

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.*

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

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

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



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