

Need another word that means the same as “detest”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “detest” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Detest” are: hate, abhor, loathe, despise, abominate, execrate, regard with disgust, feel disgust for, feel repugnance towards, feel distaste for, shrink from, recoil from, shudder at, be unable to bear, be unable to abide, feel hostility to, feel aversion to, feel animosity to, find intolerable, dislike, disdain, have an aversion to**

## Detest as a Verb

### Definitions of "Detest" as a verb

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

- *Dislike intensely.*
- *Dislike intensely; feel antipathy or aversion towards.*

### Synonyms of "Detest" as a verb (22 Words)

<b>abhor</b>	Regard with disgust and hatred. <i>She <b>abhors</b> cats.</i>
<b><a href="#">abominate</a></b>	Detest; loathe. <i>They <b>abominated</b> the very idea of monarchy.</i>
<b>be unable to abide</b>	Spend or use time.
<b>be unable to bear</b>	Have an existence, be extant.
<b>despise</b>	Feel contempt or a deep repugnance for. <i>He <b>despises</b> the people he has to work for.</i>

<b>disdain</b>	Look down on with disdain. <i>She remained standing pointedly <b>disdaining</b> his invitation to sit down.</i>
<b>dislike</b>	Have or feel a dislike or distaste for. <i>She <b>disliked</b> any kind of unnecessary rudeness.</i>
<b>execrate</b>	Curse; swear. <i>They were <b>execrated</b> as dangerous and corrupt.</i>
<b>feel animosity to</b>	Perceive by a physical sensation, e.g., coming from the skin or muscles.
<b>feel aversion to</b>	Undergo passive experience of.
<b>feel disgust for</b>	Be conscious of a physical, mental, or emotional state.
<b>feel distaste for</b>	Pass one's hands over the sexual organs of.
<b>feel hostility to</b>	Have a feeling or perception about oneself in reaction to someone's behavior or attitude.
<b>feel repugnance towards</b>	Be conscious of a physical, mental, or emotional state.
<b>find intolerable</b>	Receive a specified treatment (abstract).
<b>hate</b>	Express strong dislike for; criticize or abuse. <i>I can't <b>hate</b> on them for trying something new.</i>
<b>have an aversion to</b>	Have ownership or possession of.
<b>loathe</b>	Feel intense dislike or disgust for. <i>She <b>loathed</b> him on sight.</i>
<b>recoil from</b>	Draw back, as with fear or pain.
<b>regard with disgust</b>	Look at attentively.
<b>shrink from</b>	Decrease in size, range, or extent.
<b>shudder at</b>	Tremble convulsively, as from fear or excitement.

## Usage Examples of "Detest" as a verb

- *She really did detest his mockery.*
- *She detests politicians.*

## Associations of "Detest" (30 Words)

<b>abhor</b>	Find repugnant. <i>He <b>abhorred</b> sexism in every form.</i>
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<b>abhorrence</b>	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>The thought of marrying him filled her with <b>abhorrence</b>.</i>
<b>abhorrent</b>	Offensive to the mind. <i>An <b>abhorrent</b> deed.</i>
<b>abominate</b>	Detest; loathe. <i>They <b>abominated</b> the very idea of monarchy.</i>
<b>abomination</b>	A person who is loathsome or disgusting. <i>His treatment of the children is an <b>abomination</b>.</i>
<b>acrimony</b>	A rough and bitter manner. <i>The AGM dissolved into <b>acrimony</b>.</i>
<b>animosity</b>	A feeling of ill will arousing active hostility. <i>He no longer felt any <b>animosity</b> towards her.</i>
<b>animus</b>	(in Jungian psychology) the masculine part of a woman's personality. <i>The author s <b>animus</b> towards her.</i>
<b>antipathy</b>	A deep-seated feeling of aversion. <i>Cats were his greatest <b>antipathy</b>.</i>
<b>aversion</b>	A feeling of intense dislike. <i>My dog s pet <b>aversion</b> is visitors particularly males.</i>
<b>despite</b>	Contempt; disdain. <i>She wanted neither favor nor <b>despite</b>.</i>
<b>detestation</b>	Intense dislike. <i>He is the <b>detestation</b> of the neighbourhood.</i>
<b>detested</b>	Treated with dislike or contempt.
<b>disfavor</b>	The state of being out of favor. <i>He is in <b>disfavor</b> with the king.</i>
<b>disgust</b>	Cause (someone) to feel revulsion or strong disapproval. <i>Some of the audience walked out in <b>disgust</b>.</i>
<b>disinclined</b>	Unwilling; reluctant. <i>The rural community was <b>disinclined</b> to abandon the old ways.</i>
<b>dislike</b>	Have or feel a dislike or distaste for. <i>He made no secret of his <b>dislike</b> of the police.</i>
<b>execrate</b>	Curse or declare to be evil or anathema or threaten with divine punishment. <i>They were <b>execrated</b> as dangerous and corrupt.</i>
<b>halfhearted</b>	Feeling or showing little interest or enthusiasm. <i>A <b>halfhearted</b> effort.</i>
<b>hate</b>	Have a strong aversion to (something). <i>Richard s pet <b>hate</b> is filling in his tax returns.</i>

<b><u>loathe</u></b>	Find repugnant. <i>I <b>loathe</b> that man.</i>
<b>loathing</b>	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>The thought filled him with <b>loathing</b>.</i>
<b>misanthrope</b>	Someone who dislikes people in general. <i>Scrooge wasn't the mean spirited <b>misanthrope</b> most of us believe him to be.</i>
<b>misanthropic</b>	Believing the worst of human nature and motives; having a sneering disbelief in e.g. selflessness of others. <i>With his <b>misanthropic</b> outlook he was an ugly character.</i>
<b>misanthropy</b>	A dislike of humankind. <i>The streak of <b>misanthropy</b> in his nature.</i>
<b>odious</b>	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>A pretty <b>odious</b> character.</i>
<b>odium</b>	Hate coupled with disgust. <i>He incurred widespread <b>odium</b> for military failures and government corruption.</i>
<b><u>reluctance</u></b>	The property of a magnetic circuit of opposing the passage of magnetic flux lines, equal to the ratio of the magnetomotive force to the magnetic flux. <i>She sensed his <b>reluctance</b> to continue.</i>
<b>reluctant</b>	Disinclined to become involved. <i>She seemed <b>reluctant</b> to answer.</i>
<b><u>unwilling</u></b>	Not disposed or inclined toward. <i>An <b>unwilling</b> smile.</i>