

## Kannada

### Vowels and Diphthongs (see Note 1)

ಅ	a	ಃ	ī
ಆ	ā	ಋ	e
ಇ	i	ೠ	ē
ಈ	ī	ಌ	ai
ಉ	u	಍	o
ಊ	ū	ಐ	ō
ಋ	r̄	ಔ	au
ೠ	r̄		

### Consonants (see Note 2)

Gutturals		Palatals		Cerebrals		Dentals	
ಕ	ka	ಚ	ca	ಟ	ṭa	ತ	ta
ಖ	kha	ಛ	cha	ಠ	ṭha	ಥ	tha
ಗ	ga	ಜ	ja	ಡ	ḍa	ದ	da
ಘ	gha	ಝ	jha	ಢ	ḍha	ಧ	dha
ಙ	ṅa	ಞ	ñā	ಣ	ṇa	ನ	na
Labials		Semivowels		Sibilants		Aspirate	
ಪ	pa	ಯ	ya	ಶ	śa	ಹ	ha
ಫ	pha	ರ	ra	ಷ	ṣa		
ಬ	ba	ಱ	ra	ಸ	sa		
ಭ	bha	ಲ	la				
ಮ	ma	ಳ	ḷa				
		ಳ	ḷa				
		ವ	va				

*Anusvāra (Bindu or Sonne)* (see Note 3)

ಂ                      ँ

*Visarga*

ಃ                      ಃ

### 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 superscript sign (◌<sup>◌</sup>).
3. Exception: *Anusvāra* is transliterated by:
  - a) *ṅ* before gutturals,
  - b) *ñ* before palatals,
  - c) *ṇ* before cerebrals,
  - d) *n* before dentals, and
  - e) *m* before labials.