# Pirates Mini-figures Part V

Nobody Expected Them!



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The Leader

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Armour of the Imperial Armada



A morion



A cuirass

morion is a type of open helmet used during the 16th and early 17th centuries, usually having a flat brim and a crest from front to back. The morion, though generally identified with Spanish conquistadors, it was also common among foot soldiers of all nationalities. Inexpensive production costs aided its popularity and dissemination.

The morion's shape is derived from that of an older helmet, the Chapel de Fer, or "Kettle Hat."

uirass (French cuirasse, Latin coriaceus, made of leather, from corium, the original breastplate being of leather), the plate armour, is formed of a single piece of metal or other rigid material or composed of two or more pieces, which covers the front of the wearer's person.

By about 1550 the breast-piece of the cuirass was characterized by a vertical central ridge, called the tapul, having near its centre a projecting point; this projection, somewhat later, was brought lower down, and eventually the profile of the plate, the projection having been carried to its base, assumed the singular form which led to this fashion of the cuirass being distinguished as the peascod cuirass.

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ow wait a minute - wasn't the **Imperial** Armada responsible wiping the Mesoamerican civilisations? The civilisations yes, but the tribes were a different matter. When you're out numbered a hundred to one in a strange land thousands of miles from home you're going to want local allies. Cortez, the conquistador who conquered the Aztecs realised this all to well and cleverly allied with the tribes who were at war with the great civilisation. Strategies like this were very effective and as a result were published in the Imperial Armada handbook so other inspiring conquistadors could achieve much success.

Bizarro strongly desired to conquer the Brickotecs lead by Emperor Achu so he very promptly made an alliance with the Islanders. In exchange for thus union Bizarro rid the Indigo Islands of the bothersome Captain Ironhook whose pirating career took an ill turn not long afterwards.

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ortes took advantage misconception by the Indians that was Quetzaquotal, an Aztec god. After being welcomed warmly because of this misconception, Cortez secretly took Montezuma, the ruler of the Aztec kingdom, hostage and ruled the country through him. After Cortes had finished getting gold and other riches from the Aztecs, he killed Montezuma. Pizarro, on the other hand, invited the Inca prince Atahuallpa into their camp, and deceitfully captured him and killed all his companions. Although Atahuallpa followed his promise to fill a room with gold and other riches that was 22 x 17 feet in size, Pizarro killed him. Without a leader, the unorganized and confused Inca army was defeated by the lesser force of the Spaniards.

The Aztecs had a fable that said one day the banished god Quezelquazal would return from the sunrise as a man with pale skin and a beard. So, imagine how the Aztec's felt when a fleet of big white boats came over the horizon carrying pale men in beards.

But it wasn't strategies and alliances that wiped out the great civilisations of the new world. Diseases such as small pox and influenza played a large part as the locals lacked immune systems which were capable of dealing with

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#### The Undead

I need something witty and clever to say!



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