

Need another word that means the same as “understated”? Find 5 synonyms and 30 related words for “understated” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Understated” are: unostentatious, unpretentious, low-key, muted, subdued**

## Understated as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Understated" as an adjective

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

- *Exhibiting restrained good taste.*
- *Presented or expressed in a subtle and effective way.*

### Synonyms of "Understated" as an adjective (5 Words)

<b>low-key</b>	Restrained in style or quality.
<b>muted</b>	(of colour or lighting) not bright; subdued. <i><b>Muted</b> anger.</i>
<b>subdued</b>	Restrained in style or quality. <i>Children were <b>subdued</b> and silent.</i>
<b>unostentatious</b>	Exhibiting restrained good taste. <i><b>Unostentatious</b> elegance.</i>
<b>unpretentious</b>	Not attempting to impress others with an appearance of greater importance, talent, or culture than is actually possessed. <i>In spite of his fame he was thoroughly <b>unpretentious</b>.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Understated" as an adjective

- *Understated elegance.*
- *The room is pleasant and understated.*

## Associations of "Understated" (30 Words)

<b><u>abate</u></b>	Reduce or remove (a nuisance). <i>The storm <b>abated</b>.</i>
<b><u>curtail</u></b>	Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on. <i>Civil liberties were further <b>curtailed</b>.</i>
<b>decrease</b>	The amount by which something decreases. <i>The rate of <b>decrease</b> became greater.</i>
<b>decrement</b>	A reduction or diminution. <i>The dose was reduced by 10 mg weekly <b>decrements</b>.</i>
<b><u>demote</u></b>	Move (someone) to a lower position or rank, usually as a punishment. <i>She was <b>demoted</b> because she always speaks up.</i>
<b><u>depletion</u></b>	The act of decreasing something markedly. <i>The <b>depletion</b> of the ozone layer.</i>
<b>diminish</b>	Make or become less. <i>The pain will gradually <b>diminish</b>.</i>
<b>diminished</b>	Diminished in size or strength as a result of disease or injury or lack of use. <i>A <b>diminished</b> role for local government.</i>
<b><u>diminution</u></b>	The statement of a theme in notes of lesser duration (usually half the length of the original). <i>The disease shows no signs of <b>diminution</b>.</i>
<b>downgrade</b>	Rate lower; lower in value or esteem. <i>Some jobs had gradually been <b>downgraded</b> from skilled to semi skilled.</i>
<b><u>downplay</u></b>	Understate the importance or quality of. <i>This report <b>downplays</b> the seriousness of global warming.</i>
<b><u>dwindle</u></b>	Become smaller or lose substance. <i>Her savings <b>dwindled</b> down.</i>
<b>extenuate</b>	Lessen or to try to lessen the seriousness or extent of. <i>Even the fact that you once helped to save my life could not <b>extenuate</b> your offence.</i>

<b>lessen</b>	Make smaller. <i>The years have <b>lessened</b> the gap in age between us.</i>
<b>lower</b>	The lower of two berths. <i>The <b>lower</b> levels of the building.</i>
<b>minimize</b>	Reduce (something, especially something undesirable) to the smallest possible amount or degree. <i>They may <b>minimize</b> or even overlook the importance of such beliefs.</i>
<b>palliate</b>	Provide physical relief, as from pain. <i>There is no way to excuse or <b>palliate</b> his dirty deed.</i>
<b>reduce</b>	Reduce in scope while retaining essential elements. <i>The sauce should <b>reduce</b> to one cup.</i>
<b>reducible</b>	(of a polynomial) able to be factorized into two or more polynomials of lower degree. <i>Shakespeare's major soliloquies are not <b>reducible</b> to categories.</i>
<b>reduction</b>	An arrangement of an orchestral score for piano or for a smaller group of performers. <i>We must see if the fracture requires <b>reduction</b>.</i>
<b>retrench</b>	(of an organization or individual) reduce costs or spending in response to economic difficulty. <i>The company had to <b>retrench</b>.</i>
<b>rundown</b>	A concluding summary (as in presenting a case before a law court). <i>A <b>rundown</b> in the business would be a devastating blow to the local economy.</i>
<b>shorten</b>	Make or become shorter. <i>As skirts <b>shortened</b> so heels rose.</i>
<b>shrink</b>	Move back or away, especially because of fear or disgust. <i>Hot water will <b>shrink</b> the sweater.</i>
<b>shrinkage</b>	The act of stealing goods that are on display in a store. <i>The material lost 2 inches per yard in <b>shrinkage</b>.</i>
<b>shrinking</b>	Becoming smaller in size or amount. <i>The <b>shrinking</b> market has provoked a massive price war.</i>
<b>understatement</b>	A statement that is restrained in ironic contrast to what might have been said. <i>A master of English <b>understatement</b>.</i>
<b>undervalue</b>	Underestimate the financial value of (something). <i>The company's assets were <b>undervalued</b> in its balance sheet.</i>
<b>weaken</b>	Destroy property or hinder normal operations. <i>His resistance had <b>weakened</b>.</i>

wince

Make a face indicating disgust or dislike.  
*He **winc**ed at the disgust in her voice.*