

# <DateField>

A date field control with a calendar drop down.

## Parent Elements

This element can appear as a child of the following elements.

Element	Description	Version Introduced	Pro Version Introduced
<Group>	A single group that appears within a single tab and contains controls.	1.0	3.2
<QuickAccessControls>	A list of controls that appear in the quick access toolbar.	1.0	3.2
<SplitButton>	A button control with a drop down that can contain other controls.	1.0	3.2
<TabBarControls>	The list of controls that appear on the right end of the tab bar area.	1.0	3.2

## Attributes

This element supports the following attributes:

Attribute	Description	Version Introduced	Pro Version Introduced
BeginGroup	Determines if this control begins a new group.	1.0	3.2
Format	The format used to render the date.	n/a	4.0.1
Height	The height of the control	1.0	3.2
Key	The unique identifier of this control. Must be unique among all other controls. <b>(Required)</b>	1.0	3.2
KeyboardTip	The keyboard tooltip that appears when the user holds the Alt key.	1.0	3.2
Tooltip	The text to appear when the user hovers over the control.	1.0	3.2
Width	The width of the control	1.0	3.2

### BeginGroup

The BeginGroup attribute can be set to "True" or "False". When set to "True", it informs the ribbon that this control should not be grouped with the control before it and should be the first control in a new group. This attribute only works if the control is in a group whose *GroupControls* attribute is "True".

### Format

The Format attribute lets you customize the date format. By default, dates are displayed in "DD/MM/YY" format, but you may set any other valid [date format](#).

### Height

The Height attribute sets a new fixed height for the control.

### Key

The Key attribute defines the unique identifier you will use in properties, methods, or events to identify this control. This needs to be unique among all other controls, regardless of control type.

### KeyboardTip

The KeyboardTip attribute establishes the sequence of keys that trigger this control when the user is holding down the Alt key.

### Tooltip

The Tooltip attribute sets the text to appear when the user hovers over the control.

### Width

The Width attribute sets a new fixed width for the control.

## Remarks

The DateField element defines a date field control that will appear on the ribbon. The date is blank by default. To set the date programmatically, use the [DateField.Value](#) property. When the user changes the date, the [OnDateFieldChange](#) event is fired.

## Example

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<DateField Key="DTF_TEST" Caption="Date" Width="80" Tooltip="This is a date field." Format="MM/DD/YYYY" />
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