

## Imperial Guard: Crinan IVth



The Crinan Star System is peculiar for having no planets. Great asteroid belts lie where the planets once orbited: destroyed in some cataclysmic war or natural disaster. Clinging precariously onto the tens of thousands of asteroids are mining stations. It is from these scattered communities that the Crinan IVth is raised. While other regiments rely on conscription and or on pressing criminals into combat: the dangerous and difficult life in the mining stations means that there has always been a ready supply of men ready to chance death for riches or travel.

The frontier mentality of the mining communities (devoutly religious, deep respect for firearms and staunch in its defense of humankind) is reflected in the army itself. Hermits, holy men and preachers are commonly seen within its ranks and the Bishop of Crinan Asteriodium has also been seen to take the battle in more extreme circumstances.

As the imperial supplies are distributed by the merchant cartels that control transport to and from the systems – the Crinan IVth is generally last in line for imperial pickings. Their armor is antiquated and rarely used, and instead of relying on heavy armor – the Crinan IVth utilizes massed squadrons of sentinels. This has often meant that Imperial Generals see the Crinan IVth as a scouting force: but battle experience has proved that they are as capable as holding a position against armored attack as any of the Emperor's soldiers.