The *Splentinex* Font Family
Version 1.0

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1 Description

Splentinex is a serif font family designed for body text. This typeface design was originally crated by Frank Pierpont and Fritz Stelzer in 1913 and released by Monotype as *Plantin*. In 2025, Ben Byram-Wigfield created *Splentino*, a new digitization of the *Plantin* design, for inclusion with the music software Dorico.[1] *Splentinex* is a modified repackaging of *Splentino* for use with LaTeX.

2 Features

The font family currently includes regular, *italic*, **bold** and ***bold italic*** fonts. SMALL CAPITALS are provided for the regular font only. Old-style figures are included for all four fonts.

3 Usage with OpenType-capable TeX engines

I recommend using the OpenType versions of *Splentinex* with a modern TeX engine (such as LuaTeX or XƎTeX). If you are using LuaLaTeX or XƎLaTeX, use `fontspec` to select the font and the appropriate options, e.g., by adding `\usepackage{fontspec}\setmainfont{Splentinex}` to your preamble. For detailed options, see that package's documentation.

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[1] `https://blog.dorico.com/2025/06/the-splentino-typeface-reviving-plantin-for-musical-scores/`

4   Usage with legacy TₑX engines

If you wish to use the fonts with a legacy TₑX engine, Type 1 fonts and the appropriate support files are provided. To set use the Type 1 version of *Splentinex* in LᴬTₑX, use the following command:

```
\usepackage{splentinex}
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By default, tabular lining figures (0123456789) are used. The package-level options `tabular` and `proportional` can be used to switch between tabular (0123456789) and proportional (0123456789) versions of lining figures. Old-style figures (0123456789) can be set as the default using package option `oldstyle`.

5   Copying

The *Splentinex* fonts have been released under the sɪʟ Open Font License, version 1.1; see `COPYING`.

6   Source files and development

Source files for the *Splentinex* fonts are available on GitHub.[2] Suggestions for feature additions are welcome on GitHub (preferred) or via email. The initial (1.0) release of *Splentinex* is essentially equivalent to version 1.1 of *Splentino* (packaged with Dorico 6.1), but future releases of *Splentinex* may contain changes which diverge from *Splentino*.

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[2]https://github.com/dbenjaminmiller/splentinex