

Need another word that means the same as “afterwards”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “afterwards” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Afterwards” are: after, afterward, later, later on, subsequently, then, after that, after this, next, eventually, after a period of time, in due course**

## Afterwards as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Afterwards" as an adverb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “afterwards” as an adverb can have the following definitions:

- *At a later or future time.*
- *Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time.*



## Synonyms of "Afterwards" as an adverb (12 Words)

<b>after</b>	At a later or future time afterwards. <i>Two hours <b>after</b> that.</i>
<b>after a period of time</b>	Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time.
<b>after that</b>	Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time.
<b>after this</b>	Behind or in the rear.
<b><u>afterward</u></b>	Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time. <i>It didn't happen until <b>afterward</b>.</i>
<b>eventually</b>	After an unspecified period of time or an especially long delay. <i><b>Eventually</b> after midnight I arrived at the hotel.</i>
<b>in due course</b>	To or toward the inside of.
<b>later</b>	Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time. <i><b>Later</b> on it will be easier.</i>
<b>later on</b>	Comparative of the adverb `late.
<b><u>next</u></b>	Following in the specified order. <i>Jo was the <b>next</b> oldest after Martin.</i>
<b>subsequently</b>	After a particular thing has happened; afterwards. <i>The officer decided to stop and <b>subsequently</b> made an arrest.</i>
<b><u>then</u></b>	Used at the end of a sentence to emphasize an inference being drawn. <i>First came lightning <b>then</b> thunder.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Afterwards" as an adverb

- *The offender was arrested shortly afterwards.*



## Associations of "Afterwards" (30 Words)

- after** At a later or future time afterwards.  
*Duke Frederick died soon **after**.*
- afterthought** An addition that was not included in the original plan.  
*The garage was an **afterthought**.*
- afterward** Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time.  
*It didn't happen until **afterward**.*
- aspiring** Desiring or striving for recognition or advancement.  
*An **aspiring** artist.*
- augury** An event that is experienced as indicating important things to come.  
*He hoped it was an **augury**.*
- belated** Coming or happening later than should have been the case.  
*A **belated** birthday card.*

<b>destine</b>	Design or destine. <i>She was <b>destined</b> to become a great pianist.</i>
<b><u>destined</u></b>	Certain to meet (a particular fate). <i>The shipment of illegal drugs <b>destined</b> for American and European markets.</i>
<b>divination</b>	A prediction uttered under divine inspiration. <i>The Celtic art of <b>divination</b>.</i>
<b>forthcoming</b>	Willing to divulge information. <i>The <b>forthcoming</b> holidays.</i>
<b>future</b>	A verb tense that expresses actions or states in the future. <i>We plan on getting married in the near <b>future</b>.</i>
<b>hereafter</b>	At some time in the future. <i>This court is in no way prejudging any such defence which may <b>hereafter</b> be raised.</i>
<b>incoming</b>	(of a communication) being received rather than sent. <i>An <b>incoming</b> call.</i>
<b><u>late</u></b>	At or toward an end or late period or stage of development. <i>They won the game with a <b>late</b> goal.</i>
<b>later</b>	At some eventual time in the future. <i><b>Later</b> medical science could have saved the child.</i>
<b><u>next</u></b>	The next person or thing. <i>Campaigning for the <b>next</b> election.</i>
<b>permanency</b>	The property of being able to exist for an indefinite duration.
<b>posterior</b>	The fleshy part of the human body that you sit on. <i>The <b>posterior</b> part of the gut.</i>
<b>posthumous</b>	Occurring or coming into existence after a person's death. <i>A <b>posthumous</b> award.</i>
<b><u>preliminary</u></b>	A preliminary round in a sporting competition. <i>A <b>preliminary</b> draft.</i>
<b>prognosis</b>	A prediction about how something (as the weather) will develop. <i>The disease has a poor <b>prognosis</b>.</i>
<b>prospective</b>	Expected or expecting to be the specified thing in the future. <i>A meeting to discuss <b>prospective</b> changes in government legislation.</i>
<b><u>shortly</u></b>	For a short time. <i>The book will appear <b>shortly</b>.</i>
<b>sometime</b>	Occasional. <i>A <b>sometime</b> contributor.</i>

- soon** In the near future.  
*How **soon** can you get here.*
- subsequent** (of a stream or valley) having a direction or character determined by the resistance to erosion of the underlying rock, and typically following the strike of the strata.  
*The theory was developed **subsequent** to the earthquake of 1906.*
- subsequently** Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time.  
*The officer decided to stop and **subsequently** made an arrest.*
- then** After that; next; afterwards.  
***Then** he left.*
- thereafter** After that time.  
*It was agreed that the meeting be held annually **thereafter**.*
- upcoming** Of the relatively near future.  
*The **upcoming** spring fashions.*