

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:

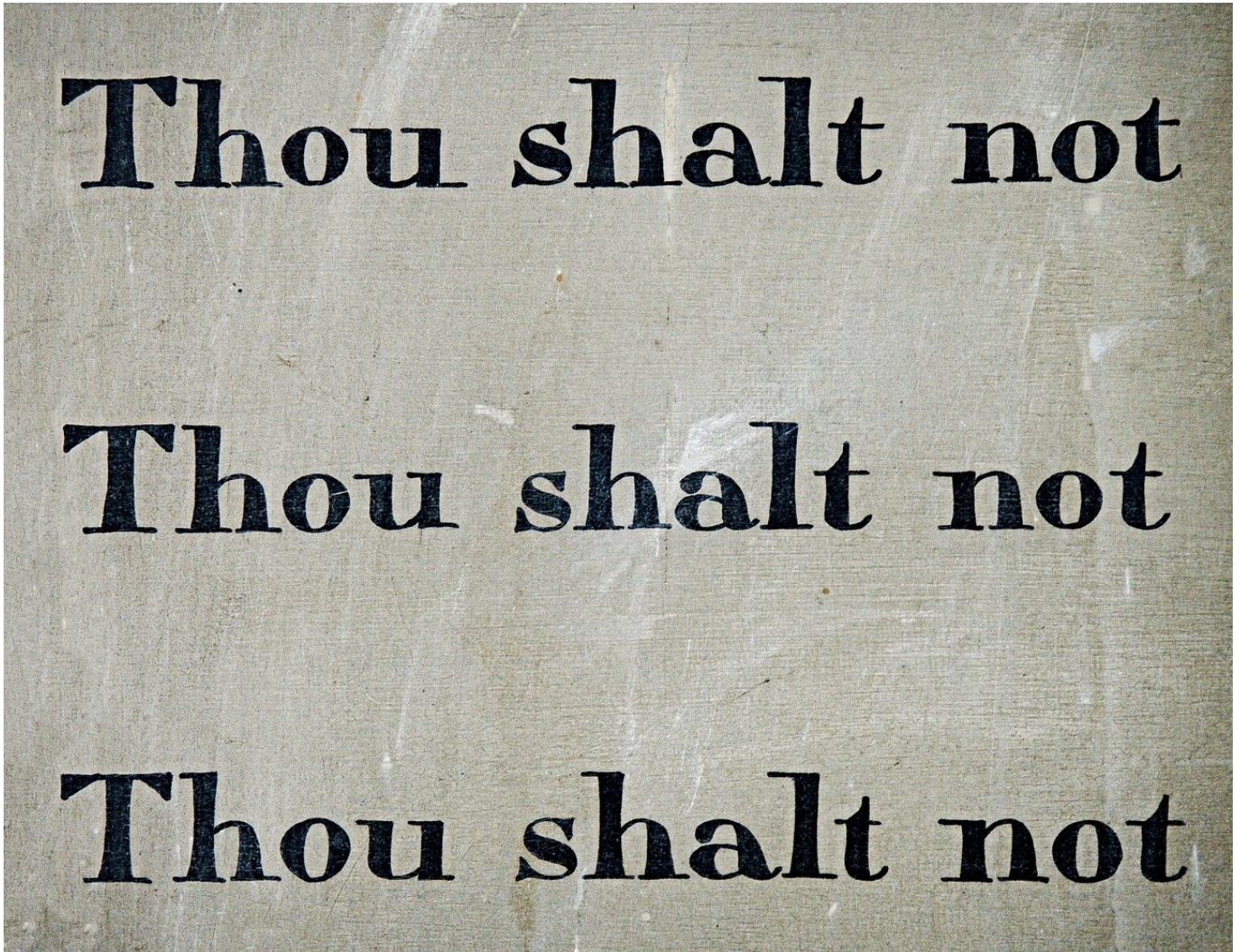
- *A flock of coots.*
- *A covering that serves to conceal or shelter something.*
- *A feather covering the base of a main flight or tail feather of a bird.*
- *A thicket in which game can hide.*



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

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

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

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



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