



## ISMAWEN IMAZIYEN

### AMAZIGH NAMES - NOMS AMAZIGHS

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This list is by no means exhaustive, nor final. ACAA's goal is to transcribe all of those lost names and provide them to anyone who is interested. It appears already that there is need for it, because many couples have already used it to pick names for their babies. Please, if you find any mistakes, or have any suggestions or do not agree with the given meanings, let us know by sending email to ACAA.

The names are written using the modern Amazigh alphabet. The spelling tries to follow the most correct pronunciation. This notation is followed by that in usage on Amazigh-Net. (created due to keyboard and font limitations).

#### ABBREVIATIONS

[Icawi]: Icawiyen/Shawi/Chaoui

[Imuca]: Imucagh//Tuareg/Touareg

[Leqba]: Leqbayel/Kabyle/Kabyle

<Ta<r> : Ta<r'abt/Arabic/Arabe

<Talat>: Talatinit/Latin/Latin

[O.S/O.O]: Original Spelling/Ortographie Original

(?): Definition may be wrong/Definition peut etre fausse

### TULLAS/GIRLS/FILLES

**AADUDA:** A<DUDA:

**ĒELĠĀ:** A<LDJA: [Leqba] A doll/Poupee. Ta<eldjets (note: some give the meaning of Perle/Certains donne le sens: Perle)

**ĒAZZI:** AAZZI : [Igragren] [O.S./O.O] Arabic rootRacine Arabe: A<zizet=Dear/Chere. [3]

**AĠAN:**ADJAN:

**AMYENNA:** AMGHNNA: [1]

**ANYA:** ANYA: [Imuca] "my brother" in Tamaceght/"Mon frere" en Tamaceght [Chaker] in publi. by Imedyazen). It probably means educated woman. Other possibility: may be the Amazighized (altered) Latin name: Anne, or Annie, Annette (?), etc. There are actually a number of Amazigho-Latin names: see R'uza (Rose), Lwiza (Louise). [1]

**ĒELĠIYYA:** <ELDJIIYYA: See/Voir: A<LDJA

**BAKKA:** BAKKA: [Icawi] (?) [D. Abdessemed]

**BIBYA:** BIBYA: [Icawi] (?) may be a diminutive of another name [D. abdessemed]

**BYENNAT:** BGHNAT: [1]

**CABHA:** CABH'A: [Leqba] (pronounce shabh'a). Beautiful/Belle. Arabic root/Racine Arabe: CEBBA

**CUCA:** CUCA: (?) [pronounce Shusha]. This may be a different pronunciation of the Kabyle SUSU/Peut etre une differente prononciation du SUSU Kabyle.

**DASSIN:** DASSIN: [Imuca] An Amazigh queen of the desert (Known to the Tuaregs)/Reine Amazigh du Desert (connue des legendes Touaregues). [1]

**DIHYA:** DIHYA: [Icawi] The Amazigh name of the famous Kahina (arab name)/Le nom de la celebre reine Amazigh connue sous le nom de Kahina (nom Arabe. [1]

**DIMYA:** DIMYA: [Icawi] Given by some authors as the name of/Donne par certains auteurs comme le nom de: DIHYA (ie KAHINA) [D. Abdessemed]

**DRIFA:** D'R'IFA:[Leqba]gentil, tender/gentille, douce.[1]

**FAYISA:** FAGHISSA: [1]

**FARIZA:** FARIZA: Particular (meaning the best) sets itself out/Particuliere meilleure, remarquable.[1]

**FEDDADA:** FEDADA: [1]

**FERRUĠA:** FER'R'UDJA: [Leqba] Young partridge/Perdreau. [1]

**GEDDUDA:** GEDDUDA: [Icenwi] [O.S/O.O]: GEDDOUDA. Same as/Meme que MEGDUDA (?) [5]



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**YIDA:** GHIDA: (?)

**YNIMA:** GHNIMA: [Leqba][GHENIMA] "Roseau". Refers to a tall girl. Also in Kabyle "roseau" is used to mean: fragile, tender See GHANIM for aboy/Femme/fille de grande taille. En Kabyle roseau est utilise pour signifier: fragile, tendre.

**GWEJDA:** GWEJDA: [1]

**IZA:** IZA: (?) Same as/Meme que: WIZA. See/Voir WIZA. [D. Abdessemed]

**JDIRA:** JDIRA: [1]

**JEĞĞIGA:** JEDDJIGA: [Leqba] Flower/Fleur. [1]

**KAHINA:** KAHINA: <Ta<r> See/Voir: DIHYA. [1]

**KANIMANA:** KANIMANA: [1]

**KELLA:** KELLA: [1]

**KENWA:** KENWA: [1]

**KISA:** KISA: (?) Same as/Meme que: KAYSA

**KULLA:** KULLA: [1] & [6]

**LALLA:** LALLA: [Leqba] Lady, Mistress/Dame, Maitresse. [1]

**LAYSA:** LAYSA: (?) Root/Racine: AYS Impatient/Impatient. [1]

**LUMSI:** LUMSI: [Imuca]/Iwelemmiden. [LOUMSY] [2]. Note: Does not sound feminin/Ne semble pas du feminin.

**LUNĠA:** LUNDJA: [Leqba] LUNDJA is present in many Amazigh folk stories as/est presente dans nombreux contes Kabyles comme: TERYEL: Ogresse.

**LWIZA:** LWIZA: <Talat> [LOUISA, LOUIZA]. More

Amazighized/Plus Amzighise: See/Voir: WIZA.

**LYAQUT:** LYAQUT: [Leqba] [6]

**MADDEL:** MADELE: [?] [Imuca] [O.S/O.O] [Tahir, Fr.]

**MANNET:** MANNET: [?] [Imuca] [O.R/O.O] [Tahir, Fr.]

**MASSA:** MASSA: Madam, lady, mistress/Madame, Dame, Maitresse. [1]

**MEGDUDA:** MEGDUDA: Root/Recine GDD : Masses (people)/Masse (populaires), peuple [1]

**MELLILA:** MELLILA: White/Blanche. See/Voir: TAMELLALT. [1]

**MENZA:** MENZA: Root/Racine: MNZ, first/premiere. [1]

**MERNISSA:** MERNISSA: [1]

**MUNI:** MUNI: [Icawi] May be of latin origin/Peut etre d'origine latine [D. Abdessemed]

**MYASSA:** MYASSA: [1]

**NANNA:** NANNA: [Leqba] The generic nanna in Kabyle means the elder, the wiser, etc. Within the family, the kids call their elder sister or aunt/Le terme commun Nanna en Kabyle veut dire l'aïnee, la plus sage (plus d'experience) etc. Les enfants de la meme famille appellent leur tante ou bien la soeur aïnee: NANNA. [1]

**RULA:** RULA:(find meaning in Tacawit?) [D. Abdessemed]

**ṘANĠA:** RANDJA: (?) [Ref. Amazigh-net]

**ṘUZA:** R'UZA: <Talat> Rose/Rose. Entered Amazigh through Romans (?)

**SEKKURA:** SEKKURA: [Leqba] See/Voir TASEKKURT: female partridge/Perdrix (femelle) [1]



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**SILYA:** SILYA: [1]

**SUSA:** SUSA: (?) Same as/Meme que CUCA (shusha)

**TADLA:** TADLA: Known meaning is: Botte d'epis (de ble ou d'orge). It relates then either to the shape or the goodness. [1]

**TADMUT:** TADMUT: [1]

**TAFAT:** TAFAT: The light/La lumiere. See also/Voir aussi: TFIT

**TAFRARA:** TAFRARA: Dawn/Aube

**TAFSUT:** TAFSUT: Spring/Printemps

**TAJEĞĞIGT:** TAJEDDJIGT: [Leqba] See/Voir JEDDJIGA: Flower/Fleur.

**TAKLIT:** TAKLIT: [Leqba] Slave/Esclave (fem.) [1]

**TALALIT:** TALALIT: Birth/Naissance [Ref. ?]

**TALJAT:** TALJAT: [Imuca], Like/Comme (?) [Leqba]  
TA<ELDJECTS: Doll/Poupee. The sound TT, in certain cases becomes TS in Kabyle/Le son TT devient dans certains cas TS en Kabyle. [Tahir, France]

**TAMALLAT:** TAMALLAT : [Imuca], TAMELLALT [Leqba]:  
The white/La Blanche. Masc. AMELLAL [Tahir, France]

**TAMAZUŽT:** TAMAZ'UŽT: [Leqba] The youngest one/La plus jeune. Root/Racine MZ': Youth

**TAMEMT:** TAMEMT: Honey/Miel. [1]

**TAMILLA:** TAMILLA: Turtle dove/Tourterelle [1]

**TAMIMUNT:** TAMIMUNT: [1]

**TAMRUST:** TAMRUST: [1]

**TANEST:** TANEST: [Imuca] tanest is found to mean lock in Tamaceght/tanest veut dire serrure en Tamaceght [1]

**TANINNA:** TANINNA: Another bird of prey/Type de vautour. [1]

**TARIWELT:** TARIWELT: [Imuca]/Iwlemminden. [O.S/O.O: TARIOUULT] [2]

**TASA:** TASA: liver/foie. In Kabyle Tasa has the meaning of love, caring etc. In Amazigh, tasa and ul (liver and heart) are both used to describe feelings, tenderness, etc/ En Kabyle Tasa a le sens d'amour, d'amitie et d'attachement. [1]

**TASEKKURT:** TASEKKURT: [Leqba] female partridge/perdrix. See/Voir: SEKKURA

**TATI (ṬAṬI?)** TATI: (?) Could be arabic. from Fatima (?) [1]

**TAWNAT:** TAWNAT: [1]

**TAYYURT:** TAYYURT: [Leqba] Moon/Lune [1]

**TAYRI:** TAYRI: Love/Amour [Ref. ?]

**TAZDAYT:** TAZDAYT: [Leqba] Palm tree/Palmier. TAZDAYT is portrayed as tall and beautiful/TAZDAYT est vue comme grande et belle. [1]

**TAZIRIT:** TAZIRIT : [Iggargren]. Small moon/Petite lune. See/Voir: TIZIRI. [3]

**TELLA:** TELLA: Root ili=to be. therefore tella= she 'be'=She exists(?) [1]

**TFIT:** TFIT: [Iggargren] Ouargla. Given as "sun" by author. We believe that the meaning is rather: light. So TFIT=TAFAT. See/Voir: TAFAT.[3]

**TIGMI:** TIGMI: Growth/Croissance [1]

**TIKINAS:** TIKINAS: [1]



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**TILELLI:** TILELLI: [Leqba] Freedom/Liberte. [1]

**TIMELLET:** TIMELLET : [Imuca] TEMLEL [Leqba].  
White/Blanche. [Tahir, Fr.]

**TIMMI:** TIMMI: (?) eyebrows? Unlikely [1]

**TINHINAN:** TINHINAN: [Imuca] An Amazigh legendary woman from the south-east Sahara. She was a generous woman who helped people passing through her oasis. Until today, she is venerated and her tomb visited by Imucagh is a "national monument" Imucagh Ihaggaren are her descendants/ Une femme legendaire du sud-est du Sahara algerien. Elle etait une femme genereuse qui aidait ceux qui passaient par son oasis. A present elle est toujours veneree par les Imucagh et sa tombe qui est visitee est devenue un site protege. Les Imucagh Ihaggaren en sont les descendants. [1]

**TINZERT:** TINZERT: Nose/Nez. Tinzert in kabyle means honor. It is also said/On dit aussi NNIF (arabic/arabe). [1]

**TISENT:** TISENT: Salt/Sel. Among the Kabyles it is sometimes said that: taqcict agi temleh' (a girl is salty) to mean that she is beautiful/Chez les Kabyles on dit parfois que: taqcict temleh' (une fille est salee) pour dire qu'elle est jolie. [1]

**TISLIT:** TISLIT: Bride/Mariee.

**TITBIRT:** TITBIRT: female pigeon/femelle du pigeon. [1]

**TITRIT:** TITRIT: Star/Etoile. [1]

**TITEM:** TITEM: Possible meanings similar to that of/Sens probable similaire a celui de: TIMA, TITI, TATI, all diminutives of/diminutifs de: FATIMA <Ta<r>. May also be related to the Amazigh root/Peut etre lie a la racine Amazigh: TIM: protect, save, care for/protoger, sauvegarder, prendre soin de (verb/verbe). [1] Other spelling/Autre orthographe: T'ITEM ([6]).

**TIZEMT:** TIZEMT: Lioness/Lionne [1].

**TIZIRI:** TIZIRI: [Leqba] Moonlight/Clair de lune [1]

**TRIYA:** TRIYA: [1]

**TUHRICT:** TUH'R'ICT : <Taqb> [Ref.?] Clever/Intelligente, rusee.

**TUREYT:** TUREGHT: Golden, Blonde/Doree, Blonde. (uregh=gold/or). [1]

**WEZNA:** WEZNA: [O.S/O.O: Ouezna] Balanced, nicely shaped etc./Equilibree, bien formee. WIZA: <Talat> [Leqba] Gold/Or (comes from/vient de: Louis d'or). Treasure/Tresor. See also/Voir aussi: LWIZA

**WNISSA:** WNISSA: (?) It could be the feminine version of LWENNAS or LEWNIS, as the as the latter may have been WNISS to which the arabic or latin article has been added. (?) Peut etre le feminin de LWENNAS ou LEWNIS, ie WNISS auquel l'article latin ou arabe a ete rajoute.

**WRINA:** WRINA: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. Also/Aussi: WERINA [2]

**ZAMRA:** ZAMRA: Probable root ZMR: to be able, capable. Zmer=can [1]

**ZAWYA:** ZAWGHA: Red. Azewwagh or in Kabyle (ww-->gg) Azeggwagh=red [1]

**ZIBBA:** ZIBBA: Sounds like/Sonne comme: TAZIBBA: Jewel worn as a crown among the Kabyles/Bijou porte comme une couronne chez les Kabyles. [1]

**ZILGUM:** ZILGUM: [1]&[6]

**ZUNAYA:** ZUNAGHA: [1]

**ZWIRA:** ZWIRA: Root/Racine: ZWR. To come first/Etre premier.[1]

**ZWINA:** ZWINA: (?)



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**IDANT:** Z'IDANT: Sweet/Sucree, succulente. [1]

**ERVA:** Z'ERGHA: [1]

### **IQCICEN/BOYS/GARCONS**

**ABAYYUR:** ABAYGHUR : [Imuca] (?) [Tahir, Fr.]

**ABAKADA:** ABAKADA: [1]

**ABAZZA:** ABAZZA: [1]

**ABIDIN:** ABIDIN: [1]

**ACKU:** ACKU: [Imuca] Little servant. Petit serviteur [Tahir, France] (?)

**ADAL:** ADAL: [Imuca] Tiger/Tigre [Ref. Tahir, Fr.] ADAL means in/Veut dire en: Kabyle: Algue/Algue.

**ADERGAZUZ (ADERGAZUZ?):** ADERGAZUZ: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. O.S./O.O: ADERGAZUZ [2]

**ADRIR:** ADRIR: [1]

**ADUM:** ADUM: [Imuca]/Iwelemiden. [ADOUM] [2]

**AGDUN:** AGDUN: [1]

**ADMER:** ADMER: (?) Chest/Poitrine [1]

**AFAYIS:** AFAGHIS: [1]

**AFALKU:** AFALKU: Falcon/Faucon [Ref.?)

**AFALAWAS:** AFALAWAS : [Imuca] Smiling/Souriant. [Tahir, Fr.]

**AFELLAN:** AFELLAN : [Imuca] Savage/Sauvage [Tahir, Fr.]

**AGAMA:** AGAMA: [1]

**AGELLID:** AGELLID: King/Roi

**AGDADA:** AGDADA: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. [2]. Root same as/Racine meme que: MEGDUDA

**AGGUR:** AGGUR: Moon/Lune. See/Voir AYYUR

**AYALI:** AGHALI: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. [ORIGINAL SPELLING] [2]

**AYILAS:** AGHILAS: [Leqba] Panther/Panthere (masculin en Taqbaylit)

**AYECER:** AGHECHER: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**AHAMATU:** AHAMATU: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**AKATELAJI:** AKATELAJI: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. Constructed as in Turkish/Construit comme en Turc: Aqehwadji, abastandji, etc. Origin may be Turkish. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**AKURARUR (?):** AKORAKOR: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**AMMA:** AMMA: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**ANNABER:** ANNABER: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [O.S/O.O] also/aussi: ENNEBER, ENNESBEK [2]

**AYTAYEL (AYTAREL):** AYTAREL: [Imuca] Ihaggaren. [AITAREL] (Ayt'arel ?) Name of an Ahaggar pretendent to the role of Amenoukal during the 1880s. He fought the french occupation of the desert mercilessly/Nom d'un pretendant au titre d'Amenoukal du Hoggar. A combattu les Francais durant les annees 1880. [4]

**AJDIR:** AJDIR: [1]

**AJEDER:** AJEDER: [Imuca] Same as/Meme que: IGIDER: Eagle/Aigle [Tahir, Fr.]

**AKADAY:** AKADAY: [1]



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**AKAWEL:** AKAWEL: [Imuca] The black/Le noir [Tahir, Fr.].  
Same as/Meme que: AKLI. The difference is probably due to  
metathese/Difference due probablement a une metathese (?)

**AKLI:** AKLI: [Leqba] Slave/Esclave [1]

**AKSIL:** see KUSSIL

**AKZER:** AKZER: [1] Check sp. [AQZER]

**AKUTLA:** AKUTLA: [1]

**AMASTAN:** AMASTAN: [Imuca] Emmerdeur (?) See/Voir  
MASTAN [Tahir Fr.] Known meaning/Sens connu: Protector/  
Protecteur

**AMATTAKEN:** AMATTAKEN: [Imuca] Something small/  
Quelque chose de petit [Tahir, Fr.]

**AMAWAL:** AMAWAL: [Imuca] (Check with tahir) Neologism  
used to mean Dictionary AM-AWAL, AWAL=word prefix AM  
makes the subject active: to mean it gives or it contain words.  
Well, if there is any other meaning, it certainly has to do with:  
AWAL: word, speech etc... (?)

**AMAYAS:** AMAYAS: [1]

**AMELLAL:** AMELLAL : The White (Le Blanc)

**AMENZU:** AMENZU: [Leqba] The First/Le premier.

**AMYAR:** AMGHAR : [Imuca] See/Voir: IMMEGHAR

**AMULAS:** AMULAS : [Imuca] Pale/Pale (visage pale) [Tahir,  
Fr.]

**AMAZ,**; AMAZ'UZ': [Leqba] Youngest/Plus jeune. fem:  
Tamaz'uz't

**AMDEY:** AMDEGH: [1]

**AMENNAY:** AMENNAY: Knight/Cavalier

**AMRAY:** AMRAY: [1]

**AMRI:** AMRI: Seems to be derived from the same root as  
AMRUS. The closest but unlikely meaning found is in the word  
AMRAA= persona non grata. [1]

**AMRUS:** AMRUS: [1]

**AMMUC:** AMMUC: [1]

**AMUD:** AMUD: [1]

**ANABA:** ANABA: [1]

**ANTAKEN:** AN TAKEN : See/Voir AMATTAKEN. altered.  
[Tahir. Fr.]

**ANWA:** ANWA: [1]

**ARAS:** ARAS: Brunet/Brun (as found in tall dark and  
handsome?) [Ref.?)

**ASARU:** ASARU: A tall handsome man/Beau et de grande  
taille [Ref.?)

**ASIREM:** ASIREM: Hope/Espoir. [Ref.?)

**ATISSI:** ATISSI: [1]

**AWDIYA:** AWDIA: [1]

**AWINAY:** AWINAGH : [Imuca] One who has blue eyes/Qui a  
des yeux bleus See/Voir: AZERWAL [Tahir, Fr.]

**AWLAY:** AWLAGH: [Imuca] [Azawagh]. Little rabbit, petit  
lapin. [Tahir, Fr.]

**AWRAY:** AWRAGH: [Imuca] Azawagh. Yellow, golden/jaune,  
or. [Tahir, Fr.]

**AXAMUK:** AXAMUK: Current leader of the Ahaggar  
Tuaregs/Leader actuel des Touaregs de l'Ahaggar. [1]



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**AYUBA:** AYUBA: [Imuca]/Iwelemmiden.  
[AYOUBA]. Probably YUBA, JUBA. Voir YUBA, (JUBA) [2]

**AZEGGAY:** AZEGGAGH : [Imuca] Azawagh. Red/Rouge  
[Tahir, Fr.]

**AZAR:** AZ'AR: Root/Racine [1]

**AZREY:** AZ'REGH: [1]

**BADDA:** BADDA: [Imuca] Iwellemmiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**BEDDIS:** BEDDIS: [1]

**BERKAN:** BERKAN: Dark/Black [1]

**BEZZI:** BEZZ'I: In some areas of Kabylia, it is used as the  
diminutive of/Dans certaines regions de Kabylie il est utilise  
comme diminutif de: MEZ'YAN [1]

**BRIRUC:** BR'IR'UC: Closest roots/Racines: YEBRIR  
(April/Avril) or ABRURI (hail/grele). [Ref.?)

**BUXTUC:** BUXTUC: [1]

**DALI:** DALI: [1]

**FELLA:** FELLA: [1]

**FIRHUN:** FIRHUN: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. O.S/O.O: FIRHOUN:  
Pharao/Pharaon (?) [2]

**FIRMUS, IFERMAN:** FIRMUS: Brother of/frere de:  
GILDUN. Revolted against the Romans in Kabylia/S'est revolte  
contre les Romains en Kabylie. [1], [8] gives/donne: IFERMAN

**FRAWSEN:** FRAWSEN: [1]

**GAYA:** GAYA: Masinissa's father/Pere de Masinissa [8]

**GILDUN:** GILDUN: [O.S./O.O] GILDON. Brother of/Frere de:

FIRMUS [1] & [8]

**GULUSSA, GULUSSAN:** GULUSSA: Son of Masinissa/Fils  
de Massinissa [8]. [8] gives/donne: GULUSSAN.

**YANIM:** GHANIM: Reed/Roseau. In Kabyle used to describe  
a tall person/Utilise en Kabyle pour decire une personne de  
grande taille. See/Voir: GHENIMA. [1]

**YAYSUN:** GHAYSUN: [1]

**YUMER:** GHUMER: [1]

**HIBA:** HIBA: [1]

**HIMMI:** HIMMI: [Imuca] Iwellemmiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**HUTA (HUTHA?):** HOTH: [Imuca] Iwellemmiden.  
[O.S/O.O] [2]

**HEMMUC:** H'EMMUC: See/Voir: H'EMMU

**IBIZA:** IBIZA: [1]

**ICCAAM:** ICCAAM: [Imuca] Iwlemminden. O.S/O.O:  
ICHCHAAM. Arabic/Arabe: HICHAM (?) [2]

**IDIR:** IDIR: [Leqba] See, (use)/Voir (utiliser) YIDIR. [Tahir,  
Fr.]

**IDDER:** IDDER: [Imuca] See/Voir: YIDIR.[1] [Tahir, Fr.]

**IFNI:** IFNI: [1]

**IFSER:** IFSER: [1]

**IFTEN:** IFTEN: Roots/Racines: IF=to be better than/Etre  
meilleur que, TEN=them/eux. [1]

**IYLAS:** IGHLAS: [Imuca] to save, sauvegarde [Tahir, Fr.]

**IYLAF:** IGHLAF: [Imuca] Well protected/ bien garde [Tahir,



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**IGIDER:** IGIDER: Eagle/Aigle [Ref.?)

**IGMI:** IGMI: Root/Racine: GM=Bud/Bourgeon. [1]

**IHER:** IHER: Lion/Lion [Ref.?)

**IKEN:** IKEN: Twin/Jumeau. Pl: Akniwen. Probable meaning/sens probable: fellow/compagnon. [1]

**ILYAS:** ILYAS: [1]

**IMEYYAR:** IMMEGHAR : [Imuca] He's great (big). Root MQR. As in Meqran (Kabyle). Or to mean great (wisdom, used for a spiritual leader) AMGHAR. Note Ameqran is an adjective. Meqger is the past form of verb IMGHUR to grow, to get great or big etc. Note also the transformation of "Q" into "GH" [Tahir, Fr.]. See/Voir: AMGHAR.

**IMMEL:** IMMEL: [1]

**IRATEN:** IRATEN: Roots/Racines: IRA= originally believed to be/Suppose etre une contraction de IRNA: he beat, he's/il a battu, il est superieur a. TEN: them/Eux. (?) [1]

**IRGEN:** IRGEN: Colsest root/Racine la plus proche: ARGAN [1]

**ISLI:** ISLI: Groom/Marie [Ref.?)

**ISSAM:** ISSAM: [1]

**ITBIR:** ITBIR: Pigeon/Pigeon [Ref.?)

**ITRI:** ITRI: Star/Etoile (masc. en Amazigh) [Ref.?)

**ITIJ:** IT'IJ: Sun/Soleil [Ref.?)

**IXFNSEN:** IXFNSEN: Roots/Racines: IXF=top, head/Tete, sommet. NSEN=of them/d'eux, a eux. Leader/chef ? [1]

**IXZI:** IXZI: [Imuca] Iwlemminden [IKHEZI] [2]

**KAWSEN:** KAWSEN: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [1]. In/Dans: [2] as/comme: KAOUSSEN

**KADIDU:** KADIDU: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. O.S/O.O: KADIDOU. [2]

**KARIDENNA:** KARIDENNA: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. Also/Aussi: KARI-DENNA. [2]

**KENNAN:** KENAN: [Imuca] (?) [1] Root/Racine: ANNAN: to be educated/etre eduque. [1]

**KERAJA:** KERAJA: [1]

**KUSSIL:** KUSSIL: Amazigh Army Commander, known also as/Chef des armees Amazigh connu comme: KOCEILA. Defeated the arabs and killed/Vaincu les arabes et tue: OKBA IBN NAFI [1]

**LAWEYE (LAWEYE?):** LAWEYE: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. [LAOUEY]. [O.S./O.O] [2]

**LEWNIS:** LEWNIS: [Leqba] (?) Most probably Arabic/Tres probablement Arabe. Masc. (?) UNISSA.

**LWENNAS, LEWNAS:** LWENNAS: [Leqba] See/Voir: LEWNIS

**MADIDU:** MADIDU: [Imuca] Iwellemiden. O.S/O.O: MADIDOU [2]

**MAGSEN:** MAGSEN: [1]

**MALU:** MALU: See/Voir MULA [1]

**MANGELLAT:** MANGELLAT: [Leqba]. Also, name of a village in Kabylia/Nom d'un village Kabyle: AYT MANGELLAT [1]

**MASGABA:** MASGABA: Son of/Fils de: MASINISSA [8]

**MASMUD:** MASMUD: MAS:Master, mister/Maitre + MUD:





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**MASNSEN, MASNISAN:** MASNSEN: Amazigh king/Roi Amazigh (Numidia/Numidie). MAS:Master, mister/Maitre + NSEN: of them/d'eux, a eux. This is the only known etymology of this name/Il s'agit de la seule etymologie connue de ce nom. Too many Amazigh names from the Roman times have survived but only in their Roman transcription. <Talat: MASINISSA. Inscriptions of Dougga, Tunisia>. [8] uses/utilise: MASINISAN.

**MASTAN:** MASTAN: Root/Racine: MSTN: To protect, defend/Proteger, defendre. See/Voir: AMASTAN. [1]

**MASSIN:** MASSIN: MAS=Master, mister/Maitre + SIN=...[Ref.]

**MASUKAN:** MASUCAN: [O.S/O.O]. See/ Voir: MISAGENE, MAZUCAN. [8].

**MAZER:** MAZER: [MEUZER] Root/Racine: ZWR: First/Premier.(?). See/Voir:AMEZWARU. [Ref.]

**MAZIY:** MAZIGH: The ancestor of/Ancetre des: IMAZIGHEN (pl.) [1]

**MAZIBA:** MAZIBA: [MAZIPA].(?)

**MAZUKA:** MAZUCA: [O.S/O.O] brother of/frere de: FIRMUS, SEMMAC & GILDUN etc. Son of/fils de: NUBEL. Lived in the valley of the/Vecut dans la valee du: Chelliff. [7]

**MAZUKAN:** MAZUCAN: [O.S/O.O]. See/Voir: MISAGENE, MASUCAN. [8]

**MEDDUR:** MEDDUR: Contains the root/Comtient la racine: DDR= to live, alive/vivre, etre vivant. [1]

**MEJDAN:** MEJDAN:

**MEKSA:** MEKSA: (or AMEKSA) Shepherd/Berger [1]

**MELLAL:** MELLAL: White/Blanc [1]

**MENNAC:** MENNAC: [1]

**MENNAD:** MENNAD: [1]

**MENZU:** MENZU: The first. Prime, primary/Le premier. Il prime. [1]

**MEQWRAN:** MEQW'RAN or AMEQWR'AN: [Leqba] [Mokrane or Amokrane] Amq'wran. The great/Le grand. [1]

**MEZWAR:** MEZWAR: Has the root/contient la racine: ZWR: to be first/etre premier. AMEZWARU:the first one/Le premier. [1]

**MEZYAN:** MEZ'YAN: or AMEZ'YAN (Meziane or Ameziane). Young, little/Jeunr, petit. [1]

**MIMUN:** MIMUN: Probably Arabic/Probablement de l'arabe. Root/Racine: AMEN: to believe/croire. [1]

**MIZAJEN:** MISAGENES: [O.S/O.O]. Son of Masinissa. See/Voir: MAZUCAN, MASUCAN. [8]

**MULA:** MULA: Probable root/Racine probable: AMALU, pl. IMULA. Shady side/Cote ombre. [1]

**UKESSUN:** OUKESSON: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. [original spelling], [ortographe original]. [2]

**RAKIBUM:** R'AKIBUM: <Tamac> Iwlemminden. [RAKIBOUM]. It is hard to conclude that this name is Amazigh/Difficile de conclure que ce nom est Amazigh. [2]

**NGUNA:** NGUNA: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. O.S/O.O: N'GOUNA [2]

**SALLA:** SALLA: [1]

**SAMMER:** SAMMER: Closest root/Racine la plus poche: SAMMAR: South/Sud [1]

**SEMMAC:** SEMMAC: Amazigh prince, brother of/prince Amazigh, frere de: FIRMUS, GILDUN & MAZUCA etc. Built the



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castle of Petra. [7].

**SEYADA:** SEGHADA: [1]

**SEKLA:** SEKLA: [1]

**SIFAL:** SIFAL: [1]

**SIFAKS:** SIFAKS: (latin spelling: SIPHAX). Name of the Amazigh Kingof/Nom du roi Amazigh des: Masaessyles/Maures. [1] & [8]

**SUGGUT:** SUGGUT: [1]

**TABAT:** TABAT: [?] father/pere de: DIHYA/KAHINA. [Ref: Le voile du silence by Djouhra Abouda]

**TAKFARINAS:** TAKFARINAS: [?]. Name of famous Amazigh warrior/revolutionary against the Romans/Nom d'un celebre combattant/revolutionnaire contre les Romains [Years/annees: ]. [1] & [8]. [8] gives/donne: TIKFARIN.

**TARIQ:** T'AR'IQ: <Ta<r'>[?] Name of Berber Commander and hero who first conquered Spain/Nom d'un commandant et heros qui conquiert l'Espagne. T'ar'iq Ibn Ziad (It is been said this is not his real name/Il a ete dit qu'il ne s'agit pas la de son vrai nom). [1]

**TAFUNNUT:** TAFFOUNNOUT: [Tahir, Fr.]

**TEGAMA:** TEGAMA: [Ref.?)

**TILJAD:** TILJAD: [Ref.?)

**TIKFARIN:** TIKFARIN: Voir/See: TAKFARINAS.

**UGDADA:** UGDADA: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden [Mali, Niger]. Originally spelled OGDADA. [2]

**UKSEM:** UKSEM: [1]

**UKEŞŞUN:** UKESS'UN: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. O.S/O.O:

OUKESSON. Other probable spelling: UQESSUN. [2]

**ULṬAC:** ULT'AC: [1]

**URDIYIS:** URDIGHIS: [1]

**UREY:** UREGH: (most likely: AWRAGH)= Yellow. But really means: Gold or Golden

**URTILAN:** URTILAN: UR: negation + T-ILAN: who possesses him. Means he is of unknown country or that his name or ascendance is unknown. Said about someone who is unknown/veut dire que son pays n'est pas connu ou que son nom ou ascendance sont inconnus. Se dir de quelqu'un d'inconnu. There exists in Kabylia a group of villages called/Il existe en kabylie un groupe de villages qui s'appelle: Ayt Urtilan. [1]

**URYAYEL:** URYAGHEL: [1]

**URZIG:** URZ'IG: Bitter/amer [1]

**UZMIR:** UZMIR: Capable, powerful/Capable, puissant. [1]

**WANKEY:** WANKEGH: [1]

**WAṬṬAS:** WATT'AS: Closest root/Racine la plus proche: AT'AS: A lot/ beaucoup. [1]

**WAYAASI:** WAYAASI: [Imuca] Iwlemmiden. [O.S/O.O] [2]

**YAYMURASEN:** YAGHMURASEN: Probably/probablement: YUGH AMUR NNSEN: he bought their part/il a achete leur part. [1]

**YANNI:** YANNI: Contains the root/contient la racine: ANNI: to see/voir. [1]

**YEFTEN:** YEFTEN: Probably of/probablement de: YF:to be better than/etre mieux que, TEN=them/eux. Same as/meme que: IFTEN. [1]

**YEḤLEM:** YEH'LEM: [1]



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**YELLEL:** YELLEL: Root/racine: LL:L: to be free/etre libre. [1]

**YIDIR:** YIDIR: Root/Racine: DDR=To live, alive/Vivre,vivant.  
[1]

**YILYIEN:** YILYIEN: Root/Racine: ILI: to be, exist/etre,  
exister. [1]

**YUGERTEN:** YUGERTEN: [YUGURTEN] <Talat: Jugurtha>  
Name of Amazigh king/nom d'un roi Amazigh (son of/fils de:  
MASTANABAL). [1], [8].

**YUNES:** YUNES: [Leqba] Probably has the same root as  
LUNIS or LWENNAS etc. These names are however very  
popular in Kabylia/Probablement de la meme racine que  
LUNIS ou

**LWENNAS:** LWENNAS. Ces noms sont tres connus en  
Kabylie. [1]

**YUBA:** YUBA: Amazigh king/Roi Amazigh. YUBA I: son  
of/fils de: HIEMPSAL (son of /fils de: GULA (GAUDA) brother  
of/frere de: YGERTEN) fought the Romans/combattit les  
Romains. <Talat: JUBA> [8]

**ZAYAR:** ZAYAR: [1]

**ZEGGAN:** ZEGGAN: Probably from the root/probablement  
de la racine: ZG, izga: is permanent, perrenial,  
constant/permanent. [1]

**ZERWAL:** ZER'WAL: [AZER'WAL] blond. Amawal by  
Mammeri gives: Blue for Zer'wal. By extension, then it means  
person with blue eyes, which some people refer to as blond  
(Shawia)/Amawal par Mammeri donne: bleu pour Zer'wal. Par  
extension, cela veut dire personne aux yeux bleus, que  
d'autres utilisent pour designer le blond. [1]. See/Voir:  
AWINEGH

**ZIGZA:** ZIGZA: Root/racine: ZGZ:Green/vert. [1]

**ZEFFUN:** Z'EFFUN:

**ZIDAN:** Z'IDAN: Sweet/sucre, succulent. [1]

#### **Not yet classified:**

TIQCICIN/GIRLS/FILLES:

ATES: [Imuca] Tree, arbre. This sounds masculin rather,  
[Tahir, Fr.]

AGAR: [Imuca] Tree, arbre. same as above name. [Tahir, Fr.]

NINS: [Imuca] [Tahir, Fr.]

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