



Templar's Keep - Ultimate Persistent Castle Building Game

Short Description

- Persistent Castle Building focusing on developing and expanding your Templar Network
- Epic battles holding out against massive armies utilizing your Keeps and Templar Knights
- Expand your Templar Network by building a network of Trade Centers, Proceptories, and Keeps
- Finance your operations by expanding your trade network, banking system and aristocratic contacts



Key Features

Phase I – Build a Single Player experience where you develop your Castle Headquarters and Network

Phase II – Build an MMO Environment using your Castle much as you're Ship in EVE online

Castle Building: Constantly improve your main castle base and headquarters

This castle will be your base of operations and persistent center (As your ship is in EVE online)

Rise in Rank by performing ritual rites from a simple Knight to a 33 degree ranked Knights Templar

Expand your wealth and power by building Proceptories, Shipyards, Banks

Grow your power using military might, network of Keeps and controlling Trade Route Checkpoints

A Single Player Campaign Mode Loosely Based on Knights Templar Legends



Knights Templar Lore and History Outline

The Knights Templar are thought to have created the first banks and credit system

The Knights Templar are thought to be the first International Corporation

The Knights Templar were archeologists that excavated and kept ancient relics from The Holy Land

The Knights Templar are a Secret Society with Secret Rituals and 33 Degrees of Mastery

The Knights Templar were Disbanded and tried as heretics by the Pope and French King in 1307

The Knights Templar Escaped the 1307 Disbanding and went underground

The Knights Templar have hidden wealth and powerful Relics

One Knights Templar Legend explains an escape with the wealth and relics to the Baltic Region

Castle Headquarters View

Will be much as is in the current Citadels

Here you will still have a main economy with different buildings and raw materials to manage.

The main difference is that your Castle would be PERSISTANT and you could continually improve and strengthen your Castle Headquarters until it was huge, impenetrable and generally awesome.





Local Region Map

This map will show a limited local region. This is the player's controllable area.

Each player will have their Castle Headquarters located in this main region.

Different symbols will be used to note troop and trade movements as well as static structures such as Keeps, Shipyards, Checkpoints, Banks, Proceptaries, etc...





World Trade and Political Influence Map

This map will show trade Routes and Regions outside the player's direct control

Players can send trade caravans and shipments, troop support, or perform negotiations of various types with outside regions.





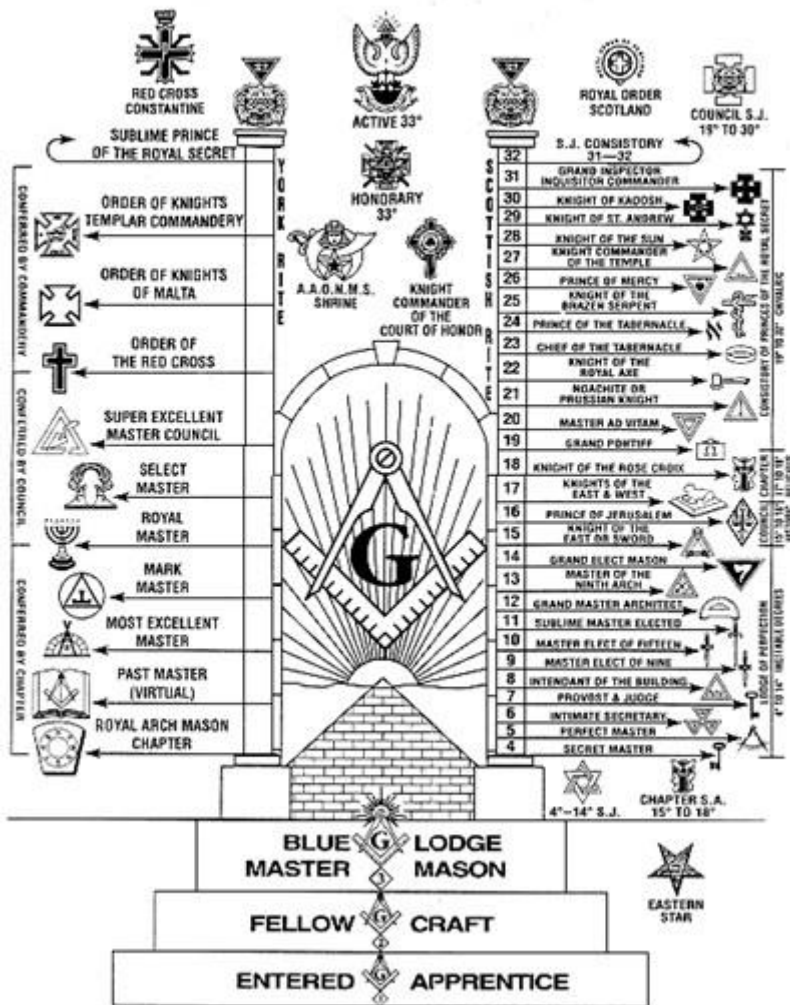
Leveling System in Templar's Keep

The leveling system will utilize the romanticized Free Mason Degrees thought by many to be based on Knights Templar Degrees of Mastery.

Players will start from humble beginnings and rise to 33 Degree Templar Knight Grand Master
 Much speculation and romanticism is placed on the fact that Free Masonry is based on the Knights Templar Rituals.

We would play on this romanticism and curiosity and use a fact/fiction Ritual Rites System that followed the Secret Societies.

EMBLEMATIC STRUCTURE OF FREEMASONRY





Templar's Keep – Units and Region Structures Outline

Castle Headquarters

Walled City Castle with a view much as you play today in a current game of Stronghold and Citadels. The main difference would be that the Castle Headquarters is a persistent area that you can continually improve and update.

Keeps

A fortified stronghold (smaller than a castle) that is fortified along a trade route or in a region that allows for, protection, defense and counter attack and contains a garrison of troops.

Templar Proceptary (3 types):

1 - Farm:

Generates income and supplies food for knights

2 - Stud Farm:

Generates income and supplies knights with horses

3 – Shipyard:

Generates income and provides ships for trading

Banks

Generate income and stores money

Shipping Port

Generates income and allows for sea trade routes

Trade Route Check Point

Provides protection and control over land trade routes

Military Units

Mounted Knights

Foot soldiers

Archers

Siege Units



Early Iteration Logotype and Marketing



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Templar's Keep – Marketing, PR – Three Gates

The fact that we are located in a walled city in Visby on the Island of Gotland and actually work in an office built in 1200 with a stone city wall in the office might be able to be spun. We also have the largest medieval week in Scandinavia here on the island and I think we could some decent PR and some fun PR pics from the event and the town in general. We also have the oldest Free Mason Headquarters in Scandinavia located just a few yards from the studio. Also we like to throw our employees off the tower just down from us.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oSe6b64ZVBA&list=PLXz2CQNk4W9hd6G9OLvs96-IB3-TGw0MI&feature=c4-overview-vl>

<http://www.medeltidsveckan.se/>





Work Activity Breakdown Outline

# of Professionals Per task	Work Activity	Total number of man-months per task
1	3D Environment Production	12
2	3D Character & Enemy Production	12
2	3D Tower, Wall & Weapon Production	14
2	GUI / Interface Art Content Production	10
2	2D Concept Art	8
2	Animation Production	14
2	Ad Art	6
2	Network Programming	12
3	Game Programming	12
1	AI Programming	14
2	Interface Programming	14
4	General Programming	12
2	Sound and Music Production	6
2	Level Design	14
2	Tower, Wall & Weapon Function Design	12
3	QA & Game Testing	12
2	Translation and Texts	6
3	Production Leads	12
	Total	202



Milestone 1 – Preproduction Complete

60 days out from production start

Budget for period 1: 124,100 Euros

Partner Investment period 1: 62,050 Euros

Game Design Document Complete - Prototype

To include:

Artifact List Complete

Steam Integration Iteration 1

Full Work Schedule

Full Task List

Full Production Plan

Full Release Plan

Castle Building Prototype

Templar Leveling System Prototype

Milestone 2 – Alpha Playable

180 days out from production start

Budget for period 2: 248,200 Euros

Partner Investment period 2: 124,100 Euros

Gameplay Testing Iteration 1 Basic .exe

To include:

Start Menu to Game Join Menus Iteration 1

GUI and HUD Iteration 1

Local Castle System Iteration 1

Local Economy Building System Iteration 1

Troop Movement AI Iteration 1

Regional Economy Proceptory System Iteration 1

Regional Defense Keep System Iteration 1

Global Economy Iteration 1

Global Political Interface Iteration 1

Templar Leveling System Iteration 1

Sound and Music Iteration 1

Steam Integration Iteration 1

Ad and Cover Art Iteration 1

Translations .xml Iteration 1

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Milestone 3 – Beta Playable

360 days out from production start

Budget for period 3: 372,300 Euros

Partner Investment period 3: 186,150 Euros

Beta Testing Iteration 1 Beta .exe

To include:

Start Menu to Game Join Menus Beta

GUI and HUD Beta

Local Castle System Beta

Local Economy Building System Beta

Troop Movement AI Beta

Regional Economy Proceptory System Beta

Regional Defense Keep System

Global Economy Beta

Global Political Interface Beta

Templar Leveling System Beta

Sound and Music Beta

Steam Integration Beta

Ad and Cover Art Beta

Translations .xml Beta



Milestone 4 – Gold Master

450 days out from production start

Budget for period 4: 186,150 Euros

Partner Investment period 4: 93,075 Euros

Gold Master .exe

To include:

Ad and Cover Art Complete

Start Menu to Game Join Menus Complete

GUI and HUD Complete

Local Castle System Beta

Local Economy Building System Complete

Troop Movement AI Complete

Regional Economy Proceptory System Complete

Regional Defense Keep System Complete

Global Economy Complete

Global Political Interface Complete

Templar Leveling System Complete

Sound and Music Complete

Steam Integration Complete

Ad and Cover Art Complete

Translations .xml Complete

Milestone 5 – Patch and Post Mortem

480 days out from production start

Budget for period 5: 62,050 Euros

Partner Investment period 5: 31,025 Euros

Patches to fix and issues that arise after release

Post Mortem Report of Project

Planning for Downloads, Expansions and Sequel