

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)

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

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

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

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

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

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