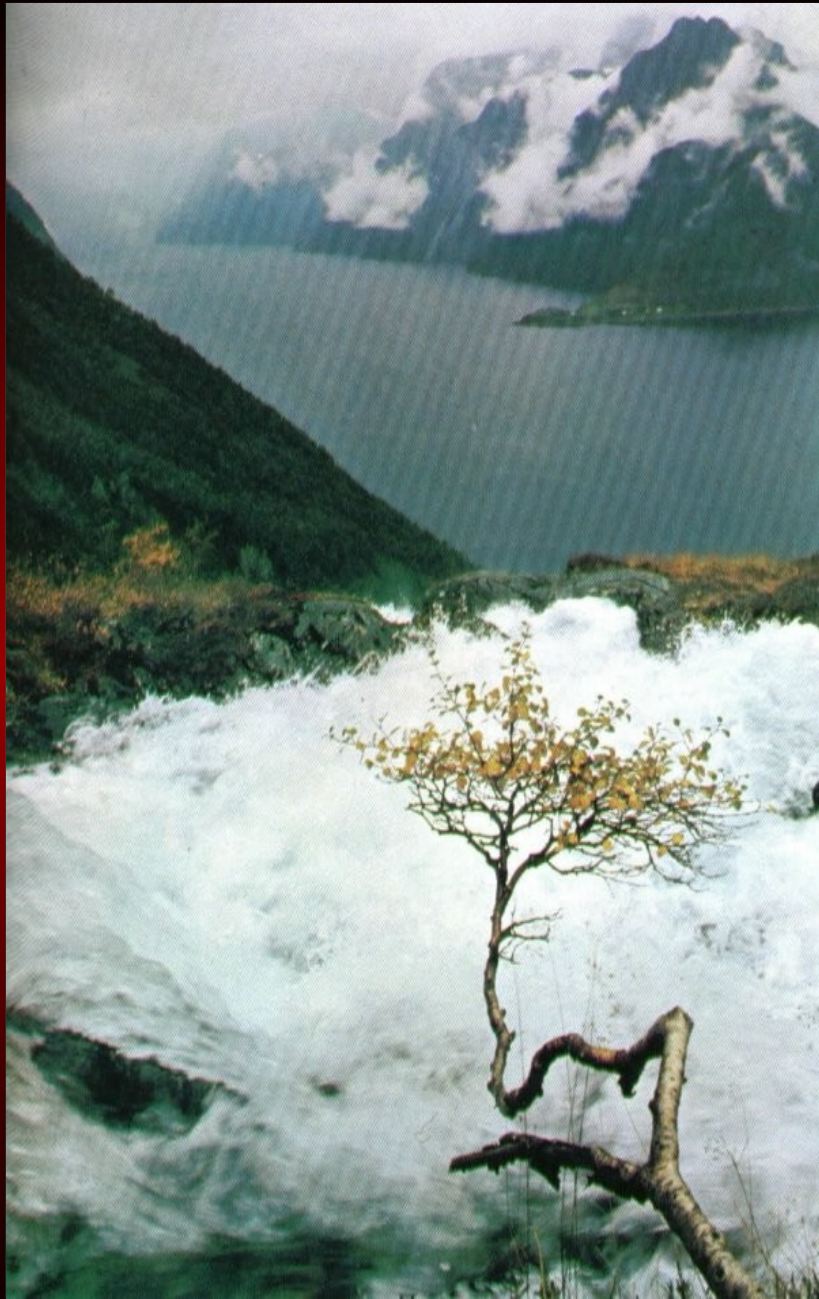


# ***THE VIKINGS***

***600 A.D.-1000 A.D.***

# ***NORSE HOMELAND***

***NORWAY, SWEDEN, DENMARK***







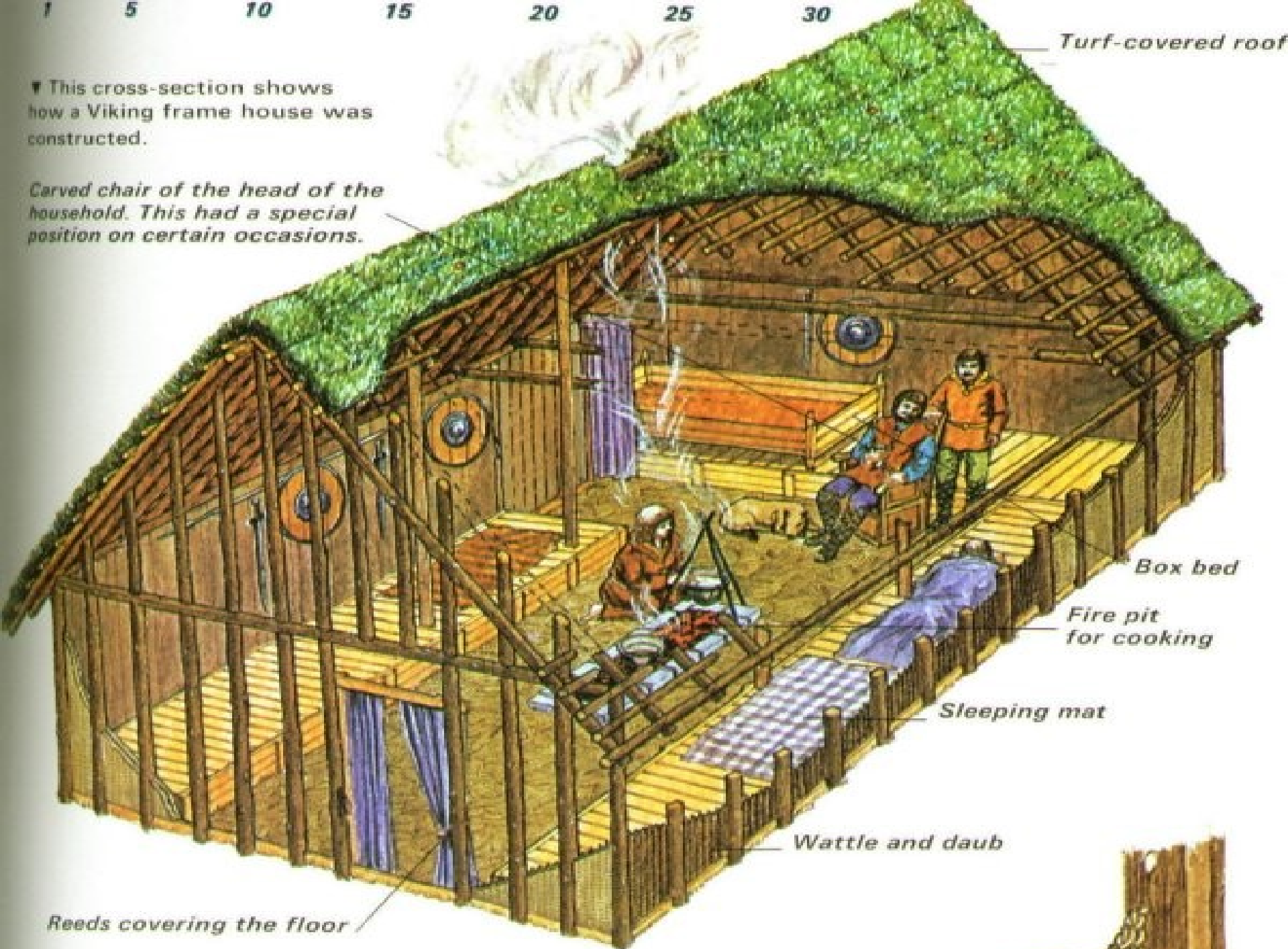




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▼ This cross-section shows how a Viking frame house was constructed.

*Carved chair of the head of the household. This had a special position on certain occasions.*







# ***SOURCES***

## ***EDDAS AND NORSE SAGAS***





**Runes and magic signs** proudly record that three Norsemen reached Greenland's remote western isle of Kingigtorsuaq about 1300 and erected cairns to commemorate their feat. Denmark's National Museum in Copenhagen displays the four-inch-long stone.





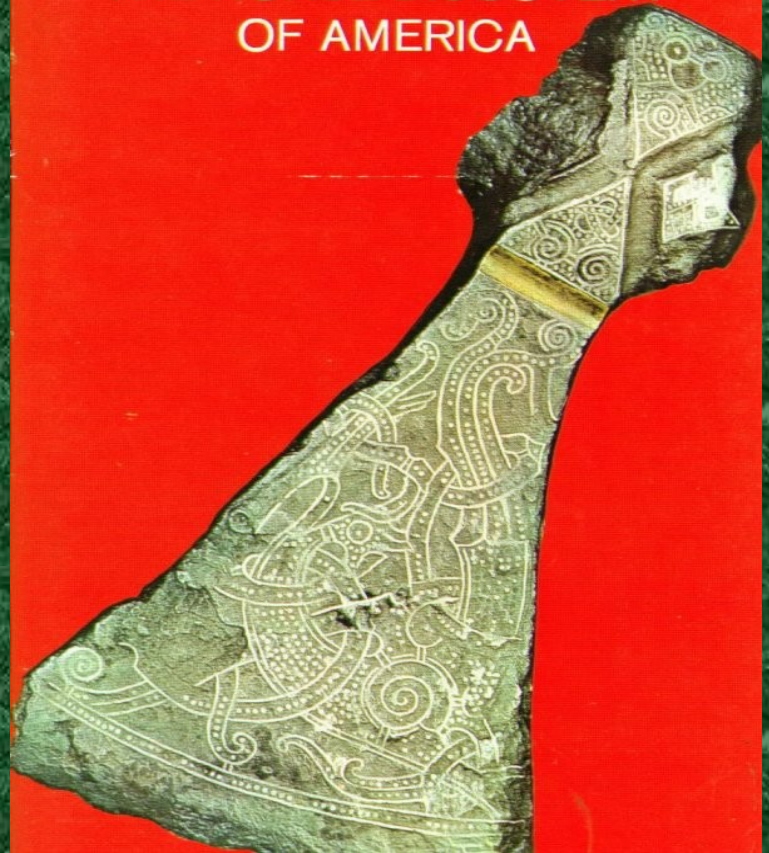
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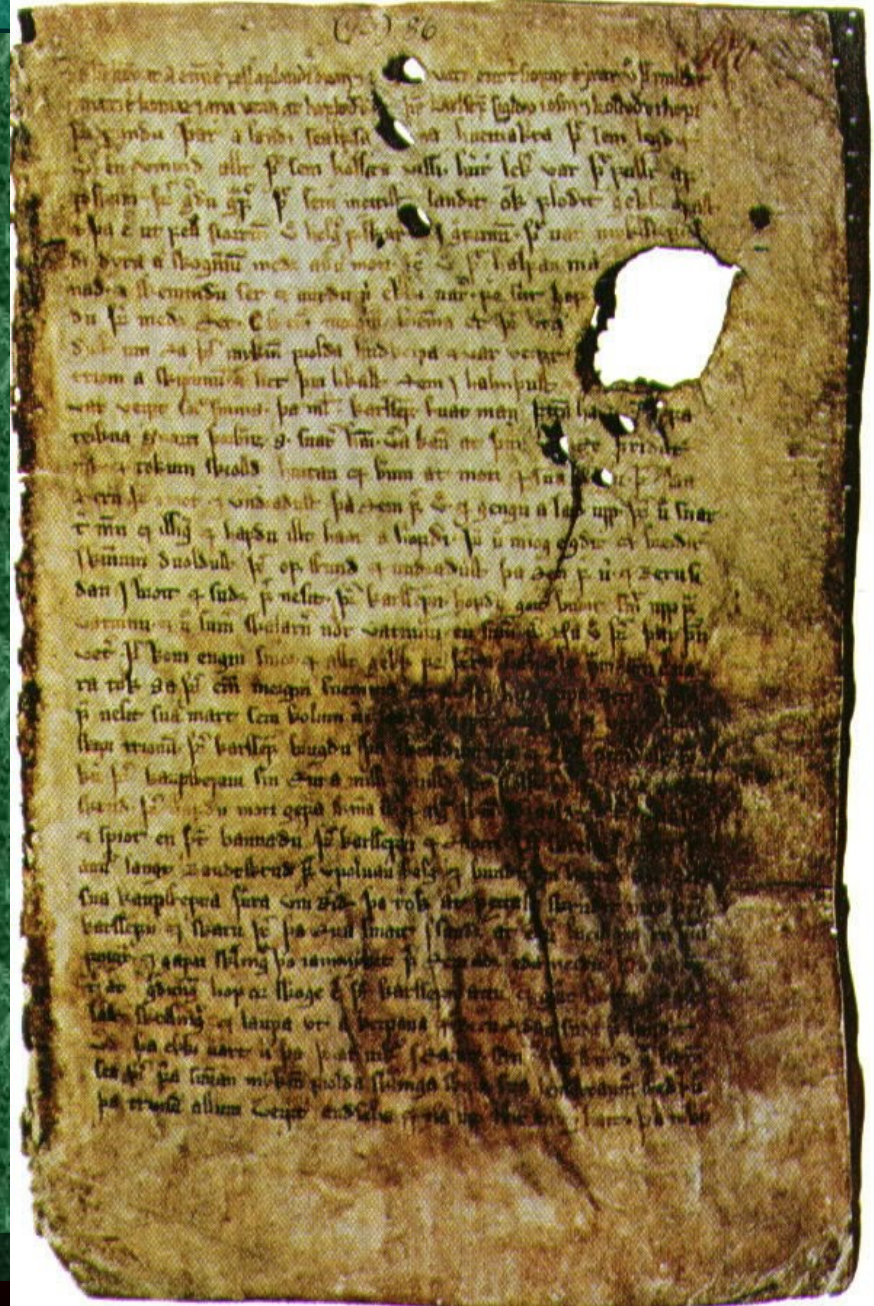
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## THE VINLAND SAGAS THE NORSE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA





## ERIC THE RED SAGA







a Pelican Original

## **Gods and Myths of Northern Europe**

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# **The Vikings**

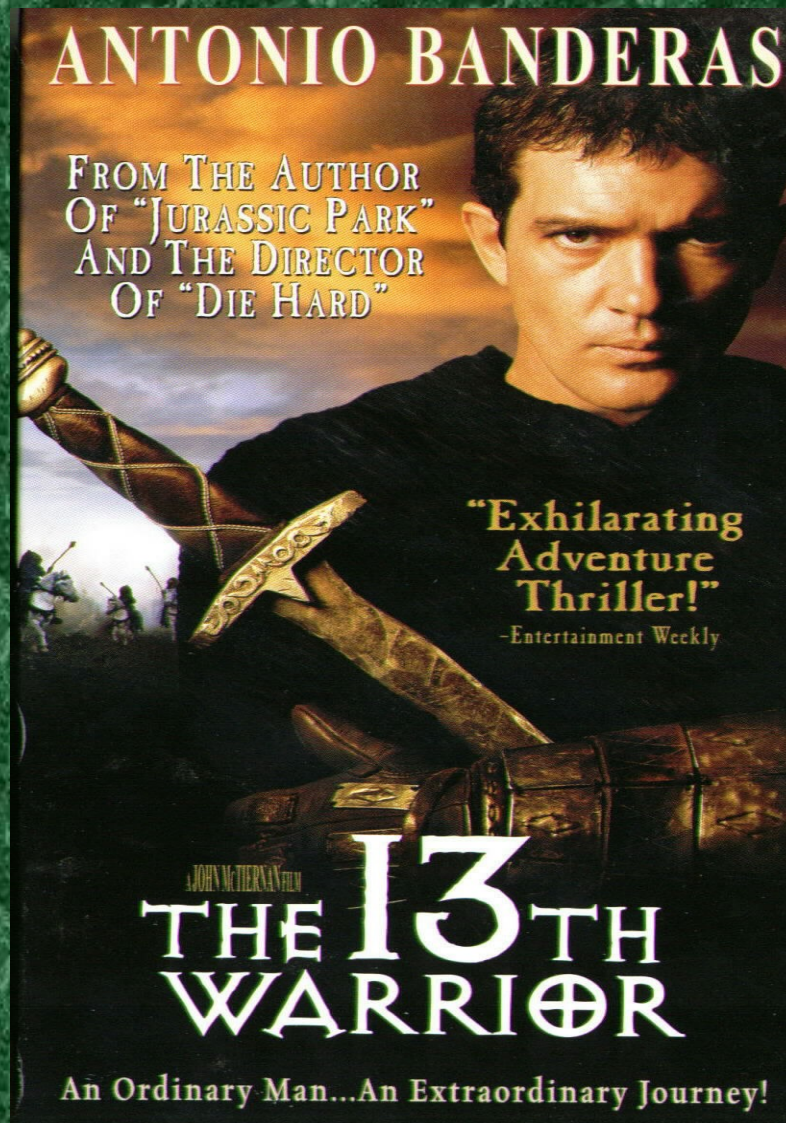
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**THE BACKGROUND TO A FIERCE AND  
FASCINATING CIVILIZATION**



# *MOVIES*





THE  
HAMMER COLLECTION

THE DON MURRAY CARITA  
**VIKING QUEEN**



**SEE!**

MEN ROASTED ALIVE  
IN THE CAGE OF HELL!  
BLADED CHARIOTS OF DEATH!  
BARBARISM OF THE  
MAD EMPEROR!

DVD

LONG WILL YOU REMEMBER  
THE MIGHTY VIKING ADVENTURES OF

**THE LONG SHIPS**



STORY BY MICHAEL WELLS. SCREENPLAY BY JAMES HANCOCK. DIRECTED BY PETER GUSTAVSON. CASTING BY CAROL DUNN. THE LONG SHIPS

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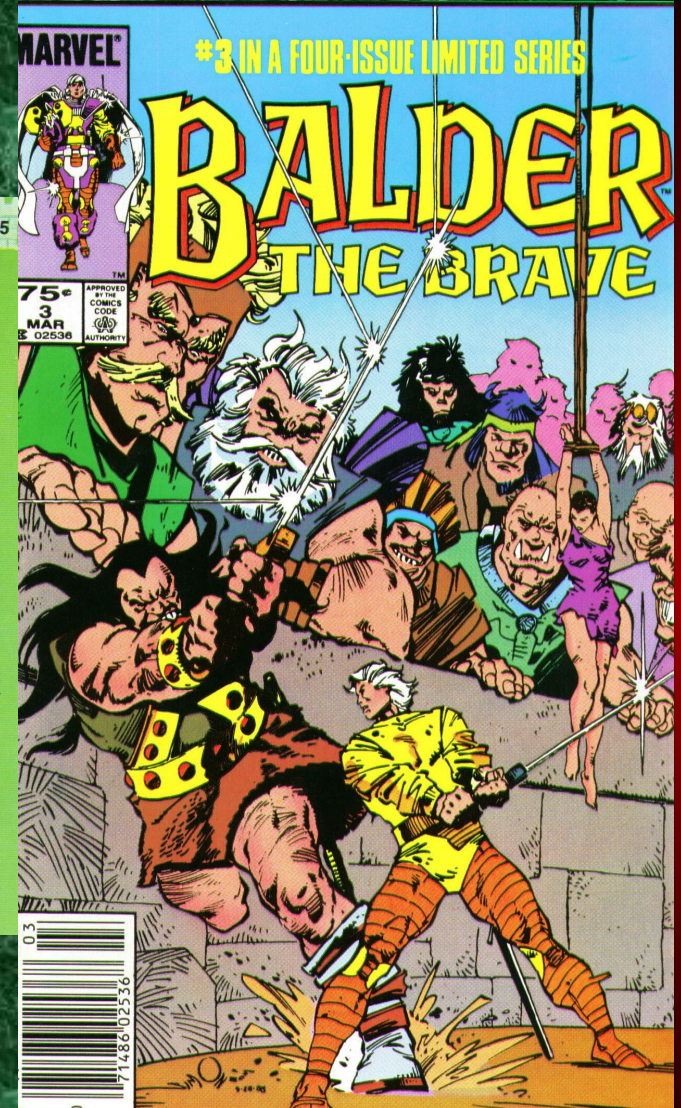
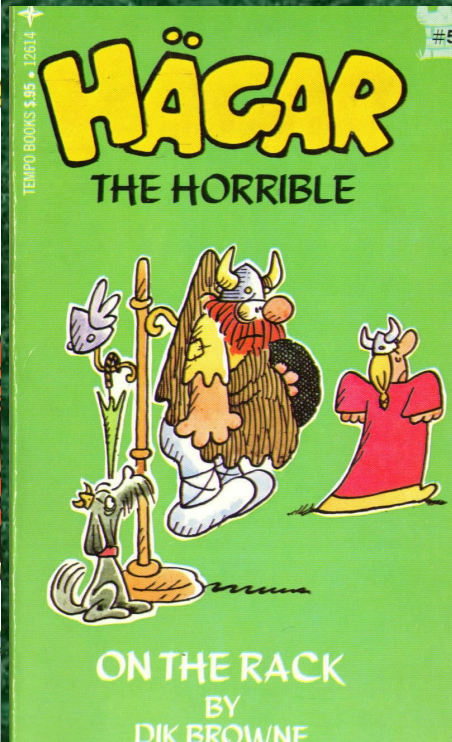
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# *COMICS*







# ***VIKING WEAPONS***



- *CONICAL HELMET(NO HORNS)*
- *LEATHER SHIRT*
- *BERSERK(BEARSKIN OR WOLFSKIN SHIRT)*
- *SWORD*
- *SPEAR*
- *AX(THROWING)*
- *ROUND SHIELD*













# ***NORSE MYTHOLOGY***



# ***COSMOLOGY***

## ***CREATION AND UNIVERSE***

LAND OF COLD(NORTH)

LAND OF EMPTINESS  
CREATION TAKES PLACE HERE

LAND OF FIRE(SOUTH)



# ***NORSE WORLDS***

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***ASGARD***



***MIDGARD***

***NIFLHEIM***

**MUSPELLHEIM  
FIRE GIANTS**

***AESIR(GODS)  
VANAHEIM(VANIR)  
ALFHEIM(ELVES)***

**WORLD OF MAN**

**LAND OF THE DEAD  
RULED BY HEL**



# *REALMS OF ASGARD(12)*

## ■ *VALHALLA- HALL OF THE SLAIN*

*540 DOORS RAFTERS ARE SPEARS, ROOF OF SHIELDS AND BODY ARMOR, A WOLF AND AN EAGLE GUARD THE WEST DOOR. 800 WARRIORS CAME EXIST SIDE BY SIDE EACH DOOR*

## ■ *VALASKVALF-HALL OF ODIN*

## ■ *GIMLI-HALL OF GOLD*

*HALL OF THE RIGHTEOUS*

# ***THE AESIR***

## ***THE 12 GODS OF ASGARD***



# ***ODIN***

- ***FATHER AND LEADER OF THE GODS***
- ***HAS ONE EYE, LOST THE OTHER EARNING THE RIGHT TO DRINK FROM THE WELL OF WISDOM***
- ***GOD OF WAR, DEATH, POETRY, WISDOM***
- ***HE EATS NO FOOD DRINKS ONLY WINE***
- ***FRIGG IS HIS WIFE***
- ***GUNGNIR IS HIS NEVER MISS SPEAR***
- ***SLEIPNER IS HIS 8 FOOTED HORSE***

# *THOR*

- *SON OF ODIN BY EARTH GODDESS JORD*
- *SIF IS HIS WIFE THE FERTILITY GODDESS*
- *RED BEARED*
- *DRIVES A CHARIOTS DRAWN BY GOATS(GAP-TOOTH AND TOOTH GRINDER)*
- *POSSESSES 3 GREAT TREASURES*
  - 1. MJOLLNIR-HIS HAMMER*
  - 2. MEGINGJARD-BELT OF POWER*
  - 3. IRON GLOVES*
- *PROTECTOR OF MAN AND GOD AGAINST EVIL*
- *THURSDAY IS NAMED AFTER HIM*











# *BALDAR*

- *WHITE SKINNED, FAIREST OF ALL*
- *WISE AND MERCIFUL*
- *HIS DEATH WILL BEGIN THE RAGNAROK*

# ***NJORD***

- ***GOD OF THE WIND AND SEA***
- ***SKADI IS HIS WIFE***



# ***FREYR***

- ***GOD OF SUN, RAIN, PEACE***
- ***FREYJA IS HIS WIFE***

***TYR***

■ ***GOD OF VICTORY***



# ***BRAGI***

- ***GOD OF WORDS AND POETRY***
- ***IDUN IS HIS WIFE***



# ***HEIMDALL***



- ***GUARDIAN OF BIFROST THE RAINBOW BRIDGE***
- ***OWNS GJALLERHORN THE HORN WHOSE BLAST CAN BE HEARD IN EVERY WORLD***



# ***LOKI***

- ***SON OF FARBAUTI AND LAUFEY***
- ***HE IS AN ENEMY OF THE AESIR***
- ***SHAPESHIFTER, GOD OF FIRE AND MAGIC***
- ***HIS MISTRESS ANGRBODA BEAR HIM THREE MONSTERS***
  - 1. FENRIR THE GIANT WOLF***
  - 2. HEL RULER OF THE DEAD***
  - 3. MITHGARTHSORM- WORLD SERPENT***
- ***WIFE IS SIGYN WHO STAYS LOYAL TO HIM***

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■ *THE ARCHER*



# ***FORSETTI***

■ ***LAW GIVER, SON OF BALDAR***

# ***HODER***

## ■ ***THE BLIND GOD***



# ***HOENIR***

■ ***COMPANION OF LOKI AND ODIN***

# ***RAGNAROK- GOTTERDAMMERUNG***

- ***END OF THE COSMOS***
- ***DEATH OF BALDAR***
- ***3 WINTERS WITHOUT SUMMER***
- ***FIGHTING AND FEUDS WILL REIGN***
- ***SUN AND MOON EATEN BY FENRIR AND HATI***
- ***THE GIANTS RISE, THE DEAD RISE***
- ***HEIMDALL SOUNDS HIS HORN***



# ***DEATH OF THE GODS***

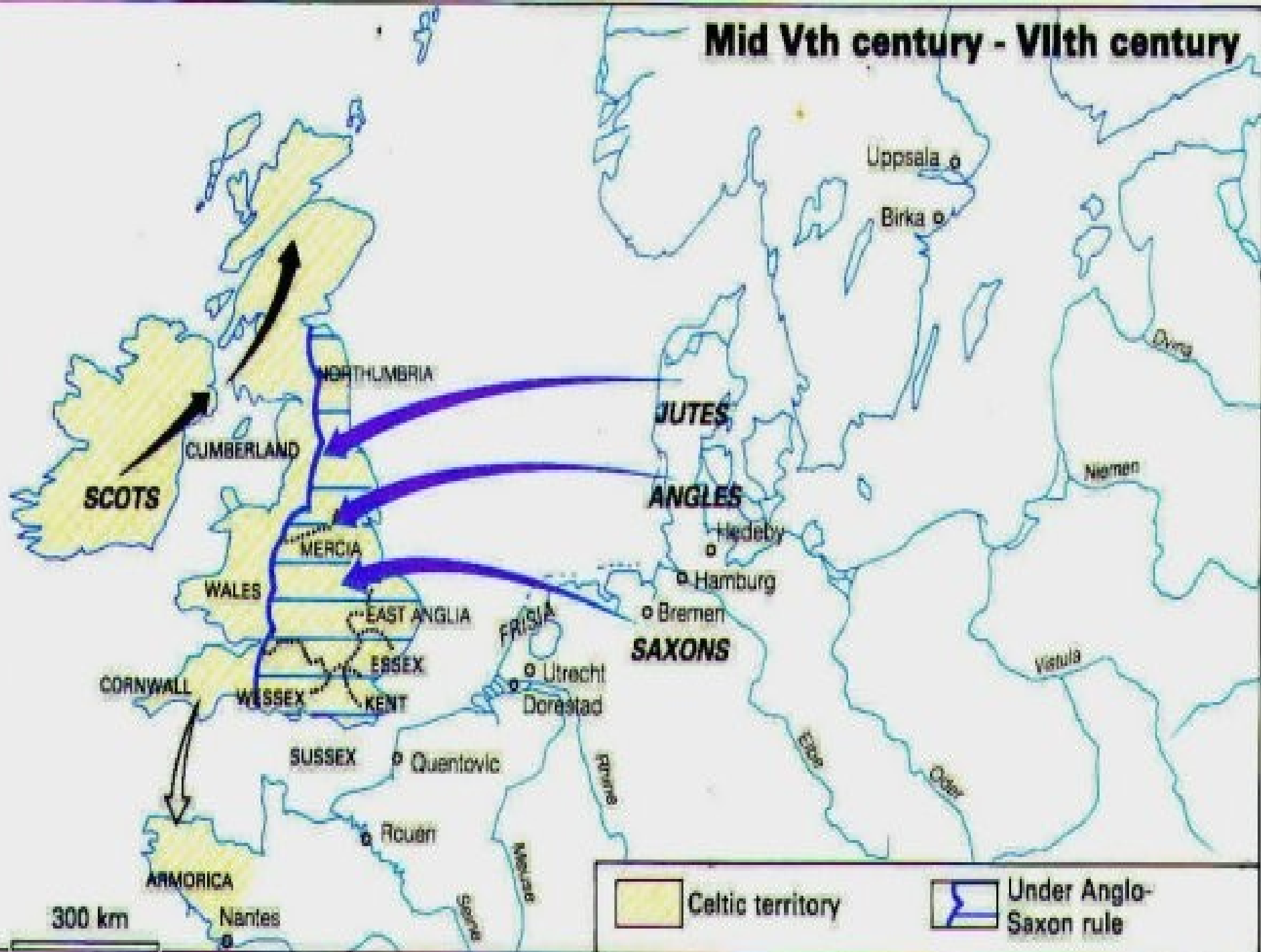
- ***ODIN IS KILLED BY FENRIR***
- ***FENRIR IS KILLED BY VIDAR***
- ***MITHGARTHSORM IS KILLED BY THOR***
- ***THOR IS KILLED BY MITHGARTHSORM POISON***
- ***FREYR IS KILLED BY SURT WHO IS MORTALLY WOUNDED***
- ***GARM FIGHTS TYR AND BOTH DIE***
- ***LOKI AND HEIMDALL BOTH DIE***
- ***SURT IN A DYING GASP FLINGS FIRE OVER ALL THE WORLDS AND DESTROYS EVERYTHING BUT THE WORLD TREE***

# ***VIKING EXPANSION***

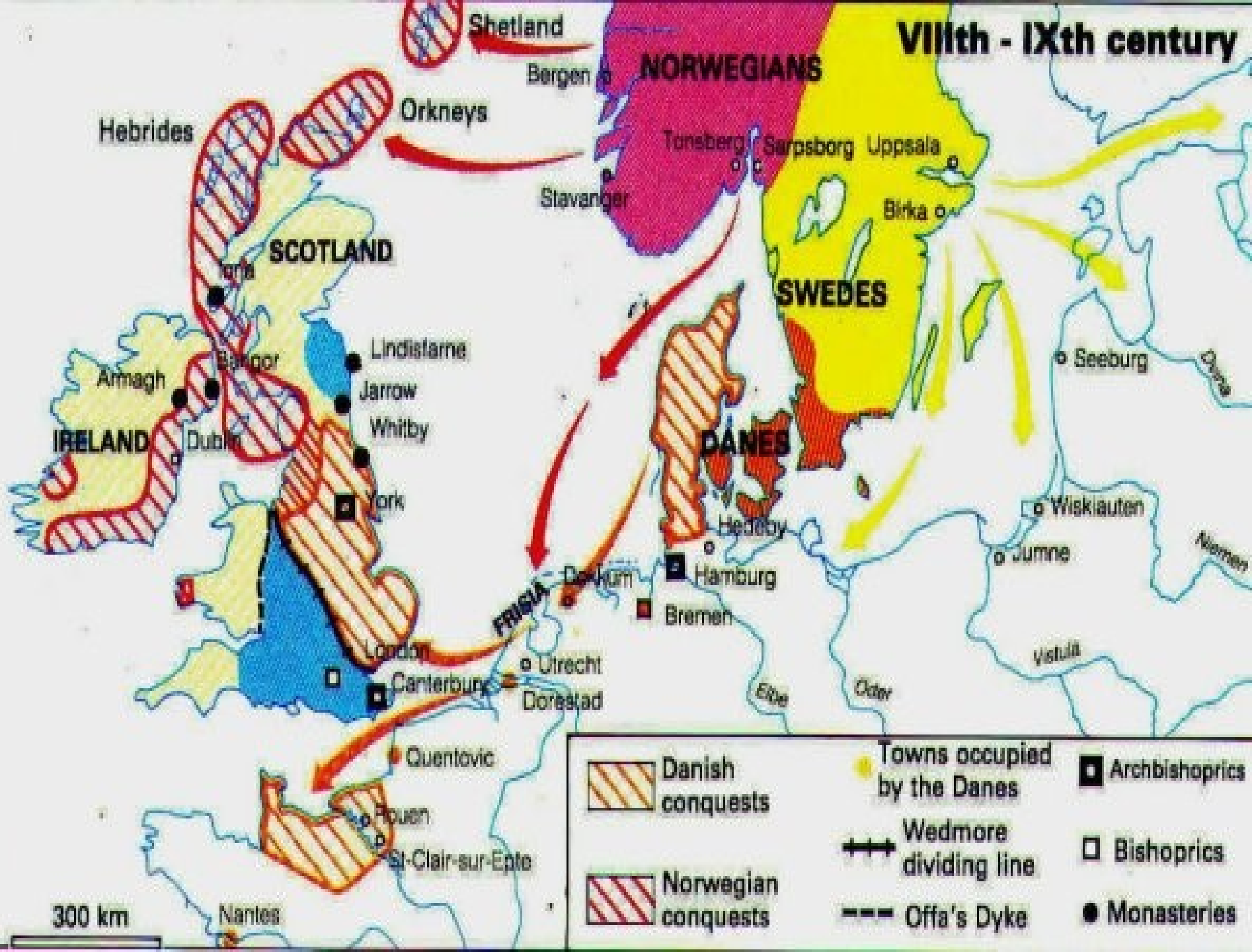
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# Mid Vth century - VIth century



# VIIIth - IXth century







## SAXON & VIKING BRITAIN

### MONASTERIES

- 1 Lindisfarne
- 2 Monkwearmouth
- 3 Jarrow
- 4 Whitby
- 5 Iona

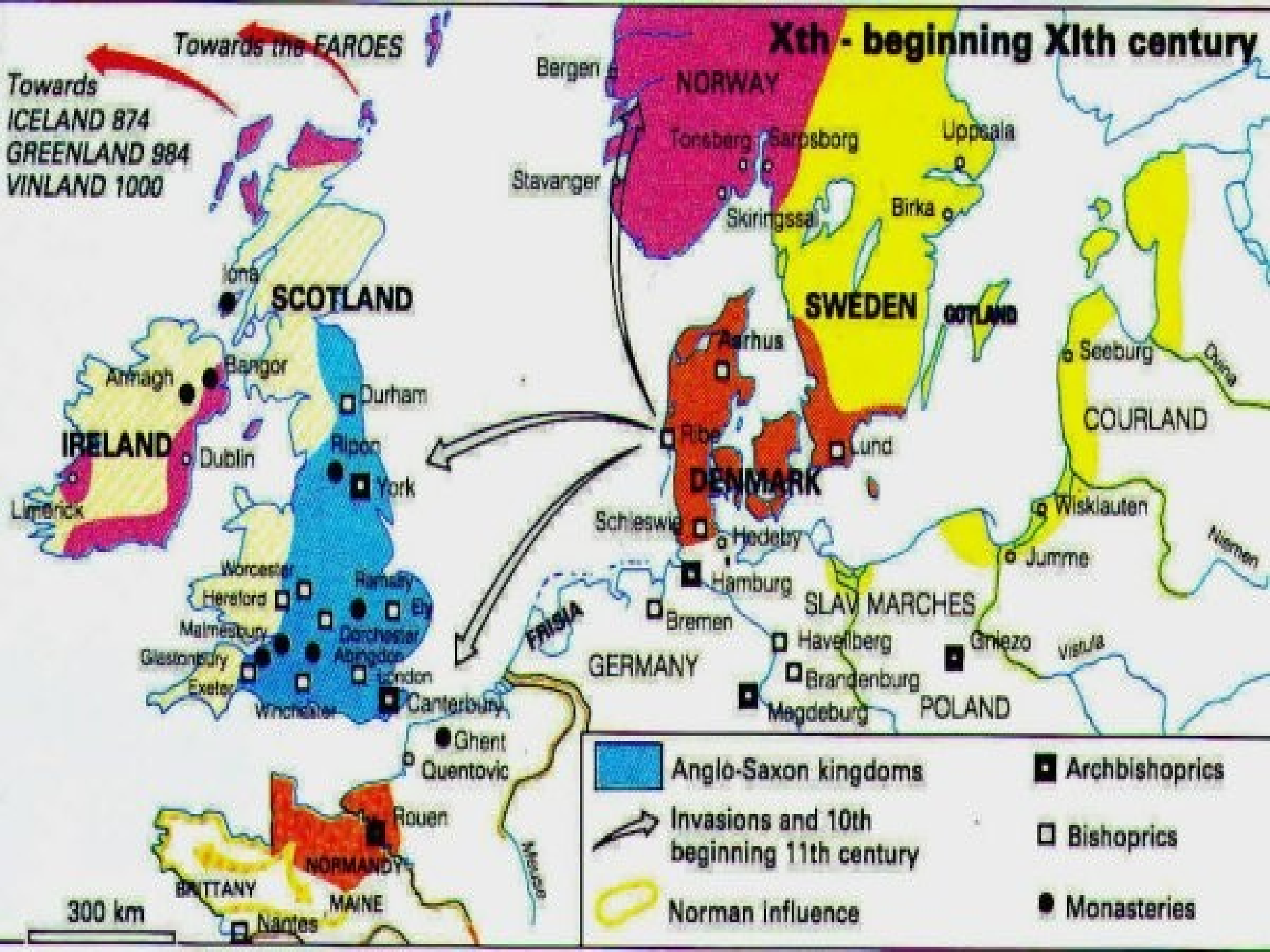
### ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES

- 6 Sutton Hoo
- 7 Mucking
- 8 York
- 9 Canterbury
- 10 London
- 11 Winchester
- 12 Cuernersburg

### BATTLE SITES







- 13 Maldon
- 14 Hastings
- 15 Edington
- 16 Stamford Bridge







## Major empires and trade routes

- |   |  |
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|  Viking activity    |  Islamic caliphate |
|  Holy Roman Empire |  Song Empire      |
|  Byzantine Empire  |  Indian kingdoms  |



Largest cities in  
A.D. 1000, ranked  
from 1 to 15

Trade routes

0 500 1000  
Miles



Viking  
longship  
figurehead

## VIKING KINGDOMS

Population: **1-2 million**

Religion: **Norse polytheism**

Exports: **slaves, furs, honey, gems, ivory, weapons, timber**

The line between trade and piracy was often ignored by the Vikings, who frequently used intimidation to obtain goods from unwilling trading partners. Based in Scandinavia, these expert mariners went south and west to settle in northern France, Britain, Iceland, and Greenland, and east to settle in Russia.



Byzantine coin

## BYZANTINE EMPIRE

Population: **20 million**

Religion: **Christianity**

Exports: **silk, purple cloth, ivory, luxury wares**

Economic self-sufficiency fostered a strict provincialism among the Byzantines. Commerce was closely controlled by the government, and Byzantine traders were discouraged from venturing beyond its reach. Foreign traffickers brought in spices, perfumes, and gems from the Islamic world and slaves, furs, and wax from Russia.

ATLANTIC OCEAN



Seville

Muslim merchants from North Africa spent two months riding camels across the Sahara in order to trade their salt for gold in the kingdom of Ghana.

Audaghost  
KINGDOM OF GHANA  
Timbuktu  
Kumbi Saleh

ETHIOPIA

Arab sea routes

Arabian Sea

Indian Kingdoms

Thanjavur

Angkor



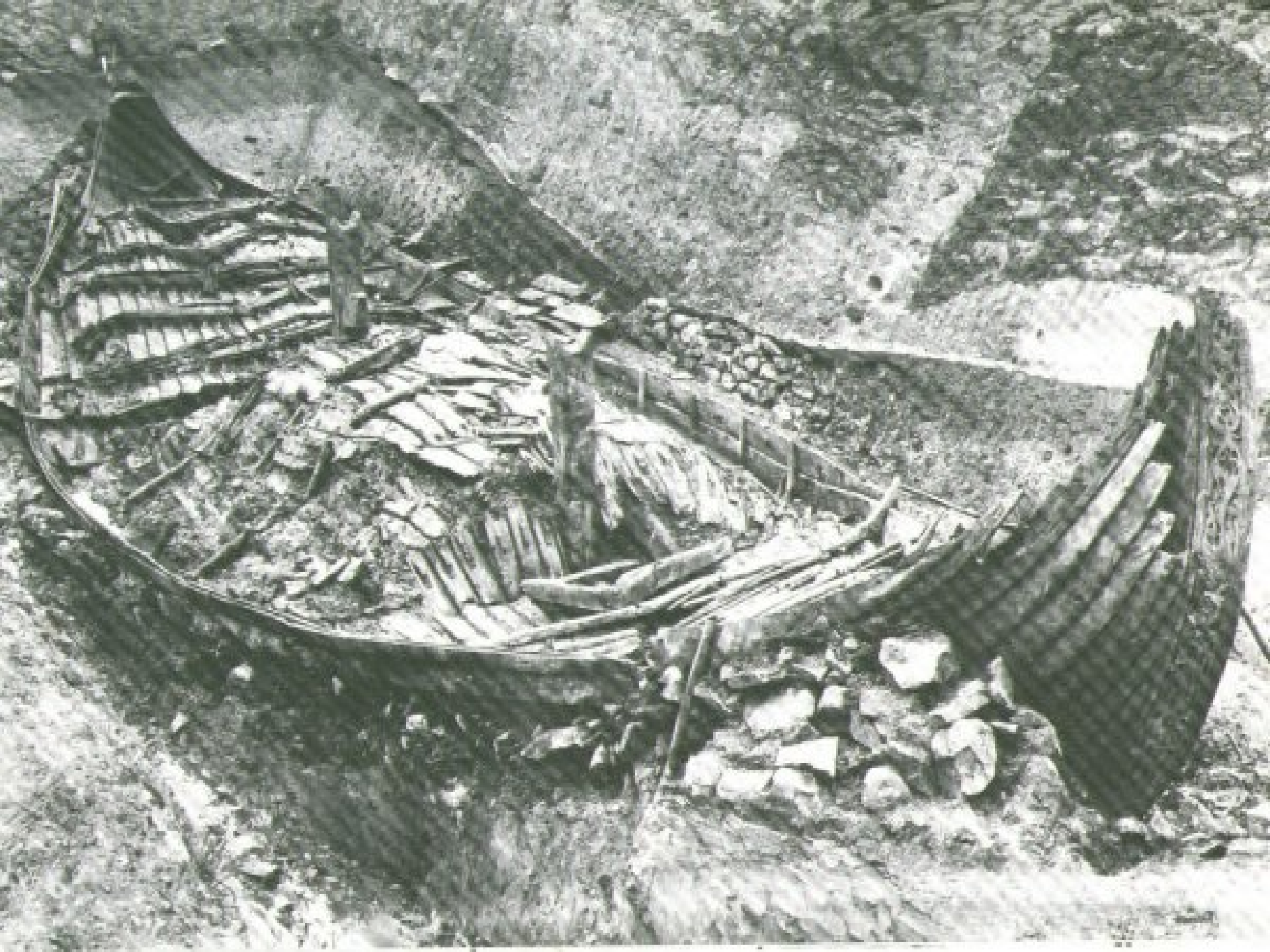
# ***VIKING SHIPS***

***LONGSHIPS***

***DRAGON SHIPS***

















# ***VIKING FUNERALS***





# Cousin Olaf Dies

Cousin Olaf is dying from his battle wounds. At his bedside, Knut and Astrid pray to the Viking gods to help save the famous chieftain's life.

They believe that their gods are magnificent heroes, who can perform great feats of magic and strength and who are powerful, fearless warriors.

The family beg Thor, god of thunder, and Odin, chief of the gods, to answer their prayers. Without their help and powers, Olaf Strongarm will die.

## 1 At Olaf's Bedside

Olaf lies motionless, as if he were dead. His neck is covered with wounds. The chieftain is dying. Knut and Astrid are praying for his life.



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Prayers and medicine did not save Olaf's life. His grief-stricken wife prepared his body for burial. Olaf will be buried in his best clothes and finest jewelry.



Olaf's body is carried to the family cemetery in a horse-drawn wagon. His father, also a great chieftain, and his mother were buried there when they died.



Two of Olaf's finest horses and his faithful hunting dog are led away to be killed. By magic, the people believe, they will live again with Olaf in his after-life.

## 5 The Burial



Because he was such a famous and wealthy man, Cousin Olaf is buried with his warship. A special wooden chamber has been built on the deck for him to lie in.

The Vikings believe that Olaf will sail in his ship to another world. His most treasured and useful possessions are buried with him to help him in this life after death.

He will probably live in Valhalla, the Viking heaven. Here the gods Odin has a special hall for the dead. Only the bravest and greatest warriors go to Valhalla.

## How Other Vikings are Buried



Poor people are buried in a big hole in the ground with a few of their belongings. This Viking woman has two spindles, a comb and a barrel of milk in her grave.



Sometimes dead Viking warriors are buried on a pile of wood called a pyre. Their weapons are bent, their spears broken and shields cracked and thrown on the fire with them.



This slave was killed to be buried with his master. Very few slaves die like this. Because he was a great warrior, his master has a wood-lined grave.









# VIKING CONTRIBUTIONS

*TRADE*

*EXPLORATION*

*WARFARE*



***THE RUS***

***TRADING***

***FIRST RUSSIAN KINGDOM***





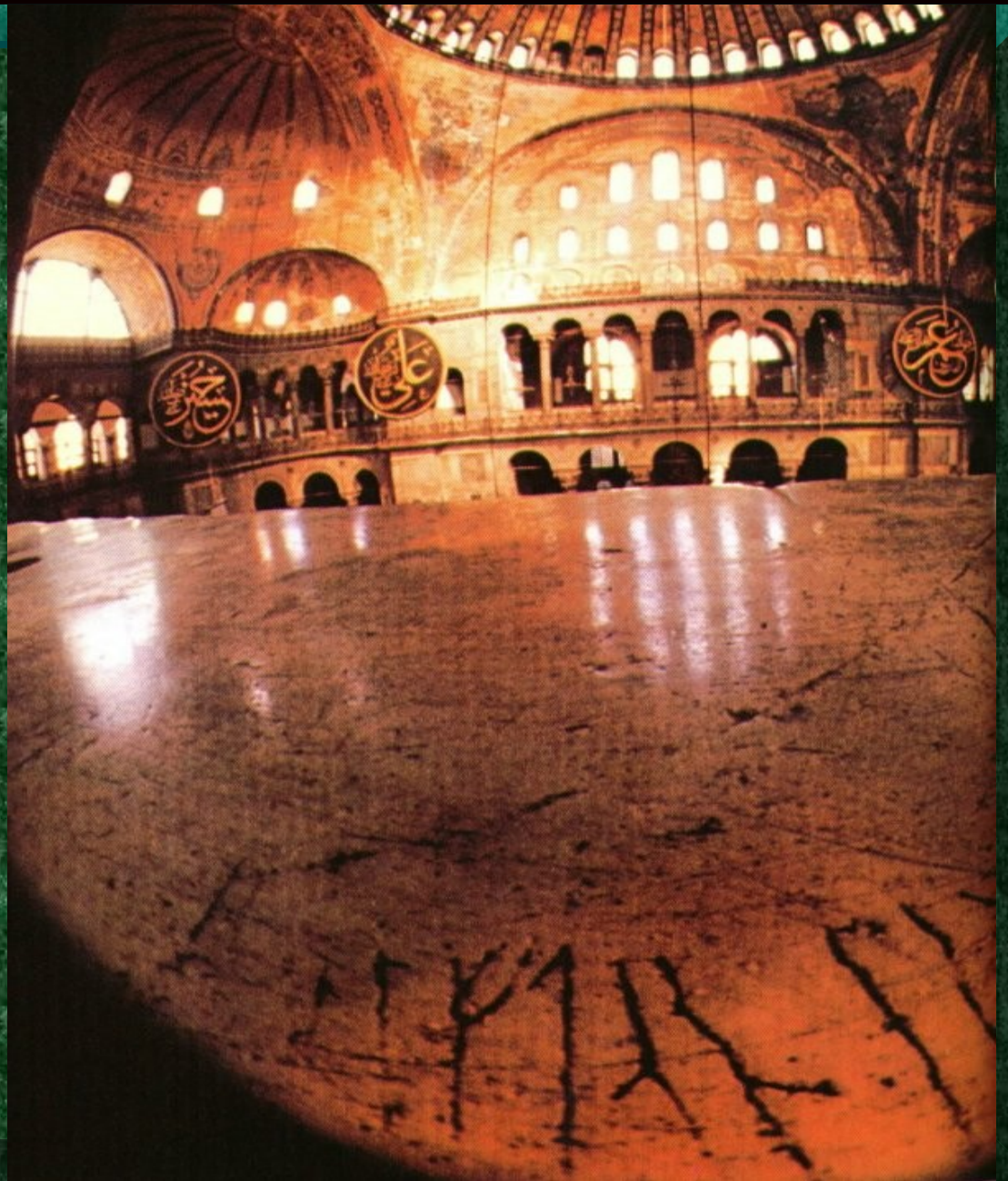




***VIRANGIAN GUARD***

***BODYGUARD OF BYZANTINE  
EMPEROR***

“HALFTAN WAS  
HERE”  
HAGIA SOPHIA





***NORMANDY***

***ROLLO AND ROLF GRANGER***









***PARLIAMENTS***

***MEETING OF ELDERS***

***THE THING***



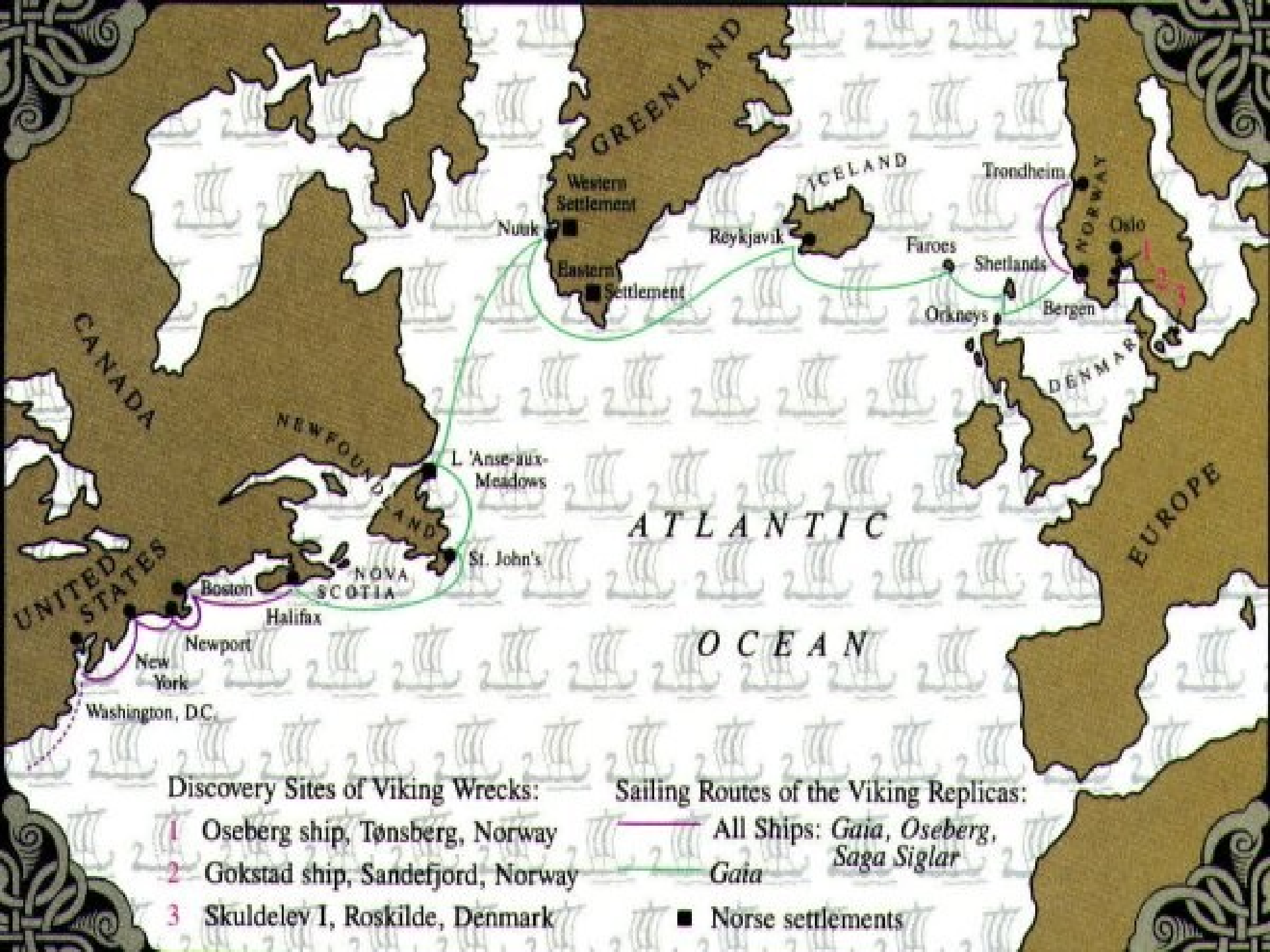


***THE ALTHING OF ICELAND***  
OLDEST PARLIAMENT  
IN THE WORLD HAS MET  
SINCE 930 A.D.

# ***EXPLORATION***

***ICELAND,  
GREENLAND  
VINLAND(AMERICA)***





#### Discovery Sites of Viking Wrecks:

- 1 Oseberg ship, Tønsberg, Norway
- 2 Gokstad ship, Sandefjord, Norway
- 3 Skuldelev I, Roskilde, Denmark

#### Sailing Routes of the Viking Replicas:

- All Ships: *Gaia*, *Oseberg*, *Saga Siglar*
- *Gaia*
- Norse settlements

