

Need another word that means the same as “unobtrusive”? Find 24 synonyms and 30 related words for “unobtrusive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Unobtrusive” are: self-effacing, retiring, unassuming, modest, demure, quiet, meek, humble, inconspicuous, unnoticeable, restrained, subdued, low-key, discreet, circumspect, understated, muted, subtle, unostentatious, unshowy, relaxed, downbeat, out of sight, in the background

Unobtrusive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Unobtrusive" as an adjective

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

- *Not conspicuous or attracting attention.*
- *Not obtrusive or undesirably noticeable.*



Synonyms of "Unobtrusive" as an adjective (24 Words)

circumspect	Heedful of potential consequences. <i>Physicians are now more circumspect about recommending its use.</i>
demure	Reserved, modest, and shy (typically used of a woman). <i>Antonia was pensive and demure.</i>
<u>discreet</u>	Intentionally unobtrusive. <i>A discreet investor.</i>
downbeat	Relaxed and understated. <i>The assessment of the UK's economic prospects is downbeat.</i>
humble	Of low social, administrative, or political rank. <i>Of humble or lowly birth.</i>
in the background	Currently fashionable.
<u>inconspicuous</u>	Not prominent or readily noticeable. <i>An inconspicuous red brick building.</i>

low-key	Restrained in style or quality.
<u>meek</u>	Evidencing little spirit or courage; overly submissive or compliant. <i>Meek as a mouse.</i>
<u>modest</u>	Unassuming in the estimation of one's abilities or achievements. <i>It was a nice wedding necessarily modest.</i>
muted	(of colour or lighting) not bright; subdued. <i>Muted anger.</i>
out of sight	Not allowed to continue to bat or run.
quiet	Expressed in a restrained or understated way. <i>Quiet peace loving people.</i>
relaxed	Without strain or anxiety. <i>Gave the impression of being quite relaxed.</i>
restrained	(of colour, decoration, etc.) not excessively showy or ornate; understated. <i>The head and chest injuries that even restrained drivers can suffer through impact with the steering wheel.</i>
retiring	Not arrogant or presuming. <i>A retiring member of the board.</i>
self-effacing	Reluctant to draw attention to yourself.
subdued	Not brilliant or glaring. <i>Subdued lighting.</i>
<u>subtle</u>	Crafty; cunning. <i>His whole attitude had undergone a subtle change.</i>
<u>unassuming</u>	Not arrogant or presuming. <i>Unassuming to a fault skeptical about the value of his work.</i>
<u>understated</u>	Presented or expressed in a subtle and effective way. <i>Understated elegance.</i>
<u>unnoticeable</u>	Not obtrusive or undesirably noticeable. <i>The reverberation will be so slight as to be unnoticeable.</i>
unostentatious	Exhibiting restrained good taste. <i>He was generous in a quiet unostentatious way.</i>
unshowy	Not showy in appearance or style; restrained or understated. <i>She writes about her parents with deep unshowy affection.</i>



Usage Examples of "Unobtrusive" as an adjective

- *The service was unobtrusive and efficient.*
- *A quiet, unobtrusive life of self-denial.*

Associations of "Unobtrusive" (30 Words)

cagey	Characterized by great caution and wariness. A cagey avoidance of a definite answer.
<u>careful</u>	Full of cares or anxiety. <i>I begged him to be more careful.</i>
concealed	Not accessible to view. A concealed weapon.
<u>covered</u>	Overlaid or spread or topped with or enclosed within something; sometimes used as a combining form. A covered balcony.

dumb	Make dumb or unheard silence. <i>A dumb question.</i>
<u>hidden</u>	Kept out of sight; concealed. <i>Her hidden feelings.</i>
hide	Be or go into hiding; keep out of sight, as for protection and safety. <i>Hide the money.</i>
inarticulate	Unable to express one's ideas or feelings clearly or easily. <i>Mention of her mother filled her with inarticulate irritation.</i>
inaudible	Unable to be heard. <i>Inaudible pulses of high frequency sound.</i>
incommunicado	Not able, wanting, or allowed to communicate with other people. <i>They were separated and detained incommunicado.</i>
<u>inconspicuous</u>	Not clearly visible or attracting attention. <i>He pushed the string through an inconspicuous hole.</i>
<u>invisible</u>	Invisible exports and imports. <i>Before 1971 women artists were pretty well invisible.</i>
modesty	Behaviour, manner, or appearance intended to avoid impropriety or indecency. <i>Modesty forbade her to undress in front of so many people.</i>
mute	Muffle the sound of a musical instrument especially by the use of a mute. <i>Harry sat mute his cheeks burning resentfully.</i>
muted	(of colour or lighting) not bright; subdued. <i>A dress in muted tones of powder blue and dusty pink.</i>
<u>obscure</u>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>The distinction was obscured.</i>
quiet	With little or no activity or no agitation quiet is a nonstandard variant for quietly. <i>The factions remained quiet for almost 10 years.</i>
reticence	The quality of being reticent; reserve. <i>The traditional emotional reticence of the British.</i>
<u>reticent</u>	Reluctant to draw attention to yourself. <i>She was extremely reticent about her personal affairs.</i>
<u>secrecy</u>	The trait of keeping things secret. <i>The bidding is conducted in secrecy.</i>
<u>silent</u>	Implied by or inferred from actions or statements. <i>The silent h at the beginning of honor.</i>

speechless	Temporarily incapable of speaking. <i>He was speechless with rage.</i>
sucker	Of a plant produce suckers. <i>The suckers run along each tentacle.</i>
tacit	Implied by or inferred from actions or statements. <i>Your silence may be taken to mean tacit agreement.</i>
uncharacteristically	In a way that is not typical of a particular person or thing. <i>He hesitated uncharacteristically.</i>
undistinguished	Not special in any way; lacking distinction. <i>An undistinguished career.</i>
unnoticeable	Not drawing attention. <i>Her clothes were simple and unnoticeable.</i>
unseen	An unseen passage for translation. <i>Unseen forces at work.</i>
unutterable	Defying expression or description. <i>Moments of unutterable grief.</i>
wordless	Expressed without speech- Emily Dickinson- Thomas Wolfe. <i>A sort of wordless communication had developed.</i>