

WebHCat Reference GetDB

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Description

Describe a database. (Note: This resource has a "format=extended" parameter however the output structure does not change if it is used.)

URL

`http://www.myserver.com/templeton/v1/ddl/database/:db`

Parameters

Name	Description	Required?	Default
:db	The database name	Required	None

The [standard parameters](#) are also supported.

Results

Name	Description
location	The database location
params	The database parameters
comment	The database comment
database	The database name

Example

Curl Command

```
% curl -s 'http://localhost:50111/templeton/v1/ddl/database/newdb?user.name=ctdean'
```

JSON Output

```
{
  "location": "hdfs://localhost:9000/warehouse/newdb.db",
  "params": "{a=b}",
  "comment": "Hello there",
  "database": "newdb"
}
```

JSON Output (error)

```
{  
  "error": "No such database: newdb",  
  "errorCode": 404  
}
```

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