

Need another word that means the same as "dainty"? Find 39 synonyms and 30 related words for "dainty" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Dainty" are: exquisite, nice, overnice, prissy, squeamish, delicate, neat, refined, tasteful, fine, elegant, tasty, delicious, choice, palatable, luscious, mouth-watering, delectable, toothsome, succulent, juicy, fastidious, fussy, hard to please, finicky, finical, faddish, delicacy, goody, kickshaw, treat, titbit, fancy, luxury, nibble, savoury, appetizer, confection, bonbon

Dainty as a Noun

Definitions of "Dainty" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "dainty" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- Something good to eat; a delicacy.
- Something considered choice to eat.





Synonyms of "Dainty" as a noun (12 Words)

Something that arouses or increases anticipation for what is to follow.

appetizer The meal started off with an assortment of **appetizer**s including mini egg rolls

and fried mozzarella.

bonbon A piece of confectionery; a sweet.

confection An elaborate article of women's dress.

The **confection** of a syllabub.

delicacy Lightness in movement or manner.

The **delicacy** of the situation.

(in 16th and 17th century music) a composition for keyboard or strings in free

fancy or variation form.

I ve a **fancy** they want to be alone.



goody A good or favoured person, especially a hero in a book, film, etc.

kickshaw Something considered choice to eat.

luxuryThe quality possessed by something that is excessively expensive.

They actually had the **luxury** of a whole day together.

nibble Small savoury snacks, typically eaten before a meal or with drinks.

I took a **nibble** from one of the sandwiches.

savouryA savoury dish especially a snack or appetizer.

Refreshments include cakes and savouries.

titbit A small piece of tasty food.

They were hoping for **titbit**s about the family.

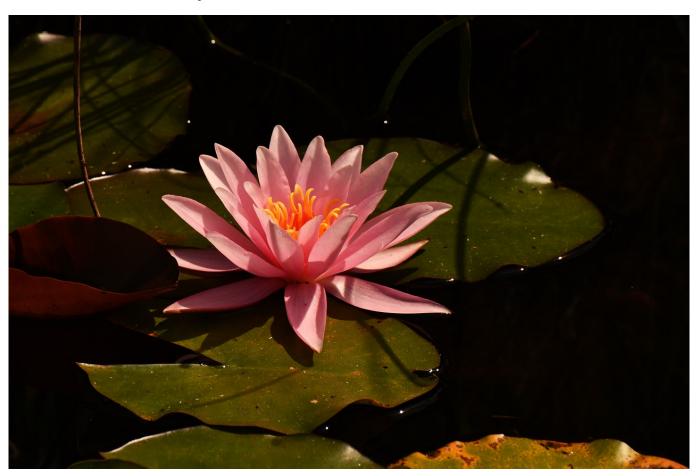
treatAn act of treating someone to something.
He wanted to take her to the pictures as a **treat**.





Usage Examples of "Dainty" as a noun

• Home-made breads, jams, and dainties.



Dainty as an Adjective

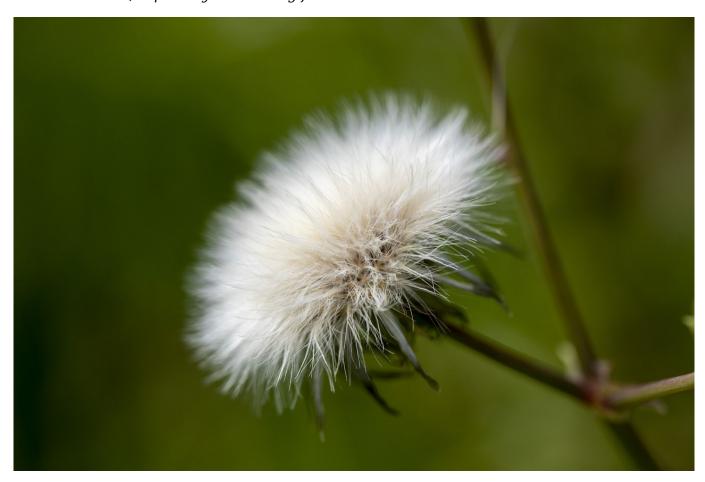
Definitions of "Dainty" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "dainty" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Delicately small and pretty.
- (of food) particularly good to eat and served in a small portion.
- (of a person) delicate and graceful in build or movement.
- Especially pleasing to the taste.
- Affectedly dainty or refined.



- Delicately beautiful.
- Especially pleasing to the taste.
- Excessively fastidious and easily disgusted.
- Fastidious, especially concerning food.



Synonyms of "Dainty" as an adjective (27 Words)

choice Of superior grade.

He picked some **choice** early plums.

delectable Extremely pleasing to the sense of taste.

The **delectable** Miss Haynes.

delicate Easily hurt.

A **delicate** approach is needed.

delicious Greatly pleasing or entertaining.

A **delicious** joke.



elegant Suggesting taste, ease, and wealth.

She was **elegant** to her fingertips.

exquisite Lavishly elegant and refined.

Suffered **exquisite** pain.

faddish Intensely fashionable or popular for a short period of time.

Tastes in flavoured coffee are so **faddish**.

fastidiousVery concerned about matters of cleanliness.

The child seemed **fastidious** about getting her fingers dirty.

fine Characterized by elegance or refinement or accomplishment.

A **fine** gentleman.

finical Exacting especially about details.

finicky Exacting especially about details. His **finicky** copperplate hand.

The fillery copper place name.

fussyFastidious about one's needs or requirements; hard to please.

Eleanor patted her hair with quick **fussy** movements.

hard to please

Given to excessive indulgence of bodily appetites especially for

intoxicating liquors.

juicy Having strong sexual appeal.

A **juicy** contract.

Appealing strongly to the senses; pleasingly rich.

luscious The **luscious** brush strokes and warm colours of these late

masterpieces.

mouth-watering Pleasing to the sense of taste.

neat Having a pleasing appearance; well formed.

The books had been stacked up in **neat** piles.

nice Excessively fastidious and easily disgusted.

A **nice** face.

overnice Excessively fussy or fastidious.

Mildred was **overnice** in regard to their father.

Palatable Acceptable to the taste or mind.

Palatable food.

prissyFussily and excessively respectable.

A middle class family with two **prissy** children.

refined Freed from impurities by processing- Shakespeare.

She was delicate and **refined** and unused to hardship.

Having fastidious moral views; scrupulous.

squeamish

So squeamish he would only touch the toilet handle with his elbow.



succulent Full of juice.

A low plant with slightly **succulent** leaves.

Showing good aesthetic judgement or appropriate behaviour.

A tasteful lounge bar.

tasty (of food) having a pleasant, distinct flavour.

A **tasty** young lady.

toothsome Having strong sexual appeal. *I thought he was toothsome*.



Usage Examples of "Dainty" as an adjective

- A dainty teacup.
- The china cup seemed too dainty in his large hands.
- \bullet He is one of the daintiest players in the game.
- A dainty dish to set before a kind.
- A dainty lace handkerchief.
- A dainty appetite.



• A dainty morsel.



Associations of "Dainty" (30 Words)

breakable Capable of being broken or damaged.

Breakable articles should be packed carefully.

A brittle sweet made from nuts and set melted sugar.

Her manner was artificially bright and brittle.

cultivated Marked by refinement in taste and manners.

Cultivated roses.

cultured (of a pearl) formed round a foreign body inserted into an oyster.

Cultured Bostonians.



dandyRelating to or characteristic of a dandy.

The Winchester Model 37 shotgun is a **dandy** at a low price.

debonair Confident, stylish, and charming (typically used of a man.

Life that is gay brisk and **debonair**.

delicacy The quality of requiring discretion or sensitivity.

Miniature pearls of exquisite **delicacy**.

delicate A delicate fabric or garment.

Delicate china.

effeminacy The trait of being effeminate (derogatory of a man.

The students associated science with masculinity and arts with **effeminacy**.

elegance The quality of being graceful and stylish in appearance or manner.

The simplicity and **elegance** of his invention.

elegant Displaying effortless beauty and simplicity in movement or execution.

An **elegant** dark suit.

enchantingly In a bewitching manner.

feeble (of a sound) faint.

Feeble efforts.

femininity Qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of women.

She alternated between embracing her **femininity** and concealing it.

foppish Affecting extreme elegance in dress and manner.

A **foppish** dandy.

fragile Easily destroyed or threatened.

Fragile porcelain plates.

Characterized by beauty of movement, style, form, or execution.

She was a tall girl slender and graceful.

Affectedly dainty or refined.

mincing I don t have to go through the rest of my life with that **mincing** voice of

yours.

(of an alcoholic drink) without water.

neat Her neat dress.

(used of persons and their behavior) cultivated and genteel.

refined (used of persons **Refined** sugar.

resemble Appear like; be similar or bear a likeness to.

Some people **resemble** their dogs.

Responsiveness to external stimuli; the faculty of sensation.

sensitiveness The **sensitiveness** of Mimosa leaves does not depend on a change of

growth.



sensitivity Sensitivity to emotional feelings of self and others.

A total lack of common decency and **sensitivity**.

Make (an organism) abnormally sensitive to a foreign substance.

sensitize The introductory section aims to **sensitize** students to the methodology of

the course.

syelte Moving and bending with ease.

She was **svelte** and sophisticated.

tasteful Having or showing or conforming to good taste.

A **tasteful** lounge bar.

ticklish (of a person) easily upset.

I m **ticklish** on the feet.

touchy (of an issue or situation) requiring careful handling; delicate.

The monarchy has become a **touchy** topic.

Showing a high degree of refinement and the assurance that comes from

urbane wide social experience.

The supposedly **urbane** restrained English gentleman.

A disadvantage or fault.

weakness
His weakness increased as he became older.



