

Need another word that means the same as “devilish”? Find 57 synonyms and 30 related words for “devilish” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Devilish” are: diabolic, diabolical, mephistophelean, mephistophelian, rascally, roguish, wicked, evil, accursed, sinful, iniquitous, nefarious, vile, foul, abominable, unspeakable, loathsome, monstrous, atrocious, heinous, hideous, odious, horrible, horrifying, shocking, appalling, dreadful, awful, terrible, ghastly, abhorrent, despicable, damnable, villainous, shameful, depraved, perverted, ungodly, dark, black, immoral, amoral, fiendish, satanic, demonic, demoniac, demoniacal, difficult, tricky, ticklish, troublesome, thorny, awkward, problematic, impossible, messy, devilishly

Devilish as an Adjective

Definitions of "Devilish" as an adjective

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

- *Mischievous and rakish.*
- *Very difficult to deal with or use.*
- *Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil.*
- *Like or appropriate to a devil in evil and cruelty.*
- *Playful in an appealingly bold way.*

Synonyms of "Devilish" as an adjective (56 Words)

<u>abhorrent</u>	Inspiring disgust and loathing; repugnant. <i>An abhorrent deed.</i>
abominable	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>Abominable workmanship.</i>
accursed	Under a curse. <i>The Angel of Death walks this accursed house.</i>
amoral	Lacking a moral sense; unconcerned with the rightness or wrongness of something. <i>An amoral attitude to sex.</i>
<u>appalling</u>	Causing consternation. <i>His conduct was appalling.</i>
<u>atrocious</u>	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. <i>Murder is an atrocious crime.</i>
awful	Very bad or unpleasant. <i>This sea whose gently awful stirrings seem to speak of some hidden soul beneath.</i>
awkward	Deliberately unreasonable or uncooperative. <i>Too awkward with a needle to make her own clothes.</i>
black	Relating to black people. <i>Black smoke.</i>
damnable	Subject to or worthy of divine condemnation. <i>Leave this damnable place behind.</i>
dark	Used of color having a dark hue. <i>The dark days of the war.</i>
demoniac	Relating to or characteristic of a demon or demons. <i>A goddess with both divine and demoniac qualities.</i>
demoniacal	Relating to or characteristic of a demon or evil spirit. <i>Towards midnight a demoniacal shriek was heard.</i>
<u>demonic</u>	Extremely evil or cruel; expressive of cruelty or befitting hell. <i>A demonic hurry.</i>
depraved	Deviating from what is considered moral or right or proper or good. <i>Depraved criminals.</i>
despicable	Deserving hatred and contempt. <i>A despicable crime.</i>

diabolic	Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil. <i>Diabolical sorcerers under the influence of devils.</i>
<u>diabolical</u>	Characteristic of the Devil, or so evil as to be suggestive of the Devil. <i>His diabolical cunning.</i>
difficult	Needing much effort or skill to accomplish, deal with, or understand. <i>A difficult child.</i>
<u>dreadful</u>	Causing fear or dread or terror. <i>Don't go out the weather is dreadful.</i>
evil	Of a force or spirit embodying or associated with the forces of the devil. <i>No man is so evil as to be beyond redemption.</i>
fiendish	Extremely awkward or complex. <i>A fiendish despot.</i>
foul	Of a baseball not hit between the foul lines. <i>Foul or dirty copy.</i>
<u>ghastly</u>	Very objectionable, bad, or unpleasant. <i>One of the most ghastly crimes ever committed.</i>
<u>heinous</u>	(of a person or wrongful act, especially a crime) utterly odious or wicked. <i>A battery of heinous crimes.</i>
hideous	Grossly offensive to decency or morality; causing horror. <i>A hideous scar.</i>
horrible	Causing or likely to cause horror; shocking. <i>A horrible massacre.</i>
<u>horrifying</u>	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. <i>An alarming even horrifying picture.</i>
immoral	Not adhering to ethical or moral principles. <i>Unseemly and immoral behaviour.</i>
<u>impossible</u>	(of a person) very unreasonable. <i>An impossible situation.</i>
iniquitous	Grossly unfair and morally wrong. <i>These awards remain an iniquitous system.</i>
loathsome	Causing hatred or disgust; repulsive. <i>A loathsome disease.</i>
mephistophelean	Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil.
mephistophelian	Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil. <i>A mephistophelian glint in his eye.</i>

<u>messy</u>	Dirty and disorderly. <i>A child s messy eating habits.</i>
monstrous	Abnormally large. <i>Monstrous bug eyed fish.</i>
nefarious	(typically of an action or activity) wicked or criminal. <i>The nefarious activities of the organized crime syndicates.</i>
odious	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>Consequences odious to those you govern.</i>
<u>perverted</u>	(of a person or their actions) characterized by sexually abnormal and unacceptable practices or tendencies. <i>He whispered perverted obscenities.</i>
problematic	Making great mental demands; hard to comprehend or solve or believe. <i>A problematic situation at home.</i>
rascally	Playful in an appealingly bold way. <i>The rascally rabble.</i>
roguish	Playful in an appealingly bold way. <i>The captain was set adrift by his roguish crew.</i>
satanic	Of or characteristic of Satan. <i>The Charismatic Movement continues its relentless search for evidence of satanic influence.</i>
<u>shameful</u>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray. <i>The wicked rascally shameful conduct of the bankrupt.</i>
<u>shocking</u>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray. <i>The most shocking book of its time.</i>
sinful	Characterized by iniquity; wicked because it is believed to be a sin. <i>A sinful way of life.</i>
terrible	Extremely bad or serious. <i>I was sick all night and felt terrible for two days.</i>
thorny	Causing distress, difficulty, or trouble. <i>The thorny question of states rights.</i>
ticklish	(of a cough) characterized by persistent irritation in the throat. <i>Hesitates to be explicit on so ticklish a matter.</i>
<u>tricky</u>	Having concealed difficulty. <i>Applying eyeliner can be a tricky business.</i>

<u>troublesome</u>	Causing difficulty or annoyance. <i>A troublesome infection.</i>
ungodly	Unreasonably early or inconvenient. <i>Ungodly acts.</i>
<u>unspeakable</u>	Exceptionally bad or displeasing. <i>A piece of unspeakable abuse.</i>
vile	Extremely unpleasant. <i>Vile smells.</i>
villainous	Relating to, constituting, or guilty of wicked or criminal behaviour. <i>A villainous band of thieves.</i>
wicked	Having committed unrighteous acts. <i>Under wicked fire from the enemy's guns.</i>

Usage Examples of "Devilish" as an adjective

- *Devilish tortures.*
- *Devilish schemes.*
- *A wide, devilish grin.*
- *It turned out to be a devilish job.*

Devilish as an Adverb

Definitions of "Devilish" as an adverb

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

- *In a playfully devilish manner.*
- *Very; extremely.*

Synonyms of "Devilish" as an adverb (1 Word)

devilishly As a devil; in an evil manner.
*Their music is **devilishly** difficult.*

Usage Examples of "Devilish" as an adverb

- *A devilish clever chap.*
- *The socialists are further handicapped if they believe that capitalists are not only*

wicked but also devilishly clever.

Associations of "Devilish" (30 Words)

accursed	Used to express strong dislike of or anger at someone or something. <i>This accursed country.</i>
colossus	Someone or something that is abnormally large and powerful. <i>The Russian Empire was the colossus of European politics.</i>
dastard	Despicably cowardly- F.D. Roosevelt. <i>The unprovoked and dastardly attack by Japan on December 7th.</i>
dastardly	Wicked and cruel. <i>Pirates and their dastardly deeds.</i>
demon	Something very insidious and harmful. <i>A friend of mine is a demon cook.</i>
deviltry	Wicked and cruel behavior.
diabolic	Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil. <i>The cold calculation and diabolic art of some statesmen.</i>
dwarf	A person who is of unusually or abnormally small stature because of a congenital condition a person affected by dwarfism. <i>The insurance industry is still battling with a number of challenges that have dwarfed its growth.</i>
exorcise	Completely remove (something unpleasant) from one's mind or memory. <i>Infants were exorcised prior to baptism.</i>
fiend	A person motivated by irrational enthusiasm (as for a cause). <i>A football fiend.</i>
frivolity	Lack of seriousness; light-heartedness. <i>A night of fun and frivolity.</i>
ghost	Haunt like a ghost pursue. <i>The building is haunted by the ghost of a monk.</i>
giant	Used in names of very large animals and plants e g giant hogweed giant tortoise. <i>Walton built a retail giant.</i>
gnome	A small garden ornament in the form of a bearded man with a pointed hat. <i>A grizzled gnome of a man.</i>
hydra	Small tubular solitary freshwater hydrozoan polyp. <i>We may be facing a hydra that defies any easy solution.</i>
idolater	A person who worships idols.

imp	A small, mischievous devil or sprite. <i>A cheeky young imp.</i>
knave	A deceitful and unreliable scoundrel.
monster	A grossly malformed and usually nonviable fetus. <i>A monster 36lb carp.</i>
ogre	(folklore) a giant who likes to eat human beings. <i>It is clear that I am no ogre.</i>
rapscallion	A mischievous person. <i>They were the rapscallions behind this practical joke.</i>
rascal	A deceitful and unreliable scoundrel. <i>A lovable rascal.</i>
rogue	Remove inferior or defective plants or seedlings from (a crop). <i>A rogue cop who took the law into his own hands.</i>
scamp	A person, especially a child, who is mischievous in a likeable or amusing way. <i>Some little scamp stuffed tissue paper in between the hammer and the bell.</i>
<u>scoundrel</u>	A dishonest or unscrupulous person; a rogue. <i>That scoundrel sets a bad example for the other young men.</i>
<u>seduction</u>	A tempting or attractive thing. <i>The seductions of the mainland.</i>
<u>temptation</u>	The desire to have or do something that you know you should avoid. <i>He resisted the temptation to call Celia at the office.</i>
<u>troll</u>	A fisherman's lure that is used in trolling. <i>The child trolled her hoop.</i>
<u>urchin</u>	A young child who is poorly or raggedly dressed. <i>He was surrounded by a dozen street urchins in rags.</i>
<u>villain</u>	The person or thing responsible for specified problems, harm, or damage. <i>A pantomime villain.</i>