

Need another word that means the same as “covert”? Find 26 synonyms and 30 related words for “covert” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Covert” are: secret, furtive, clandestine, surreptitious, stealthy, closet, backstairs, hugger-mugger, concealed, hidden, private, concealment, cover, screen, undergrowth, vegetation, shrubbery, greenery, ground cover, underwood, brushwood, brush, scrub, underscrub, plume, quill

Covert as a Noun

Definitions of "Covert" as a noun

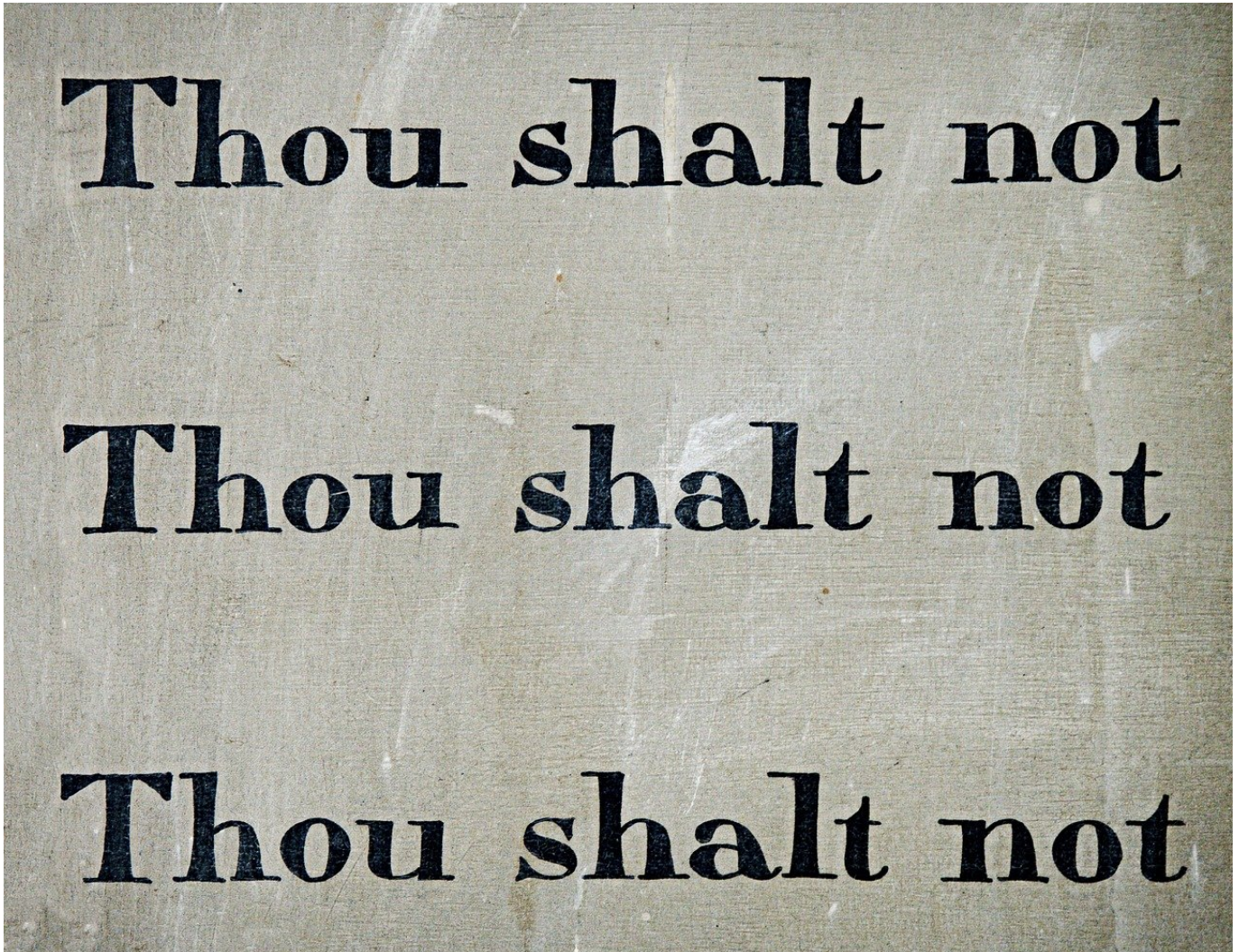
According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “covert” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A flock of coots.*
- *A covering that serves to conceal or shelter something.*
- *A feather covering the base of a main flight or tail feather of a bird.*
- *A thicket in which game can hide.*



Synonyms of "Covert" as a noun (15 Words)

brush	The act of brushing your hair. <i>The lightest brush of his lips against her cheek.</i>
brushwood	Undergrowth, twigs, and small branches. <i>They built a fire of brushwood.</i>
concealment	Something that acts as a hiding place; cover. <i>The deliberate concealment of material facts.</i>
cover	The protective covering on the front back and spine of a book. <i>He pulled the covers over his head and went to sleep.</i>
greenery	Green foliage.
ground cover	A rational motive for a belief or action.
plume	A part of an animal's body that resembles a feather. <i>A radioactive plume.</i>
quill	The hollow spine of a feather. <i>A dish of pasta quills tossed in a spicy tomato sauce.</i>
<u>screen</u>	A windscreen of a motor vehicle. <i>He is interviewed on screen.</i>
<u>scrub</u>	An act of scrubbing something or someone. <i>Don't use facial scrubs if your skin is sensitive.</i>
shrubbery	An area in a garden planted with shrubs.
undergrowth	A dense growth of shrubs and other plants, especially under trees in woodland. <i>They cleared a path through the undergrowth.</i>
underscrub	Undergrowth, especially in a forest. <i>The underscrub was wiregrass and small rushes.</i>
underwood	Small trees and shrubs growing beneath taller timber trees. <i>The second crop was of underwood and coppice.</i>
<u>vegetation</u>	Plants considered collectively, especially those found in a particular area or habitat. <i>Their holiday was spent in sleep and vegetation.</i>



Usage Examples of "Covert" as a noun

- *The brush provided a covert for game.*
- *It is a good omen when a covert of coots have taken to any particular locality.*

Covert as an Adjective

Definitions of "Covert" as an adjective

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

- *Not openly acknowledged or displayed.*

- *Being under the protection of her husband.*
- *(of a wife) being under the protection of her husband.*
- *Secret or hidden; not openly practiced or engaged in or shown or avowed.*

Synonyms of "Covert" as an adjective (11 Words)

backstairs	Secret and sly or sordid- A.L.Guerard. Backstairs intimacies.
clandestine	Kept secret or done secretively, especially because illicit. <i>She deserved better than these clandestine meetings.</i>
<u>closet</u>	Secret; covert. <i>A closet smoker.</i>
concealed	Kept secret; hidden. <i>A concealed compartment in his briefcase.</i>
<u>furtive</u>	Secret and sly or sordid. Furtive behavior.
<u>hidden</u>	Kept out of sight; concealed. <i>Concealed or hidden damage.</i>
hugger-mugger	Conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods.
<u>private</u>	Concerning things deeply private and personal. <i>Can we go somewhere a little more private.</i>
secret	Of information given in confidence or in secret. <i>The resupply effort was probably kept secret from Congress.</i>
<u>stealthy</u>	Marked by quiet and caution and secrecy; taking pains to avoid being observed. Stealthy footsteps.
surreptitious	Conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods. Surreptitious mobilization of troops.

Usage Examples of "Covert" as an adjective

- *Covert operations against the dictatorship.*
- *Covert actions by the CIA.*
- *A woman covert.*
- *Covert funding for the rebels.*

Associations of "Covert" (30 Words)

artful	Not straightforward or candid; giving a false appearance of frankness- David Cannadine. <i>An artful choice of metaphors.</i>
clandestine	Conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods. <i>Clandestine intelligence operations.</i>
concealed	Not accessible to view. <i>A concealed weapon.</i>
concealment	The action of hiding something or preventing it from being known. <i>The deliberate concealment of material facts.</i>
crafty	Involving the making of decorative objects and other things by hand. <i>They are looking for crafty people to join the group to make ornaments.</i>
den	A wild mammal s hidden home a lair. <i>An opium den.</i>
disguised	Concealed or obscured; made unrecognizable. <i>Are all of your novels disguised autobiography.</i>
esoteric	Confined to and understandable by only an enlightened inner circle. <i>A compilation of esoteric philosophical theories.</i>
esoterica	Secrets known only to an initiated minority. <i>A professor of such esoterica as angelology and comparative shamanism.</i>
<u>espionage</u>	The systematic use of spies to get military or political secrets. <i>The camouflage and secrecy of espionage.</i>
<u>furtive</u>	Suggestive of guilty nervousness. <i>He stole a furtive glance at her.</i>
<u>hidden</u>	Designed to elude detection. <i>Concealed or hidden damage.</i>
<u>infiltrate</u>	(of a liquid) permeate (something) by filtration. <i>Lignocaine was infiltrated into the wound.</i>
infiltration	The spread of a tumour, cells, etc. into a tissue or organ. <i>This mosaic was in danger of being lost because of the infiltration of rainwater.</i>
lair	The habitation of wild animals. <i>Their ashes now lie buried in a lair in the Glasgow necropolis.</i>
operative	Relating to or requiring or amenable to treatment by surgery especially as opposed to medicine. <i>The transmitter is operative.</i>

secret	The action of keeping something secret or the state of being kept secret. <i>The bidding is conducted in secret.</i>
secretive	Given in confidence or in secret. <i>Secret or private thoughts.</i> (of a person or an organization) inclined to conceal feelings and intentions or not to disclose information. <i>Secretive deals.</i>
sly	Showing in an insinuating way that one has some secret knowledge that may be harmful or embarrassing. <i>He gave a sly grin.</i>
sneak	Someone who prowls or sneaks about usually with unlawful intentions. <i>A sneak preview.</i>
spy	A secret agent hired by a state to obtain information about its enemies or by a business to obtain industrial secrets from competitors. <i>He could spy a figure in the distance.</i>
stealthy	Marked by quiet and caution and secrecy; taking pains to avoid being observed. <i>Stealthy footsteps.</i>
subterranean	Lying beyond what is openly revealed or avowed (especially being kept in the background or deliberately concealed)- Bertrand Russell. <i>The subterranean world of the behind the scenes television power brokers.</i>
surreptitious	Marked by quiet and caution and secrecy; taking pains to avoid being observed. <i>Surreptitious mobilization of troops.</i>
ulterior	Beyond or outside an area of immediate interest; remote- G.B.Shaw. <i>A suggestion ulterior to the present discussion.</i>
undercover	Conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods. <i>He worked undercover in Northern Ireland.</i>
underground	A member of an underground political group or movement. <i>In Paris the subway system is called the metro and in London it is called the tube or the underground.</i>
unopened	Not yet opened or unsealed. <i>Unopened mail.</i>
wily	Marked by skill in deception. <i>His wily opponents.</i>