

***Alamann-** Runic: ᚱᚠᚠᚱᚠᚠᚦ Pronunciation: /'a.la.mann/

proper noun · masculine · consonant stem

Meanings

1. a member of the Alemanni
2. in the plural, the Alemanni, a Germanic people or coalition of Late Antiquity

Etymology

A compound of **ala-* and **mann-*, literally ‘all humans’ or ‘the people as a whole.’ The name may originally have designated an inclusive or heterogeneous coalition, however, the exact original force of the name (‘men of every origin,’ ‘the whole people,’ or an intensified ‘men *par excellence*’) remains uncertain ([Hummer 1998: 1–12, 25–26](#); [Onions 1996: 24](#); [Orel 2003: 12](#)).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	Alamannz, Alamannô	Alamanniz
Acc.	Alamannu	Alamannunz
Gen.	Alamanniz	Alamannô
Dat.	Alamanni	Alamannumaz
Inst.	Alamannē	Alamannumiz
Voc.	Alamann, Alamannô	Alamanniz

Descendants

***Alamann** (Proto-West Germanic)

| **Alamanni** (Old High German)

Alemanni (Latin)

| **Αλαμανοὶ (Alamanoì)** (Ancient Greek)

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