SSUNS 2016 Queen Anne's Revenge John Rose Archer (Zachary Wheeler)

Ahoy Mateys! I thought I would never miss sailing as much as I have these past months. It feels great to have the wind blowing through my hair and the ale bubbling in my stomach again. It is time to plunder, and blimey do we have the best fleet in the land. *Queen Anne's revenge*, one of the greatest pyrate ships to ever sail the seven seas. *Adventure*, one of the quickest sloops a man's golden nickel can buy. However, now is not the time to bask in our glory, we



must plunder! We will show no mercy to our enemies, we must steal, we must burn, we must destroy!

Aye, I have learned a great deal of knowledge from my past...endeavours, some have even said that I am the greatest living tactician in the Caribbean. Now me mateys, we will employ these tactics to maximize our pirating abilities and minimize our human losses! Booty for all! First, it is of dire importance to attack an unsuspecting ship from the windward gauge, that is, upwind. Attacking from an upwind allows us to maneuver in any direction we would like, with a limit of directly into the wind. The unsuspecting foe will have no escape!

Next me mateys we must remember that as pyrates, we must utilize the element of surprise. First, we must stalk the unsuspecting ship from a far, analyzing its float and cargo. Then, we may engage in a *Ruse De Guerre;* hoisting the merchant ships home flag to disguise ourselves as allies. Us Mateys can hide beneath the floorboards while the gal pyrates walk unsuspiciously above. The prey ship will allow us to come into close range for a discussion or trading; that is when we attack! Hoist the Jolly Roger and man the cannons!

Aye my fellow pyrates, we must have patience, we MUST not sink their ship. We must capture their ship in whole and capture all enemy crew members. Aiming cannons at the side hulls is too likely to destroy their precious booty, we must fire improvised ammunition at the suckers. Load the cannons with nails, glass, rats, whatever we can find. Then we pounce, throw the grapples and launch the rowboats, we are boarding the prey! Slaughter every living man in our way, our pistols and cutlasses's will destory the buggers. Once we have arrived on the ship, we must find the captain's office, and capture the captain. We will torture the poor man until he screams the location of the hidden fairs, booty, and cargo. Finally, we will search the ship and captain's quarters to find routes, other shipping schedules, and locations of other vessels. With these treasures mi'mateys, we will plunder ship to ship until we have created an EMPIRE.

If ye mateys follow me into battle, we will win glory and booty for all! Aye, preach thy loyalty to captain Edward Teach, BLACKBEARD! Let the sea's tremble in his name. All who oppose our one and true captain will be forced to dance the hempen jig, the ultimate punishment. Aye me mateys my past job has once again showed me that loyalty to your superiors is key, mutiny is not the path to booty for all.

Scallywags and Mates, LET'S MAKE PLUNDERING GREAT AGAIN!

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