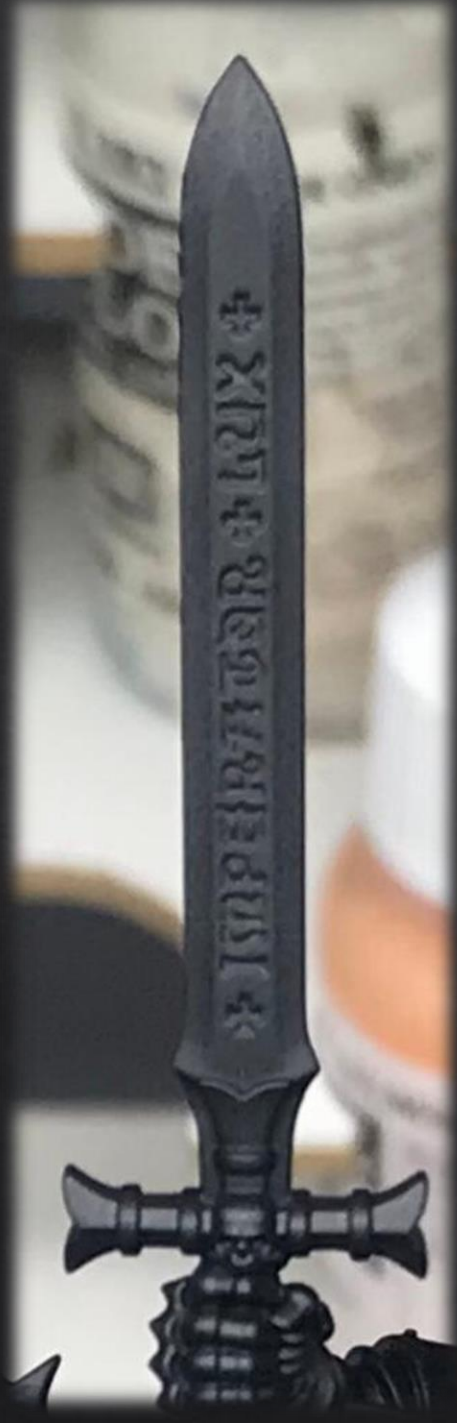The emperors
champion sword
Step-by-step

◇Paints required

Sword

- Dark blue grey (Vallejo mc)

- French blue (AK interactive)
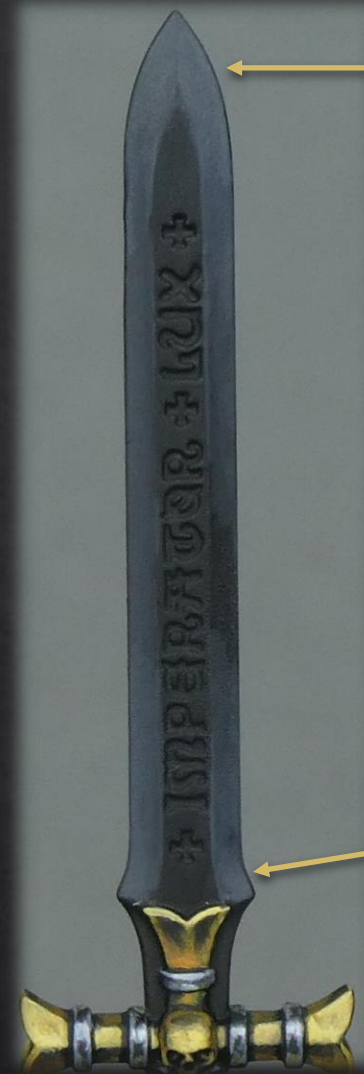
- White

- Corvus black

- Dark sea grey (Vallejo mc)

Before we start painting the miniature, we locate the light reflections on the sword blade, by taking a picture of it under our desklamp. I primed it in Chaos Black as it has a great shine to it. I have added a guide for how to locate light reflections in the post description.

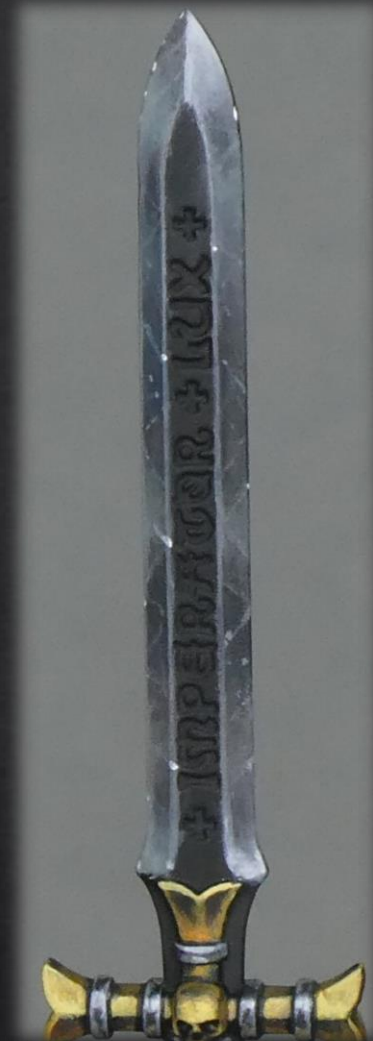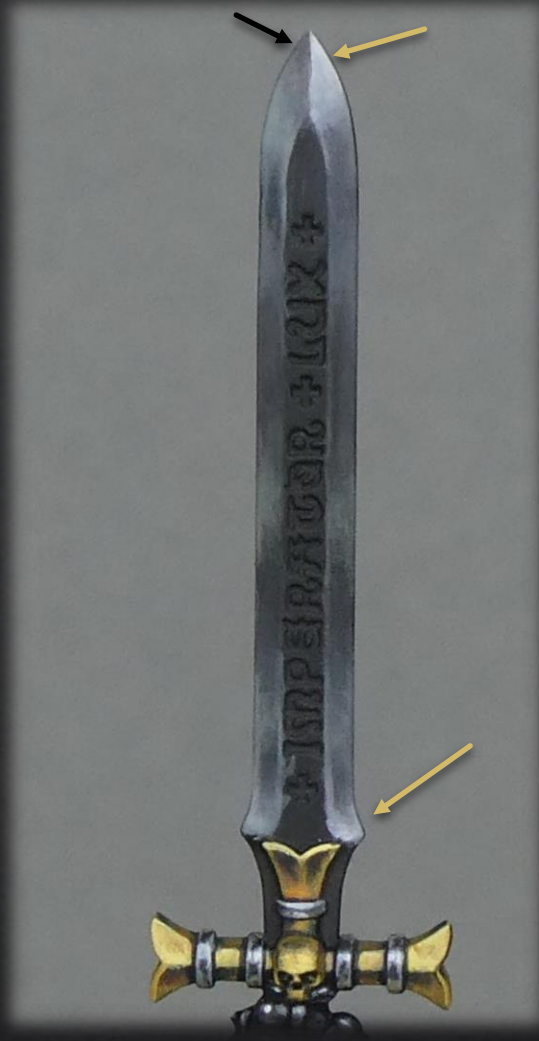**We start by basecoating the blade with corvus black.**

We now glaze the upper & lower quarter of the blade by adding 1 part of dark blue grey to the corvus black. Add 2-3 parts o water.

We now add 1 part more of dark blue grey & glaze towards the center of the light reflections.

We now add 2 secondary light reflections on each sides of the blade by adding 1 part of french blue to the basecoat mix – when he glaze it, we make the pigment strongest towards the center of the secondary light reflections. We furthermore glaze the center of the brightest light reflections by adding 1 part of dark sea grey to the previous mix.

We now add 1 part of white & glaze the center of the light reflections on the right side of the blade. We furthermore edge highlight the blade on the edges closest to all the light reflections with the same mix. To push the contrast on the light refleciton on the tip of the blade, we shade the opposite side of the light reflection, closest to the brightest light reflecion with corvus black – add 2-3 parts of water. I have pointed the area out with a black arrow.

We now edge highlight the remaining edges on the blade with dark sea grey. We furthermore add scratches by painting thin lines & dots with dark blue grey. Finally we glaze the very center of the previous light reflections by adding the final part of white. We also add dots of white on some of the areas where the scratches meets the edges.

We now edge highlight all the lower edges of the runes on the center of the blade with a 1:1 mix of dark blue grey & dark sea grey. We furthermore highlight the lower edges of the runes on the upper half of the blade by adding 1 part of white. Add 1 part of water. Done !