# Elstob—A variable font for medievalists

## Features and Character Set.

#### A. Faces

Roman and *Italic*. Character sets for roman and italic faces are identical, except for stylistic and a few other variants.

#### B. Axes

Axes are continuously variable (even fractional values are permitted).

Weight: 200 (ExtraLight) to 800 (ExtraBold). Default is 400.

Optical Size: 6 (use at circa 6-8pt) to 18 (use at 18pt or larger). Default is 12.

Grade: 1 to 500. Default is 1.

#### C. Instances

ExtraLight, Light, Regular, Medium, SemiBold, Bold, ExtraBold

ExtraLight Italic, Light Italic, Medium Italic, SemiBold Italic, Bold Italic, ExtraBold Italic 8pt, 10pt, 14pt, 18pt

8pt Italic, 10pt Italic, 14pt Italic, 18pt Italic

8pt Medium, 10pt Medium, Medium, 14pt Medium, 18pt Medium

8pt Medium Italic, 10pt Medium Italic, Medium Italic, 14pt Medium Italic, 18pt Medium Italic

8pt SemiBold, 10pt SemiBold, SemiBold, 14pt SemiBold, 18pt SemiBold

8pt SemiBold Italic, 10pt SemiBold Italic, SemiBold Italic, 14pt SemiBold Italic, 18pt SemiBold Italic

8pt Bold, 10pt Bold, Bold, 14pt Bold, 18pt Bold

8pt Bold Italic, 10pt Bold Italic, Bold Italic, 14pt Bold Italic, 18pt Bold Italic

ExtraBold, 18pt ExtraBold

ExtraBold Italic, 18pt ExtraBold Italic

## D. OpenType features

OpenType features are applied in the following order:

1. aalt (Access All Alternates)

Provides access to all variants in the font.

## 2. ccmp (Glyph Composition/Decomposition)

(1.) Many characters useful to medievalists can be typed by enclosing a two-letter mnemonic code in braces and parentheses, e.g. {(pr)} for p. For a complete list of codes, see the last page of this document. (2.) Removes dot from i and j when followed by certain combining marks. (3). Provides ligatures of IPA characters and the rhotic hook (U+02DE). For the rationale for including these in ccmp, see https://typedrawers.com/discussion/3242/modifier-letter-rhotic-hook/p1.

## 3. locl (Localized Forms)

Provides the English forms of thorn and eth ( $\mathcal{P} \triangleright \delta$ ) when English is the active language.

### 4. frac (Fractions)

Elstob includes only three fractions: ¼, ½, ¾. Type as number + slash + number.

## 5. ordn (Ordinals)

Provides superscript forms of a and o when preceded by a figure: 1a, 2o.

# 6. tnum (Tabular Figures), onum (Old-Style Figures), pnum (Proportional Figures), lnum (Lining Figures)

In various combinations, provides figures in four styles: Tabular lining (default, 0123456789), Tabular old-style (01234567890), Proportional lining (01234567890), Proportional old-style (01234567890).

## 7. zero (Slashed Zero)

Provides slashed zero in all figure styles: 0, 0, 0, 0.

### 8. c2sc (Small Capitals From Capitals)

Converts capitals to small caps. Every capital in the font has a corresponding small capital. ABCD EFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZPĐÆ. Alternatively, use ss08 for all small caps (= c2sc + smcp).

### 9. ss08 (All small caps)

Converts both lowercase and uppercase letters to small caps. For MS Word users, who don't have access to true small caps.

### 10. smcp (Small Capitals)

Converts lowercase letters to small capitals. MS Word users should use ss07 instead.

## 11. case (Case-Sensitive Forms)

Mostly provides alternate diacritics for capitals, e.g.  $\hat{A}\ddot{A}\dot{E}\ddot{E}O\tilde{O}U\bar{U}$ . Also converts old-style to lining figures to harmonize with capitals.

### 12. sso1 (Nordic Thorn and Eth)

Overrides any language setting to provide the Nordic shapes of the letters thorn and eth  $(b, \delta, P)$ .

## 13. sso2 (Insular Letter-Shapes)

Transliterates from modern to insular (Old English, Old Irish) letter-shapes: στζιηττρ. Note that calt (see below) will change the sequence τ to fτ.

14. sso3 (Long s): see 29. hist.

## 15. sso4 (IPA Letter-Shapes)

Changes g to g and (in italic only) a to a.

## 16. sso5 (English Thorn and Eth)

Overrides any language setting to provide the English shapes of the letters thorn and eth  $(\flat, \delta, \mathfrak{P})$ .

## 17. sso6 (Punctus Interrogativus)

Changes a modern question mark to the punctus interrogativus.

## 18. ss11 (Alternate ae Ligature)

Italic only. Provides a form of  $\alpha$  that some users may find less ambiguous than the default:  $\alpha$ .

## 19. ss12 (Early English Futhorc)

Transliterates Latin script to runic with characters from the Early English futhorc. PDPRK.

## 20. ss13 (Elder Futhark)

Transliterates Latin script to runic with characters from the Elder futhark. PDFR<.

## 21. ss14 (Younger Futhark)

Transliterates Latin script to runic with characters from the Younger futhark. PNDIRY.

## 22. ssi5 (Long Branch to Short Twig)

Use with ss14. Converts the default (Long Branch) version of the Younger futhark to the Short Twig version. ሦበኮ IRV.

### 23. ss16 (r Rotunda)

Changes r to r rotunda. Note that calt will change many of these back to r so that r rotunda only follows rounded characters, as in most manuscripts. form brake price.

## 24. ss17 (Sticky Long s)

Provides a long f that will never be changed back to s by calt.

### 25. ss18 (Sticky r Rotunda)

Provides an 2 rotunda that will never be changed back to r by calt.

## 26. cvo1 (Character Variant 1)

Provides an alternative form of insular δ (δ).

## 27. cv02 (Character Variant 2)

Provides an alternative form of  $\gamma$  (z).

### 28. cvo3 (Character Variant 3)

Provides another alternative form of  $\gamma(z)$ .

#### 29. hist (Historical Forms)

Changes s to f. Many instances of s will be changed to f by 31. calt in English and French text. Duplicated by 14. ss03, since some software does not provide access to the hist feature.

#### 30. swsh (Swash)

Italic only. Provides swash forms of certain capitals ( $\mathcal{ADJPRT}$ ) plus  $\chi$  and k.

## 31. calt (Contextual Alternates)

Provides many alternate characters that vary automatically by context. Should always be on (must be turned on explicitly in MS Word).

## 32. liga (Standard Ligatures)

Provides ligatures that should always be used for certain letter combinations (e.g. first flat office afflict offer). Should always be on, but must be turned on explicitly in MS Word.

## 33. dlig (Discretionary Ligatures)

Provides & and & ligatures, and in italic only, as, is, us.

## Roman Character Set

#### BASIC LATIN

!"#\$%&'()\*+,-./0123456789:;<=>?@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRST UVWXYZ[\]^\_ `abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz{|}~variants: 0123456789\$ 0123456789\$0123456789\$0006

#### LATIN I SUPPLEMENT

## LATIN EXTENDED A, B, D, ADDITIONAL

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#### **PUNCTUATION**

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#### RUNIC

#### SPACING MODIFIER LETTERS

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#### COMBINING DIACRITICAL MARKS

#### INTERNATIONAL PHONETIC ALPHABET

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#### SMALL CAPS

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZÁĂÂÄĀĄÅÃÆÆÆĀŊÃAÆAŪANĆČÇĊĐĎ ĐÉĔĚÊËĖĒĘĢĠÍĬÎÏÌIJĪĮJKĶĹĽĻŁŃŇŅŊÑÓŎÔÖÒŐŌŒQØØÕŒPŔŘŖŚŠŞŦŤ ŢŮŬÛÜÙŰŪĦŁZĀŲŮŨŴŴŸWPÝŶŸŶŹŽŻSSß()?!¡¿&%#⊜∅

#### LIGATURES

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#### MISCELLANEOUS

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## Italic Character Set

#### BASIC LATIN

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#### LATIN I SUPPLEMENT

## LATIN EXTENDED A, B, D, ADDITIONAL

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#### **PUNCTUATION**

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#### RUNIC

#### SPACING MODIFIER LETTERS

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#### COMBINING DIACRITICAL MARKS

#### INTERNATIONAL PHONETIC ALPHABET

#### SMALL CAPS

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZÁĂÂÄÄĀĄÅÃÆÆÆŊďMDAUNNĆČÇĊÐĎ ĐÉĔĚÊĖĖĖĘĢĠÍĬÎÏÌIJĪĮJKĶĹĽĻĿŃŇŅŊÑÓŎÔÖÒŐŌŒĮØŐŒŢŔŘŖŚŠŞŦŤŢÚ ŬÛÜÙŰŪĦŁZŸŲŮŨŴŴWWPÝŶŸŸŹŽŻSSB()?!¡¿∵♥%#⊕Ф

#### LIGATURES

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

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#### **ITALICS-ONLY VARIANTS**

a x x x ADJPRT k z ź ż ż as is us p

# **Codes for Special Characters**

A number of characters can be typed by enclosing a two-letter code in braces and parentheses, e.g. {(US)} for one in most software, nothing needs to be done to enable this feature. In Microsoft Word, however, you must first check the "Kerning for fonts" box in the "Advanced" tab of the "Font" dialog. It is necessary to enable kerning before you can access any other OpenType features of a font. It is suggested that you enable kerning in the "Normal" style of your document rather than apply a font change directly to text.

This feature is intended to make typing easier, but before you publish a web page or share a document with someone who may not have the Elstob font, you should replace these codes with the proper Unicode (UTF-8 or UTF-16) characters.

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\{(^2)\} = ^{\circ} (U+1DD6)
\{(AA)\} = AA(U+A732)
                                 \{(q1)\} = q(U+A757)
                                                                   \{(^{\infty})\} = ^{\infty} (U+1DD4)
\{(aa)\} = aa(U+A733)
                                 \{(q2)\} = q(U+A759)
                                 \{(rr)\}=2(U+A75B)
                                                                   \{(^c)\} = (U+0368)
\{(AO)\} = AO(U+A734)
\{(ao)\} = \infty (U+A735)
                                 \{(sd)\} = f(U+1E9C)
                                                                   \{(^c)\} = ^c (U+1DD7)
                                 \{(TH)\} = P(U+00DE)
                                                                   \{(^3)\} = ^{\circ} (U+1DD8)
\{(AU)\} = AU(U+A736)
\{(au)\}=au(U+A737)
                                 \{(th)\} = b (U+00FE)
                                                                   \{(^4)\} = ^{\circ}(U+1DD9)
                                                                   \{(^e)\} = (U+0364)
\{(AV)\} = A(U+A738)
                                 \{(ct)\} = b (U+A765)
                                                                   \{(^g)\} = ^g (U+1DDA)
\{(av)\} = a(U+A739)
                                 \{(WY)\} = W(U+A760)
\{(AY)\} = N(U+A73C)
                                 \{(wy)\} = w(U+A761)
                                                                   \{(^h)\} = ^h (U+036A)
\{(ay)\} = ay(U+A73D)
                                 \{(WN)\} = P(U+01F7)
                                                                   \{(^i)\} = \dot{(U+0365)}
                                                                   \{(^k)\} = ^k (U+1DDC)
\{(AE)\} = \mathcal{E}(U+00C6)
                                 \{(wn)\} = p(U+01BF)
\{(ae)\} = x (U+00E6)
                                 \{(et)\} = 3(U+A76B)
                                                                   \{(\land l)\} = {}^{l}(U+1DDD)
\{(DH)\} = D(U+00D0)
                                         = 7 (U+204A)
                                                                   \{(^m)\} = ^m (U+036B)
                                 {(ti)}
\{(dh)\} = \delta(U+00F0)
                                                                   \{(^n)\} = ^n (U+1DE0)
                                 \{(US)\} = ?(U+A770)
                                                                   \{(\land o)\} = \circ (U+0366)
\{(YO)\} = 3(U+021C)
                                 \{(co)\}=9(U+A76F)
\{(yo)\} = 3(U+021D)
                                                                   \{(^r)\} = ^r (U+136C)
                                 \{(ru)\} = 2 (U + A75D)
\{(kl)\} = k(U+A741)
                                 \{(oa)\} = "(U+1DD3)
                                                                   \{(^5)\} = ^3(U+1DE3)
\{(OO)\} = OO(U + A74E)
                                 \{(^s)\} = ^(U+1DE4)
\{(oo)\} = oo\{U + A74F\}
                                 \{(ur)\} = \mathring{\circ} (U+1DD1)
                                                                   \{(^6)\} = (U+1DE5)
                                 \{(zz)\} = \dot{\circ} (U+035B)
                                                                   \{(^t)\} = ^t (U+036D)
\{(OB)\} = \Theta(U+A74A)
\{(ob)\} = \Theta(U + A74B)
                                 \{(ZZ)\} = \emptyset (U+1DCF)
                                                                   \{(^{v})\} = \dot{\circ} (U+036E)
\{(pr)\} = p(U+A751)
                                 \{(^a)\} = \mathring{\circ} (U+0363)
                                                                   \{(^x)\} = ^x (U+036F)
\{(po)\} = p(U+A753)
                                 \{(^1)\} = ^\infty (U+1DD5)
                                                                   \{(^z)\} = \tilde{O}(U+1DE6)
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