

Need another word that means the same as “conservative”? Find 40 synonyms and 30 related words for “conservative” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Conservative” are: bourgeois, materialistic, button-down, buttoned-down, cautious, traditionalist, traditional, conventional, orthodox, stable, old-fashioned, unchanging, hidebound, sober, quiet, modest, plain, unobtrusive, unostentatious, restrained, reserved, subdued, subtle, low-key, demure, right-wing, reactionary, unprogressive, establishmentarian, blimpish, low, understated, unexaggerated, moderate, reasonable, conservativist, right-winger, rightist, diehard

Conservative as a Noun

Definitions of "Conservative" as a noun

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

- *A person who is reluctant to accept changes and new ideas.*
- *A member of a Conservative Party.*
- *A supporter or member of the Conservative Party in the UK or a similar party elsewhere.*
- *A person favouring free enterprise, private ownership, and socially traditional ideas.*
- *A person who is averse to change and holds traditional values.*



Synonyms of "Conservative" as a noun (5 Words)

- conservativist** A person who is reluctant to accept changes and new ideas.
- diehard** A person who strongly opposes change or who continues to support something in spite of opposition.
A **diehard** Yankees fan.
- reactionary** A reactionary person.
He was later to become an extreme **reactionary**.
- right-winger** A member of a right wing political party.
- rightist** A person who supports the political views or policies of the right.
A national hero of the **rightists**.



Usage Examples of "Conservative" as a noun

- *The Massachusetts liberal who conservatives love to hate.*
- *He was considered a conservative in his approach to Catholic teachings.*



Conservative as an Adjective

Definitions of "Conservative" as an adjective

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

- *Having social or political views favoring conservatism.*
- *Unimaginatively conventional- Newsweek.*
- *Conforming to the standards and conventions of the middle class.*
- *Resistant to change, particularly in relation to politics or religion.*
- *Unimaginatively conventional.*
- *(of an estimate) purposely low for the sake of caution.*
- *Resistant to change.*
- *Relating to the Conservative Party in the UK or a similar party elsewhere.*
- *(in a political context) favouring free enterprise, private ownership, and socially traditional ideas.*
- *Avoiding excess.*
- *(of surgery or medical treatment) intended to control rather than eliminate a condition, with existing tissue preserved as far as possible.*
- *(of dress or taste) sober and conventional.*
- *Averse to change or innovation and holding traditional values.*



Synonyms of "Conservative" as an adjective (35 Words)

blimpish	Pompously ultraconservative and nationalistic.
bourgeois	Being of the property-owning class and exploitive of the working class. <i>These views will shock the bourgeois critics.</i>
button-down	Unimaginatively conventional- Newsweek.
buttoned-down	Unimaginatively conventional- Newsweek.
cautious	(of a person) careful to avoid potential problems or dangers. <i>Reserved and cautious never making swift decisions.</i>
conventional	Conforming with accepted standards. <i>Conventional wisdom.</i>
demure	Affectedly modest or shy especially in a playful or provocative way. <i>Antonia was pensive and demure.</i>
establishmentarian	Adhering to, advocating, or relating to the principle of an established Church. <i>Establishmentarian politics.</i>
hidebound	Stubbornly conservative and narrow-minded. <i>They are working to change hidebound corporate cultures.</i>

low	Used of sounds and voices low in pitch or frequency. <i>Low ceilings.</i>
low-key	Restrained in style or quality.
materialistic	Excessively concerned with material possessions; money-oriented. <i>We re living in a highly materialistic society.</i>
moderate	Being within reasonable or average limits; not excessive or extreme. <i>A moderate eater.</i>
modest	Dressing or behaving so as to avoid impropriety or indecency, especially to avoid attracting sexual attention (typically used of a woman). <i>Drink modest amounts of alcohol.</i>
old-fashioned	Out of fashion.
orthodox	Of or pertaining to or characteristic of Judaism. <i>An orthodox view of the world.</i>
plain	Not decorated or elaborate; simple or basic in character. <i>A plain girl with a freckled face.</i>
quiet	Carried out discreetly, secretly, or with moderation. <i>We wanted a quiet wedding.</i>
reactionary	Extremely conservative. <i>Reactionary attitudes toward women s rights.</i>
reasonable	Based on good sense. <i>It seems a reasonable enough request.</i>
reserved	Slow to reveal emotion or opinions. <i>Was habitually reserved in speech withholding her opinion.</i>
restrained	Marked by avoidance of extravagance or extremes. <i>His restrained gentlemanly voice.</i>
right-wing	Believing in or supporting tenets of the political right.
sober	Not affected by a chemical substance (especially alcohol). <i>A sober view of life.</i>
stable	Firm and dependable; subject to little fluctuation. <i>The officer concerned is mentally and emotionally stable.</i>
subdued	In a softened tone. <i>I felt strangely subdued as I drove home.</i>
subtle	Capable of making fine distinctions. <i>Subtle lighting.</i>
traditional	Consisting of or derived from tradition. <i>Traditional morality.</i>

traditionalist	Advocating the upholding or maintenance of tradition. <i>His traditionalist stance on the ordination of women.</i>
<u>unchanging</u>	Showing little if any change. <i>The party stood for unchanging principles.</i>
<u>understated</u>	Exhibiting restrained good taste. <i>Understated elegance.</i>
unexaggerated	Not exaggerated, overblown, or unrealistic. <i>A true unexaggerated statement.</i>
<u>unobtrusive</u>	Not conspicuous or attracting attention. <i>The service was unobtrusive and efficient.</i>
unostentatious	Exhibiting restrained good taste. <i>His unostentatious office.</i>
unprogressive	Old-fashioned and out of date. <i>The unprogressive nature of British institutions.</i>



Usage Examples of "Conservative" as an adjective

- *A conservative suit.*
- *A conservative estimate.*
- *The Conservative government.*
- *They were very conservative in their outlook.*
- *Police placed the value of the haul at a conservative £500,000.*
- *The film was not cheap—\$30,000 is a conservative estimate.*



Associations of "Conservative" (30 Words)

[bourgeois](#)

A bourgeois person.

Bourgeois society took for granted the sanctity of property.

[capitalism](#)

An economic system based on private ownership of capital.

Private ownership is a key feature of **capitalism**.

capitalist	Of or relating to capitalism or capitalists. <i>Capitalist countries.</i>
confucian	Relating to or characteristic of Confucianism.
confucianism	The teachings of Confucius emphasizing love for humanity; high value given to learning and to devotion to family (including ancestors); peace; justice; influenced the traditional culture of China.
conservatism	Commitment to traditional values and ideas with opposition to change or innovation. <i>Proponents of theological conservatism.</i>
consumerism	A movement advocating greater protection of the interests of consumers. <i>Many people are becoming increasingly conscious of the environmental impact of consumerism.</i>
conventional	(of weapons or power) non-nuclear. <i>Conventional bourgeois lives.</i>
coptic	The liturgical language of the Coptic Church used in Egypt and Ethiopia; written in the Greek alphabet.
cultural	Relating to the ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a society. <i>Influenced by ethnic and cultural ties.</i>
custom	Regular dealings with a shop or business by customers. <i>It is our custom to visit the Lake District in October.</i>
diehard	A person who strongly opposes change or who continues to support something in spite of opposition. <i>My stepfather was a diehard Republican.</i>
epitomize	Give a summary of (a written work). <i>The company epitomized the problems faced by British industry.</i>
ethos	(anthropology) the distinctive spirit of a culture or an era. <i>The Greek ethos.</i>
folklore	The traditional beliefs, customs, and stories of a community, passed through the generations by word of mouth. <i>Hollywood folklore.</i>
functionalism	The theory that all aspects of a society serve a function and are necessary for the survival of that society.
hyperborean	Relating to the extreme north.
ideology	The set of beliefs characteristic of a social group or individual. <i>A critique of bourgeois ideology.</i>
liberalist	A person who favors a political philosophy of progress and reform and the protection of civil liberties.

materialism	The philosophical theory that matter is the only reality. <i>They hated the sinful materialism of the wicked city.</i>
materialistic	Conforming to the standards and conventions of the middle class. <i>We re living in a highly materialistic society.</i>
modernism	A style or movement in the arts that aims to depart significantly from classical and traditional forms. <i>A strange mix of nostalgia and modernism.</i>
orthodox	Following or conforming to the traditional or generally accepted rules or beliefs of a religion, philosophy, or practice. <i>An orthodox view of the world.</i>
orthodoxy	The quality of conforming to orthodox theories, doctrines, or practices. <i>Writings of unimpeachable orthodoxy.</i>
philistine	A person who is uninterested in intellectual pursuits. <i>There were displays to inspire even the most philistine of visitors.</i>
temporal	Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world. <i>The Church did not imitate the secular rulers who thought only of temporal gain.</i>
tradition	(in Christianity) doctrine not explicit in the Bible but held to derive from the oral teaching of Christ and the Apostles. <i>Visionary works in the tradition of William Blake.</i>
traditional	Produced, done, or used in accordance with tradition. <i>The simple security of traditional assumptions has vanished.</i>
traditionally	As part of a long-established custom, practice, or belief; typically. <i>Behaviour that is traditionally associated with adolescence.</i>
tuscan	A dialect of Italian spoken in Tuscany (especially Florence).

