

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. <i>A fitness fanatic.</i>
follower	A person who moves or travels behind someone or something. <i>He is a keen follower of football.</i>
partisan	A fervent and even militant proponent of something. <i>Partisans of the exiled Stuarts.</i>
radical	A person who has radical ideas or opinions. <i>In the body free radicals are high energy particles that ricochet wildly and damage cells.</i>
sectarian	A person who rigidly follows the doctrines of a sect or other group. <i>Most sectarians are intolerant of the views of any other sect.</i>
supporter	A person who contributes to the fulfillment of a need or furtherance of an effort or purpose. <i>An Oxford United supporter.</i>
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. <i>He enjoyed the active support of the government.</i>
aggressive	Ready or likely to attack or confront; characterized by or resulting from aggression. <i>An aggressive basketball player.</i>
assertive	Having or showing a confident and forceful personality. <i>An energetic assertive boy who was always ready to argue.</i>
bellicose	Having or showing a ready disposition to fight. <i>A mood of bellicose jingoism.</i>
belligerent	Engaged in a war or conflict, as recognized by international law. <i>A conference of socialists from all belligerent countries.</i>
combative	Ready or eager to fight or argue. <i>A combative impulse.</i>

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

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. Growing activism on the abortion issue.
activist	A person who campaigns to bring about political or social change. A green leaning activist magazine.

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>