

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)

<b>agrarian</b>	Relating to landed property. <i>Brazil is rapidly diversifying its <b>agrarian</b> economy.</i>
<b>agricultural</b>	Relating to agriculture. <i><b>Agricultural</b> land.</i>
<b>agriculture</b>	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.
<b>bucolic</b>	(used with regard to idealized country life) idyllically rustic. <i>A pleasant <b>bucolic</b> scene.</i>
<b>bumpkin</b>	A person who is not very intelligent or interested in culture. <i>She thought Tom a bit of a country <b>bumpkin</b>.</i>
<b>commune</b>	A territorial division similar to a French commune in other countries. <i>Very few of the abbey's vineyards were actually located within the <b>commune</b> of Hautvillers.</i>
<b>community</b>	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 <b>community</b>.</i>

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

