

Consonants

stops: p, b, t, d, k, g

affricates: tʃ, dʒ

nasals: m, n, ɲ, ŋ

fricatives: f, s, z, ʃ, h

lateral and flap: l, r

semi-vowels: j, w

Vowels

i, e, ε, a, ɔ, o, u

The contrast between /e/ and /ɛ/ is phonemic: cf. /kelel/ ‘one’; /kɛlɛl/ ‘war’.
Nasalization is notated by vowel + nasal consonant: *dan* /dã/. The apostrophe is used to mark vowel elision.

TONE

High and low; the contrast is phonemic: cf. *sá* ‘snake’; *sa* ‘die, death’.

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