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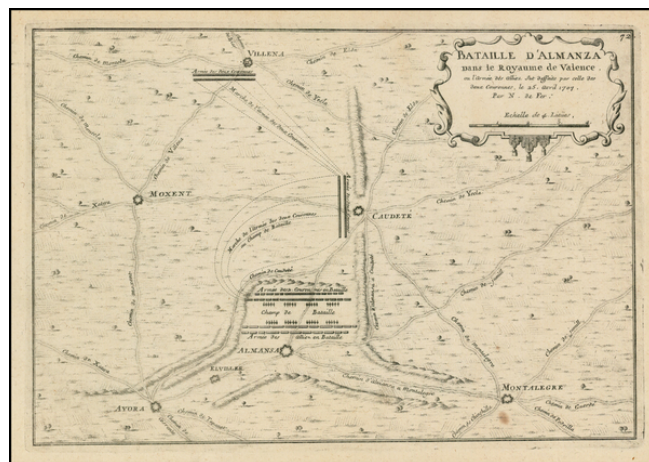
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## Bataille D'Almanza dans le Royaume de Valance ou l'Armee des Alliez . . . 25 Avril 1707

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**Place:** Paris  
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### Description:

Detailed plan of the Battle of Almanza.

The Battle of Almanza, fought on April 25, 1707, was one of the most decisive engagements of the War of the Spanish Succession. At Almanza, the Franco-Spanish army under Berwick soundly defeated the allied forces of Portugal, Britain, and the United Provinces led by the Earl of Galway, reclaiming most of eastern Spain for the Bourbons.

The Bourbon army of about 25,000 was composed of Spanish and French troops, along with an Irish regiment. Opposing them was a mainly Anglo-Portuguese force with strong Dutch, German, and French Huguenot elements.

The Battle began with an artillery exchange. When Galway committed his reserves to an attack on the Bourbon center, Berwick unleashed a strong force of Franco-Spanish cavalry against the weakened Anglo-Portuguese lines, sweeping away the Portuguese horse. A general rout followed, only the Portuguese infantry held its line, despited being attacked by the three sides, before surrendering at nightfall. Galway lost 5,000 men killed and 12,000 taken prisoner; of his army of 22,000 only 5,000 escaped to Tortosa.

The battle has been described as "probably the only Battle in history in which the British forces were commanded by a Frenchman, the French by a Briton.

### Detailed Condition: