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Moritz Sans

(formerly GP-base24)

MORITZ SANS

The “Lern German” typeface

Gp-base24 Regular

Gp-base24 Italic

Gp-base24 Medium

Gp-base24 Medium

Gp-base24 Bold

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Gp-base24 ExtraBold

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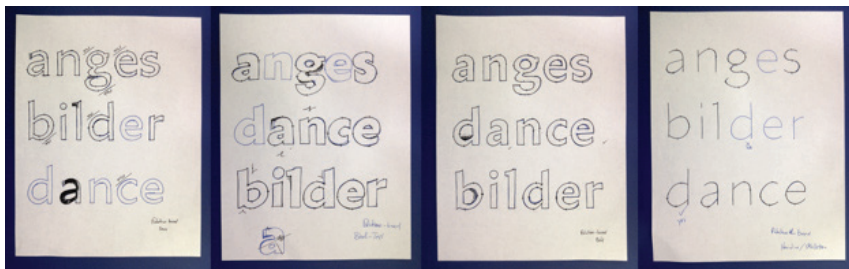
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Basic Char.-Set:

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Artwork:



Outset:

In choosing a font for the Learn German website, the general direction we wanted for the site to go was clear: We picked Verdana during development of the site, and it worked very well for subject. Being a very wide and easily legible typeface, it was the ideal choice for a website about learning and comprehending a new language through text.

History:

Designing a typeface was the perfect opportunity to do something I had wanted to do for a long time – and I am certainly no stranger to type design (moritzzimmer.com). After learning about the history of the typeface for the Deutsche Bahn (youtube.com/watch?v=BRB-NEbDQf-0 & christianschwartz.com), I found it intriguing to develop a Sans family based on an existing Serif typeface. Since Spiekermann and Schwartz based DB Type on a Garamont (or sorts), I had for a while planned to go the most obvious route and use the arguably most ubiquitous Serif there is: Times New Roman. After doing a few sketches, I quickly realized that, while the resulting typeface had potential, it didn't meet one of the key requirements I wanted: To be wide. After searching a bit through the "basics", I came across Palatino, which does run beautifully wide, and is a very pretty and legible Serif.

One of the other factors in choosing to make a Palatino-based Sans was that it differentiates between the shapes of the letters b, p, q, d — something not every modern Serif does, but something that was very important to have in a typeface that should take all the guesswork out of reading.

For the Capital Letters I wanted something a little bit more clean and German — technical, if you will. I based the Capitals on my own “NEUE mogobau” typeface, which itself is inspired by the Futura model. I made the shapes quite a bit wider and more open, to match the minuscule letters.

The Final Product:

With only about 24 hours of time to conceptualize, draw and digitize the first version of the typeface, the deadline was quite fierce — but sometimes a deadline really helps, and I am quite proud of what was achieved in such a short period of time.

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12 pt Regular:

Steam cook the Spinach in a pot for about 5 minutes on medium heat. Set aside. Bring 500 ml of water to a boil. Add rice and cook with lid on for about 14 minutes. On medium heat olive oil, add garlic. Cook for 2 minutes. Add spinach. The carrots are meant to be served as a side dish. Chop Brötchen and place bread in just enough water to soften it.

12 pt Medium:

This Greek sauce goes well on breads, such as flatbreads- along with grilled vegetables and meats. Shred cucumber, place in a colander, and let sit for a few minutes. Press excess liquid out. Mince garlic. Mix together yogurt, cucumber, Slice carrots into thin pieces Chop additional onion. Mix with ginger. Add 2 tablespoons water, cook in pot with lid on for 5 minutes.

12 pt Bold:

Dissolve yeast in water. Mix flour and salt in bowl. Add yeast and water and yogurt to bowl. Mix together until elastic. Add more flour if mixture is too sticky. Cook bread on metal skillet on medium high heat. Check frequently for puffing up of dough and flip when dark brown spots start to appear. These are

12 pt ExtraBold:

Rahmsauce is a great sauce for noodles or dumplings such as Knödel. On medium heat, melt butter and then add onions. Add flour, mixing constantly and cook for 1 minute. Gradually add rest of ingredients except parsley. Keep on med.

Stylistic Alternates:

Alternate r and I for smaller sizes To make text more easily distinguishable in smaller sizes, Style set 1 adds a little serif to the bottom of the lower case r and capital I.

Single story g For more placative Text, larger sizes or a simpler appearance, or overall a more German feel, Alternate Set 2 offers an alternative letter g.

9 pt Regular (alternate):

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Moritz Sans Condensed

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12 pt Regular (Alernate, looser leading):

While a little tricky to actually find the link into the online courses, this source of learning materials is still definitely well worth visiting. After clicking into the course, change the language in the drop-down box to English on the second screen, and then select guest access.

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Supported Languages (at this point):
Central European

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