

## Svartsot "Brages Bæger"

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[Brages Cup.

A song about a toast to a dead warrior, followed by a promise to deliver a great act of courage. The god Brage was the god of poetry and the bǫ́ger (literally the beaker) drunk in his honour is the actual toast. The oath was called a Brageiǫ́fte (Brage-oath) and is probably the origin of the English verb "to brag".]

Brages bǫ́ger, mjǫ́den skǫ́nkes,  
Brages bǫ́ger, Mjǫ́lner skildres,  
Brages bǫ́ger, sǫ́lvbelagte,  
Brages bǫ́ger, hǫ́r min iǫ́fte.

Hǫ́r! I hin gamles navn, under Mjǫ́lners tegn,  
Kruset iǫ́ftes hǫ́jt, brǫ́dre I vor sal,  
Hedengangne mǫ́nd, mindes for deres dǫ́d,  
Drik et drag til dem, og din egen ǫ́re!

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Brages bǫ́ger, hǫ́r min iǫ́fte.

Hǫ́r! I hin gamles navn, under Mjǫ́lners tegn,  
Kruset iǫ́ftes hǫ́jt, ed af iǫ́gger jeg.  
Vestpǫ́ sǫ́ger jeg, svǫ́rdet synger gǫ́vt,  
Velstand lover jeg, til den, der fǫ́lger.

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Brages bǫ́ger, hǫ́r min iǫ́fte.

Hey!

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