

Need another word that means the same as “distinctive”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “distinctive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Distinctive” are: classifiable, typical, distinguishing, characteristic, individual, particular, peculiar, idiosyncratic, unique, exclusive, special, especial

Distinctive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Distinctive" as an adjective

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

- *Characteristic of one person or thing, and so serving to distinguish it from others.*
- *Of a feature that helps to distinguish a person or thing- Curtis Wilkie.*
- *Capable of being classified.*
- *Of a feature that helps to distinguish a person or thing.*



Synonyms of "Distinctive" as an adjective (12 Words)

characteristic	Typical of a particular person, place, or thing. <i>Red and gold are the characteristic colors of autumn.</i>
classifiable	Capable of being classified.
distinguishing	Characteristic of one thing or person, so serving to identify it; distinctive. <i>A house with no distinguishing features.</i>
especial	Surpassing what is common or usual or expected. <i>These traditions are of especial interest to feminists.</i>
<u>exclusive</u>	(of a commodity) not obtainable elsewhere. <i>The problem isn't exclusive to Dublin.</i>
<u>idiosyncratic</u>	Relating to idiosyncrasy; peculiar or individual. <i>Michelangelo's highly idiosyncratic style of painting.</i>
individual	Having a striking or unusual character; original. <i>We all have individual cars.</i>
particular	Separate and distinct from others of the same group or category. <i>A particular description of the room.</i>
peculiar	Particular; special. <i>An expression peculiar to Canadians.</i>
special	Used to denote education for children with particular needs especially those with learning difficulties. <i>A special kind of paint.</i>
<u>typical</u>	Of a feature that helps to distinguish a person or thing- Curtis Wilkie. <i>How typical of Iris to think of such a detail.</i>
unique	Belonging or connected to (one particular person, place, or thing). <i>Spoke with a unique accent.</i>



Usage Examples of "Distinctive" as an adjective

- *Jerusalem has a distinctive Middle East flavor.*
- *Juniper berries give gin its distinctive flavour.*



Associations of "Distinctive" (30 Words)

- appropriateness** The quality of being specially suitable.
*Activities are selected for their **appropriateness** to the day's weather.*
- characteristic** The integer part positive or negative of the representation of a logarithm in the expression $\log 6432808$ the characteristic is 2.
*Red and gold are the **characteristic** colors of autumn.*
- characteristically** In characteristic manner.
*His response was **characteristically** blunt.*
- characterize** Describe or portray the character or the qualities or peculiarities of.
*The disease is **characterized** by weakening of the immune system.*

classifiable	Capable of being classified.
dispensation	An exemption from some rule or obligation. <i>Regulations controlling dispensation of medications.</i>
distinct	Readily distinguishable by the senses. <i>At a distinct or decided disadvantage.</i>
<u>distinguish</u>	Recognize or treat (someone or something) as different. <i>Many distinguished themselves in the fight against Hitler.</i>
especial	For or belonging chiefly to one person or thing. <i>He paid especial attention to her.</i>
feature	Have as a feature. <i>One salient feature of the case has been overlooked.</i>
featured	Made a feature or highlight; given prominence. <i>A featured actor.</i>
<u>hallmark</u>	Stamp with a hallmark. <i>He was reprimanded for not hallmarking his work.</i>
idiosyncrasy	An abnormal physical reaction by an individual to a food or drug. <i>The idiosyncrasies of the prison system.</i>
<u>idiosyncratic</u>	Relating to idiosyncrasy; peculiar or individual. <i>She emerged as one of the great idiosyncratic talents of the nineties.</i>
incongruity	The state of being incongruous; incompatibility. <i>The incongruity of his fleshy face and skinny body disturbed her.</i>
individualism	The quality of being individual. <i>Encouragement has been given to individualism free enterprise and the pursuit of profit.</i>
<u>individuality</u>	Individual characteristics. <i>Anything but individuality anything but aloneness.</i>
individuate	Give individual character to. <i>Language that individuates his memories.</i>
<u>intrinsic</u>	Situated within or belonging solely to the organ or body part on which it acts. <i>Intrinsic muscles.</i>
oddity	Eccentricity that is not easily explained. <i>Realizing the oddity of the remark he retracted it.</i>
particular	First and most important. <i>A man who wishes to make a particular woman fall in love with him.</i>
peculiarity	A distinguishing trait. <i>The peculiarity of their upbringing.</i>

salience	The quality of being particularly noticeable or important; prominence. <i>The political salience of religion has a considerable impact.</i>
singular	A singular word or form. <i>No explanation accompanied this rather singular statement.</i>
singularly	In a strange or eccentric way. <i>Charlotte thought her very singularly dressed.</i>
special	A special offering usually temporary and at a reduced price that is featured in advertising. <i>A special reason to confide in her.</i>
specialization	The adaptation of an organ or part to serve a special function or to suit a particular way of life. <i>The division and specialization of labour.</i>
specially	In a special manner. <i>A specially arranged dinner.</i>
uncommon	Marked by an uncommon quality especially superlative or extreme of its kind J R Lowell. <i>An uncommon amount of noise.</i>
unique	A unique person or thing. <i>Had unique ability in raising funds.</i>

