

Need another word that means the same as “arcane”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “arcane” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Arcane” are: mysterious, secret, hidden, concealed, covert, clandestine, enigmatic, dark

Arcane as an Adjective

Definitions of "Arcane" as an adjective

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

- *Understood by few; mysterious or secret.*
- *Requiring secret or mysterious knowledge.*

Synonyms of "Arcane" as an adjective (8 Words)

clandestine	Kept secret or done secretly, especially because illicit. <i>She deserved better than these clandestine meetings.</i>
concealed	Not accessible to view. <i>A concealed compartment in his briefcase.</i>
covert	(of a wife) being under the protection of her husband. <i>Covert actions by the CIA.</i>
dark	Having a dark hue. <i>Keep it dark.</i>
enigmatic	Not clear to the understanding. <i>So enigmatic that priests might have to clarify it.</i>

hidden	Difficult to find. Hidden valleys.
mysterious	Difficult or impossible to understand, explain, or identify. A dark mysterious windowless building.
secret	Of information given in confidence or in secret. Secret missions.

Usage Examples of "Arcane" as an adjective

- *The arcane science of dowsing.*
- *Arcane procedures for electing people.*

Associations of "Arcane" (30 Words)

abstruse	Difficult to penetrate; incomprehensible to one of ordinary understanding or knowledge. An abstruse philosophical inquiry.
convoluted	Highly complex or intricate and occasionally devious. Walnuts come in hard and convoluted shells.
cryptic	Having a secret or hidden meaning- John Gunther. The new insurance policy is written without cryptic or mysterious terms.
disappearance	The process of something ceasing to exist or be in use. He regretted the disappearance of Greek from school curricula.
eerie	Strange and frightening. An eerie feeling of <i>deja vu</i> .
enigmatic	Difficult to interpret or understand; mysterious. Prophetic texts so enigmatic that their meaning has been disputed for centuries.
esoteric	Confined to and understandable by only an enlightened inner circle. A compilation of esoteric philosophical theories.
incomprehensible	Incapable of being explained or accounted for. The most incomprehensible thing about the universe is that it is comprehensible.
inexplicable	Incapable of being explained or accounted for. For some inexplicable reason her mind went completely blank.
inscrutable	Of an obscure nature- Rachel. Guy looked blankly inscrutable .

magic	An illusory feat considered magical by naive observers. <i>Magic signs that protect against adverse influence.</i>
mysterious	Of an obscure nature- Rachel. <i>The new insurance policy is written without cryptic or mysterious terms.</i>
<u>mystery</u>	Secrecy or obscurity. <i>How it got out is a mystery.</i>
<u>mystic</u>	Relating to or characteristic of mysticism. <i>Mystical intuition.</i>
necromancy	The supposed practice of communicating with the dead, especially in order to predict the future. <i>Alchemy necromancy and other magic practices.</i>
<u>obscure</u>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>An obscure flaw.</i>
<u>occult</u>	Cause an eclipse of (a celestial body) by intervention. <i>A secret society to study alchemy and the occult.</i>
<u>odd</u>	Not used up. <i>When you ve got an odd five minutes could I have a word.</i>
preternatural	Surpassing the ordinary or normal - George Will. <i>Autumn had arrived with preternatural speed.</i>
<u>puzzle</u>	A jigsaw puzzle. <i>Those who solve this puzzle in the shortest time are eligible for awards.</i>
<u>puzzling</u>	Causing one to be puzzled; perplexing. <i>Only one very puzzling question remains unanswered.</i>
recondite	Difficult to penetrate; incomprehensible to one of ordinary understanding or knowledge. <i>The book is full of recondite information.</i>
secret	Of information given in confidence or in secret. <i>He tried to keep his drinking a secret.</i>
sibylline	Relating to or characteristic of a sibyl; prophetic and mysterious. <i>One glimpses them uttering sibylline predictions of weal and woe.</i>
strange	Not known before. <i>He s a very strange man.</i>
<u>surreal</u>	Having the qualities of surrealism bizarre. <i>A surreal mix of fact and fantasy.</i>

unaccountable	Unable to be explained. <i>He was not only the most charismatic man she d ever met but also the most complex and unaccountable.</i>
uncanny	Strange or mysterious, especially in an unsettling way. <i>An uncanny feeling that she was being watched.</i>
<u>unfathomable</u>	Incapable of being fully explored or understood. <i>Mountains of unfathomable scale.</i>
<u>weird</u>	Suggesting the operation of supernatural influences- John Galsworthy. <i>A weird coincidence.</i>