BALIAN SANS БАЛКАН САНС

Balkan Sans typeface system transliterates Croatian Latin into Serbian Cyrillic script and vice versa, depoliticising and reconciling two cultures with the aim of furthering communication, education, and, above all, tolerance..

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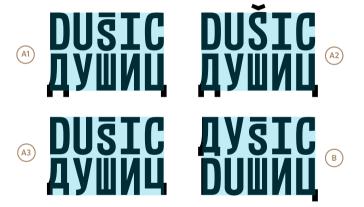
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Type System Overview

There are two styles of Balkan – style A situates the Latin characters on top, and Cyrillic at the bottom, while style B reverses this order. There are three more substyles (1, 2, 3) in option A - each with slightly different treatments of elements that exceed the bounding box of the words.

BALKAN SANS A ONE SDCCZ BAJKAH CAHC A OHE WHYEK BALVAN SANS A THREE SPCC BAJKAH CAHC A TXPEE BY БЛЛИАН CAHC Б BALNAN SANS B

BALKAN SANS STENCTL A ONE STOCK BALKAN SANS STENCTL A BAJKAH CAHC CTEHUNJ A БАЛУАН CAHC CTEHUUЛ Б BALKAN SANS SIENCIL B





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Design Information

Balkan is a bi-script Latin and Cyrillic typeface system rooted in the linguistic proximity of languages of former Yugoslavia (Bosnian, Montenegrin, Croatian and Serbian). The Balkan typeface system depoliticises and reconciles the scripts, for the sake of education, tolerance and, above all, communication, Balkan transliterates and translates Croatian Latin into Serbian Cyrillic and vice versa, thus the fonts serve as educational software capable of reconciling disparate scripts.

The typeface system also represents an attempt to identify the features shared by some South Slavic languages and alphabets like Bosnian, Montenegrin, Croatian and Serbian.

We focused on the dual-literacy that characterizes Slavic peoples, many of whom use and transliterate both Latin and Cyrillic alphabets.



Historically, there were three scripts in this region: Cyrillic, Latin and Glagolitic. The use of Latin and Cyrillic typifies the former Yugoslavian countries, today's Serbia, Bosnia and Hercegovina as well as Montenegro.

Historically, both scripts in this region were bearers of cultural, ethnic, religious and political identities, but their communicative and symbolic functions were often out of step just for the sake of multi-ethnicity. On the other hand, close development of languages and scripts throughout history resulted in shared properties. Today some regional languages in the Western Balkans are so similar that they can even be thought of as dialects.

The Balkan typeface system is a series of fonts that decodes Latin and Cyrillic; it demystifies, depoliticizes and reconciles them for the sake of education, tolerance and, above all, communication. Though Balkan is a "font" in the usual sense, it can also be used to translate Croatian Latin into Serbian Cyrillic and vice versa. One could therefore think of the fonts as educational software capable of reconciling discrete scripts.

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AMSTERDAM AMCTEРДАМ

A | 34 pt

ЉУБЉАНА LJUBLJANA

B | 34 pt

ZAGREB 3AFPE6

A | 34 pt

БEOFPAД BEOGRAD

B | 34 pt

SARAJEVO CAPAJEBO

A | 34 pt

LUXEMBOURG JYNEMBOYPE

A | 34 p

ПОДГОРИЦА PUDGURICA

B | 34 p

CKOPJE SKOPJE

B | 34 pt

BRIONI БРИОНИ

A | 34 p

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BAHKAH* JE TUPOSUSTEM KOJU OBJEDURZUJE DVA PUSMA — HATUHUCU U KUPU-LIGU. ¶ TIPOSISTEM JE NASTAO 2011. PRI ISTRAŽIVANJY FENOMENA BAJKAN SPRACHBUNDA** I ZAJEDNIGNIH SVOJSTAVA JUŽNOSLAVENSNIH JEZINA I PISA-MA. Y JUŻNE SŁAWENSKE JEŻIKE (ZAPADNE) SPADAJY BOŚNIACKI, CRNOGORSKI, HRYATSKI, SRPSKI I SLOVENSKI TE ZAJEDNO GINE DIO INDOEVROPSKE JEZIGNE POBODICE. 9 GLAVNA KABAKTEBISTIKA NA KOJY SMO SE BOKYSIBALII JE DVOBI-EMEHOST POJEDINIH SLAVENSKIH NAPODA DAHAS KOJI KOPISTE DYA PISMA — LATINICU I ČIRILICU (LATINSKO I SLAVENSKO PISMO) TE HJIHOVA DIREKTNA TRANSLITERACIJA U KROZ POVIJEST SU NA OVIM PROSTORIMA BILA PRISUTNA 3 PIISMA: GIBILLIGA, HATINIGA I GHAFOLGIGA. ¶ DYOJHA VROTBEBA HATINIGE I FURNINGE NABANTERUSTUGHA JE U ZA PROSTOR BUVBE JYFOSHAVUJE TE ZA ROJE-DINE DRŽAVE DANAS – SPBIJY, CRNY GORY, BOSNY I HERCEGOVINY. ¶ ROVIJESNO PAEDAJYKA, OBA SY PASMA NA OYAM PROSTORAMA BAJA NOSATEWA KYATYRNAK, NACTONALNIH, RELIGIOZNIH I POLITIGVIH IDENTITETA TE SY WIHOYE KOMYNI-KAGIJSKE I SIMBOLIGKE GUNKGIJE GESTO BILE V PASKOPAKY. S DRUGE STRANE, BLISNI RAZVOJ JEZINA REZULTIRAO JE ZAJEDNIČNIM SVOJSTVIMA TE SU NROZ ROBAJEST A I DAHAS ROJEDIHI BEGIOHAJHI JEZICI HA ZARADHOM BAJKAHY YTOHIKO SHIGHI I SYI IX BAZYMIJY KAO BA SY BIJAHEKTI JEBHOG JEZIKA. ¶ BAHKAN THROGRAGHIA HHHTI THROSHSTEM JE THME KHBRHH KOJH HEKOHHBA OBA PIISMA, DEPOLITIZIRA IH I DEMISTIFICIRA V SVRHU EDUNACIJE, TOLEBANCIJE I NAJVAŽNIJE NJIHOVE PRVOTNE FUNNCIJE-KOMUNIKACIJE. ¶OŠIM ŠTO JE OBAJ

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BYME. TAKOBEB, OZHAGAYA A ROYAJESHO A GEOGBAGSKA NEJASHO DEGAHABANO
ZEMWORASHO A KYHTYBOHOBKO RODBYGJE JYGOASTOGHE EYBORE. KAO ROHATAGKA
ROJAM HAJYABE SE YEKE YZ ZEMWE HASTAHE BASRADOM SEBJ A DAHAS SE SYE
GEBGE ZAMJEWYJE NEYTBAHAJAM ROJMOM JYGOASTOGHA EYBORA.

**BAJKAN SPBAGKBYND JE TEBMAN SA BAJKANSKY JESAGNY SAJEDNAGY KAO
SAJEDNAGY NESPODNAK JESAKA AS BAJJAGATAK FPANA ANDOEYPOPSKAK JESAKA
(AJBANSKA, FPGKA, BOMSKA, TYPSKA, BOMANSKA JESAGA TE JYZNOSJAKENSKA
JESAGA) GAJA SY FOKOPNAGA BAJA Y TAKO SNAZNOM DOTAGAJY DA SY AM JESAGA
ROPPAMAJA ASTE FRAMATAGKE, SONOJOŠKE A DRYFE OSOBANE.

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LATIN AND CYRILLIC

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Latin and Cyrillic alphabets. Historically, there were three scripts in this region: Cyrillic,	В	Б	[b]	В Б	Б В	LJ	љ	[\lambda]	ν D	ΓΊ ΓΡ
Latin and Glagolitic. The use of Latin and Cyrillic typifies	С	Ц	[ts]	C Ц	Ц С	M	M	[m]	M	M
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[°]IPA is an alphabetic system of phonetic notation based primarily on the Latin alphabet. It was devised by the International Phonetic Association as a standardized representation of the sounds of spoken language.

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