The Samian5 font

This font was developed for the representation of the readings of sigillata stamps in the catalogues published in the *Names on terra sigillata* volumes.

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Names on terra sigillata. An index of makers' stamps and signatures on Gallo-Roman terra sigillata (Samian ware)
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- Volume 1 (A to Axo), 2008
- Volume 2 (B to Cerotcus), 2008
- Volume 3 (Certianus to Exsobano), 2008
- Volume 4 (F to Klumi), 2009
- Volume 5 (L to Masclus I), 2009
- Volume 6 (Masclus I-Balbus to Oxittus), 2010
- Volume 7 (P to Rxead), 2011
- Volume 8 (S to Symphorus), 2011
- Volume 9 (T to Ximus), 2012

Publication and ordering details can be found at http://icls.sas.ac.uk/publications. The font is also used in the online catalogue of stamps derived from the published volumes at http://www.rgzm.de/samian.

The font contains a range of standard characters (upper- and lower-case, digits and punctuation). The special ligatures and symbols for sigillata stamps are in the Unicode Private Use area starting at position 0xF500. This font was developed from 2008 until the final volume of *Names on terra sigillata* was published in June 2012.

Some glyphs in Samian5 are based on Bitstream Vera and DejaVu fonts. See the included LICENSE-dejavu for the original licensing of DejaVu and Vera fonts. Samian5 was developed using fontforge.

The font is distributed as a .ttf (TrueType) file that should be installable on most systems. An installation program for the Windows operating systems is also available, but installation through the .ttf is recommended in most cases.

A brief introduction to the use of Samian5 is included in the *Illustrating Samian Ware* guidelines of the Study Group for Roman Pottery, available on line at http://romanpotterystudy.org/new/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Illustrating_Samian_Ware.pdf (pp.26-28).

The distribution includes:

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README.md              : basic information (this file)
Samian5-X.YY.ttf       : the Samian5 font in TrueType format
                         (where X.YY is the version number)
Samian5-X.XX-X.exe     : installation program for windows systems
Samian5.sfd            : fontforge source file
Samain5-glyphs.pdf     : a pdf showing the special glyphs in Samian5
INSTALL.txt            : how to install the font on Windows amd Linux
HOWTO_use_Samian5.md   : hints on using Samian5 in word processor documents
Glyphlist              : a list of glyphs in the font and their characteristics
ChangeLog              : a cumulative list of changes and additions to the font
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