

NARYA

AND

CIRDAN

THE SHIPWRIGHT

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Cirdan was one of the oldest elves in Middle-Earth at the start of the LOTR. His beginning was at Cuivienen when Eru Iluvatar created the original Elves. Unlike most other of his kindred, he did not go to Valinor. His wisdom and foresight were unrivaled among all the Elven kind.

THE DECISION OF CIRDAN -1

“Take this ring, Master, for your labors will be heavy; but it will support you in the weariness that you have taken upon yourself. For this is the Ring of Fire, and with it you may rekindle hearts in a world that grows chill. But as for me, my heart is with the Sea, and I will dwell by the grey shores until the last ship sails.”

THE DECISION OF CIRDAN -1a

A second version by Tolkien:

“For great labors and perils lie before you, and lest your task prove too great and wearisome, take this Ring for your aid and comfort. It was entrusted to me only to keep secret, and here upon the Western-shores it is idle...it should be in nobler hands than mine.”

THE DECISION OF CIRDAN - 2

Cirdan understood the ramifications of using the Elf Ring as long as the One Ring existed. He did not wear it or use it for the thousand years that he hid it.

When he met Olorin, he understood with his foresight that this being was capable of using the power of this Elf Ring without being possessed by it.

OLORIN OF THE UNDYING LANDS



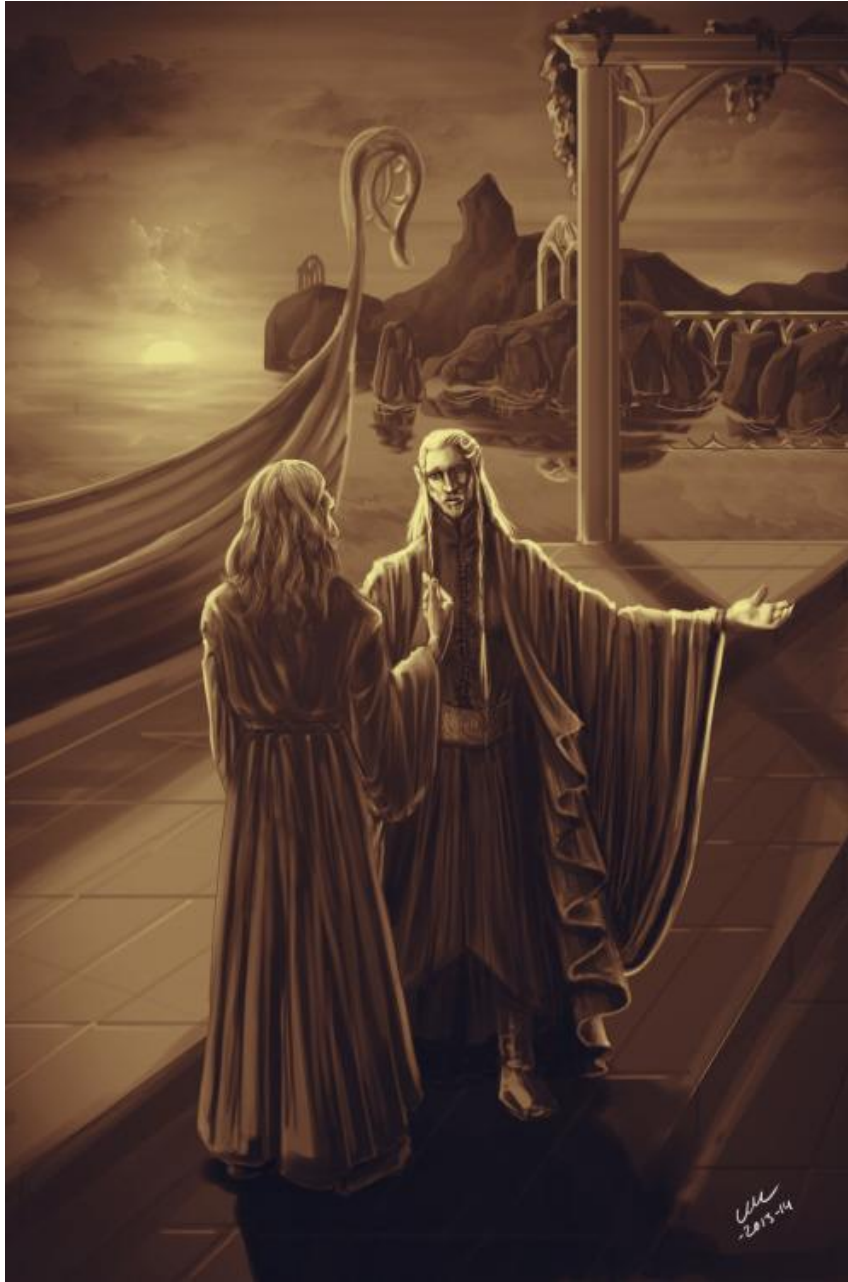
**Olorin
(Gandalf
the Wizard)
as he was in
Middle-Earth**



THE DECISION OF CIRDAN - 3

Rather than having the Elf Ring sit idle along the shores of the Sundering Sea, he voluntarily gave it up to Olorin (later known as Gandalf the Wizard), who would use the Ring's power merged with his own innate force to aid Elves and Men in their struggle with the evil forces aligned with Sauron and his Nazgul.

CIRDAN AND OLORIN 1ST MEETING



THE DECISION OF CIRDAN - 4

By refusing to wear the Elf Ring, Cirdan was not affected by the destruction of the One Ring. He remained at the Grey Havens until he built the last White Ship during the Fourth Age and departed. It was an interesting detail that Cirdan was the only Elf (as described by Tolkien) to have a beard (the movie was wrong!!!).

CIRDAN BEARDLESS???



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THE GREY WIZARD

THE CLAIM OF GANDALF - 1

On the Bridge of Khazad-dum, Gandalf actually reveals the location of the Third Elf Ring, Narya, to a mortal enemy, a Balrog of Morgorth & to the Fellowship:

“I am a servant of the **secret fire, wielder of the flame of Anor. You can not pass. The dark fire will not avail you, flame of Udun. Go back to the Shadow.”**

GANDALF VS. THE BALROG



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**EPIC BATTLE: YOUTUBE GANDALF
VS THE BALROG 6:18 DIVX or 3:34**