

# ***The Alphabets of Europe***

## Basque euskara

Version 1.1

Alphabet:

A a, B b, [C c], D d, (Ā ā), E e, F f, G g, H h, I i, J j, K k,  
L l, (Ļ ļ), M m, N n, Ñ ñ, O o, P p, [Q q], R r, (Ŕ ŕ), S s, T t,  
(Tx tx), (Ṫ ṫ), U u, (Ü ü), [V v], [W w], X x, Y y, Z z

This is the orthography adopted by the Académie de la Langue Basque prior to 1926. There have been a number of spelling reforms since then, particularly because the palatalized letters (the ones with macrons) were difficult to typeset. Aulestia and White do not give these letters, and do not differentiate TX as a letter of the alphabet separate from T, nor Ü separately following U. Apparently the most recent reform replaced Ñ ñ with Ni ni. The spelling reforms subsequent to 1926 are subsets of the alphabet shown here.

UCS ranges for the characters on this page:

0040-005A, 0060-007A, 00D1, 00DC, 00F1, 00FC, 0154-0155

Characters not found in the UCS:

Ā LATIN CAPITAL LETTER D WITH MACRON

ā LATIN SMALL LETTER D WITH MACRON

Ļ LATIN CAPITAL LETTER L WITH MACRON

ļ LATIN SMALL LETTER L WITH MACRON

Ṫ LATIN CAPITAL LETTER T WITH MACRON

ṫ LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH MACRON

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