT	ATTACKS	HTH	ARM	KILL	HITS	DL	ML	PTS
OPEN	12	4+	1	3	6	4+	1	7	7	11

Weapons: Throwing Spear, Hand Weapon

Armour: Shield

Special Rules: Scouts

Upgrades: May add Light Armour upgrading ARM to 5+ at a cost of 2 pts per model.
May add javelins at a cost of 1 pt per model.

SUPPORT

For every unit selected from the Core Troops section one unit may be selected from the Support or Skirmish Troops section. A maximum of 4 Support may be taken.

Linen Legion

Models per unit: 15-24

ORDER	MR	SHOOT	ATTACKS	HTH	ARM	KILL	HITS	DL	ML	PTS
CLOSED	12	4+	1	3	5+	4+	1	7	7	16

Weapons: Throwing Spear, Hand Weapon

Armour: Light Armour, Shield

Special Rules: Steady

Upgrades: May add javelins at a cost of 1 pt per model.

The "Linen Legion" was composed of the more experienced men. It was so called due to the brightly decorated linen tunics that they wore.

Samnite Cavalry

Models per unit: 6-12

ORDER	MR	SHOOT	ATTACKS	HTH	ARM	KILL	HITS	DL	ML	PTS
OPEN	20	4+	1	4	6	4+	1	6	7	27

Weapons: Hand Weapon, Javelin

Armour: None

Special Rules: None

Upgrades: May add shield or light armour upgrading ARM to 5+ at a cost of 2 pts per model, or,
May add shield and light armour upgrading ARM to 4+ at a cost of 4 pts per model.
May replace javelins with Throwing Spear at a cost of 1 pt per model

Cavalry are depicted both shielded and shieldless, with and without armour, so we have provided an option for all combinations.

SKIRMISH

For each unit selected from the Core section one unit may be selected from the Support section or Skirmish section. A maximum of 4 Skirmish units may be chosen.

Javelinmen

Models per unit: 8-15

ORDER	MR	SHOOT	ATTACKS	HTH	ARM	KILL	HITS	DL	ML	PTS
SKIRMISH	12	4+	1	2	N/A	4+	1	5	6	8

Weapons: Javelins, Improvised Weapon

Armour: None

Special Rules: None

Upgrades: May add shield and hand weapon, upgrading ARM to 6, at a cost of 1 pt per model.

ALLIES

Up to 25% of the points available may be spent on troops from the Allies section. May choose one of the following:

Campanians
Republican Romans

Italian Hill Tribes
Umbrians

Or may choose from both of:

Etruscans

Gauls

SAMNITE ALLIES

Samnite allies may be taken by other armies as indicated in their army list. They are subject to the 'Allies' special rule (see page 101).

Up to 1 sub-commander

1-2 units of Warriors

Up to 1 unit of Linen Legion per Warrior unit

Up to 2 units of Javelinmen

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