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Based in the heart of Paris, Black Foundry is a global type design studio where **elegant design** meets **cutting-edge technology.**

We don't just create fonts; we craft essential assets that empower brands to express their identity, personality, and creativity.

We design typefaces that are more than just letters and glyphs; they perform globally, **ensuring brands communicate effortlessly** in an increasingly connected world.

With deep expertise in **multi-script type** systems, we develop fonts that work harmoniously across languages and regions, enabling brands to reach diverse audiences locally and around the globe. Our team of type designers and font engineers solve the unique challenges of brands reinventing themselves in the digital world.

As a type and tech company, we set new design and user experience standards, creating fonts that perform for everyone, everywhere.

Type+tech is our expertise, Black Foundry is our name.

Sneak Peek at our East Asian Font Collection

At Black Foundry, we are excited to offer an advance preview of our East Asian font library: a selection of typeface families covering the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (CJK) writing systems.

With an in-house team of native designers, we work delligently to craft every character so that they are visually harmonious and functionally optimized. In addition, we collaborate closely with local designers and experts based in China, Japan, and Korea, to ensure our fonts meet the same standards of quality, authenticity, and usability as in their native markets.

Although some of the fonts included here are still in development, don't hesitate to contact us if you are interested in anything. We will be able provide more information regarding their availability and how we may assist with your design needs.

This catalogue will also be updated regularly to reflect our latest progress, so make sure to follow us through various channels to receive the latest updates!

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Showcased fonts in this volume:



西厢宋 ベスターブロ Vesterbro SC JP LT CY EL



万象黑 Grtsk SC LT CY AR



嘉略宋 Arcadio SC LT



游乐 Shadowsong







Our first Korean Hangul typeface will arrive very soon. Stay tuned for Black[CJK] vol. 2!

Legend for writing systems

西厢宋 ベスターブロ Vesterbro

Named after the city district located where the old Western Gate of Copenhagen used to be, Vesterbro is an attractive serif face.

The core design of the Vesterbro family is the Poster weight. The Latin combines characteristics from Scottish and Garalde models, and is warmer and much more inviting than most Didot-inspired display faces. On the other hand, the Regular weight has more pronounced serifs and a fairly low contrast, giving it a calm yet confident look on the page.

The Chinese and Japanese design carries over these features seamlessly, ensuring a cohesive typographic identity across scripts. Based on the classic Songti/Mincho type style, the characters feature soft curves and organic shapes, inspired by traditional calligraphy. The Poster weight presents a strong yet friendly presence for expressive display uses, while the lighter weights possess a calmer energy, making them suitable for setting long texts.



Writing systems:

- SC Designed by Li Yuxin [in development]
- Designed by Masaki Ando, Li Yuxin [in development]
- LT Designed by Jérémie Hornus, Ilya Naumoff, Alisa Nowak [available] *
- CY Designed by Jérémie Hornus, Ilya Naumoff, Alisa Nowak [available] >
- Designed by Jérémie Hornus, Ilya Naumoff, Alisa Nowak [available] >



Vesterbro Light

Vesterbro Regular

Vesterbro Medium

Vesterbro Bold

Vesterbro ExtraBold

Vesterbro Poster

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永あAa

永あAa

水あAa

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Soft curves and organic shapes influenced by calligraphic forms



Variablity in weight and personality

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Refined details that echo each other while staying true to each script

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Vesterbro Poster

望月西厢下

Vesterbro ExtraBold

Scandinavia

Vesterbro Bold

多言語デザイン

Vesterbro Medium

Øresund Bridge

Vesterbro Regular

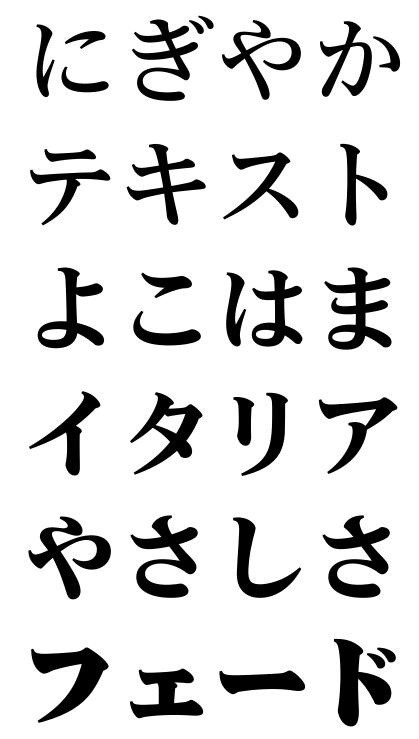
星星点点的水塘上面

Vesterbro Light

人美如学 水碧目明 西塘白木 亭下古曲 持国天王 面有羞涩

١	Vesterbro Poster	Vesterbro Light
	/esterbro ExtraBold	Vesterbro Regular
\	/esterbro Bold	Vesterbro Medium
١	/esterbro Medium	Vesterbro Bold
\	√esterbro Regular	Vesterbro ExtraBold

Vesterbro Light



古代文明

Vesterbro ExtraBold

Old Norse

Vesterbro Bold

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Vesterbro Medium

Lotus plants are adapted to grow in the flood plains of slow-moving rivers and delta areas. Stands of lotus drop hundreds of thousands of seeds every year to the bottom of the pond. While some sprout immediately and most are eaten by wildlife, the remaining seeds can remain dormant for an extensive

Vesterbro Light

Vesterbro Light

Vesterbro Medium

Vesterbro Poster

Vesterbro Medium

Vesterbro Light

は想像力と温かみィトが特徴的でレリフ書体。見出しりる言語をカバー

Vesterbro Light

Vesterbro is located just outside Copenhagen's city center—the Inner City or Indre By—making it a very attractive place to live, as are the other areas immediately outside the center: the Indre Nørrebro ("Inner Nørrebro"), Indre Østerbro ("Inner Østerbro"), Frederiksberg, and Christianshavn. The district is located west of the city center at the location of the old Western Gate

Vesterbro Light

ベスターブロは多言語をカバーする新しいセ リフ書体。見出し用の太いウェイトが特徴的 でレターシェイプは想像力と温かみを持って いる。英語ではLetterやCharacterと書く モジは永い時の中で時代に適応してきた。こ のVesterbroのモジはLatinの空気をつぎそ の明るさとあたたかさがある。

Vesterbro Medium

レニズム時代

Vesterbro Bold

Arctic Ocean

Vesterbro ExtraBold

Vesterbro Poster

万象黑 Grtsk

With a total of 126 fonts and 1 variable font that unifies them, Grtsk is an extremely versatile super family that emcompases all. From thin to bold, narrow to extra wide, and 15 degrees slants to back-slants, Grtsk can be used in many contexts, from funky to serious. Now the only limit for your typographic layouts is creativity.

Grtsk Latin is rooted in the idea to stay neutral like the classic fonts of the middle of the 20th century, but add a little bit of warmth and personality, a mix of humanist and rational forms, walking the thin line between mechanic and humanist forms.

Grtsk Chinese interprets the same design philosophy by drawing inspiration from the Chinese Lishu calligraphy. As a key stage in Chinese calligraphic history, Lishu features character structures akin to modern Chinese but with simpler, more balanced strokes—an ideal reference for reimagining contemporary Heiti (sans serif) type design. By blending Lishu's traditional calligraphic strokes with the clean, geometric aesthetics of today, Grtsk Chinese bridges the past and present in a harmonious fusion.



Writing systems:

- SC Designed by Liu Yunlai [in development]
- LT Designed by Ilya Naumoff, Benjamin Blaess [available] *
- CY Designed by Ilya Naumoff, Benjamin Blaess [available] *
- AR Designed by Hirbod Lotfian [available] >



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Backslant

Upright

Slant

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Mega (Wide)

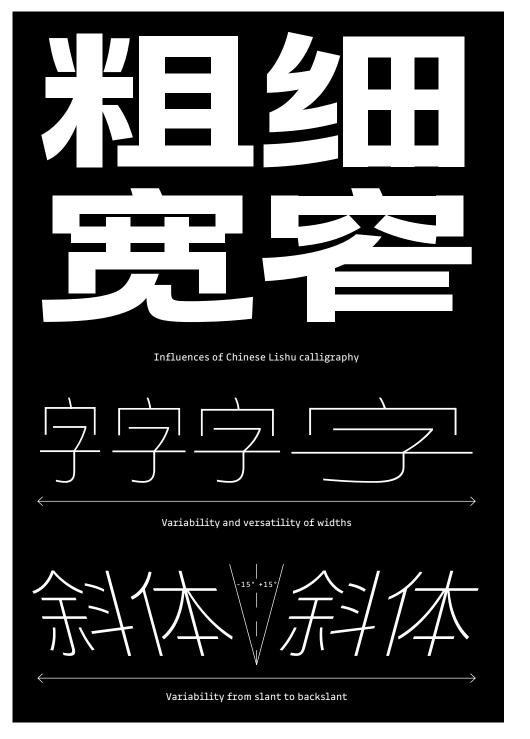
Zetta

(Narrow)

Regular

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Aa	Aa	Aa	Aa	Aa	Aa	Aa
灵	永	永	永	永	永	永
		Aa				

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Grtsk Thin

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Grtsk Light ↑荷□十禄

Optimism

Medium

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天地何不宽

SemiBold

Petrology

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Lotus Garden

Grtsk Bold Zetta

叶子上有一层水珠

Mediterranean Basin

Grtsk Medium

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Grtsk Regular Giga

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Grtsk Light Exa

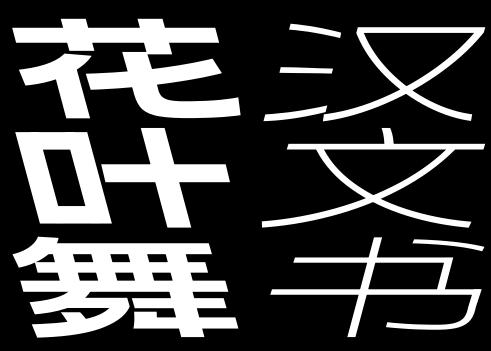
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Grtsk Light Exa



Grtsk Mega ExtraLight Backslant 15

Grtsk Mega SemiBold Slant 15



Grtsk Mega SemiBold Backslant 15

Grtsk Mega ExtraLight Slant 15

Oxford

Grtsk Thin Tera Backslant 8

细叶国文明

Grtsk Light Backslant 6

Osmanthus lanceolatus

Grtsk Light Mega Slant 10

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Grtsk Regular

白無天夜

Grtsk Bold Exa

Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

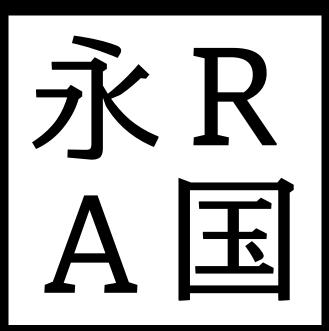
Grtsk Medium Exa

Arcadio

Arcadio is a variable multi-script typeface family designed for web and digital media, especially complex bilingual environments where Chinese and Latin and intermixing.

This versatile family features two variable axes—weight and contrast—offering remarkable flexibility. The Low Contrast variation blends slab serif and humanist sans serif, with strokes suggesting handwriting gestures and humanist details interpreted through a geometric lens, creating a robust and sober texture with a touch of warmth. The High Contrast variation retains the same skeleton, but introduces sharper contrast and forms, bringing more sophistication and elegance. By combining these two axes, Arcadio unlocks a broad spectrum of weights and styles, allowing designers to articulate diverse visual identities.

A standout feature of the family is its multiplexed width—every letter and character maintains its original width regardless of changes in weight or contrast. This ensures that style adjustments never disrupt word width or text flow, which is particularly beneficial for web, animation, and interactive design.



Writing systems:

- - Designed by Mark Zhu [in development]
- Designed by Mark Zhu [in development]



Arcadio Thin

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Arcadio ExtraLight 永Aa

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Arcadio Light

Arcadio Regular

Arcadio Medium

Arcadio SemiBold

Arcadio Bold

Arcadio ExtraBold

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Low Contrast

Mid Contrast High Contrast



Visual coherence between Chinese and Latin, with a mixture of humanist and geometric



Variability of contrast

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Widths of each letter stay the same between weight and contrast variations

Arcadio Thin

Arcadio ExtraLight Low Contrast

Arcadio Light Low Contrast

Arcadio Regular Low Contrast

Arcadio Medium Low Contrast

Arcadio SemiBold Low Contrast

Arcadio Bold Low Contrast

Arcadio ExtraBold Low Contrast

Cassandra Fitzgerald Athenians 山间望明月 **Tinsmiths**

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Archivists Arcadio ExtraBold High Contrast 鹰行水木间 Arcadio High Contrast Esperanto Arcadio SemiBold High Contrast 中有弥天子 Arcadio Medium **High Contrast** Literature Arcadio Regular High Contrast 朝日碧山亭 Arcadio High Contrast Mariposas Arcadio ExtraLight High Contrast 白裙缀美=

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Arcadio Thin

Bold

Light

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Arcadio Thin

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Arcadio Light Low Contrast

The Caspian Sea

Arcadio Regular Low Contrast

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Daily Times

Arcadio Bold Low Contrast

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Arcadio Light Contrast 25

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Arcadio Regular Contrast 75

Arcadio Medium Contrast 25

Arcadio Bold Contrast 50

Arcadio ExtraBold Contrast 75

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Shadowsong

Shadowsong is an extremely expressive Chinese Songti (serif) typeface designed for headlines and display usages, covering 9 weights from Thin to ExtraBold.

The inspiration of the design comes from the Chinese phrase 刀光剑影, which literally translates to "light of the knife and shadow of the sword", and usually describes a fierce sword fighting scene. The characters have wide proportions and sharp forms, with curved angle details. The thin end of horizontal strokes are almost vanishing, with the serif on the other end suggesting stroke directions. Each character resembles the light and shadow traced by a passing blade, exuding a strong sense of power while retaining the classic elegance of Chinese Songti typefaces. It seamlessly blends tradition and modernity, combining sharpness with grace to deliver a unique visual impact.

In addition, the family also includes a low contrast variation, where horizontal strokes are more visible, offering a more legible option. In the variable font, you may also adjust the contrast to your liking.

Shadowsong currently only supports Simplified Chinese, but our Rowton Stencil may serve as a great Latin companion for display uses.



Writing system:

SC

Designed by Liu Yunlai [in development]



Shadowsong Thin Shadowsong ExtraLight Shadowsong Light

Shadowsong Regular

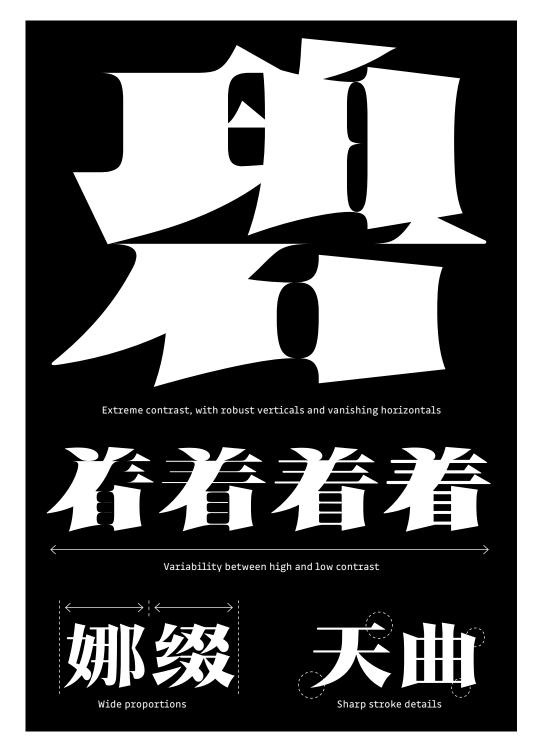
Shadowsong Medium

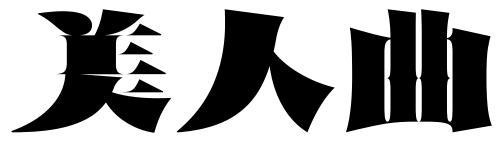
Shadowsong SemiBold

Shadowsong Bold

Shadowsong ExtraBold High Contrast Mid Contrast Low Contrast

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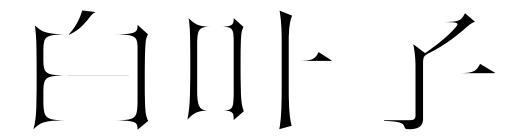
Shadowsong Extrabold High Contrast



Shadowsong SemiBold High Contrast

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Shadowsong Regular High Contrast



Shadowsong Thin High Contrast

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Shadowsong ExtraBold Low Contrast

Shadowsong SemiBold Low Contrast

Shadowsong Light Low Contrast

Shadowsong Bold High Contrast

Architecture

Rowton Bold Stencil

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Shadowsong Light Mid Contrast

浴粒娜层子曲 的粒地 又有 如有

Shadowsong Light Low Contrast Shadowsong Medium Mid Contrast

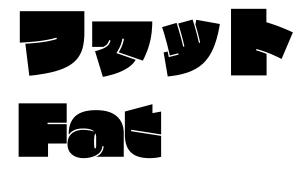
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New Gallery

Rowton Medium Stencil

Shadowsong Medium High Contrst



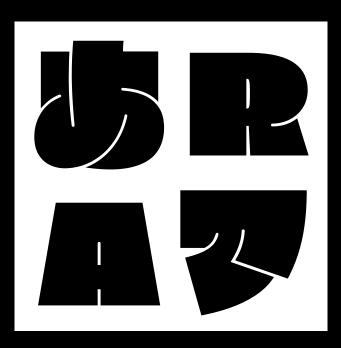


Fat: Power of thickness

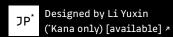
Get ready to meet Fat, the epitome of boldness in the world of display fonts! With its commanding presence, Fat is designed to make a lasting impact on your design projects. It's the font that demands attention and leaves a memorable impression.

Fat stands out with its unique characteristic - extreme thickness. The letters have a three dimensional aspect, creating a visually dynamic effect, and allowing the letters to be as bold as possible. Some letters even undergo simplification, as seen in Japanese characters like ゑ or お, where strokes are streamlined.

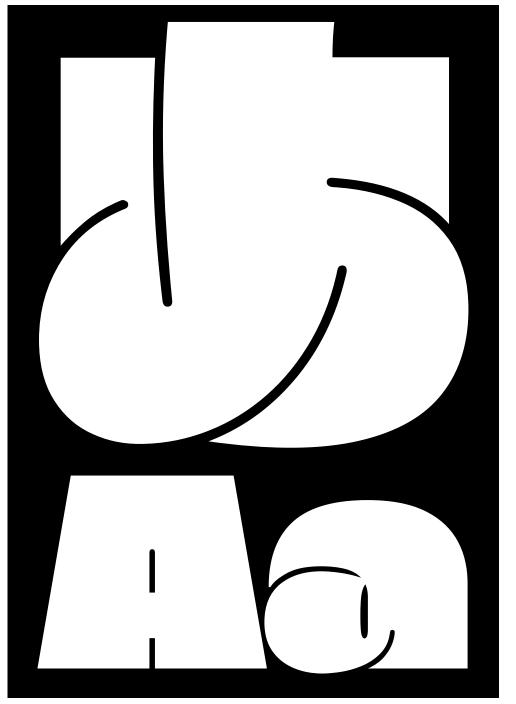
Experience the unique fusion of Fat's extreme weight, delicate counter forms, versatile script coverage, and expressive elements. It's time to unleash the power of Fat and make a bold statement that resonates with your audience.



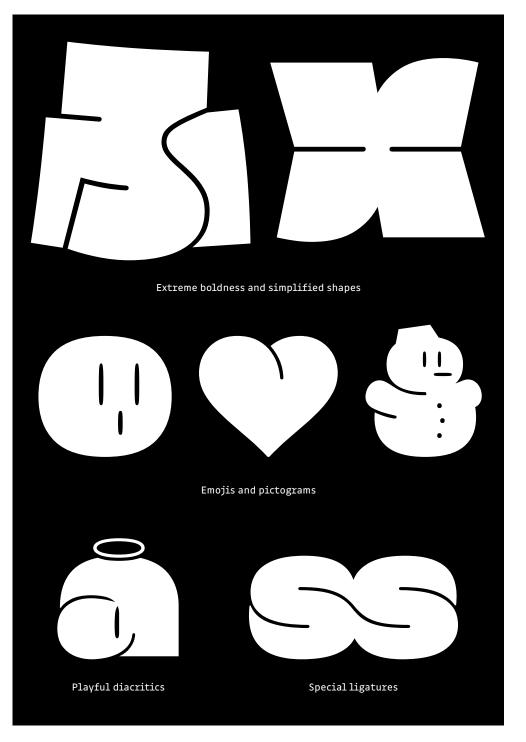
Writing systems:



Designed by Gaëtan Baehr [available] *



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