

Houses of the Blooded

Aban: “the world forgives
daring”

Abazai: “the cherry blossoms
fall”

Abendago: “the unforgotten
song”

Abhaz: “born in the northern snows”

Aby: “the river’s memory”

achala: farsight

Adrente: “shepherd,” “My weapon is myself.” A
Wolf family name.

aelva danna: the sorcerer-kings

aelvadyn: “little stars,” ornamentation

agotha: “I wait,” spider

ajurna: “the art of pleasure,” hedonism

Alanya: “protector of the home”

Alexai: “the hand and the sword”

alta: “thank you,” gratitude to a lover who has
passed a test.

althua: the party

altrex: “liege lord,” the noble who has direct
authority over one.

altrua: see vaq’in

Alvathen: “The High Alchemical Art,” opera.

Ashla: “rest here”

Asvil: “born of light”

Atami: “thoughtful”

Ato: “first born son”

avala: serpent

Avanadande: Dragon

avirex: “high duke,” earl, head of a House.

avirexa: earl (female.) cf. avirex

Bajinoth: “the wind whispers”

blunda: bad form.

blush’vennan: “mass murder,” warfare.

Burghe: “hill, high place, high fortress.” “Alone, we
stand together.” A Bear family name.

Cavala: “worthy of love”

Chayan: “born of the marsh”

Cosette: “peace of heart”

dacha: duel or dance.

dachanau: “the dance of words,” a formal one-on-
one debate in the Senate, or elsewhere.

Dagul: “father of many”

dalada: thief

Dalven suena: “What you have is what you
deserve,” a principle of ownership.

Dara: “in my arms, be born
again”

Davan: “tall and large”

Davfanna Aldrena: “Hub of the
world. The Shining Star,” the
world’s largest port, also the
Senate.

Dav’ty nonnon: “throwing an insult”

Ddwyer: “hold fast”

Deta: “white and fair”

didjerva: accounting books

Dosajee: “in the Suaven I trust”

Dranna: “the heavens in my eyes”

drende: wolf

Drial: “I am your friend”

dulla: “veiled, invisible,” the color black.

Durt: “worthy of love”

Ecc: “Shanri’s mysteries in my heart”

eshanu: bee or wasp

falin duada: “Puzzle Houses,” ruins.

fashuva: “the fell ones,” evil suaven.

Feyla: “cheerful eyes”

futali: holding a noble for ransom.

fyllyn: marquis(e)

Fyx: “I am alive”

Godfren: “devoted guardian”

grusha: pony, horse used to pull carriages, see also
tarpan

Gryndil: “illuminating the darkness”

Gwanal: “my love will give you no rest”

hajkalay: the Blooded.

Halia: “the hawk’s white wing”

Haroon: “my father rejoices”

hovana: hospitality.

Icusalia: “cottage under the moon”

ilderim: the noble breed of horse used for riding
by the noble class.

illdrua: creature of the invisible world, spectre.

Illudyll: “the soul of the sun”

ilsyrr: “the quiet death,” poison.

Isla: “ever watchful”

itathala: “the silken veil,”

ithuna: “faker,” a failed actor.

Jana: “my truth in you”

jiv: a musical instrument resembling a guitar.

Jorja: “white hands”

kachka: cat

Kavamadii: “purity and grace”
khanurdante: the great elk
kvir tam: “make the Law,” make a decision, as by a Jury.
Kyocera: “I cannot be known”
Lisle: “appointed one”
Lonor: “I am the rival”
Lura: “brightest star”
Maja: “laughter heals”
Maura: “the red widow”
Maurevel: “keeper of the woods”
Meza: “where berries grow”
Moryandal: “inevitable victory”
Mwrr: “servant of the underground,” from the Old Tongue, “I bear Wisdom’s price.” A Serpent family name.
Mxura: “master of the house”
Myri: “full of hope”
Niassa: “the ungentle night”
No: “forbidden kiss”
ohlrex: duke
ojava: a musical instrument resembling a violin or fiddle.
Olivama: “I will fool them with desire”
ork: “other, outsider,” monster
padana: “hurt beyond healing,” heartbroken.
Pala da nata: “don’t break the dishes.” A phrase describing the guest’s obligation.
pallentarro: “the appropriate step,” the law.
pendala: a musical instrument resembling a harpsichord.
poolha: “bashful,” one who does not take narcotics
puja: “quills,” contract writers.
q’al: the fox
Q’naldinir: “Golden Center under the Sky” and “Hub of All Revenge,” the central island.
q’thala: “part the veil,” to take the narcotic italthala.
q’va: the Stillness, Solace.
q’val: monks or priests of the suaven.
q’valrux: “bold nobility,” a noble who claims his title before the Senate.
rajan: “keeper of the law,” a paladin or holy warrior, devoted to the suaven Jonan Drax.
Rajh: “I will die on your grave”
Rali: “my meal will be wine”
Regana: “slender stem”
rhushva: count

r’shana: baron or baroness, the lowest rank of land-owning lord.
ruk: “beneath notice,” creatures who are neither ven nor ork, e.g. peasants, (see also veth.)
Ryandual: “the abandoned plain”
Sagay: “adviser to power”
san: one who has been insulted
Sanna sava: “Are you sincere?,” a response to an insult.
san: one who has insulted another.
sa-suaven: “most holy,” the suaven a ven reverses above all others.
senva: Blood magic, sorcery.
senvada: sorcerer
senvu: “I carry the sword,” a swordsman, also a ritual binding a swordsman to his sword
Shajar: “little rose”
Shanina: “roots of the tallest tree”
Shanri: “the Great Enemy,” the world
Shanru Domya: “the merciless mother,” the world
Shara: “veiled rose”
shivu: the falcon
Shluah veth: “proud dirt,” merchants
shunta van a vera: “wearing the black,” the punishment of ostracism.
shutha: “death’s little kisses,” narcotics.
sh’vla: a unit of measure of unknown definition.
Sitthydeth: “sweetest song”
Sorio: “the warrior brings peace”
Steele: “adamant, enduring.” “I have never surrendered.” An Elk family name.
Suahavan: “the harp”
suaven: the sleeping ones. The dreaming. Ven in the state of Solace.
sush: “moving without a shadow,” the art of silence.
syldana: “binds the bust,” a corset.
sylv: to bind
sysh’venda: “the patient kiss,” poison.
Szazs: “the unrepentant heart”
tala: “When we are reminded that we are not alone,” art.
talashan: “Speaker to the Soil,” an unblooded mystic.
tamtalt: a musical instrument resembling a lute, or sarod.
tarpan: pony, horse used to pull carriages, see also grusha

Tasha: “the green meadow”
Tatjan: “friend of the mountain”
tavala: “juggler,” a wandering bard.
tavalana: “true pain,” the third valid grievance.
Thorne: “wild land, place of trees.” “I am the land.”
 A Falcon family name.
thuaka: a fighting style with spear and shield
thuakatan sen: “you aren’t good enough for the
 Sword.”
Tjan: “most earnest”
toola: a musical instrument resembling a
 hammered dulcimer.
Torr: “iron does not bend”
Trixauna: “daughter of the Sword”
Tshanja: “the education of experience”
tuthallen: generosity, the communal economy of
 the peasants.
tylvarae: artifacts
Tzao: “born of fire”
Ul: “spiced wine”
ushalaven: “mountain men,” barbarians.
ushanavan: schools for young nobles
ushavana: “book for the bed,” pillow book
Uthandaye: “small stone”
uvandir: boar
vala: insult, the first valid grievance.
valae tiquim: “Blood oath.”
valae tyrun: Blood magic, sorcery.
valana: injury, the second valid grievance.
Van: “little one”
vanadanv: ambigrams.
Vangalio: “my deeds will inspire”
Vanglia: “my family will not forget”
vaq’in: “webs of dreaming,” a thick, sticky, white
 substance exuded from the body of older ven.
 See also altrua.
vashna: “investigators,” officers appointed by the
 Senate.
v’dallvyr: “high priests” (of the Suaven cults)
ven: “all of us, we,” the ven race
vet a vasha: “face and fan”
veth: “people of the Soil, dirt,” peasants, see also
 ruk.
voca: a musical instrument resembling a
 didgeridoo.
vrentada: a romance, a work exploring love and
 romance.

vrentae: “holding my heart,” revenge (pronounced
 vren-tae) or romance (pronounced vren-tae).
Vrdj: “joined in harmony”
Weatha: “the elder tree”
Wyel: “I pledge”
worloch: oath-breaker (from the Old Tongue.)
yllanavana: the ven language
ylthalir: “that which cannot be said, only touched
 for a moment,” the purpose of art.
ysalta: a distinguished roadman (yvil) allowed to
 wear his lord’s colors and heraldry, a banneret.
ysava: highest rank of roadman (yvil) are those
 who serve as personal retinue to a noble.
ytola: the submissive spouse.
yv: guardian, keeper, “he who has taken.”
Yvarai: “fox,” “Desire is tamed with a kiss.” A Fox
 family name.
yvaya: “highwayman.” A roadman (yvil) who has
 been given a small parcel of land from his lord.
yvestra: the dominant spouse.
yvil: road warden, roadman, knight, a commoner
 promoted by a noble, often a personal guard.
yvtavia: “guardian of the garter,” a lady’s personal
 guard, c.f. yvil.
zhivali: a deck of cards for fortune telling.
zsanstozs: “the Final Sin,” murder.
Zrudura: “my heart aches”

