

# JSTL CORE <FMT:PARSEDATE> TAG

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The <fmt:parseDate> tag is used to parse dates.

## Attribute:

The <fmt:parseDate> tag has following attributes:

Attribute	Description	Required	Default
value	Date value to read <i>parse</i>	No	Body
type	DATE, TIME, or BOTH	No	date
dateStyle	FULL, LONG, MEDIUM, SHORT, or DEFAULT	No	Default
timeStyle	FULL, LONG, MEDIUM, SHORT, or DEFAULT	No	Default
parseLocale	Locale to use when parsing the date	No	Default locale
pattern	Custom parsing pattern	No	None
timeZone	Time zone of the parsed date	No	Default time zone
var	Name of the variable to store the parsed date	No	Print to page
scope	Scope of the variable to store the formatted date	No	page

A pattern attribute is provided that works just like the pattern attribute for the <fmt:formatDate> tag. However, in the case of parsing, the pattern attribute tells the parser what format to expect.

## Example:

```
<%@ taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %>
<%@ taglib prefix="fmt" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/fmt" %>

<html>
<head>
  <title>JSTL fmt:parseDate Tag</title>
</head>
<body>
<h3>Date Parsing:</h3>
<c:set var="now" value="20-10-2010" />

<fmt:parseDate value="{now}" var="parsedEmpDate"
               pattern="dd-MM-yyyy" />
<p>Parsed Date: <c:out value="{parsedEmpDate}" /></p>

</body>
</html>
```

This would produce following result:

### Date Parsing:

Parsed Date: Wed Oct 20 00:00:00 GST 2010

