

Need another word that means the same as “militant”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “militant” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Militant” are: hawkish, warlike, belligerent, war-ridden, warring, competitive, aggressive, violent, bellicose, assertive, pushy, vigorous, forceful, active, fierce, combative, pugnacious, activist, extremist, radical, enthusiast, supporter, follower, devotee, young turk, zealot, fanatic, sectarian, partisan

Militant as a Noun

Definitions of "Militant" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “militant” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A militant person.*
- *A militant reformer.*



Synonyms of "Militant" as a noun (12 Words)

- activist** A person who campaigns to bring about political or social change.
*A committed animal rights **activist**.*
- devotee** An ardent follower and admirer.
***Devotees** of Krishna.*
- enthusiast** An ardent and enthusiastic supporter of some person or activity.
*A sports car **enthusiast**.*
- extremist** A person who holds extreme political or religious views, especially one who advocates illegal, violent, or other extreme action.
*Right wing **extremists**.*

- fanatic** A person motivated by irrational enthusiasm (as for a cause)-Winston Churchill.
*A fitness **fanatic**.*
- follower** A person who moves or travels behind someone or something.
*He is a keen **follower** of football.*
- partisan** A fervent and even militant proponent of something.
***Partisans** of the exiled Stuarts.*
- radical** A person who has radical ideas or opinions.
*In the body free **radicals** are high energy particles that ricochet wildly and damage cells.*
- sectarian** A person who rigidly follows the doctrines of a sect or other group.
*Most **sectarians** are intolerant of the views of any other sect.*
- supporter** A person who contributes to the fulfillment of a need or furtherance of an effort or purpose.
*An Oxford United **supporter**.*
- young turk** Any immature animal.
- zealot** A fervent and even militant proponent of something.



Usage Examples of "Militant" as a noun

- *Militants became increasingly impatient of parliamentary manoeuvres.*



Militant as an Adjective

Definitions of "Militant" as an adjective

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

- *Disposed to warfare or hard-line policies.*
- *Showing a fighting disposition.*
- *Engaged in war.*
- *Favouring confrontational or violent methods in support of a political or social cause.*



Synonyms of "Militant" as an adjective (17 Words)

- active** Engaged in full-time work.
*He enjoyed the **active** support of the government.*
- aggressive** Ready or likely to attack or confront; characterized by or resulting from aggression.
*An **aggressive** basketball player.*
- assertive** Having or showing a confident and forceful personality.
*An energetic **assertive** boy who was always ready to argue.*
- bellicose** Having or showing a ready disposition to fight.
*A mood of **bellicose** jingoism.*
- belligerent** Engaged in a war or conflict, as recognized by international law.
*A conference of socialists from all **belligerent** countries.*
- combative** Ready or eager to fight or argue.
*A **combative** impulse.*

competitive	Involving competition or competitiveness. <i>A competitive sport.</i>
fierce	Showing a heartfelt and powerful intensity. <i>His fierce loyalty.</i>
forceful	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>She was a forceful personality.</i>
hawkish	Resembling a hawk in nature or appearance. <i>His hawkish nose.</i>
pugnacious	Tough and callous by virtue of experience. <i>His public statements became increasingly pugnacious.</i>
pushy	Excessively or unpleasantly self-assertive or ambitious. <i>I didn't want to appear too pushy.</i>
vigorous	(of language) forceful. <i>A vigorous foreign policy.</i>
violent	Marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions inclined to react violently fervid. <i>A violent confrontation with riot police.</i>
war-ridden	Engaged in war.
warlike	Suggesting war or military life. <i>A warlike clan.</i>
warring	Engaged in war. <i>Belligerent or warring nations.</i>

Usage Examples of "Militant" as an adjective

- *The army are in conflict with militant groups.*
- *Militant nations.*
- *Militant in fighting for better wages for workers.*

Associations of "Militant" (30 Words)

activism	The policy or action of using vigorous campaigning to bring about political or social change. <i>Growing activism on the abortion issue.</i>
activist	A person who campaigns to bring about political or social change. <i>A green leaning activist magazine.</i>

aggressive	Having or showing determination and energetic pursuit of your ends. <i>An aggressive businessman.</i>
antagonist	A substance which interferes with or inhibits the physiological action of another. <i>He turned to confront his antagonist.</i>
antagonistic	Relating to an antagonist or its action. <i>Slaves antagonistic to their masters.</i>
<u>argumentative</u>	Given to arguing. <i>An argumentative discourse.</i>
barbaric	Without civilizing influences. <i>Drinking undiluted wine was considered barbaric.</i>
bellicose	Demonstrating aggression and willingness to fight. <i>Bellicose young officers.</i>
belligerent	Hostile and aggressive. <i>Belligerent or warring nations.</i>
combatant	Engaged in fighting during a war. <i>In the long Russo Swedish conflict both combatants endured terrible sacrifices.</i>
combative	Having or showing a ready disposition to fight. <i>He made some enemies with his combative style.</i>
competitive	Involving competition or competitiveness. <i>To improve one's competitive position.</i>
<u>confrontational</u>	Tending to deal with situations in an aggressive way; hostile or argumentative. <i>He distanced himself from the confrontational approach adopted by his predecessor.</i>
<u>contentious</u>	Involving or likely to cause controversy. <i>A central and contentious element of the book.</i>
crossfire	Gunfire from two or more directions passing through the same area. <i>A photographer was killed in crossfire.</i>
<u>disarm</u>	Remove offensive capability from. <i>Guerrillas had completely disarmed their forces.</i>
fighter	Someone who fights for a cause. <i>The distinction between civilian populations and fighters.</i>
<u>hostile</u>	Impossible to bring into friendly accord. <i>A hostile nation.</i>

<u>hostility</u>	The feeling of a hostile person. <i>He could not conceal his hostility.</i>
inimical	Unfriendly; hostile. <i>An inimical alien power.</i>
intimidating	Having a frightening, overawing, or threatening effect. <i>Public speaking is an intimidating experience.</i>
martial	Roman poet noted for epigrams (first century BC). <i>Martial bravery.</i>
<u>menacing</u>	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>His tone became menacing.</i>
<u>military</u>	The military forces of a nation. <i>Their military is the largest in the region.</i>
pugnacious	Eager or quick to argue, quarrel, or fight. <i>His public statements became increasingly pugnacious.</i>
<u>reckless</u>	Marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences-Macaulay. <i>Became the fiercest and most reckless of partisans.</i>
<u>truculent</u>	Defiantly aggressive. <i>The truculent attitude of farmers to cheaper imports.</i>
<u>warlike</u>	Disposed to warfare or hard-line policies. <i>Warlike preparations could be made quickly.</i>
<u>warring</u>	Engaged in war. <i>A warring couple.</i>
<u>warrior</u>	(especially in former times) a brave or experienced soldier or fighter. <i>I really love the warrior pose it makes me feel centred and strong.</i>