

The Necrotopia of Alexandria

Population: 417,000, 56% Undead, 42% Human, 2% Other

Non-Native Population: Humans are very much second class citizens in Alexandria. While all undead from rotters to undying lords have full rights and protection under the law, humans are subject to the predations of the undead and have no recourse to defend themselves without being subject to legal punishment. Intrepid members of some races other than humans pass through the lands of Alexandria from time to time. Those of non-human descent who do travel through however draw greater attention to themselves due to their conspicuousness and are just as likely to be murdered by farmers with pitchforks in the day as they are by undead in the night.

Capital and places of note: The Capital of the Necrotopia of Alexandria, and the only notable population center in the country, is the self-named city of Alexandria. It is a large dwelling of many small but labyrinthine hovels. This squalor in which the city's living, breathing human residents reside alongside the undead is starkly contrasted with the opulence of Undying King Alexander Cross' personal castle and palace. Even by Savatogan standards the government centers filled with naked and chained human and undead slaves who bend willingly to their masters' slightest whims are extravagant. Those Alexandrians who do not live inside the boundaries of the capital, live in small, well-fortified private and lonely dwellings scattered across the grassland plains and coasts. They are hardy folk who never answer their barricaded doors at night.

Current Rulers: The Undying King Alexander Cross is the current King and the only one the country has ever had. He celebrates having "conquered death" on a daily basis, refusing to hide his form when he addresses his subjects, no matter how unsettling it may be to them. In fact he takes great pleasure in any discomfort regarding his state or that of his "children." All undead in the Kingdom are addressed by royal decree with the title "Son/Daughter of Alexander." An army of undead creatures, sons of Alexander, both great and small, fawn over the Undying King and serve as his personal bodyguard.

History: The Undying King Alexander was once a member of the Crusade of Estlemere during the Heroic Era. When the Shadow War came Alexander did not resist, but rather embraced the Undying God which led the Vlotkin Shadow Warriors against the living beings of the Material Plane in an effort to become the soul god of the Isle of Kalidor.

The Undying God fed Alexander's ambition. First the god gave Alexander the undead form he had always craved. Next he gave him unprecedented control over the rotters and greater undead which stalked the land. With their tireless aid, Alexander carved out a vast kingdom for himself in the world that emerged.

The bloody swathe the Undying King and his undead horde cut was staunch only by Patriarch Haridan and the Knights of the Dawn in the South, while in the North the

Einher Berzerkers of Mirgaard held only after losing half of their kingdom. Though the mysterious swamps of Brugliss border Alexandria to the East, Alexander has never sought to add them to his realm. Some say this is because the Swamp King already serves him, others say the land simply holds no interest or fascination for him.

Government: Undead are the true subjects of Alexander and they are the only ones who have the protection of the law. Humans are a distant second, though the Undying King does foster them to some degree in order to create a large base from which to create new rotters and greater undead. Any undead creature may require anything of a human, at any notice, up to and including their lives. Reanimation though is a foregone conclusion, it is the law that none may rest in the earth until the Undying King rules all.

While Alexander rules absolutely at the head of the government, a large cadre of Vampiric and Lichly nobles serve as reeves throughout the land, enforcing the Undying King's law.

Alexander and his followers hold a special distaste for the High Necromancer Rellen and his Lilliandra-worshipping minions. Small raiding parties from Alexandria often attack Necris and vice versa with no clear upper hand gained by either faction.

Religion: At first it was Maligant that stirred Alexander's devotion, then it was the Undying God Salaam that was fed his adoration, followed by and currently, Daemos the god of Undeath, Decay and Necromancy. Surprisingly, all living and undead subjects of Alexandria are free to worship any god they choose, however they wish. Unsurprisingly, those who do not worship Daemos are targeted with murderous intent by the vast majority of the populace.

Societal Views: Undeath is the pinnacle of existence. It is where we belong and someday we shall all exist in an undead state. Death is unnatural, wrong and immoral. Death is the worst of all fates and those who fall to it must be revived by the power of Daemos and his servants. The vast majority of humans and nearly all the undead of Alexandria believe in this creed. They have little choice and have no information to the contrary as teaching anything beyond this societal view is strictly forbidden. Book and scroll burnings are common events in Alexandria.

Exports: None

Imports: None

Social Rank Structure: Alexander>Undead Nobility>Undead>Humans>Other Races

Factions: The Brotherhood of Man.