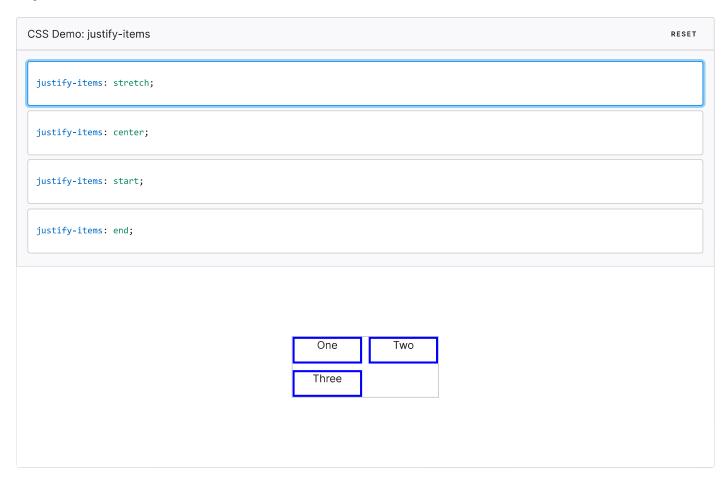
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justify-items

The <u>CSS</u> justify-items property defines the default justify-self for all items of the box, giving them all a default way of justifying each box along the appropriate axis.

Try it



The effect of this property is dependent of the layout mode we are in:

- In block-level layouts, it aligns the items inside their containing block on the inline axis.
- For absolutely-positioned elements, it aligns the items inside their containing block on the inline axis, accounting for the offset values of top, left, bottom, and right.
- In table cell layouts, this property is ignored (more about alignment in block, absolute positioned and table layout)
- In flexbox layouts, this property is *ignored* (<u>more</u> about alignment in Flexbox)
- In grid layouts, it aligns the items inside their grid areas on the inline axis (more about alignment in grid layouts)

Syntax

```
css
/* Basic keywords */
justify-items: normal;
justify-items: stretch;

/* Positional alignment */
justify-items: center; /* Pack items around the center */
justify-items: start; /* Pack items from the start */
```

```
justify-items: end; /* Pack items from the end */
justify-items: flex-start; /* Equivalent to 'start'. Note that justify-items is ignored in Flexbox layouts. */
justify-items: flex-end; /* Equivalent to 'end'. Note that justify-items is ignored in Flexbox layouts. */
justify-items: self-start;
justify-items: self-end;
justify-items: left; /* Pack items from the left */
justify-items: right; /* Pack items from the right */
/* Baseline alignment */
justify-items: baseline;
justify-items: first baseline;
justify-items: last baseline;
/* Overflow alignment (for positional alignment only) */
justify-items: safe center;
justify-items: unsafe center;
/* Legacy alignment */
justify-items: legacy right;
justify-items: legacy left;
justify-items: legacy center;
/* Global values */
justify-items: inherit;
justify-items: initial;
justify-items: revert;
justify-items: revert-layer;
justify-items: unset;
```

This property can take one of four different forms:

- Basic keywords: one of the keyword values normal or stretch.
- Baseline alignment: the baseline keyword, plus optionally one of first or last.
- Positional alignment: one of: center, start, end, flex-start, flex-end, self-start, self-end, left, or right. Plus optionally safe or unsafe.
- Legacy alignment: the legacy keyword, followed by one of left or right.

Values

normal

The effect of this keyword is dependent of the layout mode we are in:

- In block-level layouts, the keyword is a synonym of start .
- In absolutely-positioned layouts, the keyword behaved like start on *replaced* absolutely-positioned boxes, and as stretch on *all other* absolutely-positioned boxes.
- In table cell layouts, this keyword has no meaning as this property is ignored.
- In flexbox layouts, this keyword has no meaning as this property is *ignored*.
- In grid layouts, this keyword leads to a behavior similar to the one of stretch, except for boxes with an aspect ratio or an intrinsic sizes where it behaves like start.

start

The item is packed flush to each other toward the start edge of the alignment container in the appropriate axis.

end

The item is packed flush to each other toward the end edge of the alignment container in the appropriate axis.

flex-start

For items that are not children of a flex container, this value is treated like start.

flex-end

For items that are not children of a flex container, this value is treated like end.

self-start

The item is packed flush to the edge of the alignment container of the start side of the item, in the appropriate axis.

self-end

The item is packed flush to the edge of the alignment container of the end side of the item, in the appropriate axis.

center

The items are packed flush to each other toward the center of the alignment container.

left

The items are packed flush to each other toward the left edge of the alignment container. If the property's axis is not parallel with the inline axis, this value behaves like start.

right

The items are packed flush to each other toward the right edge of the alignment container in the appropriate axis. If the property's axis is not parallel with the inline axis, this value behaves like start.

baseline, first baseline, last baseline

Specifies participation in first- or last-baseline alignment: aligns the alignment baseline of the box's first or last baseline set with the corresponding baseline in the shared first or last baseline set of all the boxes in its baseline-sharing group. The fallback alignment for first baseline is start, the one for last baseline is end.

stretch

If the combined size of the items is less than the size of the alignment container, any auto-sized items have their size increased equally (not proportionally), while still respecting the constraints imposed by max-height / max-width (or equivalent functionality), so that the combined size exactly fills the alignment container.

safe

If the size of the item overflows the alignment container, the item is instead aligned as if the alignment mode were start.

unsafe

Regardless of the relative sizes of the item and alignment container, the given alignment value is honored.

legacy

Makes the value inherited by the box descendants. Note that if a descendant has a justify-self: auto value, the legacy keyword is not considered by the descend, only the left, right, or center value associated to it.

Formal definition

| <u>Initial value</u> | legacy |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Applies to | all elements |
| Inherited | no |
| Computed value | as specified |

Animation type discrete

Formal syntax

```
justify-items =
 normal
  stretch
                                                       1
 <baseline-position>
 <overflow-position>? [ <self-position> \bot left \bot right \bot \bot
                                                       4
 legacy && [ left | right | center ]
                                                       4
  anchor-center
<baseline-position> =
 [ first | last ]? &&
 baseline
<overflow-position> =
 unsafe |
  safe
<self-position> =
  center
             1.
  start
              1.
              1.
  self-start |
  self-end
              1
  flex-start |
  flex-end
```

Examples

Simple demonstration

In the following example we have a simple 2 x 2 grid layout. Initially the grid container is given a <code>justify-items</code> value of <code>stretch</code> (the default), which causes the grid items to stretch across the entire width of their cells.

If you hover or tab onto the grid container however, it is given a justify-items value of center, which causes the grid items to span only as wide as their content width, and align in the center of their cells.

HTML

CSS

```
css
html {
  font-family: helvetica, arial, sans-serif;
  letter-spacing: 1px;
}
article {
  background-color: red;
  display: grid;
```

```
grid-template-columns: 1fr 1fr;
  grid-auto-rows: 40px;
 grid-gap: 10px;
 margin: 20px;
 width: 300px;
 justify-items: stretch;
article:hover,
article:focus {
 justify-items: center;
article span {
 background-color: black;
 color: white;
 margin: 1px;
 text-align: center;
article,
span {
 padding: 10px;
 border-radius: 7px;
```

Result

```
First child Second child

Third child Fourth child
```

Specifications

```
Specification

CSS Box Alignment Module Level 3
# justify-items-property.
```

Browser compatibility

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| | Chrome | Edge | Firefox | Opera | Safari | Chrome Android | Firefox for Android | Opera Android |
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| justify- items | ✓ Chrome 52 | ✓ Edge 12 | ✓ Firefox 20 | ✓ Opera 12.1 | ✓ Safari 9 | ✓ Chrome 52 Android | ✓ Firefox 20 for Android | ✓ Opera 12.1 Android |
| Supported in Flex Layout | ✓ Chrome 52 | ✓ Edge 12 | ✓ Firefox 20 | ✓ Opera 12.1 | ✓ Safari 9 | ✓ Chrome 52 Android | ✓ Firefox 20 for Android | ✓ Opera 12.1 Android |
| Supported in Grid Layout | ✓ Chrome 57 | ✓ Edge 16 | ✓ Firefox 45 | ✓ Opera 44 | ✓ Safari 10.1 | ✓ Chrome 57 Android | ✓ Firefox 45 for Android | ✓ Opera 43 Android |

Tip: you can click/tap on a cell for more information.

✓ Full support

See also

- CSS Grid Guide: Box alignment in CSS Grid layouts
- CSS Box Alignment
- The place-items shorthand property
- The <u>justify-self</u> property
- The align-items property

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