

Need another word that means the same as “rambling”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “rambling” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Rambling” are: sprawling, straggling, straggly, meandering, wandering, winding, digressive, discursive, excursive, long-winded, garrulous, verbose, wordy, prolix, creeping, vining, prostrate, twisting, twisty, labyrinthine

Rambling as an Adjective

Definitions of "Rambling" as an adjective

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

- *Spreading out in different directions or distributed irregularly.*
- *(of a plant) putting out long shoots and growing over walls or other plants.*
- *(of writing or speech) lengthy and confused or inconsequential.*
- *Of a path e.g.*
- *Spreading out in different directions.*
- *(of a building or path) spreading or winding irregularly in various directions.*
- *(of a person) travelling from place to place; wandering.*
- *Tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects.*
- *(of e.g. speech and writing) tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects.*



Synonyms of "Rambling" as an adjective (20 Words)

creeping	(of a negative characteristic or fact) occurring or developing gradually and almost imperceptibly. <i>Creeping ivy can do damage to the wall surface.</i>
digressive	Characterized by digression; tending to depart from the subject. <i>A digressive allusion to the day of the week.</i>
<u>discursive</u>	(of e.g. speech and writing) tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>The attempt to transform utterances from one discursive context to another.</i>
excursive	(of e.g. speech and writing) tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>His excursive remarks.</i>
garrulous	Excessively talkative, especially on trivial matters. <i>A garrulous cab driver.</i>
<u>labyrinthine</u>	Resembling a labyrinth in form or complexity. <i>Labyrinthine plots and counterplots.</i>
long-winded	Using or containing too many words.

meandering	Proceeding in a convoluted or undirected fashion. <i>A brilliant sample of meandering discourse.</i>
prolix	Tediously prolonged or tending to speak or write at great length. <i>A prolix lecturer telling you more than you want to know.</i>
prostrate	Lying stretched out on the ground with one's face downwards. <i>His wife was prostrate with shock.</i>
sprawling	Spreading out in different directions or distributed irregularly. <i>The sprawling suburbs.</i>
straggling	Spreading out in different directions or distributed irregularly. <i>The straggling crowd of refugees.</i>
straggly	Growing or spreading sparsely or irregularly. <i>Straggly hair.</i>
twisting	Marked by repeated turns and bends.
twisty	Marked by repeated turns and bends. <i>Had to steer the car down a twisty track.</i>
verbose	Using or expressed in more words than are needed. <i>Much academic language is obscure and verbose.</i>
vining	(of a plant) growing as a vine with climbing or trailing woody stems.
wandering	Of a path e.g. <i>His life followed a wandering course.</i>
winding	Following a twisting or spiral course. <i>Winding roads are full of surprises.</i>
wordy	Using or expressed in rather too many words. <i>Newspapers of the day printed long wordy editorials.</i>



Usage Examples of "Rambling" as an adjective

- *A rambling speech about this and that.*
- *A rambling six-hour speech.*
- *Scott's letter was long and rambling.*
- *Rambling roses.*
- *A rambling man.*
- *A rambling discursive book.*
- *Rambling forest paths.*
- *A big old rambling house.*



Associations of "Rambling" (30 Words)

aimlessly	Without purpose or direction. <i>We wandered aimlessly round Venice.</i>
away	Out of the way especially away from one's thoughts. <i>In front of them the land fell away to the river.</i>
derail	Run off or leave the rails. <i>The train derailed because a cow was standing on the tracks.</i>
derailment	The action of a train or tram leaving its tracks accidentally. <i>An investigation into the derailment of a freight train.</i>
deviate	A person whose behavior deviates from what is acceptable especially in sexual behavior. <i>The whole affair offers revealing insights into attitudes towards sexual deviates.</i>
digress	Lose clarity or turn aside especially from the main subject of attention or course of argument in writing, thinking, or speaking. <i>I have digressed a little from my original plan.</i>
digressive	Tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>Amusingly digressive with satirical thrusts at women's fashions among other things.</i>
discursive	Proceeding to a conclusion by reason or argument rather than intuition. <i>The attempt to transform utterances from one discursive context to another.</i>
dislodge	Knock or force out of position. <i>The hoofs of their horses dislodged loose stones.</i>
drift	A large mass of material that is heaped up by the wind or by water currents. <i>The sailboat was adrift on the open sea.</i>
excursive	Tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>His excursive remarks.</i>
extraction	The action of taking out something (especially using effort or force). <i>Mineral extraction.</i>
gad	A sharp prod fixed to a rider's heel and used to urge a horse onward. <i>He had heard that I was gadding about with an airline stewardess.</i>
gallivant	Wander aimlessly in search of pleasure. <i>She quit her job to go gallivanting around the globe.</i>
indirect	Avoiding direct mention or exposition of a subject. <i>Full employment would have an indirect effect on wage levels.</i>

<u>irrelevant</u>	Not connected with or relevant to something. <i>An irrelevant comment.</i>
meander	To move or cause to move in a sinuous, spiral, or circular course. <i>A river that meandered gently through a meadow.</i>
meandering	Of a path e.g. <i>A brilliant sample of meandering discourse.</i>
nomadic	Living the life of a nomad; wandering. <i>Nomadic herdsmen.</i>
ramble	Talk or write at length in a confused or inconsequential way. <i>Roses climbed rambled hung over walls.</i>
resonate	Be received or understood. <i>The sound resonates well in this theater.</i>
roam	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment. <i>He let his eyes roam her face.</i>
scrappy	Full of fighting spirit. <i>Scrappy lecture notes piled up unread.</i>
sidetrack	A well or borehole which runs partly to one side of the original line of drilling. <i>The horse took a sidetrack which led uphill.</i>
sinuous	Lithe and supple. <i>The sinuous grace of a cat.</i>
<u>stray</u>	An animal that has strayed especially a domestic animal. <i>Men who stray are seen as more exciting and desirable.</i>
<u>twist</u>	To move in a twisting or contorted motion especially when struggling. <i>Lets do the twist.</i>
<u>wander</u>	An act or instance of wandering. <i>Please don t wander off again.</i>
wandering	Travelling about without any clear destination. <i>Wandering tribes.</i>
winding	The act of winding or twisting. <i>A winding country road.</i>

