

Motivation

THE REQUEST (Message posted at Elfscript Forum, 2004)

Hello,

I think I have a rather unusual concern: I'm a big fan of Fraktur writing (I'm not sure, is this term commonly used in English?) and developed a Tengwar chart based upon some digital Black Letter font, which can be viewed here:

<http://dombach.florian.bei.t-online.de/grafik/gothica.gif>

or

<http://www.geocities.com/enrombell/imgs/gothica.gif>

and that I also used in my recent Gwaith-i-Phethdain contribution:

<http://www.elvish.org/gwaith/merseburg.htm>

Some time ago I tried to convert an earlier attempt into a digital font, Dan Smith was even so kind to send me his software, but I never really managed to get on with it, and I don't think I'll find the time to even try the next months. Still I'd like to include it in my site (www.mellyn.de.vu), and so I'd just like to give my chart free, so that everyone that may be interested in this matter can try his/her best (of course, there could still be included some more important ligatures I may have forgotten).

Maybe this is just silly, but I'll give it a try :)

Meneg suil,

Florian "Lothenon" Dombach

MY ANSWER

Hi Florian,

I am Enrique Mombello, the fontmaker of Elfica. I must say you that fontmaking is a hard work and takes a lot of time if you want a quality product. I can help you with your Fraktur font if you don't want a perfect product. There are some glyphs missing in your chart too. Ich komme aus Argentinien aber I habe in 1988-1991 in Deutschland gelebt ...

Ich habe auch ein eigenes Tengwar Fraktur Projekt, aber ich beschäftige mich im Moment mit der Version 2.0 von Elfica. Ich ... habe nur wenig Zeit. Aber mal gucken was wir machen können. Ist gothica.gif die einzige Information der form der Font Du hast?

Bis bald
Mach's gut
Tschoo

THE RESULT (at last !!)

The Font Tengwar Gothika:
Take a look!: [Namarië](#) (*see next page*)

Namárië

ṁwǝǝí

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Ḃ Ṭǝǝí ṬḂṁḒ ṬḒ Ḓǝǝṁṁ. ṁṁ ḒṁḒḒḒ
ṁ ṁ Ḓǝṁṁ ṁḒḒḒ Ḓ. ṁḒṁ ṁ ṬḂ ṁḒḒ ṁ
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Ḓ ṁḒ ḒḒḒḒ. ṁ ṬḒṁ ṁḒḒ ḒḒḒḒ ṁ ṁḒ
ṁ. ḒṁḒḒ ḒḒḒḒḒḒḒḒ ::

Ḓṁ ṁḒ ṁ ṁḒḒ ṁḒ ṁḒḒḒḒ Ḓ ::

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ṁḒḒḒḒ ṁḒḒḒ. ṁḒ ṁḒ ḒḒḒ ṁḒḒḒḒ ṬḒ
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