

Need another word that means the same as “smug”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “smug” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Smug” are: self-satisfied, complacent, superior, puffed up, pleased with oneself, well pleased, proud of oneself

Smug as an Adjective

Definitions of "Smug" as an adjective

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

- *Marked by excessive complacency or self-satisfaction.*
- *Having or showing an excessive pride in oneself or one's achievements.*



Synonyms of "Smug" as an adjective (7 Words)

complacent

Contented to a fault with oneself or one's actions.
*He had become **complacent** after years of success.*

pleased with oneself Experiencing or manifesting pleasure.

proud of oneself Feeling self-respect or pleasure in something by which you measure your self-worth; or being a reason for pride.

puffed up Gathered for protruding fullness.

self-satisfied Contented to a fault with oneself or one's actions.

superior Of high or superior quality or performance.
*Deploying **superior** force.*

well pleased Resulting favorably.

Usage Examples of "Smug" as an adjective

- *A smug glow of self-congratulation.*
- *He was feeling smug after his win.*

Associations of "Smug" (30 Words)

arty	Making a strong, affected, or pretentious display of being artistic or interested in the arts. <i>A very arty film.</i>
blowhard	A boastful or pompous person. <i>Blowhard politicians.</i>
boastful	Exhibiting self-importance. <i>A boastful letter.</i>
<u>braggadocio</u>	Boastful or arrogant behaviour.
braggart	A person who boasts about their achievements or possessions. <i>Braggart men.</i>
bragging	An instance of boastful talk. <i>She interrupted their endless bragging.</i>
conceit	The trait of being unduly vain and conceited false pride. <i>He is alarmed by the widespread conceit that he spent most of the 1980s drunk.</i>
conceited	Excessively proud of oneself; vain. <i>A conceited fool.</i>
<u>condescending</u>	(used of behavior or attitude) characteristic of those who treat others with condescension. <i>She thought the teachers were arrogant and condescending.</i>
content	Make content. <i>The greater part of the century was a time of content.</i>
contented	Feeling or expressing happiness or satisfaction. <i>A contented smile.</i>
<u>haughty</u>	Arrogantly superior and disdainful. <i>A haughty British aristocrat.</i>
immodest	Having or showing an exaggerated opinion of your importance, ability, etc. <i>TV shows full of immodest language.</i>
insolently	In an insolent manner.

look	Of a building or room have an outlook in a specified direction. <i>You don't look your age.</i>
lordly	Having or showing arrogant superiority to and disdain of those one views as unworthy. <i>Heir to a lordly fortune.</i>
<u>overbearing</u>	Expecting unquestioning obedience. <i>Insufferably overbearing behavior toward the waiter.</i>
overweening	Showing excessive confidence or pride. <i>Had a witty but overweening manner.</i>
<u>pleased</u>	Feeling pleasurable satisfaction over something by which you measures your self-worth. <i>Both girls were pleased with their new hairstyles.</i>
pomposity	Lack of elegance as a consequence of being pompous and puffed up with vanity. <i>His reputation for arrogance and pomposity.</i>
poseur	A person who habitually pretends to be something he is not.
<u>pride</u>	A feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's own achievements, the achievements of those with whom one is closely associated, or from qualities or possessions that are widely admired. <i>He prides himself on making it into law school.</i>
proud	Of an event achievement etc causing someone to feel proud. <i>A proud moment.</i>
<u>satisfied</u>	Contented; pleased. <i>She was very satisfied with the results.</i>
supercilious	Behaving or looking as though one thinks one is superior to others. <i>His mother eyed my clothes with a supercilious air.</i>
superciliousness	The trait of displaying arrogance by patronizing those considered inferior.
vainglorious	Excessively proud of oneself or one's achievements; overly vain. <i>This vainglorious boast of personal infallibility.</i>
vainglory	Outspoken conceit. <i>His vainglory put the Republic at risk.</i>
<u>vanity</u>	Feelings of excessive pride. <i>A vanity press.</i>
vaunt	Extravagant self-praise. <i>An autobiographer is simultaneously vaunted and castigated for revealing more than is deemed proper.</i>