

BARTIMA CELTIGAR

Title: Lady of Claw Isle

Home Territory: Claw Isle

Family: Celtigar

Commander Score: 3

Age: 26

Starting Declaration: Weakly Black

Region: Crownlands

Basics

You are the head of House Celtigar. Your Lord Paramount is King Viserys Targaryen, but your house is sworn to Princess Rhaenyra Targaryen of Dragonstone.

You are married to Pios of Tyrosh and have one daughter and a son. You also have one bastard called Korag.

Character

Born and raised on Claw Isle, small in size but not in status, you are descended from the Blood of Old Valyria. Your family is one of the ancient dragonriders who came to Westeros when Valyria fell. You could not bring your dragons, who perished, but you brought your treasure, and your stronghold is packed to burst with all manner of trinkets and curios.

When your father died, your elder brother inherited. Bored of your small island, you went travelling throughout Essos for several years. You visited Tyrosh, where you caught the attention of the old but rich and powerful Pios of Tyrosh. You became his mistress, and bore him a son, Korag.

You knew your family disapproved and that your activities were causing scandal back home, but when Pios' wife died he asked you to marry him. You gave him two more children, Cora and Alon. The rulers of Tyrosh also legitimised Korag.

But your elder brother died without issue three years ago. You returned to Westeros to take your place as Lady of Claw Isle, with your husband and children. Unfortunately, Westeros has not been accepting of them. Your children born within wedlock were permitted to take your noble surname, but Korag is styled “Korag of Tyrosh”. You are attempting to have him legitimised although King Viserys has so far denied you.

You are a rebellious woman who is used to living on her own terms not someone else’s. You are greedy and enjoy spending your husband’s wealth.

Possible Objectives

1. Legitimise Korag. It will need a formal royal edict, passed through the Small Council, to secure the path to his rightful inheritance
2. Support Princess Rhaenyra. The Princess has made her own unconventional life choices, which you empathise with.
3. Secure a good relationship with Lysandro Rogare, the ambassador of the Triarchy. This may open useful business contacts for Pios.

Opinions

Princess Rhaenyra: Your liege lady. You support her claim as a loyal bannerman should; it seems grievously unfair to deprive her of her throne simply because she is a woman. However, she has not yet returned your support, and has conspicuously failed to push your case at court.

Prince Daemon Targaryen: The King’s brother is a very good looking and interesting man, full of wild tales from his time in the Stepstones and as Commander of the Gold Cloaks. If you and he weren’t already married....

Corlys Velaryon: The Sea Snake is a wily old man. You know he has fathered several bastards and see in him a possible ally for your cause.

Prince Jacaerys Targaryen: The young princeling looks NOTHING like either of his parents. It is, frankly, obvious that he’s a bastard, but you know that expressing that view publicly is an extremely bad idea. This fact makes

Rhaenyra's failure to support you even more frustrating. The prince himself loves hearing stories of your time in Essos, which you find endearing.

Rhaenys Targaryen: The Queen who Never Was is a stern and intimidating woman. You don't know her well, as she mostly keeps herself to herself.

Maester Moxon: You were pleased to find that the local maester has travelled extensively through Essos – it makes sending your correspondence to Pios much easier

Lysandro Rogare: The ambassador of the Triarchy has recently arrived at court, and you haven't yet been able to arrange an introduction. Pios sits on the Conclave which runs the Triarchy. You don't believe this Lysandro is one of his close political allies, but perhaps a useful relationship can be formed.

Jasper Wylde: The Master of Laws is a harsh and unbending man, who snootily dismissed your initial request that the Small Council consider legitimising your son as there was no precedent for Essosi law trumping the law of Westeros. You feel confident that if you could just make your case to the King, then you would get further.

Pios of Tyrosh (NPC): Your husband remains in Tyrosh, attending to his business affairs, and you correspond frequently. He is indulgent of you and often willing to supply additional funds if needed.