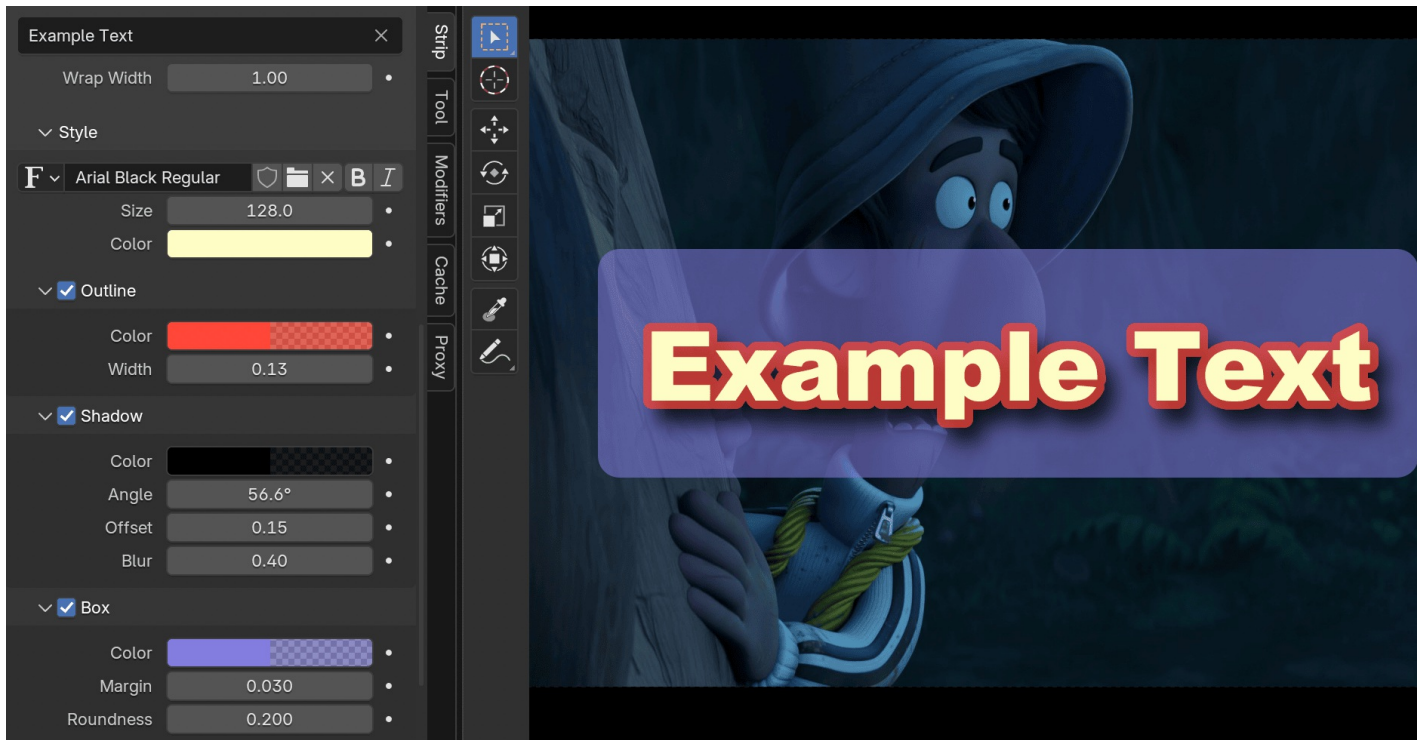# Text Strip

The Text strip allows you to directly display text in the Sequence editor. The strip will display the text inserted in its text field on the final sequence.

Text effect.

> Tip
>
> All Text strips in a video sequence can be exported as a SubRip file. This is useful when using Text strips as subtitles.

Options

Text

The actual text displayed. Text is limited to 512 characters.

Wrap Width

Wraps the text by the percentage of the frame width, setting this to zero disables word wrapping.

Style

Font

Data-Block Menu to choose which font-file is used to render the text.

B (Bold)

Use a bold font face with a strong/thick visual appearance.

I (Italic)

Use an italicized font face with a slanted visual appearance.

Size

Size of the text.

Color

The text color.

Outline

Creates a line enclosing the shape of the text.

Color

The color and opacity of the outline.

Width

The thickness of the outline.

Shadow

Creates a shadow under the text.

Color

The color and opacity of the shadow.

Angle

Defines the position of the shadow as an angle, 0° being to the right and 90° being below.

Offset

Amount to shift the shadow compared to the normal text.

Blur

Amount to blur the shadow.

Box

Creates a background for the text to improve the readability and clarity of text in some situations.

Color

The color and opacity of the box.

Margin

The distance the box boundaries extends from the boundaries of the font glyphs. The distance is measured as a factor of the image's width.

Roundness

Rounds the corners of the box, defined as a factor of box height.

Layout

Location X, Y

Positions the text on the X, Y axis.

Alignment X, Y

Controls the horizontal positioning of text within the text strip. The text content can be aligned to the left, center, or right.

Anchor X, Y

Horizontal (X) or vertical (Y) "origin" of the text relative to the location.

Text Editing in Preview

Text strips can be edited directly in the **Preview** window, providing a more intuitive workflow.

- **Enable Editing**: Press Tab to enter edit mode. A boundary box and cursor will appear.
- **Disable Editing**: Press Tab again to exit edit mode.

Editing

Reference
View Type:
Preview
Menu:

Copy Text **Ctrl ‑ C**

    Copy the selected text.

Paste Text **Ctrl ‑ V**

    Uses the system clipboard, allowing text from external applications to be pasted.

Cut Text **Ctrl ‑ X**

    Cut the selected text.

Delete Character **Backspace**

    Delete the character before the cursor.

Insert Linebreak **Return**

    Insert a new line.

Select All **Ctrl ‑ A**

    Select all the text.

Deselect All **Esc**

    Deselect the text.

Navigation

- **Left** – Move the cursor one character left.
- **Right** – Move the cursor one character right.
- **Up** – Move the cursor one line up**.
- **Down** – Move the cursor one line down**.
- **Home** – Move the cursor to the beginning of the current line.
- **End** – Move the cursor to the end of the current line.
- **Ctrl ‑ Left** – Move the cursor one word left.
- **Ctrl ‑ Right** – Move the cursor one word right.
- **Page Up** – Move the cursor to the start of the text.
- **Page Down** – Move the cursor to the end of the text.

Text Selection

Holding **Shift** while pressing a navigation key enables text selection.

- **Shift ‑ Left** – Select the previous character.
- **Shift ‑ Right** – Select the next character.
- **Shift ‑ Up** – Select the previous line.
- **Shift ‑ Down** – Select the next line.
- **Shift ‑ Home** – Select from the cursor to the beginning of the line.
- **Shift ‑ End** – Select from the cursor to the end of the line.
- **Shift ‑ Ctrl ‑ Left** – Select the previous word.
- **Shift ‑ Ctrl ‑ Right** – Select the next word.
- **Shift ‑ Page Up** – Select from the cursor to the start of the text.
- **Shift ‑ Page Down** – Select from the cursor to the end of the text.