

Secret of the Sea (Deluxe Limited Edition) - Pokerdeck

Secret of the Sea - Deluxe Limited

- **52 poker-sized playing cards.**
- **100% uniquely illustrated and hand-drawn Aces, Jokers, Pips & Courts cards.**
- **Deluxe tuck box with embossing & hot foils, carefully handcrafted by the amazing Boschiero & Newton in Italy on premium paper with unique and exclusive hot foils.**
- **Gold foil on the playing cards.**
- **Printed by WJPC.**
- **Colored court cards, extra foil on the cards and alternative tuck box differing from the Deluxe version.**
- **Over 1 year in the making, with countless tries and many hours of hard work.**
- **Deluxe Limited Edition of 300 copies.**

The Secret of the Sea playing cards were printed by WJPC, while the tuck boxes were manufactured by Boschiero & Newton in Italy.

In the Realm of the Elves that we introduced with our first deck, there are other races and among the humans, there are people sailing across its wonderful sea. But beware, because some of them are dangerous individuals... and we are of course talking about pirates!

Not only that, we all know that the sea is a theatre of mysterious forces and unknown creatures.

The humans that live near the sea, have sailed across it for centuries now, and so we tried to collect all the histories that have been told in the old taverns or reported to the majors, and that's how we discovered about the pirates and the mystical creatures of the sea.

Finally, because life on the sea is very dangerous and it's easy to meet your fate, the line between life and death is very thin. That's why all of our characters are portrayed alive and dead, the sea doesn't forgive and it's not so rare that in just one day you could be roaming the realms of the afterlife. That's also the meaning of the Latin phrase Carpe Diem (seize the day) that

appears on the backside of our tuck box.

The Pirates in our deck are represented by the Spades and the Clubs, while the Hearts and Diamonds are our sailors.

Spades - Pirates

Tenshidean pirates are roaming in the southeast part of the reign, just below the lovely forests where most of the elven race lives. They are rumored to have had exchanges even with the lovely race of elves and thus it seems they inherited some of their beauty, but the tales about this are vague and nobody could ever prove it. The pirates are said to have their den in the smaller islands in the deep south of the world, and they have a wonderful galleon, as beautiful as the ones possessed by The Vale Navy, perhaps a treasure from a ferocious fight with them. However, it is important to note that they are noble pirates, only stealing from the richest ships and never provoking a fight for no reason, they have chosen a dangerous life but are driven by solid moral principles. Amazing leaders, beautiful look, but with sharp swords and loaded guns!

We introduce you to Captain James our Jack, Iry the exotic pirate Queen, and Nicholas the fierce King commander.

Hearts - Sailors

The Vale Navy is where the most important sailors are to be found, it's an honor for any man to be on the most refined and elegant ship of the sea. And as you can see on our map, their beautiful ship sails on the west coast of Ihivale where the Kraken is rumored to live. The great sailors of this ship have passed the hardest tests, have been on the most remote destinations and are easily recognizable for their amazing outfits, the best in the Navy. They patrol the Northern and West coasts of the realm preventing the pirates' ship from coming any close to the Vale. Incredible sailors, fighters by nature, and formidable travelers.

We introduce you to Sir Drake our lieutenant Jack, Lady Celeste the commandress Queen, and Sir James the formidable King captain.

Clubs - Pirates

The Duiburn Pirates are the most dangerous people you can meet when sailing across the sea, they are ruthless and not many can say they survived an encounter with them as they normally take no prisoners. They roam the northern shores of the Elves' reign and are sworn enemies of The Vale Navy, as they want to take over the domain of the northern sea. They are often seen in the area above Tenschiden where, as the legend wants, the magnificent sea dragon lives and where it is said that their treasure cove is hidden. Some went in search of the treasure but only found death... beware! They live isolated from the world, are incredible sword master's and protect their treasures with their lives. They love to fight, drink and sink ships, they are ruthless. They have little respect for human life and guard only their own vessel and their grog.

We introduce you to John our crazy Jack, Lady Morgana the fierce Queen, and Edward the mad King captain.

Diamonds - Sailors

Hailing from the deepest meanders of the harbor of the city we have The Zrienard Navy, represented by our Diamonds cards. It is a navy that is less prestigious than the Navy of the Vale and attracts all sorts of characters, from every class and race. In fact, as a great surprise, we have a mariner that we have seen before. Trying to redeem himself from a life of treachery and deception we find the half-elf jack from our previous deck, who is now working on the ship. Our Queen comes from an equally dubious past as she has been working in every tavern of the city, trying to survive as she could, offering her company to the travelers and anyone who'd meet her. She has now found a way to travel the world and has enrolled to be the assistant to the captain for a more stable future. Our captain is an older man, he has been a whale hunter and has sailed across our sea for a lifetime, a true expert and passionate mariner, who has been through many storms and fights at sea. Legend has it that he lost his hand while fighting with a sea monster and that he was very lucky to survive the attack. Some say it was a kraken some say it was the giant octopus that hides in the depths, and if you ask him, he will hint at the sea dragon instead. I guess we will never know!

We are pleased to introduce you Haemir our redeemed half-elf mariner

Jack, Mary-Ann the versatile Queen, and Sir Eduard the wise King.

Aces - Sea Monsters

It wouldn't be a real pirate tale without the mysterious sea monsters, would it? Since we have some incredible monsters roaming free in the sea of the Elven world, we have decided that they would be ideally represented by the Aces of our deck.

The Ace of Spades is certainly the most dangerous of them all, The Kraken. Strong as a giant, it can easily attack a ship from below and turn it over, to predate and feed. A fierce beast that terrorized many ships, it is said to be living in the northern sea, as you may notice on our map, and it is sometimes seen by The Vale Navy that sails in the region.

The Ace of Clubs is the next sea monster that hides in plain sight, the Giant Octopus. He stays in the southern areas of the sea and the forest elves have reported him appearing in the southern parts of the Teschidean forest, near the coast of the small islands. A true predator, if a ship comes across the wrong shore, it may be the last thing they see, as the Octopus would emerge from a cave, attack and drag the whole ship underwater, breaking every last piece of it and possibly leaving no witness alive.

The Ace of Hearts is our next monster, the magnificent Sea Dragon. With shining scales and indomitable speed, he is as fast as a dolphin yet enormous in size. With his slim body, he can quickly escape any danger and go through narrow passages with impeccable precision. He normally is not interested in fighting with humans, but he was attacked on a few occasions by people who wanted to get his golden skin and sufficient to say, they all met a horrible fate by doing so. He lives between the reign of Duiburn and Tenshinden, hiding in some underground cavern, he is sometimes seen moving around in the area with his incredible gentle movements, emerging on the sea surface, a true beauty to see.

And finally, rising from death itself, we have the very dangerous Skeletal Snake monster. The Ace of Clubs is the scariest monster to roam the Elven Sea, and he has been a torment for the seafarers approaching the city of Zrienard. With his sharp bones he can destroy a ship from below, sinking it in no time, a true danger and quite lethal. Nobody knows what he does with

his victims, but we surely hope you'll never encounter him. He has been fought hard by the city navy, and they did an excellent job defending the harbor and the coast. It is not known where he lives exactly, but we can only imagine he is equally terrorizing other fish in the depths of the sea.

Jokers

Our Jokers are marvelous creatures of the sea, the amazing Siren and her companion, the omnipotent Triton. Many tales have been told about them, but the common belief is that if you encounter the Siren, you won't escape her marvelous chants. You will succumb and be guided wherever she wants you to go most probably against a giant rock. It's a tale of beauty and mystery that surrounds the mythical Siren since the dawn of times. The Triton is much rarer, sailors fear him as he could easily fight with a sailing ship, and with its dangerous trident, it could be quite dangerous. The Triton is also capable of controlling the waves and currents, with the power within his hands. It could then decide to generate a storm, and it would be a disaster for whoever happens to be there. Luckily, it's been many years since it has been seen last and it's known that it rarely attacks or shows itself, unless people would be fool enough to look for him or to try to capture him.