

Scheherazade New - Font Features

Scheherazade New is a TrueType font with smart font capabilities added using OpenType and Graphite font technologies. The Scheherazade New font includes a number of optional features that provide alternative rendering that might be preferable for use in some contexts. The sections below enumerates the details of these features. Whether these features are available to users will depend on both the application and the rendering technology ([Graphite](#) or OpenType) being used. Most features are available in both Graphite and OpenType, though there may be minor differences in their implementation. Some applications let the user control certain features such as Character Variants to turn on the rendering of variant characters. However, at this point, most applications do not make use of those features so another solution is needed to show the variant characters. [TypeTuner](#) creates tuned fonts that use the variant glyph in place of the standard glyph. TypeTuner also provides the ability to turn on support for the Kurdish, Kyrgyz, Rohingya, Sindhi, Urdu, and Wolof languages variants.

See [Using Font Features](#). Although that page is not targeted at Arabic script support, it does provide a comprehensive list of applications that make full use of the OpenType and Graphite font technologies.

See also [Arabic Fonts — Application Support](#). It provides a fairly comprehensive list of applications that make full use of the OpenType and [Graphite](#) font technologies.

This page uses web fonts (WOFF) to demonstrate font features and should display correctly in all modern browsers. For a more concise example of how to use Scheherazade New as a web font see *ScheherazadeNew-webfont-example.html* in the font package web folder.

If this document is not displaying correctly a PDF version is also provided in the documentation/pdf folder of the release package.

End of Ayah (U+06DD), Disputed End of Ayah (U+08E2), and subtending marks (U+0600..U+0605)

These Arabic characters are intended to enclose or hold one or more digits.

Specific technical details of how to use them are discussed in the [Arabic fonts FAQ -- Subtending marks](#).

Additionally, Scheherazade New includes two simplified alternates for U+06DD ARABIC END OF AYAH under the Stylistic Alternates (salt) feature, but at this time we know of no OpenType-based applications that can access these. The two alternates are also available through the Character Variants feature discussed below.

Customizing with TypeTuner

For applications that do not make use of Graphite features or the OpenType Character Variants, you can now download fonts customized with the variant glyphs you choose. Read this document, visit [TypeTuner Web](#), then choose the variants and download your font.

Test rendering engine choice

Here is a simple test to see if Graphite is working in your browser. If it is, the following will say "RenderingGraphite". If your browser does not support Graphite it should say "RenderingOpenType". Firefox is currently the only browser that supports Graphite. See the [instructions on how to enable Graphite in Firefox](#).




Check

RenderingOpenType

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Lowered		cv62=1



Damma

Affects: U+064F

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Standard		cv70=0
Filled		cv70=1
Short		cv70=2



Dammatan

Affects: U+064C

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Standard		cv72=0
Six-nine		cv72=1

Inverted Damma

Affects: U+0657

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Standard		cv74=0
Hollow		cv74=1

Superscript Alef

Affects: U+0670 on all yeh, sad and seen-like characters U+0649 U+064A U+06D0 U+06D1 U+0777 U+06CC U+0635 U+0636 U+069D U+069E U+06FB U+08AF U+0633 U+0634 U+069A U+069B U+069C U+06FA U+075C U+076D U+0770 U+077D U+077E

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
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Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Small	<p> يٰٓاَيُّهَا الَّذِيْنَ اٰمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتَ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْكُمْ اَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَّكُمْ اِلٰهًا اٰلِهَةٌ اِلَّا هُوَ ۚ سُبْحَانَ عِزِّهِ ۚ هُوَ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّاعَةَ ۖ وَهُوَ السَّاعِىُّ بِهَا ۚ وَهُوَ غَفُوْرٌ رَّحِيْمٌ ۝۱۰۰ </p>	cv76=0
Large	<p> يٰٓاَيُّهَا الَّذِيْنَ اٰمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتَ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْكُمْ اَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَّكُمْ اِلٰهًا اٰلِهَةٌ اِلَّا هُوَ ۚ سُبْحَانَ عِزِّهِ ۚ هُوَ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّاعَةَ ۖ وَهُوَ السَّاعِىُّ بِهَا ۚ وَهُوَ غَفُوْرٌ رَّحِيْمٌ ۝۱۰۰ </p>	cv76=1

Sukun

Affects: U+0652

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Closed	<p> بْ ٠ </p>	cv78=0
Open down	<p> بْ ٠ </p>	cv78=1
Open left	<p> بْ ٠ </p>	cv78=2

End of ayah

Affects: U+06DD




Firefox allows you to use U+06DD followed by the digits and proper rendering occurs. Some applications require the following:

- precede the entire sequence (subtending mark plus following digits) with 202D LEFT-TO-RIGHT OVERRIDE

- follow the entire sequence with U+202C POP DIRECTIONAL FORMATTING.

Surrounding the sequence with U+202D and U+202C seems to give the most reliable results in different browsers. However, we have not found a solution that works in Internet Explorer/Edge.

In the example below, the following codepoints are used: U+202D U+06DD U+0031 U+0032 U+0033 U+202C U+202D U+06DD U+0611 U+0622 U+0663 U+202C.

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Standard	 cv80=0	
Simplified A	 cv80=1	
Simplified B	 cv80=2	

The new DISPUTED END OF AYAH (U+08E2) is also now available in the font. It works in the same way as End of ayah.

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



Honorific ligatures

Affects: U+FD40..U+FD4F, U+FDCF, U+FDFA..U+FDFB, U+FDFD..U+FDFF

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Calligraphic	 cv81=0	
Simplified	 cv81=1	

Eastern digits

Affects: U+06F4, U+06F6, U+06F7

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Standard	 cv82=0	
Sindhi-style	 cv82=1	
Urdu-style	 cv82=2	
Rohingya-style	 cv82=4	

Comma

Affects: U+060C, U+061B

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
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Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Upward	؛ ﺍ	cv84=0
Downward	؛ ﺍ	cv84=1

Decimal separator

Affects: U+066B

Feature value	Sample	Feature setting
Small reh	ﺭ	cv85=0
Slash	/	cv85=1

Line spacing

Allows for adjustment of the default line spacing in the font (values shown are ordered in increasing line spacing). This feature is only available with TypeTuner.

Feature Value
Tight
Normal
Loose

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