



A background image showing three knights in medieval armor riding horses through a misty or foggy landscape. The knights are wearing helmets with plumes and carrying long spears. The scene is dimly lit, creating a mysterious atmosphere.

Arthurian Legends



The 5th-6th century



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“Morte d’Arthur”
(Arthur’s Death)
the 15th century

Birth of Arthur



A natural son of King **Uther** and the beautiful **Lady Igraine**. When Arthur was only three days old magician **Merlin** took him away and gave the child to a good knight named **Sir Ector**



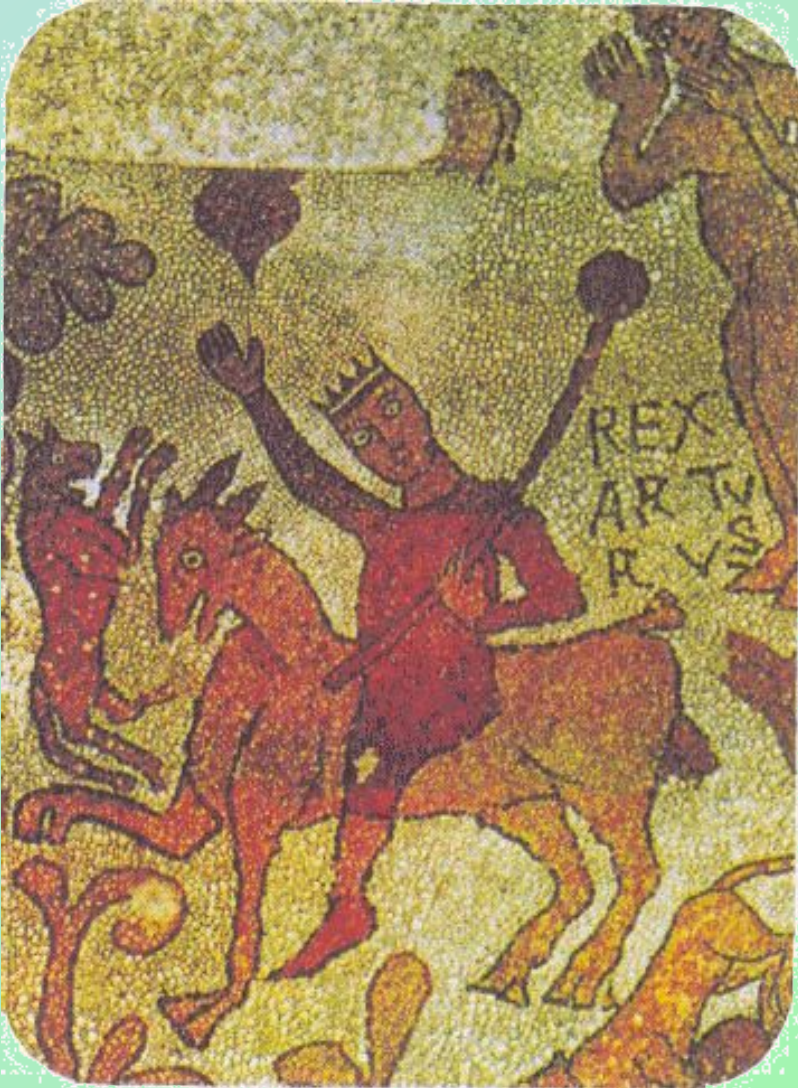
Merlin



A magician, an adviser to King Uther and then to King Arthur himself. He was imprisoned for all time by Lady **Vivien**, an enchantress to whom he told the secrets of his magic.

Years went by...

Sir Ector brought the child up together with his own son **Kay**. Only when Arthur had grown up, he learnt that he was of royal blood.



The Sword in the Stone



When King Uther died, he left no heir to the throne. Merlin called all the lords together in a great church in London. In the churchyard they saw a large four-sided stone in which there was a

*Whoso pulleth
this sword of
this stone,
is rightwise
King born
of Britain*

Arthur Made King



All the lords tried to move the sword but in vain. It was Arthur who managed to pull the sword out of the stone.

Arthur Made King



After that Merlin appeared before the crowd and told everybody about Arthur's origin. So Arthur became king.

The Lady of the



The Lady of the Lake gave King Arthur the famous sword Excalibur. She did it to protect Arthur in any dangerous situation.

Excalibur



The scabbard of the sword was magic. No man could kill the man who possessed it.

Queen Morgan le Fay got hold of the magic scabbard and threw it away.

Marriage of King



Arthur married **Guinevere**, a daughter of **King Leodogran**. King Leodogran had a famous Round Table, which he gave as a present to his son-in-law.

The Round Table



There were 150 places at the table. As time went on, more and more noble knights came, and King Arthur gave them seats.

Sir Lancelot



Sir Galahad



Sir Percival



Sir Gawain

Holy Grail

The **Holy Grail** is a cup or bowl that was the subject of many legends in the Middle Ages. It was often said to have been used by Jesus at the Last Supper, and in which some of his blood was collected.



Camelot



Arthur established a brilliant court at **Camelot**. Truth, beauty and goodness reigned in Camelot.

Lancelot



Lancelot was one of the most famous, bravest, noblest knights at the Court of King Arthur. He was never defeated, his fame spread all over the country...

Lancelot and

Guinevere

Lancelot and Guinevere were in love with each other. Their passion was too strong, and the day came when they couldn't resist it any longer.



The King's Anger



In fury, king Arthur ordered to put his wife to death at the stake, but when she the execution was about to begin,

Sir Lancelot appeared on his horse, killed the guard, and rode away with Queen Guinevere.

The War



There began a war between the Knights of the Round Table. A lot of knights were killed in the war, and the kingdom was becoming weaker and weaker.

Mordred



The war was over,
but king Arthur's
power was failing.

His bitterest
enemy, **Mordred**,
decided that it was
his chance.

Battle



Never was there seen a more sorrowful battle in all the land. Many noble knights lay dead on the field. During the battle Mordred was killed and King Arthur was mortally wounded

Battle

King Arthur understood that he was dying. He asked **Sir Bedivere**, his faithful knight, to throw his sword Excalibur into the lake. As he did so, arms rose above the water and caught the sword.



Death of King



The knight carried the dying king to the edge of the water, where appeared a barge. Then the barge with King Arthur moved away from the shore to the mysterious island Avalon...

**That was the death of
King Arthur –
KING ONCE AND KING
TO BE**



