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Gorgias



Eine Fraktur für die neuen Zeiten

Blackletter

Beautifully made with love

♦ Regular ♦ Black ♦ Deco Regular ♦ Deco Black ♦



Sophisticated
& functional take on a Fraktur typeface
inspired by early 20th-c. models

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Carefully refined
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Big headlines
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By Manuel López Rocha

Beautifully

Gorgias Deco Regular 83 pt

Handmade with Love

Gorgias Regular 44 pt

Schwarzbier

Gorgias Regular 77 pt

Smart Ornaments at €40

Gorgias Deco Regular 38 pt

Moby-Dick

Gorgias Black 72 pt

To Kill a Mockingbird

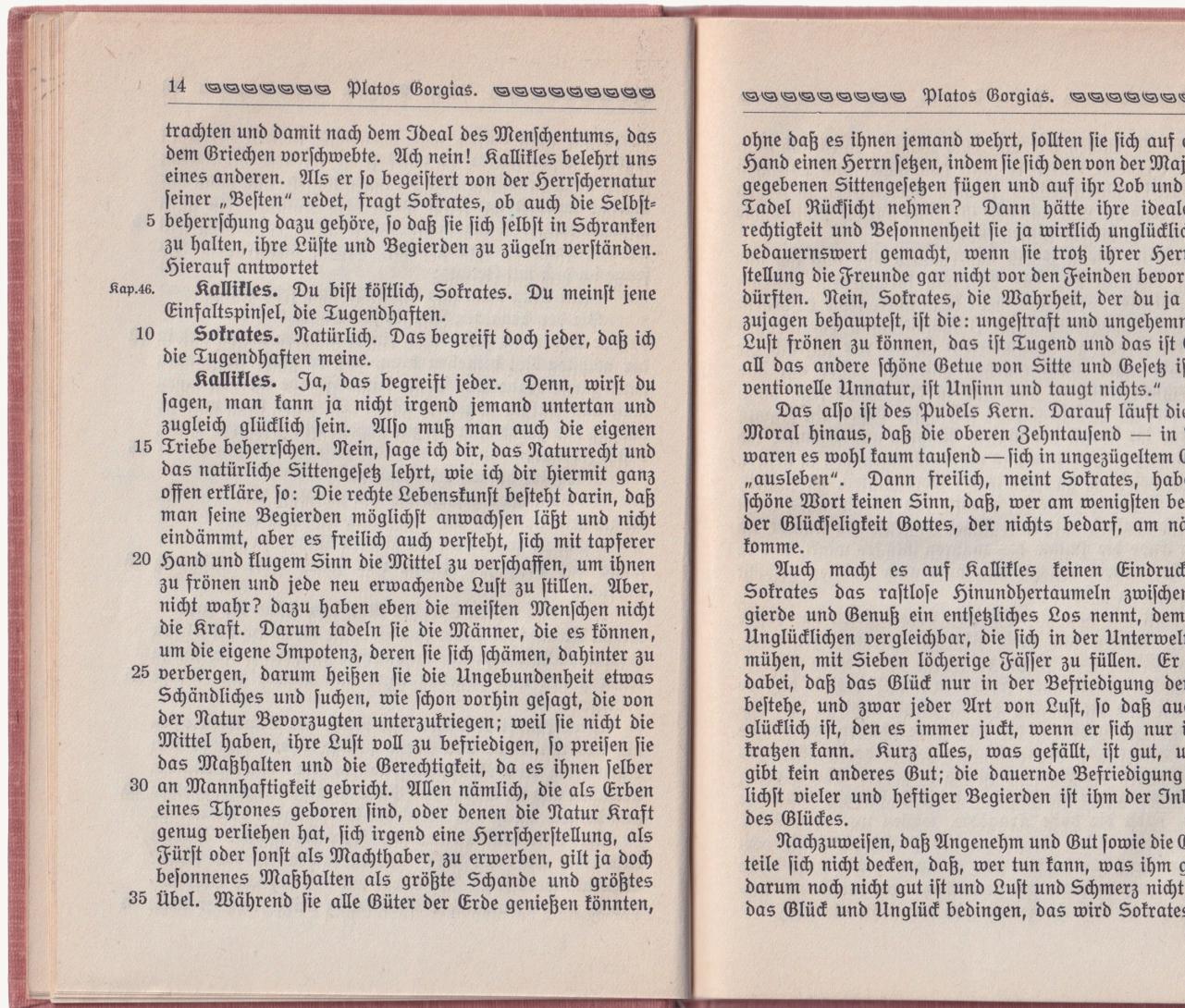
Gorgias Deco Black 38 pt

»»» Gorgias ✎ Inspiration source «««

It all came from here

Gorgias was born from the rediscovery of a forgotten typeface, hidden within the pages of a 1911 German edition of Plato's Gorgias (or The Rhetoric) found in an antiquarian bookstore in Mexico City.

The book, clearly intended for scholarly use, was typeset in a Fraktur-style blackletter type that was redrawn and adapted to meet the needs of contemporary typography, resulting in a design that connects historical forms with modern use.



*** Gorgias ✕ Upper & Lowercase letters ***

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

*** Gorgias ⚡ standard+discretionary ligatures ***

ch ck cf ex fb ff fh fh fi fi fi fi fi fi fi fi sk fk fl fl' fl' fl
fl ffi ffi

ch ck cf ex fb ff fh fh fi
fl ffi ffi

ch ck cf ex fb ff fh fh fi
fl ffi ffi

ch ck cf ex fb ff fh fh fi
fl ffi ffi

»»» Gorgias ↪ Fraktur+Latin style figures »»»

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Fraktur style (oldstyle) numeral series

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Latin style (lining) numeral series

Oldstyle and
lining figures

Arbitrary
Fractions

Numerators &
Denominators

Extended
monetary

*** Gorgias ⚡ Alternate glyphs ***

ꝑ Ꝓ Ꝕ ꝕ Ꝗ ꝗ
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ꝑ Ꝓ Ꝕ ꝕ Ꝗ ꝗ
ꝑ Ꝓ Ꝕ ꝕ Ꝗ ꝗ
ꝑ Ꝓ Ꝕ ꝕ Ꝗ ꝗ

All alternate glyphs as well as
all ligatures are equally included
in the four styles of Gorgias.

*** Gorgias & extended Latin ***

Łek	Ķipī	Has	Yää
Ñawi	Çiçek	Ķēns	Üveg
Ēuata	Ñáám	Ñvate	Nema
Jl. Iusió	Əndërr	Čēgəñs	Timută
Üskväder	Trütrükë	Žemaitis	Igozlött
Džemperis	Svårighet	Gimnāzija	Ömbëlsirë
Lëtzebuergesch	Ārmáðulegur	Lingüística	Výslovnost
Ćwiczenie	Býtežnost	Ñaraženie	Ökologisk
Świętość	Tüylerim	Červený	Bêncão
Šťastie	Čözlük	Serpui	Džepić
Mână	Määy	Ñáran	Erékë
Zóha	Ülad	Ñoro	Heiß
Ćam	Ẅu	Ĝis	Qku

»» Gorgias & OpenType features ««

film after

BASIC LIGATURES

nicht next

DISCRETIONARY LIGATURES

Ecke Platz

HISTORICAL LIGATURES

f x s v z

ALTERNATIVE LOWERCASE

P S G

ALTERNATIVE UPPERCASE

Österreich

LOW HEIGHT CAPITALS

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HISTORICAL LETTERFORMS

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EXTENDED LATIN

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EXTENDED CURRENCIES

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ALTERNATIVE CURRENCIES

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TABULAR CURRENCIES

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NUMERATORS

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EXTENDED FRACTIONS

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ALTERNATIVE FRACTIONS

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SLASHED ZERO

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OLDSTYLE FIGURES

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LINING FIGURES

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TABULAR OLDSTYLE FIGURES

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TABULAR LINING FIGURES

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TABULAR SYMBOLS

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SMART
FRAMED
DROP
CAPS

❖ ❁ ❀ ❁ ❁

ORNAMENTS

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BORDERS

❖ ❁ ❀ ❁ ❁

FRAMES

»»» Gorgias ↞ Fraktur styles & low capitals «««

Old Fraktur
Stylistic Set

Glück ist schwer zu packen
und leicht zu verlieren.

Classic Fraktur
Stylistic Set

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New Fraktur
Stylistic Set

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Low-height
capitals
Stylistic Set

Árbol ↞ Être ↞ Ñamku ↞ Üþer
Árbol ↞ Être ↞ Ñamku ↞ Üþer

Gorgias includes default glyphs that blend classical and contemporary Fraktur letter-forms, along with variants that allow you to give the text either a more antique or a more modern character. To choose between the three alternative styles, follow these steps:

1. Open the **Character panel**. From the panel menu, choose **OpenType** and select **Stylistic Sets**.
2. Select one of the three sets labeled:
Old Fraktur for an antique-looking text,
Classic Fraktur for a classical style with Germanic features, or **New Fraktur** for a more contemporary style, suitable for non-Germanic languages.

Gorgias also includes a reduced-height version of uppercases with top accents, intended for an efficient vertical spacing when needed. From the **Stylistic Sets** menu, select the option labeled **Low-height capitals** to enable this feature.

»»» Gorgias ✎ How to activate the drop caps »»»

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Text without any adjustments


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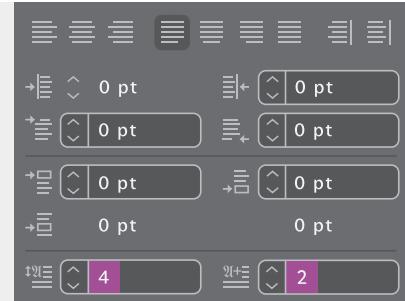
Drop Cap with new color selected

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Duplicated uppercase letter


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Final Drop Cap with Stylistic Set activated



1. Click on the paragraph where you want to apply the drop cap.
2. Duplicate the first letter of your paragraph by retyping it or by copying/pasting it.
3. Open the **Paragraph** panel via Window > Type & Tables > Paragraph. Once there look for the **Drop Caps and Nested Styles** option (icon with a big A and a small A).
4. In the **Drop Cap Lines** field, enter how many lines tall the drop cap should be. **Three or more** is usually a good choice.
5. In the **Drop Cap Characters** field, set the number of characters to **2**.
6. Keep the drop cap character selected. Open the **Character** panel (Window > Type & Tables > Character). From the panel menu, choose **OpenType** and select **Stylistic Sets**. Then, select the set labeled **Drop Caps** to apply the framed initial.
7. You can apply different **colors** to the letter and the frame, using the **Swatches** panel or the **Color** panel. See that the cursor appears right in the middle of the frame. The left half selects the letter and the right half selects the frame.

❀ Gorgias ❀ Ornaments, borders, frames ❀

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b	❖	m	❀	x	❀	J	❀	V	❀
c	❀	n	❀	y	❀	K	❀	W	❀
d	❀	o	❀	U	❀	L	❀	X	❀
e	❀	p	❀	B	❀	N	❀	Y	❀
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g	❀	r	❀	D	❀	P	❀	2	❀
h	❀	s	❀	E	❀	Q	❀	3	❀
i	❀	t	❀	F	❀	R	❀	4	❀
j	❀	u	❀	G	❀	S	❀	5	❀
k	❀	v	❀	H	❀	T	❀	6	❀

How to type an ornament

Option A

1. Type the letter or number that corresponds to the ornament you want to display (use this chart as a guide). You can use any variant of the character (for example: 5 or 5).
2. Open the **Character** panel (Window > Type & Tables > Character). From the panel menu, choose **OpenType**, then select **Stylistic Sets**. Activate the set labeled **Ornaments, Frames and Borders** to apply the decorative form.
3. Make sure to **deactivate** the applied stylistic set before typing standard letters or numerals, as it may substitute them with ornamental glyphs.

Option B

1. Open the **Glyphs** palette (Text > Glyphs)
2. Select any ornament by locating it manually in the glyph grid or choosing “Ornaments” from the dropdown list.
3. Double-click the desired glyph to insert it into your text.

»»» Gorgias » Ornaments, borders, frames »»»

Fancy

»»» Chapter »»»

❶ Phase 32 ❷

❸ look at me ❹



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ccccccccc



nopqrstuvwxyz



tuvwxyz

Basic Ornaments

Gorgias includes several ornaments, some of which are better suited for composing titles, serving as bullets, or enhancing expressiveness in decorative contexts. Substitutions from **a** to **m** belong to this category.

Borders

Some of the ornament serve well for simple margin borders and section dividers. These examples were generated by typing **c** and **e** repeatedly.

Others are meant to be used in sequence to create more complex patterns. They also include glyphs that can be placed at the beginning and end. Ornamental substitutions from **n** to **w** can be used for this purpose.

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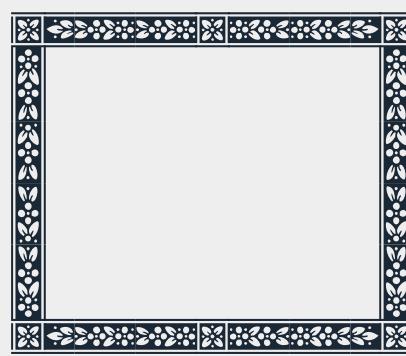
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»»» Gorgias » Ornaments, borders, frames «««

1 2 2 2 2 2 3
4 4 4 4
5 2 2 2 2 2 6

J N O P Q K
R S U W Y
T V W X Y
L N O P Q M

C A B B C D D E E
F G H J
C A B B C D D E E



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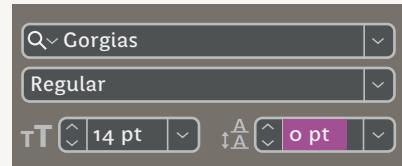
Q ~ Gorgias
Regular
TT [14 pt]
AA [14 pt]

↔ Gorgias & Layered text ↔

Colored Layers

Colored Layers

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How to create layered text

Using Gorgias Regular with Gorgias Deco Regular, or Gorgias Black with Gorgias Deco Black, allows you to create layered text, enabling multi-colored typography. To reproduce the effect shown in the examples on this page, follow these steps:

1. Type the same text on two separate lines.
2. Apply the solid styles (Regular or Black) to the first line, and the open styles (Deco Regular or Deco Black) to the second line.
3. Make sure both lines use the **same font size, spacing and style** settings. This includes tracking, kerning, and any other adjustments that affect the horizontal or vertical alignment of the text. Keeping these consistent is essential for the layers to align correctly.
4. Set the line **leading of the second line to 0** to perfectly align both layers. In InDesign, select the second line of text, open the “Character” panel (Window > Type & Tables > Character), and set the leading value to 0 pt.



Frames
and
Borders

Paint it
*Black!

* It's only *
Traftur
but I like it *

Boom!

LOVE
~~ is in the air ~~

Schwarzbier
Originalgeschmack

Welcome
to the
Jungle

Go
Black!

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Terpsichore, Calliope, Thalia & Melpomene

Gulliver's Travels

Alles in Schulfraktur gesetzt!

Wuthering Heights

Lord of the Flies

A Midsummer Night's Dream

En un lugar de la Mancha, de cuyo nombre no quiero acordarme, no ha mucho tiempo que vivía un hidalgo de los de lanza en astillero, adarga antigua, rocín flaco y galgo corredor. Una olla de algo más vaca que carnero, salpicón las más noches, duelos y quebrantos los sábados, lantejas los viernes, algún palomino de añadidura los domingos, consumían las tres partes de su hacienda. El resto della concluian sayo de velarte, calzas de velludo para las fiestas, con sus pantuflos de lo mismo, y los días de entre semana se honraba con su vellori de lo más fino. Tenía en su casa una ama que pasaba de los cuarenta, y una sobrina que no llegaba a los veinte, y un mozo de campo y plaza, que así ensillaba el rocín como tomaba la podadera.

Frisaba la edad de nuestro hidalgo con los cincuenta años; era de complección recia, seco de carnes, enjuto de rostro, gran madrugador y amigo de la caza. Quieren decir que tenía el sobrenombre de Quijada, o Quesada, que en esto hay alguna diferencia en los autores que deste caso escriben; aunque por conjecturas verosímiles se deja entender que se llamaba Quijana. Pero esto importa poco a nuestro cuento; basta que en la narración dél no se salga un punto de la verdad.

Es, pues, de saber que este sobredicho hidalgo, los ratos que estaba ocioso —que eran los más del año— se daba a leer libros de caballerías, con tanta afición y gusto, que olvidó casi de todo punto el ejercicio de la caza, y aun la administración de su hacienda; y llegó a tanto su curiosidad y desatino en esto, que vendió muchas hanegas de tierra de sembradura para comprar libros de caballerías en que leer, y así llevó a su casa todos cuantos pudo haber dellos. Y de todos, ningunos le parecían tan bien como los que compuso el famoso Feliciano de Silva, porque la claridad de su prosa y aquellas intrincadas razones suyas le parecían de perlas; y más cuando llegaba a leer aquellos requiebros y cartas de desafíos, donde en muchas partes hallaba escrito: la razón de la sinrazón que a mi razón se hace, de tal manera mi razón enflaquece, que con razón me quejo de la vuestra fermosura; y también cuando leía: ...los altos cielos que de vuestra divinidad divinamente con las estrellas os fortifican, y os hacen merecedora del merecimiento que merece la vuestra grandeza...

El ingenioso hidalgo

Don Quijote de la Mancha

La razón de la sinrazón que a mi razón se hace...

El Caballero de la Blanca Luna

La Ínsula Barataria

Sancho Panza

••• el manteado caballero •••

& Dulcinea del Toboso

Frequently Asked Questions About Life

Gorgias Regular 40 pt

L'univers des essences

Gorgias Black 63 pt

Hegelianische Geschichtsphilosophie

Gorgias Deco Regular 46 pt

Sócrates y Platón

Gorgias Deco Black 76 pt

Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex

Gorgias Black 27 pt

Under the Volcano

Gorgias Regular 84 pt

„Gorgias Regular“ character set

The image displays a vast array of decorative characters and symbols arranged in a grid. The characters include a variety of letters (A through Z) in different styles, mathematical symbols like pi, infinity, and division, and numerous decorative elements such as floral motifs, geometric shapes, and abstract patterns. The symbols are rendered in a range of colors including black, white, blue, red, green, and yellow. The overall effect is a complex and visually rich collage of typographic and decorative elements.

„Gorgias Black“ character set

„Gorgias Deco Regular“ character set

The image displays a vast collection of decorative characters and symbols from various fonts. It includes a wide range of characters from different alphabets, such as Latin, Greek, and Cyrillic. The symbols include numbers, mathematical operators, punctuation marks, and numerous decorative elements like leaves, flowers, and geometric shapes. The characters are arranged in a grid-like pattern, creating a complex and visually rich texture.

„Gorgias Deco Black“ character set

❀ Gorgias ❀

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