

CZ0580: WE RANK EVERY PRECON FROM 2023

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*2023 is coming to a close, which means it is time to look back and see how it went! I enlisted two members of our team to rank every single precon that came out this year. From Lord of the Rings to Doctor Who BUT FIRST:*

**\*\*CARD KINGDOM\*\* \*\*ULTRAPRO #1\*\* \*\*PATREON: REBECCA CRANE\*\***

2) **MAIN TOPIC: WE RANK EVERY PRECON FROM 2023**

*A little context before we get into things:*

*There were 25 precons released in 2023.*

*The most popular color grouping was Jeskai (4) followed by Abzan (3) and Grixis (3).*

*Average Bang for Your Buck value of 2023 was \$2.60*

*Average Price Per Reprinted Card of 2023 was \$2.07*

*Grading Criteria:*

*Playability*

*Reprint Value*

*New Card Impact*

*Cool Factor*

**ALL WILL BE ONE**

**CORRUPTING INFLUENCE**

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**Colors: Green, White, Black**

**Archetype: Toxic**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.40 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.71**

Face Commander: Ixhel, Scion of Atraxa  
Most Valuable Reprint: Grafted Exoskeleton at \$9.50  
Most Played New Card: Glistening Sphere in 26,320 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > B

*Murph Rank* > D

*Rachel Rank* > D

**FINAL RANK: D**

## **REBELLION RISING**

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**Colors: Red, White**

**Archetype: Tokens**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.66 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.57**

Face Commander: Neyali, Suns' Vanguard  
Most Valuable Reprint: Flawless Maneuver at \$25.00  
Most Played New Card: Clever Concealment in 34,743 decks on EDHREC\*

*Damen Rank* > C

*Murph Rank* > C

*Rachel Rank* > B

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **MARCH OF THE MACHINE**

### **CALL FOR BACKUP**

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**Colors: Green, White, Red**

**Archetype: Backup**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.24 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.24**

Face Commander: Bright-Palm, Soul Awakener  
Most Valuable Reprint: Kalonian Hydra at \$19.00  
Most Played New Card: Uncivil Unrest in 9,876 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > D

*Murph Rank* > F

*Rachel Rank* > D

**FINAL RANK: D**

### **CAVALRY CHARGE**

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**Colors: Blue, White, Black**

**Archetype: Knights**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$3.01 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.60**

Face Commander: Sidar Jabari of Zhalfir

Most Valuable Reprint: Vanquisher's Banner at \$20.00

Most Played New Card: Chivalric Alliance in 14,371 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > A*

*Murph Rank > A*

*Rachel Rank > A*

**FINAL RANK: A**

### **DIVINE CONVOCATION**

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**Colors: Red, White, Blue**

**Archetype: Convoke**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.49 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.55**

Face Commander: Kasla, the Broken Halo

Most Valuable Reprint: Elspeth, Sun's Champion at \$15.00

Most Played New Card: Nesting Dovehawk in 7,543 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > C*

*Murph Rank > C*

*Rachel Rank > B*

**FINAL RANK: C**

### **GROWING THREAT**

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**Colors: Black, White**

**Archetype: Phyrexians/Artifact Creatures**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.14 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.22 (Worst of the Year)**

Face Commander: Brimaz, Blight of Oreskos

Most Valuable Reprint: Ancient Stone Idol at \$7.00

Most Played New Card: Bitterthorn, Nissa's Animus in 17,998 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > B

*Murph Rank* > C

*Rachel Rank* > D

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **TINKER TIME**

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**Colors: Red, Green, Blue**

**Archetype: Artifact Tokens**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.26 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.25**

Face Commander: Gimbal, Gremlin Prodigy

Most Valuable Reprint: Tireless Tracker at \$5.50 (Worst of the Year)

Most Played New Card: Hedron Detonator in 8,667 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > F

*Murph Rank* > D

*Rachel Rank* > F

**FINAL RANK: F**

**\*\*\*MIDROLL POINT #1\*\*\***

## **LORD OF THE RINGS**

### **ELVEN COUNCIL**

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**Colors: Green, Blue**

**Archetype: Elves/Voting**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.89 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.95**

Face Commander: Galadriel, Elven-Queen

Most Valuable Reprint: Heroic Intervention at \$23.00

Most Played New Card: Raise the Palisade in 13,088 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > D*

*Murph Rank > C*

*Rachel Rank > C*

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **FOOD & FELLOWSHIP**

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**Colors: Green, White, Black**

**Archetype: Hobbits/Food**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.17 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.97**

Face Commander: Frodo, Adventurous Hobbit & Sam, Loyal Attendant

Most Valuable Reprint: Toxic Deluge at \$19.00

Most Played New Card: The Gaffer in 11,714 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > S*

*Murph Rank > A*

*Rachel Rank > S*

**FINAL RANK: S**

## **RIDERS OF ROHAN**

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**Colors: Red, White, Blue**

**Archetype: Humans/Monarch**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.58 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.30**

Face Commander: Éowyn, Shieldmaiden

Most Valuable Reprint: Combat Celebrant at \$20.00

Most Played New Card: Taunt from the Rampart in 8,930 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > S*

*Murph Rank > A*

*Rachel Rank > A*

**FINAL RANK: A**

## **THE HOSTS OF MORDOR**

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**Colors: Black, Red, Blue**

**Archetype: Orcs/Reanimator**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.49 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.30**

Face Commander: Sauron, Lord of the Rings

Most Valuable Reprint: Reanimate at \$16.00

Most Played New Card: The Black Gate in 19,586 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > C*

*Murph Rank > B*

*Rachel Rank > C*

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **COMMANDER MASTERS**

### **ELDRAZI UNBOUND**

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**Colors: Colorless**

**Archetype: Colorless**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$1.94 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.07**

Face Commander: Zhulodok, Void Gorger

Most Valuable Reprint: It That Betrays at \$24.00

Most Played New Card: Rise of the Eldrazi in 10,228 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > A*

*Murph Rank > B*

*Rachel Rank > B*

**FINAL RANK: B**

## **ENDURING ENCHANTMENTS**

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**Colors: Green, White, Black**

**Archetype: Enchantments**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$1.63 reprint value/\$1 (Worst of the Year)**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.84**

Face Commander: Anikthea, Hand of Erebos

Most Valuable Reprint: Dryad of the Ilysian Grove \$20.00

Most Played New Card: Ondu Spiritdancer in 8,853 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > C

*Murph Rank* > B

*Rachel Rank* > B

**FINAL RANK: B**

## **PLANESWALKER PARTY**

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**Colors: Red, White, Blue**

**Archetype: Planeswalkers**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.11 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.34**

Face Commander: Commodore Guff

Most Valuable Reprint: The Chain Veil at \$33.00

Most Played New Card: Guff Rewrites History in 5,691 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > B

*Murph Rank* > D

*Rachel Rank* > C

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **SLIVER SWARM**

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**Colors: White, Blue, Black, Red, Green**

**Archetype: Slivers**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$1.92 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.94**

Face Commander: Sliver Gravemother

Most Valuable Reprint: Synapse Sliver at \$25.50

Most Played New Card: Titan of Littjara in 5,668 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > D

*Murph Rank* > F

*Rachel Rank* > D

**FINAL RANK: D**

## WILDS OF ELDRINE

### FAE DOMINION

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Colors: Blue, Black

Archetype: Faeries

Bang for Your Buck: \$2.69 reprint value/\$1

Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.79

Face Commander: Tegwyll, Duke of Splendor

Most Valuable Reprint: Kindred Dominance at \$22.00

Most Played New Card: Misleading Signpost in 4,241 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > S

*Murph Rank* > S

*Rachel Rank* > S

**FINAL RANK: S**

## VIRTUE & VALOR

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Colors: Green, White

Archetype: Roles

Bang for Your Buck: \$2.96 reprint value/\$1

Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.01

Face Commander: Ellivere of the Wild Court

Most Valuable Reprint: Hall of Heliod's Generosity at \$13.00

Most Played New Card: Songbirds' Blessing in 5,622 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank* > B

*Murph Rank* > A

*Rachel Rank* > B

**FINAL RANK: B**

**\*\*\*MIDROLL POINT #2\*\*\***

## DOCTOR WHO

### BLAST FROM THE PAST

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Colors: Green, Blue, White



**Archetype: Historic**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$1.74 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.18**

Face Commander: The Fourth Doctor // Sarah Jane Smith

Most Valuable Reprint: Heroic Intervention at \$14.00

Most Played New Card: City of Death in 3,144 decks on EDHREC\*

*\*Other than Sonic Screwdriver and TARDIS*

*Damen Rank > F*

*Murph Rank > D*

*Rachel Rank > D*

**FINAL RANK: D**

## **MASTERS OF EVIL**

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**Colors: Blue, Red, Black**

**Archetype: Artifact Creatures**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.33 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.77**

Face Commander: Davros, Dalek Creator

Most Valuable Reprint: Stormcarved Coast at \$17.00

Most Played New Card: Cybermen Squadron in 3,240 decks on EDHREC

*Damen Rank > C*

*Murph Rank > C*

*Rachel Rank > C*

**FINAL RANK: C**

## **PARADOX POWER**

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**Colors: Red, Green, Blue**

**Archetype: Nonhand Casting**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$1.89 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.48**

Face Commander: The Thirteenth Doctor // Yasmin Khan

Most Valuable Reprint: Stormcarved Coast at \$17.00

Most Played New Card: Quantum Misalignment in 2,229 decks on EDHREC\*

*\*Other than Sonic Screwdriver and TARDIS*

*Damen Rank > D*

*Murph Rank > D*

*Rachel Rank > D*

**FINAL RANK: D**

## **TIMEY-WIMEY**

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**Colors: White, Red, Blue**

**Archetype: Time Counters**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$2.85 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$3.75 (Best of the Year)**

Face Commander: The Tenth Doctor

Most Valuable Reprint: Sunbaked Canyon at \$21.00

Most Played New Card: Everybody Lives! in 3,737 decks on EDHREC\*

*\*Other than Sonic Screwdriver and TARDIS*

*Damen Rank > D*

*Murph Rank > D*

*Rachel Rank > D*

**FINAL RANK: D**

## **LOST CAVERNS OF IXALAN**

### **AHOY MATEYS**

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**Colors: Blue, Black, Red**

**Archetype: Pirates**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$3.64 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$1.97**

Face Commander: Admiral Brass, Unsinkable

Most Valuable Reprint: Black Market Connections at \$26.25

Most Played New Card: The Indomitable\*

*\*These decks JUST came out so EDHREC numbers aren't very reliable*

*Damen Rank > B*

*Murph Rank > B*

*Rachel Rank > B*

**FINAL RANK: B**

### **BLOOD RITES**

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**Colors: White, Black**

**Archetype: Vampires**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$4.00 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.35**

Face Commander: Clavileño, First of the Blessed

Most Valuable Reprint: Exquisite Blood at \$35 (Best of the Year)

Most Played New Card: Charismatic Conqueror\*

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*Damen Rank > A*

*Murph Rank > B*

*Rachel Rank > A*

**FINAL RANK: A**

### **EXPLORERS OF THE DEEP**

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**Colors: Blue, Green**

**Archetype: Merfolk**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$3.82 reprint value/\$1**

**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.25**

Face Commander: Hakbal of the Surging Soul

Most Valuable Reprint: Branching Evolution at \$21.00

Most Played New Card: Ripples of Potential\*

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*Damen Rank > S*

*Murph Rank > S*

*Rachel Rank > A*

**FINAL RANK: S**

### **VELOCI-RAMP-TOR**

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**Colors: White, Red, Green**

**Archetype: Dinosaurs**

**Bang for Your Buck: \$4.19 reprint value/\$1 (Best of the Year)**  
**Avg. Price Per Reprint: \$2.39**

Face Commander: Pantlaza, Sun-Favored

Most Valuable Reprint: Akroma's Will at \$25.00

Most Played New Card: Wrathful Raptors\*

*\*These decks JUST came out so EDHREC numbers aren't very reliable*

*Damen Rank > S*

*Murph Rank > A*

*Rachel Rank > S*

**FINAL RANK: S**

### **PRECONS OF 2023**

Best set of precon for the year?

Worst set of precon for the year?

### 3) **TO THE LISTENERS**

Which was your favorite precon this year? Which one didn't hit the mark for you? What could Wizards do to improve precon in 2024?

**\*\*CARD KINGDOM #2\*\* \*\*ULTRA PRO #2\*\***

### 4) CLEAN-UP STEP

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