

HOW TO USE THE TEXTONA FONTS

The Textona fonts are designed to create a unique mixture of large and small, stacked letters. To avail yourself of all the possibilities, you must use these fonts in an application that supports the Discretionary Ligatures and Stylistic Alternates features of OpenType.

Simplest use, without OpenType features

The big letters are typed as uppercase and the small, raised letters are typed as lowercase. Mix and match as you like. To get the little motif below a raised letter, just type ~ *after* it.

TEXTONA T^EXT^ONA T^EXT^O~NA

typed as **TEXTONA** **TextONA** **Te~XTo~NA**

Stacking Letters

To produce the stacked letters, you must be able to use the Discretionary Ligatures feature of OpenType.

Type your text in ALL CAPS or convert to all caps. Spell check now!

Select the text and enable Discretionary Ligatures. Presto! The available pairs of letters are automatically substituted in the stacked format. When you type in this mode, the pairs automatically form as you type uppercase letters.

TEXTONA > T^EXTONA R T^EXTA

typed as **TEXTONA** in **Regular** and **Plus**

The regular Textona font has 75 preset pairs of stacked letters and Textona Plus has 141 pairs as shown above. Choose your font accordingly for more or less stacking.

More customization

If you don't want the stacked effect on certain letters—perhaps as the first letter to enhance the legibility of key words—you can easily eliminate it without disabling Discretionary Ligatures by simply typing a non-breaking space *after* each uppercase letter. (To type a non-breaking space, use Ctrl+Shift+Space, or Option+Space on Mac).

TEXT^OA T^EXT^ONA

typed as **T*EXTONA** **T*EXTON*A**

* = non-breaking space



Stylistic Alternates

There are alternate small raised versions of all the numbers and \$ € £ ¢ ¥ &. Access these through the OpenType features palette of your application or in a popup menu. The little motif below the raised characters can be added by typing ~ *after* the character.

\$100.00 \$~100.00

typed as **\$100.00** **\$~100.00**

Advanced

You can compose any composed stacked pair that you want. Type them as lowercase, then change the second letter to the stylistic alternate, designed to fit in below the first raised letter.

T^E*XT^ONA

typed as **T*ExtONA**

* = non-breaking space

Also, if you need only the small lower letters, this can be accomplished using Stylistic Alternates. However, as these are positioned for stacking, you will need to type a space before each letter so they don't overlap. A similar motif is available above the lower letters, typed as ^ *before* each.

T^EXT^ONA T^E*XT^ONA

typed as **T e xT oNa** **T ^e ^xTo~n~a~**

Here the spaces are regular spaces.