

Need another word that means the same as “ancestry”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “ancestry” in this overview.

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Ancestry as a Noun

Definitions of "Ancestry" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “ancestry” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *The descendants of one individual.*
- *Inherited properties shared with others of your bloodline.*
- *The evolutionary or genetic line of descent of an animal or plant.*
- *The origin or background of something.*
- *One's family or ethnic descent.*



Synonyms of "Ancestry" as a noun (21 Words)

<u>ancestors</u>	Someone from whom you are descended (but usually more remote than a grandparent).
<u>antecedents</u>	The referent of an anaphor; a phrase or clause that is referred to by an anaphoric pronoun.
<u>blood</u>	The fluid red in vertebrates that is pumped through the body by the heart and contains plasma blood cells and platelets. <i>Blood carries oxygen and nutrients to the tissues and carries away waste products.</i>
blood line	Temperament or disposition.
<u>bloodline</u>	Ancestry of a purebred animal. <i>The survival of a legitimate royal bloodline.</i>
derivation	The act of deriving something or obtaining something from a source or origin. <i>Singer from sing or undo from do are examples of derivations.</i>

descent	Properties attributable to your ancestry. <i>A descent on the Channel ports.</i>
filiation	The kinship relation between an individual and the individual's progenitors. <i>The filiation of many of his ideas from those developed by Carpenter.</i>
forebears	A person from whom you are descended.
forefathers	The founder of a family. <i>Keep the faith of our forefathers.</i>
genes	A segment of DNA that is involved in producing a polypeptide chain; it can include regions preceding and following the coding DNA as well as introns between the exons; it is considered a unit of heredity. <i>Genes were formerly called factors.</i>
genetics	The study of heredity and the variation of inherited characteristics. <i>The effects of family genetics on the choice of career.</i>
line	Each of usually five horizontal lines forming a stave in musical notation. <i>A line block.</i>
line of descent	Something (as a cord or rope) that is long and thin and flexible.
lineage	The number of lines in a piece of printed material. <i>Great families and their lineages.</i>
origin	A fixed point from which coordinates are measured. <i>His theory of the origin of life.</i>
parentage	The kinship relation of an offspring to the parents. <i>A boy of Jamaican parentage.</i>
pedigree	A pure-bred animal. <i>A spaniel of distinguished pedigree.</i>
progenitors	An ancestor in the direct line.
stemma	A recorded genealogy of a family; a family tree.
stock	A portion of a company's stock as held by an individual or group as an investment. <i>Stock shortages.</i>



Usage Examples of "Ancestry" as a noun

- *He was proud of his Irish ancestry.*
- *The ancestry of the rose is extremely complicated.*
- *The book traces the ancestry of women's poetry.*



Associations of "Ancestry" (30 Words)

<u>ancestor</u>	An early version of a machine, system, etc. <i>The ancestor of most dolphins is not clear.</i>
ancestral	Of, belonging to, or inherited from an ancestor or ancestors. <i>The family's ancestral home.</i>
<u>antecedent</u>	Denoting or counting as an antecedent. <i>Phrenology was an antecedent of modern neuroscience.</i>
ascendant	Rising in power or influence. <i>Rooted and ascendant strength like that of foliage.</i>
birthright	Personal characteristics that are inherited at birth. <i>She saw a liberal education as the birthright of every child.</i>
<u>clan</u>	A close-knit group of interrelated families, especially in the Scottish Highlands. <i>New York's garrulous clan of artists.</i>

ewe	A female sheep.
family	A group of people related by blood or marriage. <i>The message was addressed not just to employees but to every member of the company family.</i>
fleece	A representation of a fleece suspended from a ring. <i>A reversible fleece jacket.</i>
forebear	A person from whom you are descended. <i>Generations of his forebears had lived in London.</i>
forefather	A member of the past generations of one's family or people; an ancestor. <i>The forefathers of modern British socialism.</i>
genealogy	Successive generations of kin. <i>The genealogies of the kings of Mercia.</i>
genetic	Of or relating to the science of genetics. <i>There are fears that genetic techniques could be abused.</i>
hometown	The town (or city) where you grew up or where you have your principal residence. <i>He never went back to his hometown again.</i>
hominoid	Relating to hominoid primates.
inbreeding	The breeding of closely related people or animals, especially over many generations. <i>Persistent inbreeding has produced an unusually high frequency of sufferers from this disease.</i>
kinship	(anthropology) relatedness or connection by blood or marriage or adoption. <i>Felt a deep kinship with the other students.</i>
lineage	The kinship relation between an individual and the individual's progenitors. <i>A Dutch nobleman of ancient lineage.</i>
lineal	In a direct line of descent or ancestry. <i>Lineal heirs.</i>
mulatto	A person of mixed white and black ancestry, especially a person with one white and one black parent.
parentage	The kinship relation of an offspring to the parents. <i>This ice cream boasts American parentage.</i>
patrimony	Valued things passed down from previous generations; heritage. <i>Owners refuse to part with their patrimony in the interests of agricultural development.</i>
pedigree	The recorded ancestry or lineage of a person or family. <i>They are looking for animals with pedigrees.</i>

primogenitor An ancestor in the direct line.

progenitor A person or thing from which a person, animal, or plant is descended or originates; an ancestor or parent.
*The **progenitor** of modern jazz.*

pure Of color being chromatically pure not diluted with white or grey or black.
*An outcome which may be a matter of **pure** chance.*

purebred A pedigreed animal of unmixed lineage; used especially of horses.

thoroughbred A horse of a thoroughbred breed.
*Some riders will only buy **thoroughbred** horses.*

unmixed Not mixed.
*Not an **unmixed** blessing.*

