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# **scant Documentation**

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A very minimalistic javascript library.



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**scant /skant/**

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*adjective:* scant

1. barely sufficient or adequate.

“companies with scant regard for the safety of future generations”

*synonyms:* little, little or no, minimal, hardly (any), limited, negligible, barely sufficient, meager

*antonyms:* abundant, ample, sufficient barely amounting to a specified number or quantity.

*verb:* scant; *3rd person present:* scants; *past tense:* scanted; *past participle:* scanted; *gerund or present participle:* scanting

1. provide grudgingly or in insufficient amounts.

“he does not scant his attention to the later writings”





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### Download

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#### Github Page

- **Latest:** `scant-latest.min.js` `scant-latest.min.js.map`
- **v0.5.0:** `scant-v0.5.0.min.js` `scant-v0.5.0.min.js.map`



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## Usage

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```
<script type="text/javascript" src="//path/to/scant.min.js"></script>
<script type="text/javascript">
  // window.Scant === window.$
  // window.$ is only made available is $ is not already registered

$.ready(function() {
  var $elm = $('<code>.selector</code>');
  $elm.on('click', '<code>.child</code>', function(evt) {
    evt.stopPropagation();
    evt.preventDefault();

    var data = $('<code>form</code>').serialize();
    $.ajax({
      url: '<code>/end-point</code>',
      data: JSON.stringify(data),
      dataType: 'application/json',
      responseType: 'json',
    }, function(err, request) {
      if(err || ~request.response) {
        alert('oh no, something went wrong');
      } else {
        alert('go a good response back');
      }
    });
  });
});
</script>
```



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## API Documentation

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### 4.1 \$ Object

`$ (selector)`

Main entry point for creating an instance of `scant ()`.

**Arguments**

- **selector** (*string|NodeElement|HTMLElement*) – Either a string css selector to use to fetch elements on the page or an element to wrap in `scant ()`

**Returns** an instance of `scant ()`.

`$.util.extend (target, source)`

Helper method to copy properties from one Object over to another

**Arguments**

- **target** (*Object*) – Object to copy properties onto
- **source** (*Object*) – Object to copy properties from

**Returns** a copy of *target* with all of *sources*'s properties copied to it

`$.util.inherits (parent, child)`

Helper method to ensure that *child*'s prototype inherits from *parent*'s

**Arguments**

- **parent** (*function*) – The parent class to inherit from
- **child** (*function*) – The child class to inherit to

**Returns** null

`$.fn`

The prototype for `scant ()` exposed, useful for extending `scant ()`.

```
$.fn.hide = function () {  
  // "this" refers to the instance of scant  
  this.forEach(function (elm) {  
    elm.style.display = 'none';  
  }).bind(this);  
};  
  
$ ('.hidden').hide();
```

`$.ajax (options, callback)`

Wrapper around making XMLHttpRequest's.

```
// default options to $.ajax
var defaultAjaxOptions = {
  // url to fetch
  url: null,
  // http method to use
  method: 'GET',
  // additional headers e.g. {'X-Token': 'token'}
  headers: {},
  // data to send
  data: null,
  // this gets set as 'Content-Type' header with request
  dataType: 'application/x-www-form-urlencoded; charset=UTF-8',
  // an optional function(request) to call before sending the request,
  // useful to make customizations to the XMLHttpRequest object before sending
  beforeSend: null,
  // the response type expected back
  responseType: '',
};
```

#### Arguments

- **options** (*Object*) – Object of options to override. url is required
- **callback** (*function*) – `function(err, request)` will get called when the request has finished (success or fail). `err` will be true if the request failed, null otherwise request will be the XMLHttpRequest () object used for the request.

**Returns** null

`$.on (eventName[, selector], handler)`

Function for event delegation. This method will add *handler* as an event handler on *body*, optionally filtering based on the *selector* provided.

#### Arguments

- **eventName** (*string*) – The event to bind (e.g. 'click', 'submit', etc)
- **selector** (*string*) – Optional parameter, a css selector used to filter events
- **handler** (*function*) – The handler to bind for the event

**Returns** null

`$.ready (handler)`

Function used to add a handler when the page has finished loaded ('DOMContentLoaded').

#### Arguments

- **handler** (*function*) – The handler to invoke when 'DOMContentLoaded'

**Returns** null

## 4.2 scant Class

`class scant ([dom][, selector])`

The *scant* class inherits from *Array* and properties of an *Array* are available (although *forEach* is shimmed in if it is not supported by the browser).

**Arguments**

- **dom** (*Object*) – *dom* is either an *Array* of elements or the result of calling *document.querySelectorAll* with a *selector*
- **selector** (*string*) – The selector used to fetch *dom*.

`scant.find(selector)`

Method used to find all children matching *selector* belonging to the elements stored in this instance of *scant*.

**Arguments**

- **selector** (*string*) – A css selector to use to match elements.

**Returns** `scant()`

`scant.on(eventName[, selector], handler)`

This method is the same as `$.on()` except the handler is bound to every node stored in this instance of *scant* as opposed to binding to *body*.

**Arguments**

- **eventName** (*string*) – The event to bind to (e.g. 'click', 'submit', etc)
- **selector** (*string*) – A css selector used to filter the events by
- **handler** (*function*) – The handler to call for each event.

**Returns** `null`

`scant.serialize([elm])`

Method used to serialize the data for elements stored in this instance of *scant*. Most useful for fetching the data from *form* elements. This method gets the name/value pairs for all *form* elements (creating an array when the same name is present multiple times) as well as appending element data attributes.

**Arguments**

- **elm** (*Object*) – This parameter is mostly used internally to this function when making recursive calls for serializing the data, but can be a single dom element to serialize.

**Returns** `Object`





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