

Arkham LCG: Decode the Box Before You Buy

A compact translation of Core eras, old Mythos cycles, modern two-box campaigns, and the listings most likely to strand a new investigator.

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Core set translator

CORE	BEST READING	DO NOT ASSUME
Original Core (2016)	Legacy entry for one to two with limited duplicate staples	One copy equals a modern four-player foundation
Revised Core (2021)	Complete Chapter One foundation for one to four	It contains a full-length campaign
Chapter Two Core (2026)	Current evergreen Chapter Two entry with its own foundation	It erases Chapter One cards or campaigns

Release model translator

ERA	STORY PRODUCT	PLAYER CARDS
Old cycle	Deluxe Expansion plus six Mythos Packs	Distributed across the same seven products
Modern Chapter One	One Campaign Expansion	One Investigator Expansion
Standalone	One Scenario Pack	Usually no general player-card library

Red flags in a listing

- ☐ It says Deluxe Expansion — Assume it begins, rather than completes, an old campaign until verified.
- ☐ One Mythos Pack is missing — The campaign story can be stranded despite owning most of the cycle.
- ☐ Campaign and Investigator are bundled — Useful when you want both, unnecessary when you only want one half.
- ☐ The seller title mixes eras — Match box art, SKU, and ASIN before checkout.

Sources. Fantasy Flight Games product records and current Learn to Play material; current product packaging and release-model records.
Accuracy. Every figure on this sheet was read from the sources above on August 12, 2026. Prices and availability change; rules do not. Where this sheet and the rulebook disagree, the rulebook is right.
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