

# The `suetterl` package\* for use with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X2e

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## 1 Introduction

The font `suetterl` provides a `suetterlin` kind of font. These fonts are the handwritten variants of the gothic fonts. The `sutterl` and the `schwell` font have been written by B. Ludewig. They can be found on the CTAN in the directory `tex-archive/fonts/gothic/sueterl`. This package provides means to use these fonts.

This package has been created for an article in „Die T<sub>E</sub>Xnische Komödie“ [1]. This article contains some more details on the package and its use.

## 2 Usage

This file can be used as a package by placing its name in the argument of `\usepackage`. Afterwards the font family `suetterl` is defined. This could also have been done by providing a font definition file.

The font definitions in this file scale down the original fonts to let L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X choose the right `baselineskip`.

`\suetterlin` The command `\suetterlin` changes the current font family to `suetterl` and the encoding to T1. Usually this should be used in a T<sub>E</sub>X group only since the macros `\s` is redefined as well.

The following example on the left produces the result on the right.

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`\textsuetterlin` The command `\textsuetterlin` typesets its argument in the suetterl font.  
The following example on the left produces the result on the right.

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`\textcsuetterlin{Mainzer Stra\ss e}`

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## References

- [1] Gerd Neugebauer. Von „krakelig“ bis „wie gemalt“. *Die T<sub>E</sub>Xnische Komödie*, 1/96:25–42, June 1996.

## 3 Implementation

First we declare a new font family for the suetterl font.

```
\DeclareFontFamily{T1}{suetterl}{}
```

This font is only available in the normal shape. Here we can get the desired font by (silently) scaling the only present suett15. The appropriate factor seems to be magstep 2 = 1.44.

```
\DeclareFontShape{T1}{suetterl}{m}{n}{<->s*[0.8]suet14}{}
\DeclareFontShape{T1}{suetterl}{m}{it}{<->s*[0.7]schwell}{}

```

Now we define font changing command.

`\sutterlin` The macro `\suetterlin` selects the suetterl family. The macro `\s` is used for the short s.

```
\DeclareRobustCommand\suetterlin{%
  \renewcommand\s{\symbol{28}}%
  \fontfamily{suetterl}%
  \fontencoding{T1}%
  \selectfont}

```

`\s` Usually `\s` produces a normal s.

```
\newcommand\s{s}
```

`\textssutterlin` The macro `\textssuetterlin` typesets is argument in the sutterl font.  
`\newcommand\textssuetterlin[1]{\begingroup\suetterlin #1\endgroup}`

## Change History

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