

Workhorse *Variable* Grotesque **40 weights** in **4 widths**: Slim, normal, fit ∑ wide



Name: Stinger
Classification: Sans Serif

**Publisher:** Zetafonts Type Foundry **Designers:** Cosimo Lorenzo Pancini

Francesco Canovaro Andrea Tartarelli Maria Chiara Fantini

Release year: 2020

**Styles:** 40 weights, 4 styles with matching italics

Available: <a href="https://www.zetafonts.com/stinger">www.zetafonts.com/stinger</a>

### **ABOUT**

Since their first appearance as italians on the pages of the 1821 William Caslon type specimens, reverse contrast typefaces have been typography's best loved quirky outcasts. Subverting the traditional relationship between thick verticals and thin horizontals made them perfect for eye-catching advertisements. The unexpected contrasts and the thick slabs produced by reverse-contrast serifs became ubiquitous in period posters, and synonymous with wild west and circus iconography.

In designing Stinger, the Zetafonts design team composed by Maria Chiara Fantini, Andrea Tartarelli and Francesco Canovaro and orchestrated by Cosimo Lorenzo Pancini decided to marry this subversive tradition with the workhorse approach of modernist sans serif typefaces like Univers, developing a super-family with four widths, each in five different weights, from thin to heavy. This gives the designer a full range of options for type setting, with the Normal and Fit widths providing two different text-sized alternatives, the wide width adding display and titling options and the Slim ready to deal with the space-saving necessities of extremely long texts. True italics have been added developed for all weights and variants, bringing the Stinger family to a total of 40 fonts, with a latin extended + russian cyrillic character set covering over 200 languages, and open type features including positional numbers, stylistic sets and alternate forms.

In the crowded panorama of contemporary grotesque typefaces, all aiming to stark geometric perfection, Stinger stands out with its bold choiches and strong personality. From the calligraphy-inspired terminals in the thin weights to the logo-ready sculptural approach in the heavy weights, each variant manages to look striking without forgetting the readability and flexibility lessons of modern reverse-contrast classics like those designed by Excoffon or Novarese. A variable version is included with the full family, allowing maximum flexibility and control for the designer over the wide range of expression capabilities of the Stinger superfamily.







### Stinger Slim

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### Stinger Normal Italic

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### Stinger Fit

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### Stinger Fit Italic

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### Stinger Wide

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### Stinger Wide Italic

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"All that we see or seem is but a dream within a dream."

# "LABIVIIMISESSE"

the man who only has a hammer, everything he encounters

# UNA GENEROSA[...]

Over thinking, over analyzing, separates the body from the...

# PAȘALĂCUL BUDA!!

Wear the grudge like a crown of negativity calculate what

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### **TEXT PROOF**

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Thin 15 pt

The so-called 'psychotically depressed' person who tries to kill herself does

'hopelessness' or any abstract conviction that life's assets and debits

surely not because death seems suddenly appealing. The person in

agony reaches a certain unendurable level will kill herself the

trapped person will eventually jump from the window o

### Thin pt 9

1 THE MAN WITHOUT QUALITIES (1930) - "A barometric low hung over the Atlantic. It moved eastward toward a high-pressure area over Russia without as yet showing any [...], Robert Musil

### Light pt q

2 GRAVITY'S RAINBOW (1973) - "It has happened before, but there is nothing to compare it to now.lt is too late. The Evacuation still proceeds, but it's all theatre..."
Thomas Pynchon

### Regular pt 9

3 ULYSSES (1922) - "Stately, plump buck mulligan came from the stairhead, bearing a bowl of lather on which a mirror and a razor lay crossed. A yellow dressing gown, ungirdled, James Joyce

### Bold pt 9

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15pt - Mixed Weights

Nero (Latin: Nero Claudius Caesar Augustus Germanicus) was the last Roman emperor of the Julio-Claudian dynasty. He was born Lucius Domitius Ahenobarbus on 15 December 37 ad in Antium. Nero was adopted by his great-uncle Claudius and became his heir and successor. Nero's mother, Agrippina the Younger, was likely implicated in Claudius' death and Nero's nomination as emperor.

12pt - Mixed Weights

During the early years of his reign, Nero was content to be guided by his mother, his tutor **Lucius Annaeus Seneca** and his Praetorian prefect, *Sextus Afranius Burrus*. As time passed, he started to play a more active and independent role in government and foreign policy. During his reign, the redoubtable general Corbulo conducted a successful war and negotiated peace with the **Parthian Empire**.

His general **Suetonius Paulinus** crushed a major revolt in Britain, led by the *Iceni Queen Boudica*. **Nero** focused much of his attention on diplomacy, trade and the cultural life of the empire, ordering theatres built and promoting athletic games.

9pt - Mixed Weights

Nero's rule is usually associated with tyranny and extravagance. Most Roman sources, such as Suetonius and Cassius Dio, offer overwhelmingly negative assessments of his personality and reign. Tacitus claims that "the Roman people thought him compulsive and corrupt". Suetonius tells that "many Romans believed that the Great Fire of Rome was instigated by Nero to clear the way for his planned palatial complex, the Domus Aurea." According to Tacitus he was said to have seized Christians as scapegoats for the fire and burned them alive, seemingly motivated not by public justice but by personal cruelty. Some modern historians question the reliability of the ancient sources on Nero's tyrannical acts. A few sources paint Nero in a more favorable light. There is evidence of his popularity among the Roman commoners, especially in the eastern provinces of the Empire, where a popular legend arose that Nero had not died and would return.

7pt - Mixed Weights

6pt- Mixed Weights

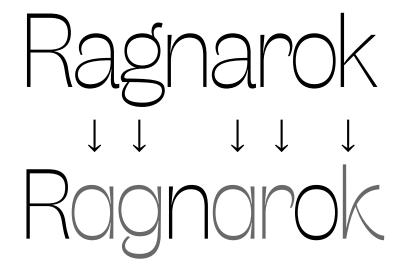
Nero's father, **Domitius**, died in 40. A few years before his death, Domitius had been involved in a political scandal that, according to Malitz: "could have cost him his life if Tiberius had not died in the year 37, since in the previous year, Nero's **mother Agrippina** had been caught up in a scandal of her own". Caligula's beloved sister Drusilla had recently died and Caligula began to feel threatened by his brother-in-law *Marcus Aemilius Lepidus*. Agrippina, suspected of adultery with her brother-in-law, was forced to carry the funerary urn after Lepidus' execution. Caligula then banished his two surviving sisters, **Agrippina and Julia Livilla**, to a remote island in the Mediterranean Sea. According to *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome*, Agrippina was exiled for plotting to overthrow Caligula.

Caligula's reign lasted from 37 until 41. He died from multiple stab wounds in January of 41 after being ambushed by his own Praetorian Guard on the Palatine Hill. Claudius succeeded Caligula as Emperor. Agrippina married Claudius in 49 ad and became his fourth wife. By February 49, she had persuaded Claudius to adopt her son Nero. After Nero's adoption, "Claudius" became part of his name: Nero Claudius Caesar Drusus Germanicus. Claudius had gold coins issued to mark the adoption. Classics professor Josiah Osgood has written that "the coins, through their distribution and imagery alike, showed that a new Leader was in the making." David Shotter noted that, despite events in Rome, Nero's step-brother Britannicus was more prominent in provincial coinages during the early 50s. The ancient biographer Suetonius, who was critical of Nero's ancestors, wrote that Augustus had reproached Nero's grandfather for his unseemly enjoyment of violent gladiator games. According to Jürgen Malitz, Suetonius tells that Nero's father was known to be "irascible and brutal" and that.



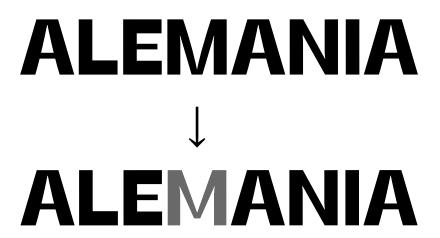
### STYLISTIC ALTERNATES

Stylistic Alternates or Stylistic Sets were designed to offer a secondary form of a character.



**STYLISTIC SET 01, 02, 03...** 

There are more than one Stylistic Set. Check out the possibilities of text appearance.



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### **ALTERNATE FIGURES**

Tabular Figures are especially useful while setting columns of numbers, such as in financial reports.

PROPORTIONAL LINING

TABULAR LINING

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PROPORTIONAL OLD STYLE

TABULAR OLD STYLE

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### **POSITIONING FIGURES/FRACTIONS**

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**FRACTION** 

SUBSCRIPT-INFERIOR

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**102** 

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**ORDINALS** 

SUPERSCRIPT SUPERIOR **NUMERATOR** 



### **SMALLCAPS**

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**CYRILLIC SCRIPT** 

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### **CHARACTER SET**

UPPERCASE & ACCENTED

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**ARABIC** 

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### **SMALLCAPS**

### **ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

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### **NUMBERS**

# 1200+ chars 219 languages 3 scripts: latin, arabic, cyrillic

### **COMMON LANGUAGES**

Afrikaans, Albanian, Asu, Azerbaijani, Basque, Bemba, Bena, Bosnian, Breton, Bulgarian, Catalan, Chiga, Colognian, Cornish, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Esperanto, Estonian, Faroese, Filipino, Finnish, French, Friulian, Galician, Ganda, German, Greek, Gusii, Hungarian, Icelandic, Inari Sami, Indonesian, Irish, Italian, Jola-Fonyi, Kabuverdianu, Kalenjin, Kinyarwanda, Low German, Lower Sorbian, Luo, Luxembourgish, Luyia, Macedonian, Machame, Makhuwa-Meetto, Makonde, Malagasy, Malay, Maltese, Manx, Morisyen, North Ndebele, Northern Sami, Norwegian Bokmål, Norwegian Nynorsk, Nyankole, Oromo, Portuguese, Quechua, Romansh, Rombo, Rundi, Russian, Rwa, Samburu, Sango, Sangu, Scottish Gaelic, Sena, Serbian, Shambala, Shona, Slovak, Slovenian, Soga, Somali, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish, Swiss German, Taita, Teso, Turkish, Turkmen, Ukrainian, Upper Sorbian, Vunjo, Walser, Welsh, Western Frisian, Wolof, Zulu



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