WebMowgli – ( Theming ) - Blog

**When to use?**

Use blog module when the website requires a full fledged blog system OR data needs to be organized under categories and each post/page can be associated with multiple tags.

The blog can display posts/articles arranged by any of the following

* Latest posts
* Arrange by category
* Arrange by date ( year, month or date )
* Arrange by author
* Arrange by tag
* Special featured posts
* Specific posts

**Pages / Templates ( compulsory )**

In order to use the blog in the website, the below templates MUST be created, even if any of the template are not being used. These are special templates and cannot be called directly like any normal page.

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| **Template name** | **Description** |
| \_blog .html | This template would mostly be used if a summary view is required, ( e.g. list of categories with a few posts in each category ) |
| \_blog\_group.html | This template will be required to display a group of posts arranged by category, date, author, tag etc |
| \_blog\_post.html | This template will showcase a single post |

**Syntax**

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id = “blog: view=view\_keyword

: template= value

: category = value

: tag = value

: author = value

: post = value

: post\_id = value

: year = value

: month = value

: day = value

: part = value

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[ Block = “Block Name” ]>

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**Attributes**

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| **Tag part** | **Possible values** | **Optional** | **Default** |
| View | * main * ~~summary~~ * category\_posts * tag\_posts * author\_posts * date\_posts * single\_post * featured\_posts * latest\_posts * archives * archives\_categorized * categories * tags * about\_author * pagination * ~~related\_posts~~ * ~~popular\_posts~~ * ~~latest\_comments~~ | No | -- |
| Template | <any template name> | Yes | Default = view provided. If view = main then template is depends on view generated from url |
| Category | <any category slug> | yes |  |
| Tag | <any tag slug> | Yes |  |
| Author | <any author slug> | Yes |  |
| Post | <any post slug> | Yes |  |
| Post\_id | <any post id> | Yes |  |
| Year | <4 digit Year> | Yes |  |
| Month | <2 digit month ( note: year is mandatory ) > | Yes |  |
| Day | <2 digit day ( note: year & month is mandatory ) > | Yes |  |
| Part | < pagination part number > | Yes |  |

**Descriptions**

* **view**: this provides the type of data that needs to be displayed in a particular data block.   
  types of views and their explanations

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| **View / Keyword** | **Description** | **Other requirements** *(these values are required either in block tag OR in url)* |
| main | Displays data automatically depending on url *( most recommended for main section of all 3 pages )* |  |
| ~~summary~~ | ~~Displays a list of categories with a summary of a few posts under each category, ideally used as the main blog page~~ |  |
| category\_posts | Displays all posts under a particular category | Category = category\_name |
| tag\_posts | Displays all posts under a particular tag | Tag = tag\_name |
| author\_posts | Displays all posts under a particular author | Author = author\_name |
| date\_posts | Displays all posts under a particular date | Year = yyyy, month = mm, day = dd |
| single\_post | Displays a specific post | Post = post\_slug OR post\_id = id |
| featured\_posts | Displays all posts marked as featured |  |
| latest\_posts | Displays the recently created posts |  |
| ~~related\_posts~~ | ~~Displays posts related to the main post~~ | ~~Post, post\_id~~ |
| ~~popular\_posts~~ | ~~Displays posts that are most popular~~ |  |
| archives | Displays a list of months with number of posts in each month |  |
| archives\_categorized | Displays a list of years and months under each year where posts were created |  |
| categories | Displays a list of all categories |  |
| ~~latest\_comments~~ | ~~Displays latest comments~~ |  |
| tags | ~~Displays a list of tags~~ | ~~Post, post\_id~~ |
| ~~about\_author~~ | ~~Displays details about an author of main post~~ | ~~Post, post\_id~~ |
| pagination | Displays previous and next page ( or post ) | Group=? AND group conditions ( eg. Category, date . . etc ), part = xx OR *(for posts)* post, post\_id |

**Rules**

1. All 3 blog templates must be created even if NOT being used.
2. view = main should only be used in the main display area of blog files
3. If no URL 🡪 keyword = summary
4. If keyword = main 🡺 template = keyword ( obtained from url and NOT from block tagstring )
5. Note: for \_blog 🡪 USE ONLY view=main; DO NOT use view=summary OR template=anything
6. If template not mentioned ( template = keyword )
7. For views which are dependent on main content 🡪 pick up post\_id OR post\_slug from URL ( Do Not rely on main section )

**Parse Tags**

**Valid tags for list of posts OR single post**

*Note: for single post the below tags can be used directly, however for a list of posts, the tags can only be used inside a loop tag* ***{posts}. . . . .{/posts}***

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| **Tag** | **Description** |
| {Id} | post id |
| {title} | Post title |
| {slug} |  |
| {excerpt} | Plain text summary view of post, no html and limited to wordcount specified in blog settings |
| {body} | Full post |
| {created} | Post creation date |
| {updated} | Post last modified date |
| {url} | Post full url |
|  |  |
| {categ:list} | Comma separated list of categories that current post is associated with ( includes urls of each category ) |
| {tag:list} | Comma separated list of tags that current post is associated with ( includes urls of each tag ) |
|  |  |
| {author:username} | username of author of post |
| {author:name} | Actual ( or Human friendly ) name of author |
| {author:url} | Url of author ( to view all posts by that author ) |
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| {comment:count} | Number of comments for particular post |
| {comment:url} | Url to go to comments of post |
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| {featured\_image} | url of featured image for post |
| {featured\_image\_caption} | Caption for featured image of the post |
| {header} | Header for post |
| {footer} | Footer for post |
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| {day:short} | Creation date ( day ) – without leading zeros |
| {day:long} | Creation date ( day ) – with leading zeros |
| {month:short} | Creation date ( month ) – without leading zeros |
| {month:long} | Creation date ( month ) – with leading zeros |
| {year:short} | Creation date ( year ) – 2 digit |
| {year:long} | Creation date ( year ) – 4 digit |
| {weekday:short} | Creation date ( Week day ) – short form of day, E.g.mon, tue, wed |
| {weekday:long} | Creation date ( Week day ) – long form of day e.g. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday |

**Other Views**

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| **View name** | **Tags** |
| Archives | {archives}  {year}  {month}  {count}  {url}  {/archives} |
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| Categorized Archives | {archives}  {year} {year:count} {year:url}  {months}  {month} {month:count} {month:url}  {/months}  {/archives} |
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| Categories | {categories}  {id} {name} {slug} {excerpt} {body} {created} {updated} {count} {url}  {/categories} |
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| Tags | {tags}  {id} {name} {slug} {excerpt} {body} {count} {url}  {/tags} |
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| Pagination | {prev:title} {prev:url}  {next:title} {next:url} |
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| ~~About Author~~ | ~~{name} {url} {posts\_url} {image} {body}~~ |
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| ~~Latest Comments~~ | ~~{author:name} {author:url} {comment:excerpt} {comment:body} {comment:url}~~ |
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