

Hindi

Vowels and Diphthongs (see Note 1)

Traditional Style	New Style	Romanization
अ	अ	a
आ	आ	ā
इ	इ	i
ई	ई	ī
उ	उ	u
ऊ	ऊ	ū
ऋ	ऋ	r̄
ॠ	ॠ	r̄:
ऌ	ऌ	l̄
ॡ	ॡ	l̄:
ए	ए	e
अं	अं	ê
अै	अै	āi
ऐ	ऐ	ai
ओ	ओ	ō
ऑ	ऑ	o
औ	औ	ô
औ	औ	āu
औ	औ	au

Consonants (see Notes 2 and 3)

Gutturals		Palatals		Cerebrals		Dentals	
क	ka	च	ca	ट	ṭa	त	ta
[क ^३]	qa]	छ	cha	[ट ^३]	ṭa]	थ	tha
ख	kha	ज	ja	ठ	ṭha	द	da
[ख ^३]	kha]	[ज ^३]	za]	ड	ḍa	ध	dha
ग	ga	झ	jha	ढ	ḍha	न	na
[ग ^३]	gha]	ञ	ña	ढ	ḍha		
घ	gha			ण	ṇa		
[घ ^३]	gha]						
ङ	ṅa						

Labials		Semivowels		Sibilants		Aspirate	
प	pa	य	ya	ष	śa	ह	ha
फ	pha	र	ra	श	sha	[ह ^ʰ	ḥa]
[फ ^ʰ	fa]	ल	la	स	sa		
ब	ba	व	va	[स ^ʰ	śa]		
भ	bha						
म	ma						
<i>Anusvāra</i> (see Note 4)		<i>Anunāsika</i> (see Note 5)		<i>Visarga</i>		<i>Avagraha</i> (see Note 6)	
◌̣	ṃ	◌̣̣	ñ, ṁ	:	ḥ	◌̣	' (apostrophe)

Notes

1. Only the vowel forms that appear at the beginning of a syllable are listed; the forms used for vowels following a consonant can be found in grammars; no distinction between the two is made in transliteration.
2. The vowel *a* is implicit after all consonants and consonant clusters and is supplied in transliteration, with the following exceptions:
 - (a) when another vowel is indicated by its appropriate sign; and
 - (b) when the absence of any vowel is indicated by the subscript sign (◌) called *halanta* or *virāma*.
3. The dotted letters, shown in brackets in the table, are used in Urdu words.
4. Exception: *Anusvāra* is transliterated by:
 - ṅ before gutturals,
 - ṅ before palatals,
 - ṅ before cerebrals,
 - n before dentals, and
 - m before labials.
5. *Anunāsika* before guttural, palatal, cerebral, and dental occlusives is transliterated ñ. Before labials, sibilants, semivowels, aspirates, vowels, and in final position it is transliterated ṁ.
6. When doubled, *avagraha* is transliterated by two apostrophes ('').

SPECIAL CHARACTERS AND CHARACTER MODIFIERS IN ROMANIZATION

<i>Special character</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>USMARC hexadecimal code</i>
,	apostrophe	27

<i>Character modifiers</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>USMARC hexadecimal code</i>
á	acute	E2
â	circumflex	E3
ã	tilde	E4
ā	macron	E5
ă	breve	E6
·	dot above	E7
◌̣	candrabindu	EF
◌̇	dot below	F2
◌̈	double dot below	F3
◌̉	circle below	F4
◌̎	double underscore	F5
◌̍	underscore	F6