

Reconstruction:Proto-Germanic/arbija



This Proto-Germanic entry contains **reconstructed words and roots**. As such, the term(s) in this entry are not directly attested, but are hypothesized to have existed based on comparative evidence.

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Proto-Germanic

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **h₃erbʰ-* (“to change ownership”) (from which also **h₃órbʰos* (“orphan”)).

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /'ar.βi.jǎ/

Noun

*arbija *n*^[1]

- heritage, inheritance

Inflection

Declension of *arbija (neuter ja-stem)

	singular	plural
nominative	*arbija	*arbijō

vocative	*arbija	*arbijō
accusative	*arbija	*arbijō
genitive	*arbijas, *arbīs	*arbijō
dative	*arbijai	*arbijamaz
instrumental	*arbijō	*arbijamiz

Derived terms

- *arbijana

Related terms

- *arbaz
- *arbijō

Descendants

- West Germanic: *arbi
 - Old English: ierfe, yfe, irfe, erfe, ærf
 - Middle English: erve, erfe, erf, irve, yfe (*through the Anglian equivalent*)
 - English: erf
 - Scots: arff, airf
 - Old Frisian: erve
 - Saterland Frisian: lerwe, Äärwe
 - Old Saxon: ervi
 - Low German: Arf
 - Old Dutch: ervi
 - Middle Dutch: erve
 - Dutch: erf
 - Afrikaans: erf
 - → English: erf
 - Old High German: erbi
 - Middle High German: erbe
 - German: Erbe
 - Luxembourgish: lerwen

- Norse: 𐀀𐀃𐀆𐀇 (arbija)
 - Old Norse: erfi
 - Icelandic: erfi
 - Faroese: erfi
 - Norwegian:
 - Norwegian Nynorsk: erve
 - Old Swedish: æreve
 - Gothic: 𐌶𐌵𐌹 (arbi)
 - → Finnic: *arpa (*see there for further descendants*)
 - → Samic: *ārpē (*see there for further descendants*)

References

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