

***arwaz**¹ Runic: 𐌱𐌹𐌶𐌵 Pronunciation: /'ar.waz/
noun · neuter · z-stem

Meanings

a scar; the healed mark left by a wound

Etymology

From an inherited neuter s-stem, Proto-Indo-European **h₂/₃éru-s* ~ **h₂/₃ru-és-*. The direct Indo-European cognate is Sanskrit अरुस् (*árus*) (Monier-Williams 1899: s.v. अरुस् (*árus*)), whose close formal and semantic agreement with the Germanic noun supports reconstruction of the word despite its limited distribution (Kroonen 2013: 37–38, s.v. **arwiz-*; Mallory & Adams 1997: 650; Orel 2003: 25). Proto-Germanic retained the inherited alternation as nominative-accusative **arwaz* beside oblique **arwiz*; North Germanic generalized the latter stem, while West Germanic remodeled the noun as an *n*-stem **arwan-/*arwōn-* after speakers also reinterpreted an *-n* from a neighboring word as belonging to the noun itself (e.g., English “newt” from Middle English “*an ewte*” > “*a newte*”) (Kroonen 2013: 37–38, s.v. **arwiz-*).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	arwaz	arwizō
Acc.	arwaz	arwizō
Gen.	arwiziz	arwizô
Dat.	arwizi	arwizumaz
Inst.	arwizē	arwizumiz
Voc.	arwaz	arwizō

Descendants

***narwō** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***narwo, narwa, narawa** (Old Dutch)

 ***narwe, nerwe** (Middle Dutch)

nerf (Dutch)

***narwō** (Proto-West Germanic)

narwo, narwa (Old High German)

narwe, nare, nar (Middle High German)

Naarf (Luxembourgish)

***narwō** (Proto-West Germanic)

narwo, narwa, narawa (Old High German)

narwe, nare, nar (Middle High German)

Narbe (German)

Narb (Luxembourgish)

***narwō** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***narwa, *narwo** (Old Saxon)

narwe, nare (Middle Low German)

𐳚𐳚𐳚𐳚** (arwir**) (Proto-Norse)

qrr, qr, ørr, ør, ęr, *ęrr (Old Norse)

ar (Danish)

arr, err, ør (Faroese)

ör (Icelandic)

aur (Scots)

𐳚𐳚𐳚𐳚** (arwir**) (Proto-Norse)

qrr, qr, ørr, ør, ęr, *ęrr (Old Norse)

ær, ar (Old Swedish)

ärr (Swedish)

𐳚𐳚𐳚𐳚** (arwir**) (Proto-Norse)

 ***arpi** (Proto-Finnic)

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