

# Review 7948: Outpost Attack

## LEGO® KINGDOMS presentation

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**Set: Outpost Attack**  
**Set number: 7948**  
**Number of parts: 194**  
**Recommended retail price: 19,99€**

After the last Castle series, which appeared in 2007 and mixed medieval nights with fantasy creatures like trolls, gnomes and skeletons, LEGO® has decided to go back to the origins of one of its most classic (and most loved) themes.

Under the name KINGDOMS, a total of 7 sets are launched in 2010, with the main theme of two opposing bands of bands of knights defending their shields. As always, there are the 'good guys' and the 'bad guys'. The first are represented by a lion and the prevailing color of their shield is red. The other band shows a dragon on a green background. In addition, the expressions on the faces are different from one band to another. The lions have a nice and friendly expression while the dragons are more aggressive. The good thing about this characterization is that the only difference is in the faces so roles can easily be changed. This was a lot more complicated in the previous setup, especially in the case of the skeletons.

As a presentation of the new KINGDOMS theme, let's have a look at this small set which represents the defense of a tower, attacked with a trebuchet. It isn't a new set as over the years it has turned up in different forms though with the same background, but it gives us a perspective of what is to come in this series: more detail and similitudes with the classic Castle.

We can see that - as is starting to become usual - both sides of the minifigs are decorated. The helmets and other accessories of both parts are of a different shade of grey. Those of the lions are lighter. As for the construction, much attention has been paid to detail. Although it is a simple construction, it is well finished and the perception is not that of a simple set. There is a small trap in the tower which allows part of the wall to collapse in case of impact from the trebuchet. In turn, the trebuchet, although simple, has some coloured finishing on the wheels, indicating what side it belongs to and which, just like the tower, give the feeling that you build a good quality set.

With KINGDOMS, LEGO has gone back in time, reintroducing a classic of the 80s with an up to date design. The fans of

the different Castle series will be happy with the new turn the theme has taken and I foresee great medieval dioramas in upcoming LUG events.

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