

(Time Period/Culture)

700-800 AD Frankish/Saxon/Dane

1. Names

- Lists of masculine and feminine given names suitable for early Germanic personae, taken from Gregory of Tours' *History of the Franks* and from *Two Lives of Charlemagne*, published by Penguin Classics. [Early Germanic Names from Primary Sources](https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/french.shtml), by Nicolaa de Bracton (<https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/french.shtml>)
- A large collection of men's and women's names taken from a number of fine sources. For each name, the author indicates the centuries and regions in which he found it, how many instances he found, variant spellings, and which sources he consulted. He includes an article on customs in using and construction Dutch names and some useful discussion of how spellings changed over time in the section *Variations through the centuries and between regions*. The discussion of bynames breaks down the usage of bynames by century, social class, and gender; and shows what kinds of bynames were used by men and women in each class. His sources are rather varied, and some are not entirely reliable as sources of spellings used in Dutch; but his notes make it easy to identify the source of a particular name. [Names in the Low Lands before 1150](https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/lowcountries.shtml), by Kees Nieuwenhuijsen (<https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/lowcountries.shtml>)
- A list of about 130 names of rents due to Werden Abbey, located on Ruhr River near Essen. Combination of Frank, Saxon, and Dane names. [10th Century Frisian Masculine Names](https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/lowcountries.shtml), by Talan Gwynek (<https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/lowcountries.shtml>)

2. Clothing

- The northern part of the Frankish Realm, (Saxony) would have traded with Hedeby, Birka, London, and Jorvic. This is a Hedeby/Birka/Danish style Kaftan: <https://skogsduva.wordpress.com/2013/03/20/viking-coat-pattern/>
- Lots of examples on how to sew wool and linen. Most of the wool examples comes from Hedeby. <http://heatherrosejones.com/archaeologicalsewing/>
- Men, Women, and Accessories from mainland Saxony, Thorsburg, and Frankia. Appearance of Pagan Anglo-Saxons. <http://mahan.wonkwang.ac.kr/link/med/england/anglo-saxon/culture/dress.html> <http://www.angelcynnreenactmentsociety.org.uk/>
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- Thorsberg trousers, and other great hose-type-pants <http://urd.priv.no/viking/bukser.html> <http://svenshaithabureise.blogspot.com/2012/06/rekonstruktion-der-haithabu-beinlinge.html>

Thorsberg Tunic http://www.kelticos.org/gallery/main.php?g2_itemId=4055

Bernuthsfeld Tunic <http://fyeah-history.tumblr.com/post/56791143493/front-and-back-of-the-bernuthsfeld-mans>

Guddal Tunic <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/564287028290354357/>

Men's Gusseted Kirtle from Mammen Denmark
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762643512062/>

Clothing and Accessories found at Hedeby and Thorsberg
<http://www.vikingsonline.org.uk/resources/authenticity/basickit/>

Tunics of the Franks <https://www.pinterest.com/alainaarria/merovingian/>

Merovingian/Frankish clothing <https://www.pinterest.com/lonemuse/merovingian-frankish/>

Shoes from the Schleswig-Hamburg area. Godfred the Dane, invaded this area of Saxony, later his son started to build round fort towns to protect the area from Frankish aggression.
<http://aands.org/raisedheels/Other/Viking/viking.php> <http://scargeear.deviantart.com/art/SD-BJD-Viking-Mammen-shoes-471640855>

Dorestad Mitten <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647894857/>
<http://dpc.uba.uva.nl/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=jalc;sid=d452cd3d28157ec44136a436aae473fc;idno=m0201a02;view=text;rgn=div2;cc=jalc;node=m0201a02:5.1>

3. Accessories

- ALU (Runic spell or charm) Ansuz, Languz, Uruz. Carved and casted into jewelry, coins, armor, weapons. (God speak-answer strong). A Prayer or dedication. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alu_\(runic\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alu_(runic))
- Dorestad beads, fibula, houses, glass beakers, silver denarius coins
http://www.dorestadonthuld.nl/English_general.html
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/325033298077840590/>
- Brooches [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fibula_\(brooch\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fibula_(brooch))
- Merovingian brooch 6th cent France <https://www.flickr.com/photos/kotomi-jewelry/2392553162/>
- Dorestad brooch <http://www.rmo.nl/english/collection/highlights/netherlands-collections/dorestad-brooch>
- Frankish brooch <http://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/465810>
http://www.craftycelts.com/Jewelry/brooch/Frankish_Brooch.html
<https://www.pinterest.com/aladavas/longobardi/>
- Hedeby bag, Birka bag, Gokstad bag <http://vikinghandcraft.blogspot.com/2012/10/the-gokstad-chieftains-pouch.html> <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762646819453/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762645567624/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762645371588/>

<http://www.vikingsonline.org.uk/resources/authenticity/basickit/basickit14.html>

<http://new.armourandcastings.com/category/nabory-dlja-sumok/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762645367914/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644630380/>

<https://nattmal.wordpress.com/2015/05/14/haithabu-bag-1/>

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/historiska/6876043379/in/photostream>

- Hedebý Archery quiver http://www.cordez.de/amc_koecher.html

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647859439/>

- Hedebý scabbard end piece. <http://www.wikinger-in-daenemark.de/haithabu-museum-neu/Schwertortband.htm>

- The Spear, the most commonly used weapon. Cheaper to make and replace than a sword.

http://www.hurstwic.org/history/articles/manufacturing/text/viking_spear.htm

- Karl sends a letter to Abbot Fulrad, telling him how to outfit his vassals to go to war. This would make a good camping list for Pennsic. <http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/source/carol-sum1.asp>

- Almost all shields are round, covered with linen, edged with rawhide, and use a shield boss, both Viking and Frankish.

<http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/works-of-art/1984.184.1,2/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644494053/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/366621225896672373/>

- Langobardic Shield Boss. The Popular raven-dragon triskele motif seen also in broaches. Fish and crosses are used by the Christians.

<http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/works-of-art/1984.184.1,2/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/549861435727262817/>

<http://indulgy.com/post/W4MKUDjS63/langobardic-shield-boss-c-th-century>

https://www.facebook.com/pg/Wulfheodenas/about/?entry_point=page_nav_about_item&ref=page_internal

4. Homes

- Pre-Romanesque Architecture for Churches, Palaces, and Abby's. Where court was held.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pre-Romanesque_art_and_architecture

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolingian_architecture

<https://www.pinterest.com/iconofile/carolingian-architecture/>

- When traveling, trading or on military campaign, use a Saxon Geteld Tent.

<http://www.ydalir.co.uk/crafts/tent/pattern.htm>

http://regia.ca/getelds/Geteld_plan_A.jpg

- Homes of Hedeby. Similar to Birka, Dorestad, Jorvic, and Dublin.
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648800050/> [http://www.euro-t-guide.com/See Coun/Germany/D NW/D See Viking Museum Haithabu 2-1.htm](http://www.euro-t-guide.com/See_Coun/Germany/D_NW/D_See_Viking_Museum_Haithabu_2-1.htm)
<http://www.vikingsofbjornstad.com/MuseumHaithabu.htm>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648800056/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647895126/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647895045/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647894807/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762647859488/>

5. Furnishings

- Inventory compiled by the steward (seneschal) of one of Karl's estates. It gives insight into manor homes owned by him, and his vassals. It includes the cost of home furnishings, and animals, and the types of plants grown in its gardens.
<http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/halsall/source/800Asnapium.asp>
- Dagobert's Throne <http://www.trendir.com/herbeau-powder-1/>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dagobert_I
- Hedeby Throne <http://foter.com/photo/37-haithabu-26-04-2009/>
- Traveling Thrones <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762643078665/>
<http://hjortviking.de/tl/Bau-eines-Wikingerk.oe.niginnenstuhls.htm>
<http://www.greydragon.org/furniture/chairs/index.html>
- Lanterns <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648214881/> Hedeby oil lamps
<http://hakkon-aetterni.at/gallery2/v/Bildungsreise/Haithabu/Tranlampen.html>
- Hand cart from Birka <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644493329/>
- Folding Chair <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644348831/>
- Hanging baskets of Hedeby <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762643165867/>
- Hanging shelf of Hedeby, bag, lantern, and pottery.
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648800072/>

6. Food

- Medieval Anglo Saxon Recipes <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/afs/cs/Web/People/mjw/recipes/ethnic/historical/med-anglosaxon-coll.html>
- Feast Gear, Pitchers found in Birka, and Hedeby, and Sweden <http://mis.historiska.se/mis/sok/fid.asp?fid=106827>
<http://mis.historiska.se/mis/sok/fid.asp?fid=524156&g=1>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762649092773/>
- Lombard pitchers <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/167336942383181015/>
- Glass cups made in Cologne found in Birka <http://www.jelldragon.com/glass.htm>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644507349/>
<http://mis.historiska.se/mis/sok/fid.asp?fid=106820&g=1>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/147422587778407875/>
<http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/works-of-art/81.10.189/>
<http://www.kourgane.com/Frankish-glass-5th-C-bbaaaaala.asp>
<https://ancientglass.wordpress.com/museums-glass-collections-and-exhibitions/the-victoria-and-albert-museum/over-view-of-frankish-and-merovingian-glass/>
- Clay mugs from Birka <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648981404/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648671098/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648014816/>
- Horse Head Ale Bowl <http://www.ingebretsens.com/hand-made-treasures/tokheim/horse-head-ale-bowl.html>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762644348977/>
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762643511897/>

7. Past times,

- Hnefatafl/Table/Kings Table <http://hem.bredband.net/b512479/>
- Tafl Games https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tafl_games

8. Medical Tools, Herbal, Apothecary

- German Sage Mead <https://aethelmearcgazette.com/2015/10/03/german-sage-mead/>

9. Important People

- 600 AD Bishop Kunibert of Cologne. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cunibert>
- 750AD Karl takes back Dorestad from the Frisians. Invests heavily in the trading town, creates mint, and builds wharfs, loading docks . builds church at Utrecht.
- The life of **Charlemagne**, by Einhard. <http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/halsall/basis/einhard.asp>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vita_Karoli_Magni

- 775-840 AD. **Einhard**. Frankish scholar at Karl's court. Teacher and administer to Karl and his son Louis. **Einhard** wrote Karl's biography. Raised in the Monastery at Fulda, founded by Boniface.
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Einhard>
- 735-804 AD. **Alcuin of Tours**
- 801-865 AD. Life of **Ansgar**, written in period by Bishop Rimbert. Ansgar was a Frankish ambassador to the Norse. He was able to build a church in Schlesvig, Hedeby and Birka. He Traveled with Herald Klak, a Danish king in Exile, living in Karls court at Aachian.
<http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/basis/anskar.asp>
- 735-804 AD. The life of **Willibrord** by Alcuin. 11 campaigns to convert the Danes and Saxons of Frisia. Tried to convert Radbod the Dane, to stop Viking raids.
<http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/basis/Alcuin-willibrord.asp>
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Willibrord>
- **Dicuil** Irish Monk, teacher at Karl's court. Taught Louis geography, and the measurements of the Earth. He Knew longitude, latitude, that the poles were frozen, and the Earth was round. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dicuil>
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- 780-856 AD. **Rabanus Maurus**. The, "Teacher of Germany". Studied under Alcuin. Wrote the encyclopedia, "The Natures of Things", and many other books. Managed the Abby School at Fulda. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rabanus_Maurus
- 777-785 AD. **Widukind**. Leader of the Saxons, and Chief opponent of Charlemagne. After 10 yrs of war with Charlemagne, Widukind surrenders, gets baptized and retires to an unknown abbey. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Widukind>
- Great list of Viking kings, and Yarls separated by sources. Of significance is **Rorik** (Horik) **Godfredson** who pulled a "Rollo", by invading the Rhine, taking Dorestad, then was awarded a fief by Frankia's, Louis the Pious, to protect the Rhine from other invaders with limited success. **Herald Klak** (Rorik's brother/uncle?) who lived at Charlemagne's court for some time, and **Godfred** (Rorik's father) who invaded Hamburg-Schlesvig.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_legendary_kings_of_Denmark
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Horik_I
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harald_Klak

- 778-840 AD **Louis the Pious**. Son of Charlemagne, ruler of the Franks. He divides the kingdom between his sons, and they start a civil war, ending the stability Charlemagne created, the end of an era. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louis_the_Pious

10. Important Events

- Charlemagne starts to invest heavily into Monasteries in NW France. One Abby has 300 Monks, 100 students, 110 knights with their own chapel, and 300 peasants-servants. The Abby of St. Martin of Tours is worked by 20,00 surfs. The Centula St. Riquier Abby has 300 monks and 100 clerks paying 247 for Karl's health and salvation in 3 shifts.
- 30 year war to convert the Pagan Saxons to Christianity and bring it into the Frankia Empire. 18 engagements, 1.6 battles a year. Written in Period. Annales regni Francorum. <http://deremilitari.org/2013/06/medieval-warfare-in-the-reign-of-charlemagne/>
- 772 AD Karl cuts down the Irminsul tree central to Saxon Religion. Same as Scandinavian Yggdrasil tree. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Irminsul>
- 800 AD. Karl Saved Rome and Pope Leo from the Lombard's, He then becomes Emperor of the newly conceived Holy Roman Empire.
- Major inventions happen around 800 AD. 3 crop rotation (Wheat, Rye, and one Fallow). Metal tools like the turn plow. The crank, which leads to rotary grindstones, the Hurdy Gurdy, and water wheels. Horse shoes, saddles, plow, and stirrups, which leads to Calvary, and Chivalry knights.
- In 845 Saracens Muslims invade Spain.

11. Artists (Paintings)

- Echternach Gospels created by Willibrord. From Lindesfarn, spent his life trying to convert the Danes, Created Hiberno-Saxon style of Illumination in Mainland Europe, saved Lindisfarne, and Durham Gospels from Viking invasion. Created the Abby of Echternach. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Echternach_Gospels
- Hiberno-Saxon Illumination https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Insular_art
- Carolingian Minuscule used in Illumination https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolingian_minuscule

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolingian_art

- Carolingian Minuscule developed in the vast library and scriptorium at Corbie Abby, an important center for reproductions of Greek Antiquity literature.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Corbie_Abbey

- Stuttgart Psalter. Written in 820 at Monastery of St. Germain near Paris. Great paintings and insight into the clothes and armor of the Franks, a Saxon lute, and beasts.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stuttgart_Psalter

[http://digital.wlb-](http://digital.wlb-stuttgart.de/sammlungen/sammlungliste/werksansicht/?no_cache=1&tx_dlf%5Bid%5D=1343)

[stuttgart.de/sammlungen/sammlungliste/werksansicht/?no_cache=1&tx_dlf%5Bid%5D=1343](http://digital.wlb-stuttgart.de/sammlungen/sammlungliste/werksansicht/?no_cache=1&tx_dlf%5Bid%5D=1343)
[&tx_dlf%5Bpage%5D=1](http://digital.wlb-stuttgart.de/sammlungen/sammlungliste/werksansicht/?no_cache=1&tx_dlf%5Bid%5D=1343)

<http://www.ziereisfacsimiles.com/stuttgart-psalter>

- Carolingian art <https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/medieval-world/latin-western-europe/carolingian1/a/carolingian-art-an-introduction>

12. Musicians (Songs)

- Speak Forsythly <https://www.babbel.com/en/magazine/139-norse-words>
- The song of Roland https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Song_of_Roland
- The Song of Roland <http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/basis/roland-ohag.asp>
- Songs and images of a Saxon Lyre, and a Hedeby Rebec

<http://regia.org/research/misc/music.htm> <http://www.ancientmusic.co.uk/instruments.html>

- Bowed Lyre used in Birka <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jouhikko>

<http://etnostils.lv/lv/galerija/tradmuzika/stigu/stigu.php#::>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648995773/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/300122762648734647/>

- Karl Ordinarily spoke Old German, but was fluent in Latin and a little Greek, was fond of music, had his own boys' choir. Collected old Frankish Ballads (most were destroyed by his son, Louis the Pious). Compiled the German Language.

- King Karl of the Franks, was passionate about education and music. He ordered all monks to copy books and treatises in music theory. *Musica Enchiriadis* tried to establish musical rules across several of the Frankish cultures Karl ruled over. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Musica_enchiriadis

- Danish Music to Research: Bagsecg was a Viking singer and served as Court Musician to Aethelred the Unready. Herald Fairhair created Prussia's, Odin Beard Reel Dance.
- Lament for a Cuckoo by **Alcuin**. <http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/Halsall/pwh/alcuin1.asp>
- St Patrics Breast Plate. Lorica protection prayer-chant, "the cry of the Deer" . Influenced by Celtic spirituality [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorica_\(prayer\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorica_(prayer))
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- The Mead of Poetry. A great story for a bard to know when doing business around a fire or Meadhall owned by the Saxons or Danes.
http://www.hurstwic.org/history/articles/mythology/myths/text/mead_of_poetry.htm
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mead_of_poetry
<http://norse-mythology.org/tales/the-mead-of-poetry/> <https://youtu.be/GUlrcii0ljs>