

Need another word that means the same as “pillar”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “pillar” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Pillar” are: column, tower, mainstay, post, pole, support, upright, vertical, baluster, pier, pile, piling, pilaster, stanchion, standard, prop, buttress, stalwart, strength, tower of strength, bastion, rock**

## Pillar as a Noun

### Definitions of "Pillar" as a noun

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

- *A fundamental principle or practice.*
- *A prominent supporter.*
- *Anything that approximates the shape of a column or tower.*
- *A person or thing regarded as reliably providing essential support for something.*
- *A solid mass of coal left to support the roof of a mine.*
- *A tall vertical structure of stone, wood, or metal, used as a support for a building, or as an ornament or monument.*
- *(architecture) a tall vertical cylindrical structure standing upright and used to support a structure.*
- *Something shaped like a pillar.*
- *A tall vertical cylindrical structure standing upright and used to support a structure.*
- *A vertical cylindrical structure standing alone and not supporting anything (such as a monument).*



## Synonyms of "Pillar" as a noun (22 Words)

- baluster** Of a furniture leg or other decorative item having the form of a baluster.  
***Baluster** legs in English oak.*
- bastion** A natural rock formation resembling a man made bastion.  
*The last **bastion** of communism.*
- buttress** A structure of stone or brick built against a wall to strengthen or support it.  
*The political police were the main **buttress** of the regime.*
- column** A vertical glass tube used in column chromatography a mixture is poured in the top and washed through a stationary substance where components of the mixture are adsorbed selectively to form colored bands.  
*A **column** of tanks moved north west.*
- mainstay** A central cohesive source of support and stability.  
*Farming is the **mainstay** of the rural economy.*

<b>pier</b>	A vertical supporting structure (as a portion of wall between two doors or windows).
<b>pilaster</b>	A rectangular column, especially one projecting from a wall.
<b>pile</b>	A nuclear reactor. <i>He s making <b>piles</b> of money.</i>
<b>piling</b>	A nuclear reactor that uses controlled nuclear fission to generate energy. <i>Wooden <b>piling</b> supporting a complex of waterfront buildings.</i>
<b>pole</b>	A long slender flexible rod of wood or fibreglass used by a competitor in pole vaulting. <i>New <b>poles</b> should be protected from grazing livestock.</i>
<b>post</b>	The system whereby messages are transmitted via the post office. <i>She was opening her <b>post</b>.</i>
<b>prop</b>	A propeller that rotates to push against air. <i>He found himself becoming the emotional <b>prop</b> of the marriage.</i>
<b>rock</b>	A large piece of rock which has become detached from a cliff or mountain a boulder. <i>The new system is heading for the <b>rocks</b>.</i>
<b><u>stalwart</u></b>	A person who is loyal to their allegiance (especially in times of revolt). <i>The <b>stalwarts</b> of the Labour Party.</i>
<b>stanchion</b>	Any vertical post or rod used as a support.
<b>standard</b>	The value behind the money in a monetary system. <i>Distance was marked by <b>standards</b> every mile.</i>
<b>strength</b>	Capacity to produce strong physiological or chemical effects. <i>An under <b>strength</b> side.</i>
<b>support</b>	A musical part vocal or instrumental that supports or provides background for other musical parts. <i>He leaned against the wall for <b>support</b>.</i>
<b><u>tower</u></b>	Anything that approximates the shape of a column or tower. <i>A CD <b>tower</b>.</i>
<b>tower of strength</b>	Anything that approximates the shape of a column or tower.
<b>upright</b>	An upright piano. <i>A first class <b>upright</b> that would satisfy an amateur pianist.</i>
<b>vertical</b>	A vertical line or plane. <i>The resort claims a <b>vertical</b> of 2 100 metres.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Pillar" as a noun

- *He was a pillar of his local community.*
- *A thin pillar of smoke betrayed their campsite.*
- *A pillar of rock.*
- *He is a pillar of the community.*
- *Science eroded the pillars of superstition.*



## Associations of "Pillar" (30 Words)

- backbone** The main chain of a polymeric molecule.  
*The great Pennine range is the **backbone** of England.*
- basis** The system or principles according to which an activity or process is carried on.  
*He worked on an interim **basis**.*
- behemoth** Someone or something that is abnormally large and powerful.  
***Behemoths** like the brontosaurus.*
- buttress** Reinforce with a buttress.  
***Buttress** your thesis.*
- carillon** A tune played on a carillon.
- column** Anything that approximates the shape of a column or tower.  
*Turn to page five **column** seven.*
- corinthian** Of or relating to or characteristic of Corinth or its inhabitants.

<b>forwarding</b>	The advancement of some enterprise. <i>His experience in marketing resulted in the <b>forwarding</b> of his career.</i>
<b>keystone</b>	The central principle or part of a policy, system, etc., on which all else depends. <i>The <b>keystone</b> of campaign reform was the ban on soft money.</i>
<b>leviathan</b>	A very large aquatic creature, especially a whale. <i>The great <b>leviathans</b> of the deep.</i>
<b>lighthouse</b>	A tower or other structure containing a beacon light to warn or guide ships at sea.
<b>marble</b>	Paint or stain like marble. <i>Her shoulders were as white as <b>marble</b>.</i>
<b>masonry</b>	Freemasonry. <i>Hands roughened from carpentry and <b>masonry</b>.</i>
<b>mast</b>	A tall upright post on land, especially a flagpole or a television or radio transmitter.
<b>obelisk</b>	A mountain tree or other natural object resembling an obelisk in shape.
<b>pagoda</b>	An ornamental imitation of a Hindu or Buddhist pagoda.
<b>prop</b>	A propeller that rotates to push against air. <i>Before every scene he ran down his checklist of <b>props</b>.</i>
<b>pylon</b>	A tower or post marking a path for light aircraft, cars, or other vehicles, especially in racing. <i>Power <b>pylons</b> are a favorite target for terrorists.</i>
<b>sand</b>	A light yellow brown colour like that of sand. <i>Mask off the area to be painted and <b>sand</b> it down.</i>
<b>sarcophagus</b>	A stone coffin (usually bearing sculpture or inscriptions).
<b>sculpt</b>	Shape (a material like stone or wood) by whittling away at it. <i>She is <b>sculpting</b> the block of marble into an image of her husband.</i>
<b>sculpture</b>	Form or shape as if by sculpture especially with strong smooth curves. <i>The choir stalls were each carefully <b>sculptured</b>.</i>
<b>spire</b>	A tapering conical or pyramidal structure on the top of a building, typically a church tower. <i><b>Spires</b> of delphiniums.</i>
<b>stalactite</b>	A cylinder of calcium carbonate hanging from the roof of a limestone cave.
<b>stone</b>	Remove the stone from a fruit. <i>Her face was as hard as <b>stone</b>.</i>
<b>structure</b>	Give a structure to. <i>The station is a magnificent <b>structure</b> and should not be demolished.</i>

**support** A musical part vocal or instrumental that supports or provides background for other musical parts.

*He does not **support** his natural children.*

**tower** Anything that approximates the shape of a column or tower.

*He seemed to **tower** over everyone else.*

**trestle** Sawhorses used in pairs to support a horizontal tabletop.

**turret** A rotating holder for tools, especially on a lathe.

*A castle with fairy tale **turrets**.*

