



Qandus Latin Solid Regular
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Qandus Latin Fluid Regular
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Qandus Latin is part of the Qandus multiscrypt font family consisting of a modern typographic interpretation of the unique Maghribi calligraphic style handwritten by al-Qandusi. Qandus was developed within the framework of the Khatt Foundation's type design research project: *Typographic Matchmaking in the Maghrib (2015-2017)*, which curator is Huda Smitshuijzen AbiFarès. The designers are Laura Meseguer (Latin), Kristyan Sarkis (Arabic), and Juan Luis Blanco (Tifinagh).

The strong graphic language of the typeface design emphasizes and explores the variety and visual potential of the Maghribi style. The concept was to design 3 styles, extracted from the different textures of Qandusi's manuscripts (Regular, Medium and Dark) that go beyond the difference in weight and highlight 3 constructions: The Solid, the Fluid and the Original as a mixture of both forms. The Latin subfamily takes the Arabic as the starting point, and becomes an exploration of the reversed horizontal stress based on rotation, the limits between calligraphy and drawing; and the exuberance of the letterforms.

The Qandus Latin System

The Original Subfamily was the first to be designed and the result of the Typographic Matchmaking in the Maghrib project (2015-2017), but while designing the three scripts simultaneously, we realized that we had to work in several Stylics Sets for each weight, what eventually could become a problem for the user. The solution for this retail version was to split the original into three subfamilies:

- Original as a mix, in the pure style of Al-Qandusi
- Solid, more into a Kufic structure (for the Arabic), carved (for the Tifinagh), and ‘constructed’ for the Latin.
- Fluid, more expressive (in Arabic), written on sand (for the Tifinagh), and totally upright italic for the Latin.

	Solid	Original	Fluid
Regular	an	an	an
Medium	an	an	an
Solid	an	an	an



Rachid Taha

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Lili Boniche

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Enawa Diffusion

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Omar Metiouï

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Aït Menguellet

Qandus Latin Original Medium 40pt

Najat Aâtabou

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Asma Lmnawar

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Houria Aïchi

Qandus Latin Fluid Medium 40pt

Cheb Mami

Qandus Latin Fluid Dark 40pt

The Solid Subfamily

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Rachid Taha (18 September 1958-12 September 2018) was an Algerian singer and activist based in France described as “sonically adventurous”. His music was influenced by many different styles including rock, electronic, punk and raï. In the late 1970s, Taha founded the nightclub called The Rejects or, in French, Les Refoulés, where he would spin mashups of Arabic pop classics

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Lili Boniche (Élie Boniche, April 29, 1922-March 6, 2008) was an Algerian born French singer of Andalusian-Arab music. Boniche was the heir to an erudite, centuries-long tradition of Algerian song and a pillar of Franco-Arab music. Born into a Sephardic Jewish family in the Casbah area of Algiers, Boniche was a child prodigy who

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Gnawa Diffusion is an Algerian Gnawa music band based in Grenoble, France. The group’s lead singer, Amazigh (literally meaning ‘Free Man’ in Tamazight), is the son of the Algerian

The Original Subfamily

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Omar Metioui (Tangiers, 1962) is a Moroccan classical musician. Metioui originally trained as a pharmacist, then concentrated on performance of the oud or Arabic lute, as well as performance as a vocalist. He has recorded with his own Ensemble Omar Metioui, and is cofounder in 1994 with Spanish musicologist, flautist and architect Eduardo Paniagua, dedicated to the recovery of medieval Andalusian music.

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Lounis Aït Menguellet is an Algerian singer born on January 17, 1950 in Ighil Bouammas, Tizi Ouzou Province in the Kabylie region. Lounis Aït Menguellet sings in the berber language (kabyle variant) and is certainly one of the most popular and charismatic artists of the contemporary kabyle music scene.

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Najat Aâtabou was born on 9 May 1960 into a lower-class family, with five brothers and four sisters. She dreamed of becoming a lawyer, but her life would take a different direction.

The Fluid Subfamily

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Asma Lamnawar (born 25 July 1978) is a Moroccan singer. She made her singing debut in 1995 with “Angham”, a festival produced by Moroccan Radio and TV, where she won the prize for best interpretation, though she delayed beginning her musical career until 2002. She has recorded music for Moroccan television serials and films. She toured with the ensemble “Oriental Mood” in Denmark, Sweden and especially in Egypt.

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Born in Aurès, Houria Aïchi went to study psychology in Paris in the 1970s. While teaching sociology, she started to perform in 1985, singing traditional songs of her childhood (lullabies, love songs), accompanied by traditional instruments (gasbâ, bendir), Her first two released albums did not open doors.

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Mohamed Khelifati better known as Cheb Mami, born 11 July 1966, is an Algerian musician and singer-songwriter. He sings and speaks in Algerian Arabic.



The Regular weights

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The Medium weights

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The Dark weights

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Open Type formats allows to include an expanded character set and layout features, to provide advanced typographic control and better linguistic support such as ligatures, alternates characters and contextual substitutions.
Open Type fonts work in all applications but only some take profit of the features.

OT supports Unicode which enables the fonts to contain more than 65,000 glyphs, while PostScript area limited to a maximum of only 256 characters.
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Feature	Default typing	Feature ON
Discretionary Ligatures (.dliga)	The End of Yukki Ophthalmology	The End of Yukka Ophthalmology
Stylistic Alternates (.ss01)	Aroma de Rosa Elegant Pack	Aroma de Rosa Elegant Pack
Swash (only in Solid)	The End of Love	The End of Love
Case	{BRON-Y-AUR}	{BRON-Y-AUR}
Local Forms	PARAL·LEL, IJ	PARAL:LEL, J
Tabular lining	12.345.678,90	1 2.345.678,90
Tabular oldstyle	12.345.678,90	1 2.345.678,90
Proportional oldstyle	12.345.678,90	12.345.678,90
Superiors	1234567890	1234567890
Inferiors	1234567890	1234567890
Fractions	1/4 1/8 3/4 0/0	1/4 1/8 3/4 0/0
Slashed zero	0	0



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Publicaciones Navarro

Estàs una mica pàllida, no creus?

Coffee & Cigarettes

Mutil ederra zara

Je voulais vous dire que vous êtes très jolie

Multiscript

Eram palavras do português

In quel campo si trovan funghi in abbondanza.

Smörgåsbord

Qandus Latin Original, Solid and Fluid, designed by Laura Meseguer, is part of Qandus, a multiscript typeface family that includes Arabic (designed by Krystian Sarkis) and Tifinagh (designed by Juan Luis Blanco), started at the Typographic Matchmaking in the Maghrib 3.0 project, by the Khatt Foundation.

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Arabic, Latin and Tifinagh

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Boulanger
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Pain au Chocolat
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Chouquette?

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Napoli أفريقيا
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Roma العديان
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Amalfi البحارة

Alegría!

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Ximeneia كرتنوفوبيا
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Efimero الفولكلور
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ The End كالبغورنيا

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ El viejo Oeste رحله موفقه
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Why me? باللعول!
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Hummus الحمصامات

الجنة خايب

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ «Tomber dans les pommes.» كان يا ما كان
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Délicatesse حول العالم
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Coffee&Cigarettes عصافير الجنة

نعم للإستقلالية

ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Estás una mica pàllida مسرحية للأطفال
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ La Mer Méditerranée سماء ممتلئة بالقيوم
ⵏⵓⵎⵎⵉⵏⵉⵢⵓ Dozen of Eggs بيض الخوازم

Buffaloes

Qandus Latin Original together with Qandus Arabic & Qandus Tifinagh, working harmoniously.
Qandus Arabic & Qandus Tifinagh are not available at Type-Ø-Tones.

