

# Formatting Syntax

[DokuWiki](#) supports some simple markup language, which tries to make the datafiles to be as readable as possible. This page contains all possible syntax you may use when editing the pages. Simply have a look at the source of this page by pressing the *Edit this page* button at the top or bottom of the page. If you want to try something, just use the [playground](#) page. The simpler markup is easily accessible via [quickbuttons](#), too.

## Basic Text Formatting

DokuWiki supports **bold**, *italic*, underlined and monospaced texts. Of course you can **combine** all these.

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**Paragraphs** are created from blank lines. If you want to **force a newline** without a paragraph, you can use two backslashes followed by a whitespace or the end of line.

This is some text with some linebreaks

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or followed by  
a whitespace \\this happens without it.

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You should use forced newlines only if really needed.

## Links

DokuWiki supports multiple ways of creating links.

## External









```
{{ wiki:dokuwiki-128.png }}  
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```

Of course, you can add a title (displayed as a tooltip by most browsers), too.



```
{{ wiki:dokuwiki-128.png |This is the caption}}
```

If you specify a filename (external or internal) that is not an image (gif, jpeg, png), then it will be displayed as a link instead.

For linking an image to another page see [Image Links](#) above.

## Lists

Dokuwiki supports ordered and unordered lists. To create a list item, indent your text by two spaces and use a \* for unordered lists or a - for ordered ones.

- This is a list
- The second item



-  **Delete!** DELETEME

## Text to HTML Conversions

Typography: [dokuwiki](#) can convert simple text characters to their typographically correct entities. Here is an example of recognized characters.

→ ← ↔ ⇒ ⇐ ⇨ » « − 640×480 © ™ ® «He thought 'It's a man's world'...»

-> <- <-> => <= <=> >> << -- --- 640x480 (c) (tm) (r)  
"He thought 'It's a man's world'..."

The same can be done to produce any kind of HTML, it just needs to be added to the [pattern file](#).

There are three exceptions which do not come from that pattern file: multiplication entity (640×480), 'single' and «double quotes». They can be turned off through a [config option](#).

## Quoting

Some times you want to mark some text to show it's a reply or comment. You can use the following syntax:

I think we should do it

> No we shouldn't

>> Well, I say we should

> Really?

>> Yes!

>>> Then lets do it!

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## Tables

DokuWiki supports a simple syntax to create tables.

Heading 1	Heading 2	Heading 3
Row 1 Col 1	Row 1 Col 2	Row 1 Col 3
Row 2 Col 1	some colspan (note the double pipe)	
Row 3 Col 1	Row 3 Col 2	Row 3 Col 3

Table rows have to start and end with a | for normal rows or a ^ for headers.

^ Heading 1	^ Heading 2	^ Heading 3	^
Row 1 Col 1	Row 1 Col 2	Row 1 Col 3	
Row 2 Col 1	some colspan (note the double pipe)		
Row 3 Col 1	Row 3 Col 2	Row 3 Col 3	

To connect cells horizontally, just make the next cell completely empty as shown above. Be sure to have always the same amount of cell separators!

Vertical tableheaders are possible, too.

	Heading 1	Heading 2
Heading 3	Row 1 Col 2	Row 1 Col 3
Heading 4	no colspan this time	
Heading 5	Row 2 Col 2	Row 2 Col 3

As you can see, it's the cell separator before a cell which decides about the formatting:

	^ Heading 1	^ Heading 2	^
^ Heading 3	Row 1 Col 2	Row 1 Col 3	
^ Heading 4	no colspan this time		
^ Heading 5	Row 2 Col 2	Row 2 Col 3	

You can have `rowspans` (vertically connected cells) by adding `:::` into the cells below the one to which they should connect.

Heading 1	Heading 2	Heading 3
Row 1 Col 1	this cell spans vertically	Row 1 Col 3
Row 2 Col 1		Row 2 Col 3
Row 3 Col 1		Row 2 Col 3

Apart from the rowspan syntax those cells should not contain anything else.

^ Heading 1	^ Heading 2	^ Heading 3	^
Row 1 Col 1	this cell spans vertically	Row 1 Col 3	
Row 2 Col 1	:::	Row 2 Col 3	
Row 3 Col 1	:::	Row 2 Col 3	

You can align the table contents, too. Just add at least two whitespaces at the opposite end of your text: Add two spaces on the left to align right, two spaces on the right to align left and two spaces at







If you don't want any highlighting but want a downloadable file, specify a dash (-) as the language code: .

You can embed raw HTML or PHP code into your documents by using the `<code>` or `<pre>` tags. (Use uppercase tags if you need to enclose block level elements.)

```
<html>
This is some <span style="color:red;font-size:150%;">inline HTML</span>
</html>
<HTML>
<p style="border:2px dashed red;">And this is some block HTML</p>
</HTML>
```

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