## Arthur and the Anglo-Saxon Wars

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## **Comments:**

This is a standard Men-at-Arms treatment, this time of British military history from the end of Roman rule through the Dark Ages to the Norman Conquest. The legendary King Arthur gets some discussion. There are photos of contemporary sculptures and of surviving bits of armor, along with numerous line drawings of arms and fortifications. The text is heavily weighted toward the political and cultural turmoil of the times. Battles and campaigns get only incidental mention

--George Arnold

