

Need another word that means the same as “gracious”? Find 42 synonyms and 30 related words for “gracious” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Gracious” are: benignant, courteous, nice, polite, civil, chivalrous, well mannered, decorous, gentlemanly, ladylike, civilized, tactful, diplomatic, elegant, stylish, tasteful, graceful, comfortable, luxurious, sumptuous, opulent, grand, plush, high-class, exquisite, smart, sophisticated, fashionable, modish, chic, merciful, forgiving, compassionate, kind, kindly, lenient, clement, pitying, forbearing, humane, mild, sympathetic

Gracious as an Adjective

Definitions of "Gracious" as an adjective

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

- *Characterized by kindness and warm courtesy especially of a king to his subjects.*
- *A polite epithet used of royalty or their acts.*
- *Characterized by charm, good taste, and generosity of spirit.*
- *Disposed to bestow favors.*
- *Courteous, kind, and pleasant, especially towards someone of lower social status.*
- *Showing the elegance and comfort brought by wealth or high social status.*
- *(in Christian belief) showing divine grace.*
- *Exhibiting courtesy and politeness.*



Synonyms of "Gracious" as an adjective (42 Words)

benignant	Kindly and benevolent. <i>Our benignant king.</i>
chic	Elegant and stylish. <i>Chic elegance.</i>
chivalrous	Being attentive to women like an ideal knight. <i>Shall I be chivalrous and offer you my coat.</i>
civil	Relating to civil law. <i>They try to work out their differences in a civil manner.</i>
civilized	Polite and well-mannered. <i>Terrorist acts that shocked the civilized world.</i>
clement	Physically mild. <i>A more clement judge reduced the sentence.</i>
comfortable	(of a person) physically relaxed and free from constraint. <i>She s a comfortable person to be with.</i>
compassionate	Showing or having compassion. <i>I allowed him to go home on compassionate grounds.</i>
courteous	Characterized by courtesy and gracious good manners. <i>She was courteous and obliging to all.</i>
decorous	Characterized by propriety and dignity and good taste in manners and conduct. <i>The tete a tete was decorous in the extreme.</i>
diplomatic	Having or showing an ability to deal with people in a sensitive and tactful way. <i>He tried his best to be diplomatic.</i>
elegant	Refined and tasteful in appearance or behavior or style. <i>An elegant mathematical solution simple and precise and lucid.</i>
exquisite	Delicately beautiful. <i>Felt exquisite pleasure.</i>
fashionable	Popular and considered appealing or fashionable at the time. <i>A fashionable cafe.</i>
forbearing	Showing patient and unruffled self-control and restraint under adversity; slow to retaliate or express resentment. <i>Seemly and forbearing yet strong enough to resist aggression.</i>
forgiving	Inclined or able to forgive and show mercy. <i>Snow is a forgiving surface on which to fall.</i>

gentlemanly	Befitting a gentleman. <i>A gentlemanly profession.</i>
<u>graceful</u>	Suggesting taste, ease, and wealth. <i>She was a tall girl slender and graceful.</i>
grand	Used of a person's appearance or behavior; befitting an eminent person. <i>A grand purpose.</i>
high-class	Pretentiously elegant.
<u>humane</u>	Marked or motivated by concern with the alleviation of suffering. <i>The humane education of literary study.</i>
kind	Agreeable, conducive to comfort. <i>Hot summer pavements are anything but kind to the feet.</i>
<u>kindly</u>	Pleasant and agreeable. <i>He was a quiet kindly man.</i>
ladylike	Befitting a woman of good breeding. <i>Ladylike manners.</i>
<u>lenient</u>	Tolerant or lenient. <i>Lenient magistrates.</i>
<u>luxurious</u>	Giving self-indulgent or sensual pleasure. <i>Enjoyed a luxurious suite with a crystal chandelier and thick oriental rugs.</i>
merciful	Gracious (used conventionally of royalty and high nobility). <i>Our merciful king.</i>
<u>mild</u>	Humble in spirit or manner suggesting retiring mildness or even cowed submissiveness. <i>A mild fever.</i>
modish	Conforming to or following what is currently popular and fashionable. <i>It seems sad that such a scholar should feel compelled to use this modish jargon.</i>
nice	Giving pleasure or satisfaction; pleasant or attractive. <i>The corn and tomatoes are nice today.</i>
<u>opulent</u>	Wealthy. <i>His more opulent tenants.</i>
pitying	Feeling or showing sorrow for someone's misfortunes, often with an implication of disdain or mild contempt. <i>He gave her a pitying look.</i>
plush	Richly luxurious and expensive. <i>A plush Mayfair flat.</i>

- polite** Having or showing behaviour that is respectful and considerate of other people.
*They thought she was wrong but were too **polite** to say so.*
- smart** Quick; brisk.
*Hi tech **smart** weapons.*
- sophisticated** Appealing to or frequented by people who are sophisticated.
*A **sophisticated** book.*
- stylish** Neat, confident, and skilful.
*He put his heart and soul into a **stylish** performance.*
- sumptuous** Ostentatiously rich and superior in quality.
*The banquet was a **sumptuous** luxurious meal.*
- sympathetic** Of characters in literature or drama evoking empathic or sympathetic feelings.
*Hubbell is a more **sympathetic** character.*
- tactful** Having or showing a sense of what is fitting and considerate in dealing with others.
*A **tactful** way of correcting someone.*
- tasteful** Free from what is tawdry or unbecoming.
*A **tasteful** lounge bar.*
- well mannered** In good health especially after having suffered illness or injury.



Usage Examples of "Gracious" as an adjective

- *Greig was gracious in defeat.*
- *I am saved by God's gracious intervention on my behalf.*
- *Gracious living.*
- *Thanks to the gracious gods.*
- *A gracious hostess.*
- *The accession of Her present gracious Majesty.*
- *He bears insult with gracious good humor.*
- *Gracious even to unexpected visitors.*



Associations of "Gracious" (30 Words)

[amiable](#)

Disposed to please- Hal Hinson.
An *amiable* gathering.

benevolent	(of an organization) serving a charitable rather than a profit-making purpose. <i>A benevolent smile.</i>
benign	Pleasant and beneficial in nature or influence. <i>Benign growths.</i>
charitable	Showing or motivated by sympathy and understanding and generosity. <i>Was charitable in his opinions of others.</i>
chivalrous	Courteous and gallant, especially towards women (typically used of a man or his behaviour). <i>Shall I be chivalrous and offer you my coat.</i>
civility	Formal politeness and courtesy in behaviour or speech. <i>I hope we can treat each other with civility and respect.</i>
comity	The mutual recognition by nations of the laws and customs of others. <i>A show of public comity in the White House.</i>
courteous	Characterized by courtesy and gracious good manners. <i>A courteous young man.</i>
couth	(used facetiously) refinement. <i>It is more couth to hold your shrimp genteelly by the tail when eating.</i>
curtsy	Make a curtsy usually done only by girls and women as a sign of respect. <i>She bobbed a curtsy to him.</i>
decorous	In keeping with good taste and propriety; polite and restrained. <i>Charlotte gave David a decorous kiss.</i>
elegant	Suggesting taste, ease, and wealth. <i>Elegant handwriting.</i>
forgiving	Ready and willing to forgive. <i>A forgiving embrace to the naughty child.</i>
gentility	Elegance by virtue of fineness of manner and expression. <i>Her grandmother's pretensions to gentility.</i>
gentle	Make or become gentle. <i>Gentle blue eyes.</i>
honor	The quality of being honorable and having a good name. <i>A man of honor.</i>
humane	(of a branch of learning) intended to have a civilizing effect on people. <i>A humane education.</i>
humble	Cause (someone) to feel less important or proud. <i>He built the business empire from humble beginnings.</i>
kindly	Please (used in a polite request or demand, often ironically). <i>Would you kindly explain what you're talking about.</i>

kindness	A kind act. <i>It would be a kindness on your part to invite her.</i>
<u>lenient</u>	Tolerant or lenient. <i>Lenient rules.</i>
merciful	Gracious (used conventionally of royalty and high nobility). <i>William did not believe in being merciful to those who fought against him.</i>
<u>mild</u>	Humble in spirit or manner suggesting retiring mildness or even cowed submissiveness. <i>A mild sedative.</i>
<u>modest</u>	Free from pomp or affectation. <i>The modest women wear long sleeved dresses and all but cover their faces.</i>
nice	(especially of a difference) slight or subtle. <i>Had a nice time at the party.</i>
<u>polite</u>	Relating to people who regard themselves as more cultured and refined than others. <i>The picture outraged polite society.</i>
<u>propitious</u>	Favourably disposed towards someone. <i>Propitious gales speeded us along.</i>
respectful	Feeling or showing deference and respect. <i>A respectful glance.</i>
respectfully	In a respectful manner. <i>The butler bowed respectfully to them both.</i>
<u>unassuming</u>	Not arrogant or presuming. <i>He was an unassuming and kindly man.</i>