

Additional Pictures - Chapter 1

Illustration

Here is the backside view of the kilij of Sultan Selim I (\approx 1466 - 1520), a warrior sultan of the Ottoman Empire nicknamed "Yavuz", something like "grim", "stern", or "*implacable*", who reigned from 1512 to 1520.

During his reign the Ottoman Empires expanded enormously and not peacefully. His kilij, upon closer inspection, does show clear traces of usage in battle.

The front side sports elaborate gold inlays saying, for example: In the name of Allah, the Compassionate, the Merciful". If your God is merciful and compassionate, you can be "Yavuz", it seems.



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Source: "[Weapons of Warriors](#)"

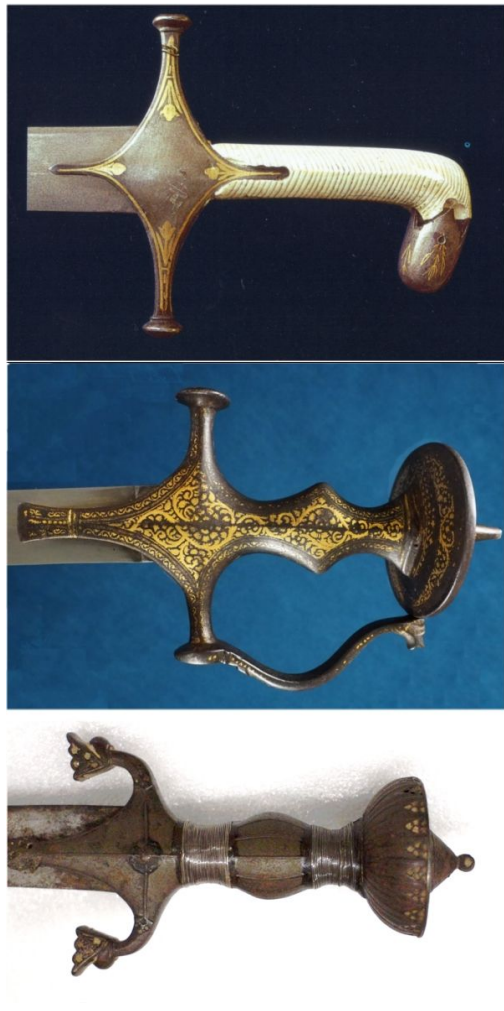
The tulwar from the (English) Wikipedia article:



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Source: Wikipedia

Typical hilts of samshir, tulwar and pulwar



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Source: Top: One of the samshirs seen [Khorasani's beautiful book](#). Middle: My tulwar. Bottom: Internet

▶ The "Metropolitan "show-off" nimcha (top) and my nimcha from "[the book](#)" (bottom)



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Important Turkish guys and Yatagan wearers sucking up to a really important guy.



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Source: From Gözde Yasar's book: : "Askeri Müze Yatagan Koleksiyonu"; 2009. Gözde's picture caption is different from mine above

Two Degen (or épées if you insist). Supposedly with a triangular cross-section. The blades are not as long as they appear: 80 cm and 75,5 cm.



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Source: Internet auction

A longsword as shown in the [Copenhagen archaeological museum](#)



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Source: Photographed 2015 in the Stockholm museum

Some "messer". Note the simple hilt construction



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