

FontMesa.com BODONI Ornamental

Bodoni Ornamental is a revival of a very old font possibly created in the 1820's or 1830's as that was the time when many of these ultra bold decorated type faces began to appear.

This font has the Bodoni name because its basic letter shape is based on the bold faced font called Poster Bodoni but until further research it's unclear whether this is an official Bodoni design by Bodoni himself since he passed away before the estimated time of this font's creation.

When created this ornate classic was only available as a set of uppercase letters, today over one hundred eighty years later this font is now complete with a new lowercase, numbers and accented characters for Eastern, Central and Western European countries.

This was one of those projects that once I started it I couldn't let it go until it was finished, I kept a time card for this font which was started on October 27th 2009 and completed just over two weeks later on November 14th with a total of 95 work hours.

I hope you enjoy using this old font as much as I did making it.

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Notes on printing:

Due to the ornate detail in Bodoni Ornamental when printing it's recommended to use a laser printer 600dpi or greater, a 1200dpi printer will give you the best results rendering the most detail at the smallest possible point size for this font.

Small home user Ink Jet printers are not recommended for Bodoni Ornamental unless you set the font to a very large point size. With Ink Jet printers much of the detail in the letters will bleed together as the ink hits the page, commercial Ink Jet printers such as Giclée printers may give good results.

Using Bodoni Ornamental in digital images:

When using Bodoni Ornamental for digital images including web site graphics it may help to add a one pixel stroke fill around the letters setting color to white or grey, this may help the web site images display better on some computer's.

You will need a photo editing application such as Adobe Photoshop to create your image adding the stroke fill and save as a jpg, png or gif file.