

Need another word that means the same as “tan”? Find 38 synonyms and 30 related words for “tan” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Tan” are: tangent, burn, sunburn, suntan, topaz, yellowish brown, light brown, pale brown, tawny, take a suntan, take a tan, brown, go brown, bronze, become suntanned, become brown, thrash, beat, wallop, belt, strap, spank, whip, lash, leather, cane, flog, flail, flagellate, horsewhip, birch, switch, flay**

## Tan as a Noun

### Definitions of "Tan" as a noun

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

- *Ratio of the opposite to the adjacent side of a right-angled triangle.*
- *Tan from which the tannin has been extracted, used for covering the ground for walking, riding, children's play, etc., and in gardening.*
- *A light brown the color of topaz.*
- *Bark of oak or other trees, bruised and used as a source of tannin for converting hides into leather.*
- *A brown or darkened shade of skin developed after exposure to the sun.*
- *A yellowish-brown colour.*
- *A browning of the skin resulting from exposure to the rays of the sun.*



## Synonyms of "Tan" as a noun (14 Words)

<b>bronze</b>	A sculpture made of bronze. <i>On the black bookcase were three exquisite <b>bronzes</b>.</i>
<b>brown</b>	A brown thing in particular the brown ball in snooker. <i>The <b>brown</b> of his eyes.</i>
<b>burn</b>	A place or area that has been burned especially on a person's body. <i>They found rope <b>burns</b> around her waist.</i>
<b>go brown</b>	Street names for methylenedioxymethamphetamine.
<b>light brown</b>	A divine presence believed by Quakers to enlighten and guide the soul.
<b>pale brown</b>	A wooden strip forming part of a fence.

<b>sunburn</b>	Reddening, inflammation, and, in severe cases, blistering and peeling of the skin caused by overexposure to the ultraviolet rays of the sun. <i>My hands and face were raw with <b>sunburn</b>.</i>
<b>suntan</b>	A browning of the skin resulting from exposure to the rays of the sun. <i>He had acquired quite a <b>suntan</b>.</i>
<b>take a suntan</b>	The act of photographing a scene or part of a scene without interruption.
<b>take a tan</b>	The income or profit arising from such transactions as the sale of land or other property.
<b><u>tangent</u></b>	Ratio of the opposite to the adjacent side of a right-angled triangle. <i>Loretta's mind went off at a <b>tangent</b>.</i>
<b>tawny</b>	An orange-brown or yellowish-brown colour. <i>Pine needles turning from <b>tawny</b> to amber.</i>
<b>topaz</b>	A light brown the color of topaz. <i>Bright <b>topaz</b> eyes.</i>
<b>yellowish brown</b>	Yellow color or pigment; the chromatic color resembling the hue of sunflowers or ripe lemons.



## Usage Examples of "Tan" as a noun

- *The overall colour scheme of tan and cream.*
- *Jenna managed to get an even golden tan.*

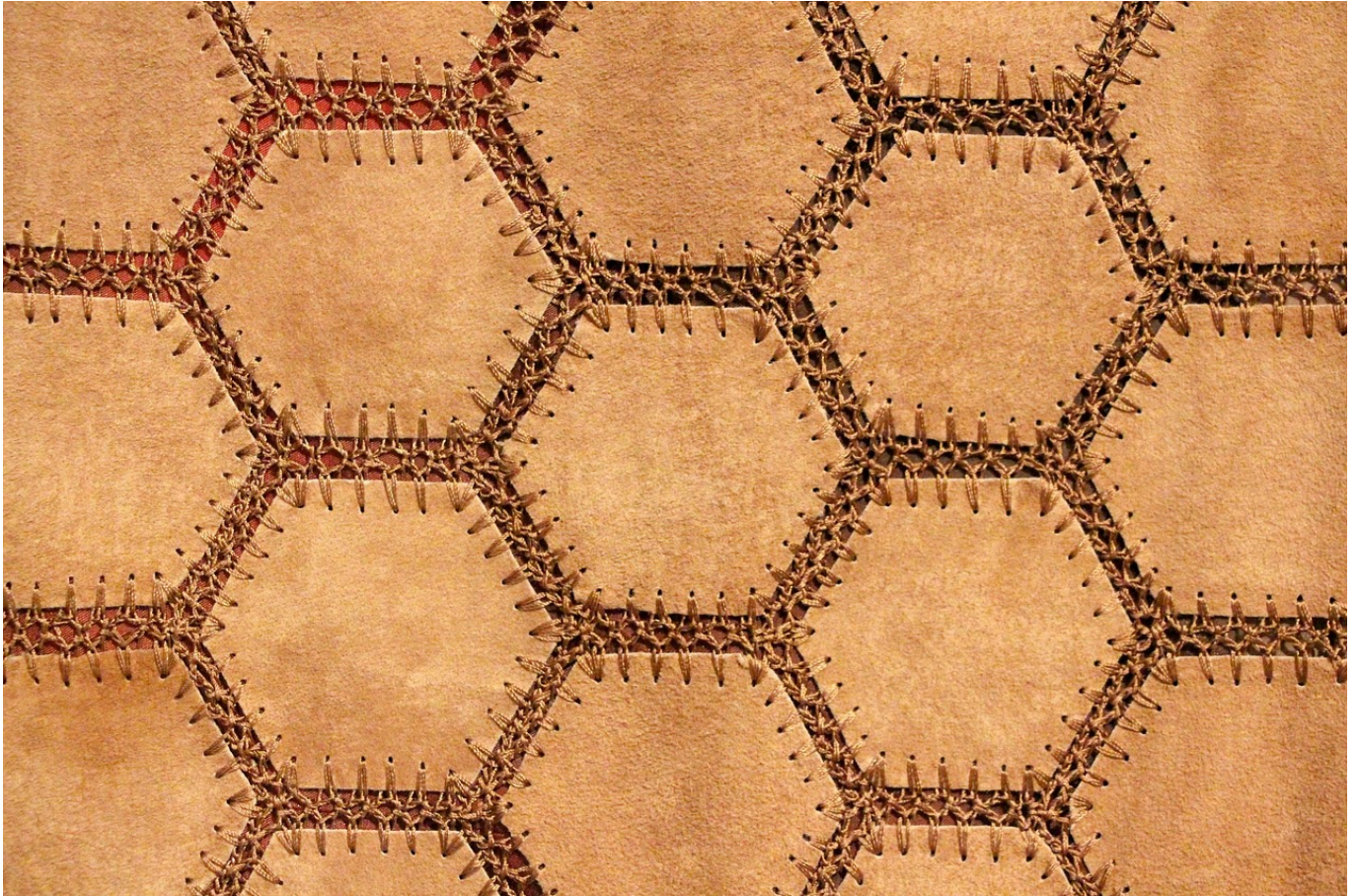


## Tan as a Verb

### Definitions of "Tan" as a verb

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

- *Get a tan, from wind or sun.*
- *(of a person or their skin) become brown or darkened after exposure to the sun.*
- *(of the sun) cause (a person or their skin) to become brown or darkened.*
- *Treat skins and hides with tannic acid so as to convert them into leather.*
- *Beat (someone) repeatedly as a punishment.*
- *Convert (animal skin) into leather by soaking in a liquid containing tannic acid, or by the use of other chemicals.*



## Synonyms of "Tan" as a verb (24 Words)

<b>beat</b>	Indicate by beating as with the fingers or drumsticks. <i>She <b>beat</b> him easily at chess.</i>
<b>become brown</b>	Enter or assume a certain state or condition.
<b>become suntanned</b>	Enter or assume a certain state or condition.
<b>belt</b>	Be fastened with a belt. <i>He was securely <b>belted</b> into the passenger seat.</i>
<b>birch</b>	Beat someone with a bundle of birch twigs as a formal punishment. <i>The school would attempt to <b>birch</b> them into submission.</i>
<b>bronze</b>	Give something a surface of bronze or something resembling bronze. <i><b>Bronze</b> baby shoes.</i>
<b><u>brown</u></b>	Make brown in color. <i>The draught <b>browned</b> the leaves on the trees in the yard.</i>

<b>cane</b>	Beat with a cane. <i>They have <b>canned</b> Essex and Durham in the Championship.</i>
<b>flagellate</b>	Whip. <i>The religious fanatics <b>flagellated</b> themselves.</i>
<b>flail</b>	Move like a flail thresh about. <i>His arms <b>flailed</b> as he sought to maintain his balance.</i>
<b>flay</b>	Strip the skin off. <i>He <b>flayed</b> the government for not moving fast enough on economic reform.</i>
<b>flog</b>	Make one's way with strenuous effort. <i>The teacher often <b>flogged</b> the students.</i>
<b>go brown</b>	Perform as expected when applied.
<b>horsewhip</b>	Beat a person or animal with a horsewhip. <i>She would <b>horsewhip</b> them mercilessly.</i>
<b>lash</b>	Lash or flick about sharply. <i>The hatch was securely <b>lashed</b> down.</i>
<b>leather</b>	Whip with a leather strap. <i>Carlos took his customary 20 metre sprint up to the ball and <b>leathered</b> it.</i>
<b>spank</b>	Give a spanking to subject to a spanking. <i>She was <b>spanked</b> for spilling ink on the carpet.</i>
<b>strap</b>	Tie with a strap. <i>The children were <b>strapped</b> into their car seats.</i>
<b>switch</b>	Beat or flick with or as if with a switch. <i><b>Switch</b> on the light.</i>
<b>take a suntan</b>	Develop a habit.
<b>take a tan</b>	Admit into a group or community.
<b><u>thrash</u></b>	Give a thrashing to beat hard. <i>I <b>thrashed</b> Pete at cards.</i>
<b>wallop</b>	Hit hard. <i>We ll <b>wallop</b> them.</i>
<b>whip</b>	Thrash about flexibly in the manner of a whiplash. <i>The curtain <b>whipped</b> her face.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Tan" as a verb

- *'If Mickey touches a fishing net, I'll tan his hide.*
- *You'll tan very quickly in the pure air.*



- *The sun had already tanned his face golden.*



## Associations of "Tan" (30 Words)

<b>black</b>	A black thing in particular the black ball in snooker. <i>Rory shot her a <b>black</b> look.</i>
<b>blacken</b>	Make or become black. <i>He set light to the paper watching the end <b>blacken</b> as it burned.</i>
<b>blaze</b>	Indicate by marking trees with blazes. <i>Twenty firemen fought the <b>blaze</b>.</i>
<b>burn</b>	Get a sunburn by overexposure to the sun. <i>Exercise does help to <b>burn</b> calories.</i>
<b>char</b>	Material that has been charred. <i>She trimmed the <b>char</b> from the wicks of the oil lamps.</i>
<b>combust</b>	Cause to burn or combust. <i>The oily rags <b>combusted</b> spontaneously.</i>

<b>combustible</b>	A combustible substance. <i>A volatile and <b>combustible</b> personality.</i>
<b>combustion</b>	The act of burning something. <i>The <b>combustion</b> of fossil fuels.</i>
<b>complexion</b>	Give a certain color to. <i>A liberal political <b>complexion</b>.</i>
<b>darken</b>	Make or become angry, unhappy, or gloomy. <i>Misery <b>darkened</b> her gaze.</i>
<b>dusky</b>	Used in names of animals with dark coloration e.g dusky dolphin dusky warbler. <i>Gold earrings gleamed against her <b>dusky</b> cheeks.</i>
<b>fire</b>	Start or maintain a fire in. <i><b>Fire</b> a bullet.</i>
<b>flame</b>	Burn and give off flames. <i>Hope <b>flamed</b> in her.</i>
<b>flammable</b>	Easily set on fire. <i>The use of highly <b>flammable</b> materials.</i>
<b>glow</b>	A strong feeling of pleasure or well-being. <i>The setting sun cast a deep red <b>glow</b> over the city.</i>
<b>ignite</b>	Start or maintain a fire in. <i>Marsh gases <b>ignited</b> suddenly.</i>
<b>incinerate</b>	Destroy (something, especially waste material) by burning. <i>Waste packaging is to be <b>incinerated</b> rather than buried in landfills.</i>
<b>obfuscate</b>	Make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible. <i>The spelling changes will deform some familiar words and <b>obfuscate</b> their etymological origins.</i>
<b>phosphorescence</b>	Light emitted by a substance without combustion or perceptible heat. <i>The stones overhead gleamed with <b>phosphorescence</b>.</i>
<b>scorch</b>	Become scorched or singed under intense heat or dry conditions. <i>The wildfire <b>scorched</b> the forest and several homes.</i>
<b>sear</b>	Burn slightly and superficially so as to affect color. <i>The unfortunate childhood encounter is <b>seared</b> on his memory.</i>
<b>shadow</b>	Envelop in shadow cast a shadow over. <i>The <b>shadow</b> of war fell across Europe.</i>
<b>singe</b>	Burn superficially or lightly. <i>My eyebrows <b>singed</b> when I bent over the flames.</i>

<b>smolder</b>	Have strong suppressed feelings. <i>A <b>smoldering</b> fire.</i>
<b>smoulder</b>	Smoke coming from a smouldering fire. <i>Anna <b>smouldered</b> with indignation.</i>
<b>soot</b>	Cover or clog something with soot. <i>You have previously <b>sooted</b> the underside of their plate by holding it over a candle.</i>
<u><a href="#">sun</a></u>	The light or warmth received from the earth s sun. <i>These herbs suffer when <b>sunned</b>.</i>
<b>sunburn</b>	Be or become affected with sunburn. <i>Those who <b>sunburn</b> easily are most likely to get skin cancer.</i>
<b>swarthy</b>	Naturally having skin of a dark color. <i>A smile on his <b>swarthy</b> face.</i>
<u><a href="#">torch</a></u>	Tall stalked very woolly mullein with densely packed yellow flowers ancient Greeks and Romans dipped the stalks in tallow for funeral torches. <i>The madman <b>torched</b> the barns.</i>

