

Need another word that means the same as “rural”? Find 3 synonyms and 30 related words for “rural” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Rural” are: pastoral, rustic, bucolic

Rural as an Adjective

Definitions of "Rural" as an adjective

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

- *In, relating to, or characteristic of the countryside rather than the town.*
- *Of or relating to the countryside as opposed to the city.*
- *Living in or characteristic of farming or country life.*



Synonyms of "Rural" as an adjective (3 Words)

- bucolic** Relating to shepherds or herdsmen or devoted to raising sheep or cattle.
*A pleasant **bucolic** scene.*
(in the Christian Church) concerning or appropriate to the giving of spiritual
- pastoral** guidance.
*A **pastoral** economy.*
Characteristic of rural life.
- rustic** *The unblemished charm of **rustic** life has been a perennial source of inspiration for the painter.*



Usage Examples of "Rural" as an adjective

- *Remote rural areas.*
- *Rural people.*
- *Large rural households.*
- *Unpaved rural roads.*
- *An economy that is basically rural.*



Associations of "Rural" (30 Words)

agrarian	Relating to landed property. <i>Brazil is rapidly diversifying its agrarian economy.</i>
agricultural	Relating to agriculture. <i>Agricultural land.</i>
agriculture	The federal department that administers programs that provide services to farmers (including research and soil conservation and efforts to stabilize the farming economy); created in 1862.
bucolic	(used with regard to idealized country life) idyllically rustic. <i>A pleasant bucolic scene.</i>
bumpkin	A person who is not very intelligent or interested in culture. <i>She thought Tom a bit of a country bumpkin.</i>
commune	A territorial division similar to a French commune in other countries. <i>Very few of the abbey's vineyards were actually located within the commune of Hautvillers.</i>
community	The people of a district or country considered collectively, especially in the context of social values and responsibilities; society. <i>He was well known throughout the Catholic community.</i>

countryside	The inhabitants of countryside areas. <i>The political influence of the countryside remains strong.</i>
cowhand	A person employed to tend cattle or to run a ranch.
depopulate	Substantially reduce the population of (an area). <i>The disease could depopulate a town the size of Bournemouth.</i>
<u>farmer</u>	United States civil rights leader who in 1942 founded the Congress of Racial Equality (born in 1920).
<u>farming</u>	Relating to farming or agriculture. <i>Sheep farming.</i>
hamlet	A community of people smaller than a village.
idyll	An episode of such pastoral or romantic charm as to qualify as the subject of a poetic idyll. <i>The rural idyll remains strongly evocative in most industrialized societies.</i>
<u>idyllic</u>	Suggestive of an idyll; charmingly simple and serene. <i>His idyllic life in Tahiti.</i>
<u>nomad</u>	A member of a people who have no permanent home but move about according to the seasons. <i>The nomads who roam the borderlands of Afghanistan.</i>
outlying	Situated far from a centre; remote. <i>An outlying village.</i>
outskirts	Outlying areas (as of a city or town). <i>He built a new factory on the outskirts of Birmingham.</i>
pastoral	Relating to or denoting a teacher's responsibility for the general well-being of pupils or students. <i>The pastoral care of boarders.</i>
<u>peasant</u>	A poor smallholder or agricultural labourer of low social status (chiefly in historical use or with reference to subsistence farming in poorer countries). <i>Peasants left the farms to work in industry.</i>
<u>peon</u>	A bullfighter who uses banderillas (darts thrust into a bull's neck or shoulders); a banderillero. <i>The elder son is a peon at a nearby school.</i>
<u>provincial</u>	Of or associated with a province. <i>Provincial elections.</i>
reaper	Death personified as an old man or a skeleton with a scythe.

rustic Made in a plain and simple fashion.
*A **rustic** oak bench.*

serf A person who is bound to the land and owned by the feudal lord.

slum Spend time at a lower socio-economic level than one's own, motivated by curiosity or desire for adventure; usage considered condescending and insensitive.

*Attending a motion picture show by the upper class was considered **slumming** in the early 20th century.*

suburban Of or characteristic of a suburb.
***Suburban** life.*

unsophisticated Lacking refined worldly knowledge or tastes.
*An **unsophisticated** machine.*

village A self contained district or community within a town or city regarded as having features characteristic of village life.
*The **village** hall.*

yokel A person who is not very intelligent or interested in culture.

