

Need another word that means the same as “dusty”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “dusty” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Dusty” are: dust-covered, cold, moth-eaten, stale, dirty, grimy, grubby, unclean, soiled, begrimed, befouled, mucky, sooty, stained, spotty, powdery, crumbly, chalky, friable, muted, dull, flat, faded, pale, pastel, subtle, restrained**

## Dusty as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Dusty" as an adjective

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

- *Lacking originality or spontaneity; no longer new.*
- *Covered with a layer of dust.*
- *Staid and uninteresting.*
- *Covered with, full of, or resembling dust.*
- *(of a colour) dull or muted.*



## Synonyms of "Dusty" as an adjective (27 Words)

<b>befouled</b>	Made dirty or foul. <i>A building <b>befouled</b> with soot.</i>
<b>begrimed</b>	Blackened with ingrained dirt. <i>A miner's <b>begrimed</b> face.</i>
<b>chalky</b>	Consisting of or rich in chalk. <i>Walls of <b>chalky</b> green.</i>
<b>cold</b>	Extended meanings especially of psychological coldness without human warmth or emotion. <i>The trail went <b>cold</b>.</i>
<b>crumbly</b>	Consisting of or easily breaking into small fragments. <i>The cheese has a sharp flavour and is <b>crumbly</b> and moist.</i>
<b>dull</b>	So lacking in interest as to cause mental weariness. <i>Your diet doesn't have to be <b>dull</b> and boring.</i>
<b>dust-covered</b>	Covered with a layer of dust.

<b>faded</b>	Reduced in strength. <i><b>Faded</b> jeans.</i>
<b>flat</b>	Relating to flat racing. <i>The UK housing market was <b>flat</b>.</i>
<b>friable</b>	Easily crumbled. <i><b>Friable</b> curds formed in the stomach.</i>
<b>grimy</b>	Thickly covered with ingrained dirt or soot. <i>The <b>grimy</b> industrial city.</i>
<b>grubby</b>	Involving dishonest or disreputable activity; sordid. <i>The <b>grubby</b> face of a young boy.</i>
<b>moth-eaten</b>	Showing signs of wear and tear.
<b>mucky</b>	(of soil) soft and watery. <i>Wet <b>mucky</b> lowland.</i>
<b>muted</b>	In a softened tone. <i>A dress in <b>muted</b> tones of powder blue and dusty pink.</i>
<b>pale</b>	Very light colored; highly diluted with white. <i>The <b>pale</b> light of a half moon.</i>
<b>pastel</b>	Of a soft and delicate shade of colour. <i>Faded <b>pastel</b> charms of the naive music.</i>
<b>powdery</b>	As if dulled in color with a sprinkling of powder. <i>A <b>powdery</b> blue.</i>
<b>restrained</b>	Kept under control. <i>The drawings with their <b>restrained</b> colours give a feeling of peace and contemplation.</i>
<b>soiled</b>	Soiled or likely to soil with dirt or grime. <i>A <b>soiled</b> T shirt.</i>
<b>sooty</b>	Used in names of birds and other animals that are mainly blackish or brownish black e.g sooty tern. <i>A <b>sooty</b> chimney.</i>
<b>spotty</b>	Having spots or patches (small areas of contrasting color or texture). <i>The wall had a <b>spotty</b> speckled effect.</i>
<b>stained</b>	Having a coating of stain or varnish. <i>Her ink <b>stained</b> fingers.</i>
<b>stale</b>	(of food) no longer fresh and pleasant to eat; hard, musty, or dry. <i><b>Stale</b> news.</i>
<b>subtle</b>	Difficult to detect or grasp by the mind or analyze. <i>The <b>subtle</b> fiend dissembled.</i>

**unclean** Soiled or likely to soil with dirt or grime.  
Wore an **unclean** shirt.



### Usage Examples of "Dusty" as an adjective

- *A dusty pile of books.*
- *Dusty old records.*
- *A hot, dusty road.*
- *Patches of pale gold and dusty pink.*
- *A dusty old bore.*



## Associations of "Dusty" (30 Words)

### bog

An area of wet muddy ground that is too soft to support a heavy body.  
A **bog** of legal complications.

### climate

A region with a particular climate.  
He had grown up in a hot **climate**.

### cold

Extended meanings especially of psychological coldness without human warmth or emotion.  
**Cold** logic.

### covered

Overlaid or spread or topped with or enclosed within something; sometimes used as a combining form.  
**Covered** wagons.

### damp

Damp air or atmosphere.  
An ensemble of drums including a foot **damped** instrument.

<b>dank</b>	Unpleasantly cool and humid. <i>Huge <b>dank</b> caverns.</i>
<b>drenched</b>	Abundantly covered or supplied with; often used in combination. <i>Moon <b>drenched</b> meadows.</i>
<b>grimy</b>	Thickly covered with ingrained dirt or soot. <i>The <b>grimy</b> industrial city.</i>
<b>humid</b>	Marked by a relatively high level of water vapour in the atmosphere. <i>A hot and <b>humid</b> day.</i>
<b>marshland</b>	Low-lying wet land with grassy vegetation; usually is a transition zone between land and water. <i>Acres of meadows and <b>marshlands</b>.</i>
<b>marshy</b>	Characteristic of or resembling a marsh; waterlogged. <i>A <b>marshy</b> coastline.</i>
<b>moist</b>	(of a climate) rainy. <i>The <b>moist</b> fertile soil.</i>
<b>muddy</b>	Cause to become muddy. <i>The original colours were blurred into <b>muddy</b> pink and yellow.</i>
<b>mudslide</b>	A mass of mud and other earthy material that is falling or has fallen down a hillside or other slope.
<b>muffled</b>	Wrapped up especially for protection or secrecy. <i>They heard the sounds of <b>muffled</b> voices.</i>
<b>muted</b>	Being or made softer or less loud or clear. <i>The <b>muted</b> hum of the distant traffic.</i>
<b>rain</b>	Falls of rain. <i>The low sky <b>raining</b> over tower d Camelot.</i>
<b>rainy</b>	(of weather, a period, or an area) having or characterized by considerable rainfall. <i><b>Rainy</b> days.</i>
<b>scabrous</b>	Rough and covered with, or as if with, scabs. <i>A <b>scabrous</b> hovel.</i>
<b>snow</b>	Fall as snow. <i>Carbon dioxide <b>snow</b>.</i>
<b>snowy</b>	Marked by the presence of snow. <i><b>Snowy</b> hair.</i>
<b>soggy</b>	Slow and apathetic. <i>We squelched through the <b>soggy</b> ground.</i>
<b>splashing</b>	The act of splashing a liquid substance on a surface.

- swamp** Low land that is seasonally flooded; has more woody plants than a marsh and better drainage than a bog.  
*The country was **swamped** with goods from abroad.*
- swampy** (of soil) soft and watery.  
*A **swampy** area.*
- tropics** The part of the Earth's surface between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn; characterized by a hot climate.
- unclean** Having a physical or moral blemish so as to make impure according to dietary or ceremonial laws.  
***Unclean** thoughts.*
- unsanitary** Not sanitary or healthful.  
*The **unsanitary** conditions in the orphanage.*
- wet** Make one's bed or clothes wet by urinating.  
*He **wetted** a finger and flicked through the pages.*

