

# Wiki-Syntax Tables

# Creating Tables with Wiki Syntax

Tables are often needed for organizing data information. Tiki has a simple syntax for defining a table. In Wiki pages and other contexts that support Wiki formatting (including Articles, Forums, and Blog), you can create simple tables. A table can be entered using two alternative delimiters (separators) for the rows; your administrator chooses which one is enabled. Both use the pipe symbol (or a vertical bar "|", above the "\\" on most PC keyboards) to separate table columns. A double pipe ("||") starts and ends the table in both types of syntax.

If || is the row delimiter, then table rows are separated by double pipes ("||"), just as at the beginning and the end of the table:

```
||row1-column1|row1-column2||row2-column1|row2-column2||
```

produces:

row1-column1	row1-column2
row2-column1	row2-column2

If, on the other hand, a newline is the row delimiter, then each line in the Wiki box represents a row in the table. So,

```
||row1-column1|row1-column2  
row2-column1|row2-column2||
```

produces the same table:

row1-column1	row1-column2
row2-column1	row2-column2

# Spanning Across Columns

You can span across multiple columns (colspan) in a row with the following syntax:

||row1-column1|row1-column2|row1-column3||row2-columns123||row3-column1|row3-columns23||

or

||row1-column1|row1-column2|row1-column3

row2-columns123

row3-column1|row3-columns23||

produces

row1-column1	row1-column2	row1-column3
row2-columns123		
row3-column1	row3-columns23	

Note that partial column spanning only occurs in the last columns of a table. For instance, there is no way to span across the first two columns of a three column table.

# Fancytable

Use PluginFancytable to create sortable and good looking tables.

Code :

```
{FANCYTABLE(head="row1-column1|row1-column2")} row2-column1|row2-column2 {FANCYTABLE}
```

Produces :

**row1-column1**

row2-column1

**row1-column2**

row2-column2

# Line Breaks

If you need to have multiple rows in a single cell of a table, use three percent signs to create line breaks, like this:

```
||Sample Table
row1-col1|row1-col2%%second line%%third line|row1-col3
row2-col1|row2-col2|row2-col3%%second line||
produces:
```

Sample Table

row1-col1

row1-col2	row1-col3
second line	
third line	

row2-col1

row2-col2	row2-col3
	second line

# Centering Table Text

To center any text, including text in a table, use two colons before and two colons after:

::This text is centered.::

produces:

This text is centered.

||::Sample Table::

row1-col1|row1-col2

row2-col1|row2-col2||

produces:

---

Sample Table

row1-col1

row1-col2

row2-col1

row2-col2

---

# Positioning tables in a page

# Centered Tables

Use plugincenter.

Code :

```
{CENTER()}||Sample Table row1-col1|row1-col2 row2-col1|row2-col2||{CENTER}
```

Produces :

Sample Table

row1-col1

row1-col2

row2-col1

row2-col2

# Right-Aligned Tables

If you need to right-align a table itself, you must use a DIV structure, and you must use both the align and float commands, or IE users won't see it aligned correctly. Use this:

{DIV(class=>class, type=>div, align=>right, float=>right)}||::Sample Table::

row1-col1|row1-col2  
row2-col1|row2-col2||{DIV}  
to produce:

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Sample Table

row1-col1

row1-col2

row2-col1

row2-col2

# Help & Hints

- If you see the WikiSyntax for your table instead of your table, check for newlines. Pressing Enter in the middle of a table will cause the table to break up, if || table mode is enabled.

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