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€70-110 (LEAN) → €130-200 (MID) → €250+ (501ST)
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IMPERIAL ARCHIVE

BUILD CALENDAR

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CODENAME

OPERATION DOOKU

♦ Week by Week ♦

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| ▶ EDITION | FREE TO SHARE · WEEK BY WEEK |
| ▶ SUBJECT | Cloth + curved saber |
| ▶ SCHEDULE | 4 weeks plan |
| ▶ BUILD TIME | 10-20 hrs |
| ▶ FORMAT | Do this, then that |

THE CALENDAR COMPANION TO THE FIELD MANUAL

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**A LONG TIME AGO, IN A WORKSHOP FAR, FAR
AWAY....**

4 WEEKS WEEK BY WEEK

Count Dooku – the Sith Lord, the Separatist leader, the fallen Jedi.
A regal, aristocratic build: long dark-brown robes, white hair and
beard, and the iconic curved-hilt red lightsaber.

Steady wins. May the Force be with you.



4 WEEKS TO DOOKU

Weeks 4-3	Plan + order robe, cape, curved saber, wig/beard	.
Week 2	First fit + hem; practice the swept-back hair	.
Week 1.5	Set saber to red; fit the curved-hilt belt clip	.
Week 1	Dress rehearsal + game day	.
APPENDIX	Quick reference & game day	.

🕒 YOUR FIRST WEEKS — WHERE MOST BUILDS DIE

Nearly every abandoned build dies in the first quarter: parts not ordered, printer not tested, nothing started. Win the first weeks — order everything, print one test piece — and the rest is downhill.



PICK YOUR BAR

*Same aristocratic Sith — three levels of how regal it reads. The same build can be finished to three different bars — pick yours **now**, because builders who polish for the wrong one burn weeks.*

LEAN · €70-110

Casual

Reads as Count Dooku at 5m under low light. Skip the tailored cape and high collar — a plain brown robe over a dark tunic plus a cheap white wig and stick-on beard sells the silhouette; the curved saber hilt is optional and can be a basic prop.

EFFORT · ~10 hrs

MID · €130-200

Convention

Reads as Count Dooku at conversation distance. Most builders land here: a properly weighted outer robe with the structured high collar, a fitted inner tunic, real belt with curved clip, and a styled wig-and-beard combo trimmed to his aristocratic line — paired with a curved-hilt saber that actually reads on camera.

EFFORT · ~16 hrs

501ST · €250+

Approved

Reads as Count Dooku under inspection. 501st-grade screen accuracy demands tailored dark-brown robes in the correct heavy fabric, a sculpted high collar that holds its shape, ventilated lay-flat sash and long cape, a hand-laid white hairpiece and groomed beard, plus a machined curved-hilt saber with the correct hand-guard geometry.

EFFORT · ~22 hrs



THE FALLBACK PLAN

*A first-time build of this suit is **10–20 hrs** of hands-on work across **4 weeks**. Life happens — so decide right now what gets cut when the clock wins. Finished beats perfect.*

BEHIND EARLY Drop first: No Armour. Nobody will notice at 5m.

BEHIND LATE Simplify next: Sash, Reference & Fit, Black Trousers — buy instead of make, or borrow.

EMERGENCY Every printed part has a buy option. Switching one part to bought can save a whole week.

ALWAYS The final week is for wearing it, not building it — dress rehearsal beats one more coat of paint.

🕒 THE HONEST RULE

If a piece is not started two weeks before the event, it is not in this year's costume. Build it for the next one.



PLAN + ORDER ROBE, CAPE, CURVED SABER, WIG/BEARD

WEEKS 4-3

Plan + order robe, cape, curved saber, wig/beard.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICAL White Hair & Beard — ⌚ 2h · €30

The beard is mandatory — it's half of Dooku.

CRITICAL Outer Robe (High Collar) — ⌚ 3h · €45

The high collar is unique — not a hood. Brown wool, not grey/black.

HIGH Belt + Curved Clip — ⌚ 1h · €18

Curved hilts need a different clip than straight sabers.

PROGRESS · PHASE 1 OF 4 · 25% THROUGH THE PLAN



FIRST FIT + HEM; PRACTICE THE SWEEP-BACK HAIR

WEEK 2

First fit + hem; practice the swept-back hair.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICAL White Hair & Beard — ⌚ 2h · €30

The beard is mandatory — it's half of Dooku.

PROGRESS · PHASE 2 OF 4 · 50% THROUGH THE PLAN



SET SABER TO RED; FIT THE CURVED-HILT BELT CLIP

WEEK 1.5

Set saber to red; fit the curved-hilt belt clip.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

HIGHBelt + Curved Clip — ⌚ 1h · €18

Curved hilts need a different clip than straight sabers.

CRITICALCurved-Hilt Red Saber — ⌚ 3h · €80

Most printable curved hilts are based on his.

PROGRESS · PHASE 3 OF 4 · 75% THROUGH THE PLAN



DRESS REHEARSAL + GAME DAY

WEEK 1

Dress rehearsal + game day.

PROGRESS · PHASE 4 OF 4 · 100% THROUGH THE PLAN



MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

"I have become more powerful than any Jedi."

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