

# Rifugio

Design:  
Alex Chavot

8 weights  
+ Variable Font

Formats:  
OpenType OTF (Mac & PC)  
Woff2 (web)  
TTF (variable font)

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The starting point for Rifugio was coming across Nebiolo's 407 Bastone series, a quirky wide caps-only grotesque with unusual proportions and very unobtrusive traits, as if Helvetica had ventured south through the Alps and indulged in one too many Campari cocktails... Rifugio takes it from there, revisiting the bold heritage of Aldo Novarese and the vitality of the '50s and '60s Italian typography. High-waisted capitals and carefully crafted pseudo-naive whimsical letterforms give Rifugio its warm, charming, and distinctive personality, adding a touch of vernacular typography and backcountry signage vibes to an otherwise well-balanced functional sans. Rifugio offers a comprehensive set of weights ranging from Thin to Black—as well as a variable font format—allowing its unique personality to shine in all demanding situations. Well-equipped with a variety of OpenType features (including small caps, superiors, inferiors, four types of figures, ligatures...) and a bunch of alternates, Rifugio provides a rich typographic palette to meet the needs of contemporary design. Friendly, dynamic and charismatic, Rifugio is a dazzling fusion of Italian flair and modern flexibility which undoubtedly offers a high level of personality in titling while fully delivering on functionality in complex settings.

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Family overview

8 weights  
roman

Rifugio Thin

Rifugio ExtraLight

Rifugio Light

Rifugio Regular

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Rifugio Medium

Rifugio Bold

Rifugio Heavy

+

Rifugio Black

+

+

Thin

FONDATA

ExtraLight

BASTONE

+

Light

ALFABETI

Regular

LAZZARO

Medium

GIGANTE

+

Bold

BERTIERI

Heavy

NEBIOLO

+

Black

SOCIALE

+

Thin

Produzione

ExtraLight

Normandia

+

Light

Tradizionali

Regular

Sull'attività

Medium

Importanti

+

Bold

Semplicità

Heavy

Carattere

+

Black

Novarese

+

Thin – 10pt

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Black – 124pt

Party  
Regio  
Grato

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Black – 124pt  
Alternates  
(a, g, r, t, y)

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Party  
Regio  
Grato

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+ Thin – 80pt

EARNEST  
IMPRINTS

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+ Thin – 50pt

DEACTIVATING  
FORENSICALLY  
COMPOUNDED

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+ Thin – 36pt

DEHYDROGENATING  
UNCHARACTERISTIC  
QUARRELSOMENESS  
CARDIOPULMONARY

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+ Thin – 24pt

UNDERDRESSED SUPREMACIST  
LETTERPRESSES OSTENSORIES  
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QUARRELSOMENESS ARRIVALS  
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+ Thin – 80pt

Attempting  
Backstreet

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+ Thin – 50pt

Chrysanthemums  
Thermodynamical  
Excommunication

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+ Thin – 36pt

Senescence Boomerang  
Incorporators Abersoch  
Discommoning Scarface  
Tracheotomies Profanes

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+ Thin – 24pt

En 1878, Giovanni Nebiolo achète à Giacomo Narizzano une petite fonderie de caractères créée en 1852, à Turin. En 1880, Nebiolo s'associe avec Ermenegildo Cunaccia pour constituer une société en nom

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+ Extralight – 80pt

BRINGER  
EUREKAS

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+ Extralight – 50pt

RETICULATION  
WITHDRAWALS  
COMMANDEER

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+ Extralight – 36pt

TERMINOLOGICALLY  
MISPRONUNCIATION  
TYRANNOSAURUSES  
CHROMATOGRAPHY

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+ Extralight – 24pt

DISFRANCHISES AUDACIOUSLY  
INTERPENETRATED HAZARDED  
LABORITES DECONSECRATING  
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+ Extralight – 80pt

Uncounted  
Evacuation

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+ Extralight – 50pt

Unselfconsciously  
Misunderstanding  
Hardheartedness

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+ Extralight – 36pt

Importable Adumbrated  
Syllabified Impossibilities  
Bancos Hyposulphurous  
Torrential Chastisement

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+ Extralight – 24pt

Le 13 juin de la même année,  
Nebiolo s'associe avec Lazzaro Levi  
pour créer la Nebiolo & Comp,  
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HALVING  
RAFTERS

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AUTONOMOUS  
MULTIPLExING  
OCCUPATIONS

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+ Light – 36pt

HETEROGENEOUSLY  
COMMUNICATIONAL  
PHOTOJOURNALISM  
UNOSTENTATIously

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+ Light – 24pt

REORGANISES APPORTIONING  
NOXELL UNSELFCONSCIOUSLY  
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Headstone  
Mentalities

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+ Light – 50pt

Draughtsmanship  
Overcomplicated  
Crossreferenced

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+ Light – 36pt

Puncheons Unburdened  
Quirkiest Orchestrating  
Percolate Uncatalogued  
Communization Consett

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+ Light – 24pt

La production augmentant,  
l'entreprise s'installe dans  
de nouveaux locaux, corso Regio  
Parco. Enfin, en 1891, Nebiolo  
quitte la société, mais accepte  
que son nom reste la raison sociale

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THICKEN  
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INEXTRICABLY  
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NEWFOUNDLANDER  
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SANCTIONING  
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Granddaughters  
Thermochemical**

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**Disesteeming Taproom  
Hosts Thermostatically  
Salt Overspecialisation  
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**Son activité regroupe maintenant  
la fonderie de caractères et  
la commercialisation de machines  
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En 1900, elle acquiert une fonderie  
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**BUSHIER  
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**HONOURABLE  
CANNONBALL  
TRANSCRIPTS**

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**NEUROPATHOLOGY  
DEMAGNETIZATION  
UNMERCHANTABLE  
AUTOBIOGRAPHIES**

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**EXCHEQUER TRANSMOGRIFY  
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**Blinkering  
Columnist**

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**Electrochemical  
Accelerometers  
Destructiveness**

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**Ritziest Disencumbers  
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Congruencies Feasible  
Decriminalized Snuffle**

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**Grâce à ses restructurations  
successives, Nebiolo se maintient  
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Heavy – 80pt

**COSIEST  
VILLAGE**

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Heavy – 50pt

**INTOLERABLE  
AVALANCHES  
OPPOSITIONS**

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Heavy – 36pt

**CONSTITUTIONALS  
MISREPRESENTING  
ALGORITHMICALLY  
PRESTIDIGITATORS**

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Heavy – 24pt

**PICKETED CONGLOMERATED  
ANODE PHARMACEUTICALLY  
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Heavy – 80pt

**Bronchial  
Producer**

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Heavy – 50pt

**Misconceptions  
Overestimating  
Transformative**

+

Heavy – 36pt

**Whetstone Checksum  
Cill Photomicrograph  
Minuted Urbanisation  
Odin Interferometers**

+

Heavy – 24pt

**En 1908 naît, d'un accord avec  
la société milanaise concurrente  
Urania, la société Augusta,  
qui a son siège à Turin et des  
établissements dans tout le nord  
de l'Italie. Après des difficultés**



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Black – 80pt

**RECORD  
SHRUGS**

+

Black – 50pt

**CONGEALING  
SOFTSPOKEN  
DELIVERABLE**

+

Black – 36pt

**DECONSECRATING  
SPECTROGRAPHIC  
CONSTABLEWICKS  
TRANSPORTATION**

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Black – 24pt

**VOUCH STEREOSCOPICALLY  
DEPERSONALIZE DALLIANCE  
ARTFUL SYMPTOMATICALLY  
BRAINTEASER ADOLESCENT  
REGIMENTED DISAFFILIATED  
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**Unsteady  
Semantic**

+ Black – 50pt

**Constructively  
Administrative  
Establishments**

+ Black – 36pt

**Capons Transfigures  
Valorisations Shawls  
Scans Unconstricted  
Blather Externalitie**

+ Black – 24pt

**En 1923, on inaugure la nouvelle  
fonderie de caractères,  
une des plus grandes d'Europe,  
avec 3500 mètres carrés  
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Stylistic set 1 [SS01]  
Alternative a

Stanzaia

Stanzaia

Stylistic set 2 [SS02]  
Alternative g

Aggiungi

Aggiungi

Stylistic set 3 [SS03]  
Alternative r

Ferrari

Ferrari

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Stylistic set 4 [SS04]  
Alternative t

Bottino

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Stylistic set 5 [SS05]  
Alternative y

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Stylistic set 6 [SS06]  
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OpenType Features

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All caps

lowercases to uppercases

LOWERCASES TO UPPERCASES

Case-sensitive forms

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Small Capitals

(Lower Case) In Small Capitals?

(LOWER CASE) IN SMALL CAPITALS?

Capitals To Small Caps

(All Small Caps) Option?!

(ALL SMALL CAPS) OPTION?!

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Superscript/Superior

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Subscript/Inferior

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Standard ligatures

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The first flight effect

Historical ligatures

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Contextual alternates

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OpenType Features

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Stylistic set 1 [SS01]  
Alternative aananas  
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[a à á â ã ä å ä å ä æ æ]Stylistic set 2 [SS02]  
Alternative ggigabytes  
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[g ĝ ğ ğ ğ]Stylistic set 3 [SS03]  
Alternative rrestaurant  
[r r̄ r̂ r̃]restaurant  
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Stylistic set 4 [SS04]  
Alternative tattention  
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Alternative yheydays  
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Stylistic set 8 [SS08]  
Close Circled Figures

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