

Need another word that means the same as “picky”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “picky” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Picky” are: finical, finicky, fussy, particular, troublesome, tiresome, trying, exasperating, demanding, unmanageable, intractable, perverse, contrary, recalcitrant, obstreperous, refractory, fractious

Picky as an Adjective

Definitions of "Picky" as an adjective

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

- *Fussy and hard to please.*
- *Exacting especially about details.*



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

contrary	Perversely inclined to disagree or to do the opposite of what is expected or desired. <i>The facts point to a contrary conclusion.</i>
demanding	(of a task) requiring much skill or effort. <i>A baby can be so demanding.</i>
exasperating	Extremely annoying or displeasing. <i>His cavalier curtness of manner was exasperating.</i>
finical	Exacting especially about details.
finicky	Showing or requiring great attention to detail. <i>A finicky eater.</i>
fractious	(typically of children) irritable and quarrelsome. <i>A fractious animal that would not submit to the harness.</i>
fussy	Annoyed and irritable. <i>Fussy about clothes.</i>

intractable	(of a person) difficult or stubborn. <i>An intractable disposition.</i>
obstreperous	Boisterously and noisily aggressive. <i>Kept up an obstreperous clamor.</i>
particular	Surpassing what is common or usual or expected. <i>Interested in one particular artist.</i>
perverse	Showing a deliberate and obstinate desire to behave in a way that is unreasonable or unacceptable. <i>A perverse mood.</i>
recalcitrant	Stubbornly resistant to authority or control. <i>A class of recalcitrant fifteen year olds.</i>
refractory	(of a person, illness, or diseased tissue) not yielding to treatment. <i>Refractory materials found in lunar samples.</i>
<u>tiresome</u>	Causing one to feel bored or annoyed. <i>Weeding is a tiresome but essential job.</i>
<u>troublesome</u>	Causing difficulty or annoyance. <i>A troublesome infection.</i>
trying	Difficult or annoying; hard to endure. <i>It had been a very trying day.</i>
unmanageable	Incapable of being controlled or managed. <i>An unmanageable situation.</i>



Usage Examples of "Picky" as an adjective

- *They are becoming increasingly picky about where they stay.*

Associations of "Picky" (30 Words)

bustle	(of a place) be full of activity. <i>All the noise and the traffic and the bustle.</i>
busy	Keep busy with. <i>A busy man.</i>
complex	Make an atom or compound form a complex with another. <i>Cross linked protein DNA complexes.</i>

<u>complicated</u>	Consisting of many interconnecting parts or elements; intricate. <i>A long and complicated saga.</i>
confuse	Make (something) more complex or less easy to understand. <i>These questions confuse even the experts.</i>
detail	Provide details for. <i>Several of the details are similar.</i>
detailed	(of a work of art) executed with many minor decorative features. <i>A detailed plan.</i>
exacting	Making great demands on one's skill, attention, or other resources. <i>Certain highly specialized xerophytes are extremely exacting in their requirements.</i>
<u>fastidious</u>	Very concerned about matters of cleanliness. <i>A fastidious and incisive intellect.</i>
<u>finicky</u>	(of a person) fussy about their needs or requirements. <i>His finicky copperplate hand.</i>
flurry	Cause to feel embarrassment. <i>A flurry of snow.</i>
fluster	Be flustered behave in a confused manner. <i>The main thing is not to get all in a fluster.</i>
<u>fuss</u>	Elaborate or complex procedures; trouble or difficulty. <i>When she cries in her sleep try not to fuss her.</i>
fussy	Annoyed and irritable. <i>A fussy design.</i>
<u>grumpy</u>	Bad-tempered and irritable. <i>He s grumpy because he hasn t heard from you.</i>
<u>haste</u>	The act of moving hurriedly and in a careless manner. <i>In his haste to leave he forgot his book.</i>
<u>meticulous</u>	Marked by precise accordance with details. <i>A meticulous craftsman.</i>
<u>occupied</u>	Seized and controlled as by military invasion. <i>Only the ground floor is fully occupied.</i>
painstakingly	With great care and thoroughness. <i>It is almost a waste of time painstakingly to learn the routines of selling.</i>
pedantic	Marked by a narrow focus on or display of learning especially its trivial aspects. <i>His analyses are careful and even painstaking but never pedantic.</i>

priggish	Self-righteously moralistic and superior. <i>A priggish little pedant.</i>
prim	Assume a prim appearance. <i>Laurie primmed up his mouth.</i>
prissy	Fussily and excessively respectable. <i>A middle class family with two prissy children.</i>
prudery	Excessive or affected modesty.
prudish	Exaggeratedly proper. <i>The prudish moral climate of the late 19th century.</i>
puritanical	Exaggeratedly proper. <i>His puritanical parents saw any kind of pleasure as the road to damnation.</i>
squeamish	Easily made to feel sick or disgusted. <i>I ve always been squeamish about bugs.</i>
stickle	Dispute or argue stubbornly (especially minor points).
stickler	Someone who insists on something. <i>A stickler for promptness.</i>
strict	Characterized by strictness severity or restraint. <i>A strict vegetarian.</i>