

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

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The synonyms of “Purple” are: purplish, violet, imperial, majestic, regal, royal, empurpled, over-embellished, ornate, fancy, very elaborate, curlicued, extravagant, baroque, fussy, busy, ostentatious, showy, purpleness, the purple, empurple, purpurate

Purple as a Noun

Definitions of "Purple" as a noun

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

- *(Roman Catholic Church) official dress of a cardinal; so named after the Tyrial purple color of the robes.*
- *A purple color or pigment.*
- *A colour intermediate between red and blue.*
- *Purple clothing or material.*
- *Of imperial status.*

- *The scarlet official dress of a cardinal.*
- *(in ancient Rome or Byzantium) clothing made from fabric dyed with Tyrian purple.*
- *A crimson dye obtained from some molluscs, formerly used for fabric worn by an emperor or senior magistrate in ancient Rome or Byzantium.*
- *(in ancient Rome) a position of rank, authority, or privilege.*
- *(in ancient Rome) position of imperial status.*



Synonyms of "Purple" as a noun (2 Words)

purpleness A purple color or pigment.

the purple Of imperial status.



Usage Examples of "Purple" as a noun

- *He was born to the purple.*
- *He was too young to assume the purple.*
- *The painting was mostly in shades of blue and purple.*



Purple as a Verb

Definitions of "Purple" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "purple" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Color purple.*
- *Become purple.*
- *Make or become purple in colour.*



Synonyms of "Purple" as a verb (2 Words)

- empurple** Make or become purple.
*His face **empurpled** with fury.*
- purpurate** Color purple.



Usage Examples of "Purple" as a verb

- *The neon was purpling the horizon above the highway.*
- *Edmund's cheeks purpled.*



Purple as an Adjective

Definitions of "Purple" as an adjective

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

- *Of a colour intermediate between red and blue.*
- *Belonging to or befitting a supreme ruler.*
- *Of a color intermediate between red and blue.*
- *Excessively elaborate or showily expressed.*



Synonyms of "Purple" as an adjective (18 Words)

baroque	Relating to or denoting a style of European architecture music and art of the 17th and 18th centuries that followed Mannerism and is characterized by ornate detail In architecture the period is exemplified by the palace of Versailles and by the work of Wren in England Major composers include Vivaldi Bach and Handel Caravaggio and Rubens are important baroque artists. <i>The building frantically baroque.</i>
busy	Unavailable for use by anyone else or indicating unavailability engaged is a British term for a busy telephone line. <i>A busy street.</i>
curlicued	Having decorative curls or twists. <i>Curlicued cornices and portals.</i>
empurpled	Excessively elaborate or showily expressed. <i>A writer of empurpled literature.</i>

extravagant	Lacking restraint in spending money or using resources. <i>It was rather extravagant to buy both.</i>
fancy	Elaborate in structure or decoration. <i>The furniture was very fancy.</i>
fussy	Exacting especially about details. <i>I hate fussy clothes.</i>
<u>imperial</u>	Befitting or belonging to an emperor or empress. <i>Golden age of imperial splendor.</i>
majestic	Majestic in manner or bearing superior to mundane matters. <i>Majestic cities.</i>
<u>ornate</u>	(of literary style) using unusual words and complex constructions. <i>Ornate rhetoric taught out of the rule of Plato.</i>
<u>ostentatious</u>	Tawdry or vulgar. <i>An ostentatious sable coat.</i>
over-embellished	Excessively elaborate or showily expressed.
purplish	Of a color intermediate between red and blue.
regal	Of, resembling, or fit for a monarch, especially in being magnificent or dignified. <i>Regal attire.</i>
<u>royal</u>	Invested with royal power as symbolized by a crown. <i>Princes of the blood royal.</i>
showy	Marked by conspicuous display. <i>Showy flowers.</i>
very elaborate	Being the exact same one; not any other.
<u>violet</u>	Of a bluish-purple colour. <i>Her almost violet eyes were a bit startling.</i>



Usage Examples of "Purple" as an adjective

- *Purple tyrant.*
- *Many purple passages.*
- *A faded purple T-shirt.*
- *A writer of empurpled literature.*



Associations of "Purple" (30 Words)

achromatic	Relating to, using, or denoting lenses that transmit light without separating it into constituent colours. <i>Achromatic microscopes.</i>
blue	A distinction awarded to a Cambridge blue or an Oxford blue. <i>The blue blooded aristocracy.</i>
brownish	Of a color similar to that of wood or earth. <i>Where I live the soil is brownish red.</i>
carmine	Color carmine. <i>Carmine roses.</i>
color	Decorate with colors. <i>Colorize black and white film.</i>
colored	Having skin rich in melanin pigments. <i>Amber colored heads of grain.</i>
<u>crimson</u>	Reddened or suffused with or as if with blood from emotion or exertion. <i>Writes of crimson deeds and barbaric days.</i>
ebony	A tree of tropical and warm temperate regions which produces ebony. <i>His ebony hair.</i>

flushed	Having the pinkish flush of health. <i>Flushed with success I was getting into my stride.</i>
gray	Horse of a light gray or whitish color. <i>Gray flannel suit.</i>
hue	Character or aspect. <i>The water is the deepest hue of aquamarine.</i>
imbue	Fill soak or imbue totally. <i>His works are invariably imbued with a sense of calm and serenity.</i>
magenta	A primary subtractive color for light a dark purple red color the dye for magenta was discovered in 1859 the year of the battle of Magenta. <i>A short magenta dress.</i>
maroon	Of a brownish-red colour. <i>The hat is available in either white or maroon.</i>
mauve	Of a pale purple colour. <i>A few pale streaks of mauve were all that remained of the sunset.</i>
negligee	A woman's light dressing gown, typically made of a filmy, soft fabric. <i>A black silk negligee.</i>
painted	Having sections or patches colored differently and usually brightly. <i>In public he wore a painted smile.</i>
pigmentation	Coloration of living tissues by pigment.
pimpernel	European garden herb with purple-tinged flowers and leaves that are sometimes used for salads.
pink	Cut in a zigzag pattern with pinking shears in sewing. <i>The pink pound.</i>
red	Of a person s eyes bloodshot or having pink rims especially with tiredness or crying. <i>He went bright red.</i>
rose	Used in names of other plants whose flowers resemble roses e g Christmas rose rose of Sharon. <i>The roseate glow of dawn.</i>
roseate	Used in names of birds with partly pink plumage e g roseate tern. <i>The roseate glow of dawn.</i>
rosy	Easy and pleasant. <i>Life could never be rosy for them.</i>
ruddy	Make ruddy in colour. <i>A ruddy complexion.</i>

- scarlet** Scarlet clothes or material.
*Papers lettered in **scarlet** and black.*
- strawberry** The low growing plant which produces the strawberry having white flowers lobed leaves and runners and found throughout north temperate regions.
*She thought she would wear the **strawberry** crushed velvet.*
- tulip** Any of numerous perennial bulbous herbs having linear or broadly lanceolate leaves and usually a single showy flower.
- white** Of a plant having white flowers or pale coloured fruit.
*He was dressed from head to foot in **white**.*
- yellow** Having a naturally yellowish or olive skin as used to describe Chinese or Japanese people.
***Yellowed** parchment.*

