

# PHP Date

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PHP Date function is used to format a local time/date.

## The PHP Date() Function

**Syntax :**

```
date(string $format, timestamp) ;
```

The PHP date() function have 2 Parameter. Parameter format specifies the format of the timestamp. We can get second parameter timestamp using time() function.

### Date Format :

The PHP date() function have three format for day, month and year as below.

**d** (Lowercase) - Specify the day of the month from 01 to 31.

**m** (Lowercase) - Specify a month from 01 to 12

**y** (Lowercase) - Specify a year in two digits

**D** (uppercase) - Specify the day of week from Sun to Sat.

**M** (uppercase) - Specify a month from Jan to Dec

**Y** (uppercase) - Specify a year in four digits

**l** (lowercase) - Specify the day from Sunday to Saturday.

**F** (uppercase) - Specify a month like April

### Time Format :

We can show time in hour, minute and second format using below characters.

**H** - Specify 24-hour format of an hour from 00 to 23

**h** - Specify 12-hour format of an hour with leading zeros from 01 to 12

**i** - Specify Minutes with leading zeros from 00 to 59

**s** - Specify Seconds with leading zeros from 00 to 59

**a** - Lowercase a specify Ante meridiem and Post meridiem such as am or pm

**A** - Uppercase a specify Ante meridiem and Post meridiem such as AM or PM in uppercase.

Learn php date() function using below examples.

## Example :

```
<?php
//code by aryatechno
echo "<br><b>Get date in different date format</b>";
echo "<br>Today Date in D, d M Y format is " . date("D, d M Y");
echo "<br>Today Date in d.m.Y format is " . date("d.m.Y");
echo "<br>Today Date in Y-m-d format is " . date("Y-m-d");
echo "<br>Today Date in d-F-Y format is " . date("d-F-Y");
echo "<br><b>Get date with time in different time format</b>";
echo "<br>Current Time in h:i:s a format is " . date("h:i:s a");
echo "<br>Current Date & Time in D, d M Y h:i:s A format is " . date("D, d M Y h:i:s A");

?>
```

## Output :

### **Get date in different date format**

Today Date in D, d M Y format is Tue, 08 Apr 2025

Today Date in d.m.Y format is 08.04.2025

Today Date in Y-m-d format is 2025-04-08

Today Date in d-F-Y format is 08-April-2025

### **Get date with time in different time format**

Current Time in h:i:s a format is 09:53:37 am

Current Date & Time in D, d M Y h:i:s A format is Tue, 08 Apr 2025 09:53:37 AM

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