## TRUDHEIM

Trudheim is the field in Asgard where Thor's dwelling Bilskirne is located. Thor is one of the Asa gods and is considered the strongest. His hair, beard, and eyebrows are red and he is primarily associated with thunder. Tor is noisy, outgoing, and has a fierce temperament, is big on food, and is happy with mead.

According to Old Norse belief, Thor oversees the weather and was therefore worshiped by the peasants. When it thundered from the sky, it was believed to be Thor who, in his battle against the giants, came riding in his chariot, pulled by the goats Tanngrisner and Tanngnjost. Every time Thor swung his hammer Mjölner, lightning appeared.

The giants were a threat to the humans and Thor was their chief protector. The most important weapon in that fight was Thor's hammer, which was forged by dwarves and always returned to his hand after being thrown away. He has two more powerful aids in the fight against disorder and chaos: the strength belt Megingjord, which gives him double power, and a pair of iron gloves.

Thor is the son of Fjorgyn (Earth) and Odin. His wife Siv has long golden hair and together they have the son Mode and the daughter Trud. Tor also has the son Magni (Magne), together with the giant Järnsaxa. In his household, he also has human children, the swift-footed boy Tjalve and the kindhearted and wise girl Röskva. Some sources refer to them as thralls and others as foster children.