

# VICTOR THE AUXILIARY



**“I’ve been there, seen it, done it, worn the tunic and carried the standard; now I’m saving for a proper retirement. I’ve my eye on a local woman and fancy settling down and opening a *taverna*.”**

A veteran of battles in Germania, Victor was drafted into the Legion *VIII Hispana* after large numbers of soldiers were killed in the battles of AD 61. The campaign against Venutius and the Brigantes here in northern Britannia will be his last before he retires.

A Tungrian by birth, he is looking forward to being made a citizen of Rome, after 25 years in the army he's had enough. It's been a tough few years and he will be glad to make way for younger men.

With his pension he aims to open up a *taverna* back in *Eburacum* where there are plenty of legionaries and veterans like him with a taste for good wine. He might even consider supplying the locals with that disgusting heather ale they seem to enjoy so much.

Victor's *firka* (marching pack) – he can't wait to leave it behind him forever!

