

Need another word that means the same as “wander”? Find 64 synonyms and 30 related words for “wander” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Wander” are: cast, drift, ramble, range, roam, roll, rove, stray, swan, tramp, vagabond, meander, thread, weave, wind, betray, cheat, cheat on, cuckold, digress, divagate, stroll, amble, saunter, walk, dawdle, potter, maunder, travelling, roaming, journeying, drifting, voyaging, touring, twist, turn, curve, zigzag, bend, snake, worm, depart, diverge, veer, swerve, deviate, vary, get separated, get sidetracked, go wool-gathering, get lost, lose one's way, go off course, lose one's bearings, go astray, go off at a tangent

Wander as a Noun

Definitions of "Wander" as a noun

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

- *An act or instance of wandering.*



Synonyms of "Wander" as a noun (8 Words)

- amble** A walk at a slow, relaxed pace, especially for pleasure.
*A peaceful riverside **amble**.*
- meander** An indirect or aimless journey.
*The river flows in sweeping **meanders**.*
- potter** A craftsman who shapes pottery on a potter's wheel and bakes them in a kiln.
*An afternoon's **potter** through the rooms and possessions of the rich.*
- ramble** An aimless amble on a winding course.
- roam** An aimless walk.
*Did you get to explore the city or have a **roam** around Bath.*
- saunter** A leisurely walk (usually in some public place).
*He walked with a kind of **saunter** as if he hadn't a care in the world.*
- stroll** A leisurely walk (usually in some public place).
*We took a **stroll** in the garden.*

walk

The act of walking somewhere.

*The street lamps illuminated the riverside **walk**.*



Usage Examples of "Wander" as a noun

- *She'd go on wanders like that in her nightgown.*



Wander as a Verb

Definitions of "Wander" as a verb

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

- *Travel aimlessly through or over (an area).*
- *Move slowly away from a fixed point or place.*
- *Be sexually unfaithful to one's partner in marriage.*
- *Walk or move in a leisurely or aimless way.*
- *To move or cause to move in a sinuous, spiral, or circular course.*
- *(of a road or river) meander.*
- *Lose clarity or turn aside especially from the main subject of attention or course of argument in writing, thinking, or speaking.*
- *Be unfaithful to one's regular sexual partner.*
- *Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment.*

- *Go via an indirect route or at no set pace.*



Synonyms of "Wander" as a verb (56 Words)

amble	Walk or move at a slow, relaxed pace. <i>They ambled along the riverbank.</i>
bend	Bend a joint. <i>Bend the rod.</i>
betray	Deliver to an enemy by treachery. <i>Her smile betrayed her true feelings.</i>
cast	Make a moulded object by casting metal. <i>Lemmings cast themselves off the cliff.</i>
cheat	Act dishonestly or unfairly in order to gain an advantage. <i>She cheats on her husband.</i>
cheat on	Defeat someone through trickery or deceit.

cuckold	Of a man make another man a cuckold by having a sexual relationship with his wife. <i>In the novel Humberto cuckolds his employer.</i>
curve	Form or cause to form a curve. <i>The road curved sharply.</i>
dawdle	Move slowly and idly in a particular direction. <i>She mustn't dawdle she had to make the call now.</i>
depart	Wander from a direct or straight course. <i>They departed for Germany.</i>
deviate	Cause to turn away from a previous or expected course. <i>The river was deviated to prevent flooding.</i>
digress	Wander from a direct or straight course. <i>Don't digress when you give a lecture.</i>
divagate	Stray or digress. <i>Yeats divagated into Virgil's territory only once.</i>
diverge	Depart from (a set course or standard). <i>The lines start to diverge here.</i>
drift	Move in an unhurried fashion. <i>The stock market drifted upward.</i>
drifting	Drive slowly and far afield for grazing.
get lost	Give certain properties to something.
get separated	Cause to do; cause to act in a specified manner.
get sidetracked	Cause to do; cause to act in a specified manner.
go astray	Follow a procedure or take a course.
go off at a tangent	Be sounded, played, or expressed.
go off course	Continue to live through hardship or adversity.
go wool-gathering	Be or continue to be in a certain condition.
journeying	Travel upon or across.
lose one's bearings	Retreat.
lose one's way	Fail to perceive or to catch with the senses or the mind.
maunder	Talk indistinctly; usually in a low voice. <i>Dennis maundered on about the wine.</i>
meander	(of language, thought, etc.) proceed aimlessly or with little purpose. <i>A river that meandered gently through a meadow.</i>
potter	Work lightly. <i>I'm quite happy just to potter about by myself here.</i>

ramble	Continue talking or writing in a desultory manner. <i>Willy rambled on about Norman archways.</i>
range	Obtain the range of a target by adjustment after firing past it or short of it or by the use of radar or laser equipment. <i>Japan ranged herself against the European nations.</i>
roam	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment. <i>He let his eyes roam her face.</i>
roaming	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment.
roll	Flatten something by passing a roller over it or by passing it between rollers. <i>Huge tears rolled down her cheeks.</i>
rove	(of a person's eyes) look in changing directions in order to see something thoroughly. <i>The policeman's eyes roved around the pub.</i>
<u>saunter</u>	Walk leisurely and with no apparent aim. <i>Adam sauntered into the room.</i>
snake	Form a snake like pattern. <i>The river snakes through the valley.</i>
<u>stray</u>	Wander from a direct course or at random. <i>The military arrested anyone who strayed into the exclusion zone.</i>
<u>stroll</u>	Walk leisurely and with no apparent aim. <i>I strolled around the city.</i>
swan	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment. <i>Swanning around Europe nowadays are we.</i>
swerve	Change or cause to change direction abruptly. <i>O Hara swerved the motorcycle round the corner.</i>
<u>thread</u>	Pass a thread through. <i>She had her eyebrows threaded.</i>
touring	Make a tour of a certain place.
travelling	Travel upon or across.
turn	To break and turn over earth especially with a plow. <i>Turn a page of a book.</i>
<u>twist</u>	Form into twists. <i>The cord is all twisted.</i>

vagabond	Wander about as or like a vagabond. <i>Roving vagabonds.</i>
vary	Differ in size, amount, degree, or nature from something else of the same general class. <i>The properties vary in price.</i>
veer	(of the wind) change direction clockwise around the points of the compass. <i>An oil tanker that had veered off course.</i>
voyaging	Travel on water propelled by wind or by other means.
walk	Allow or enable a batter to walk. <i>We walked instead of driving.</i>
weave	Interlace by or as if by weaving. <i>Some thick mohairs can be difficult to weave.</i>
wind	Catch the scent of get wind of. <i>Paddy s wife handed him their six month old daughter to be winded.</i>
worm	Treat an animal with a preparation designed to expel parasitic worms. <i>I wormed my right hand between my body and the earth.</i>
zigzag	Travel along a zigzag path. <i>The river zigzags through the countryside.</i>



Usage Examples of "Wander" as a verb

- *He found her wandering the streets.*
- *Sometimes, the gout wanders through the entire body.*
- *Please don't wander off again.*
- *After dinner, we wandered into town.*
- *The narrow road wanders along the foreshore.*
- *He had married her and he was not going to be allowed to wander.*
- *Her mind wanders.*
- *His attention had wandered.*
- *Might her husband be wandering?*
- *I wandered through the narrow streets.*
- *The wandering Jew.*



Associations of "Wander" (30 Words)

aimlessly	Without purpose or direction. <i>We wandered aimlessly round Venice.</i>
amble	Walk leisurely. <i>A peaceful riverside amble.</i>
ambulate	Walk; move about. <i>People who make use of crutches to ambulate.</i>
divagation	A turning aside (of your course or attention or concern.
<u>drift</u>	Cause to be carried by a current. <i>Snow drifting several feet high.</i>
<u>feral</u>	Wild and menacing. <i>We expected bearded ferals chaining themselves to trees in protest.</i>
flit	Move swiftly and lightly. <i>The hummingbird flitted among the branches.</i>
flotsam	People or things that have been rejected or discarded as worthless. <i>The room was cleared of boxes and other flotsam.</i>
gad	Go from place to place in the pursuit of pleasure. <i>He had heard that I was gadding about with an airline stewardess.</i>
gallivant	Go around from one place to another in the pursuit of pleasure or entertainment. <i>She quit her job to go gallivanting around the globe.</i>
<u>nomad</u>	A person who does not stay long in the same place; a wanderer. <i>The Magyars were a nomad people of the steppes.</i>
nomadic	Living the life of a nomad; wandering. <i>The nomadic habits of the Bedouins.</i>
peripatetic	Of or relating to Aristotle or his philosophy. <i>Peripatetic country preachers.</i>
plod	Walk heavily and firmly, as when weary, or through mud. <i>A bunch of plods arrived offering me a lift to the cop shop.</i>
promenade	Take a promenade through a place. <i>The governor of Utah promenades the daughter of the Maryland governor.</i>
ramble	Continue talking or writing in a desultory manner. <i>As a boy I rambled the fells around Dent.</i>
<u>rambling</u>	Of a path e.g. <i>A rambling man.</i>

roam	Travel unsystematically over, through, or about (a place). <i>Gangs of youths roamed the streets unopposed.</i>
rove	Travel constantly without a fixed destination; wander. <i>The policeman s eyes roved around the pub.</i>
<u>saunter</u>	A leisurely walk (usually in some public place). <i>A quiet saunter down the road.</i>
sidetrack	A railway branch line or siding. <i>The effort at reform has been sidetracked for years.</i>
<u>stray</u>	A stray person or thing especially a domestic animal. <i>She was killed by a stray bullet.</i>
<u>stroll</u>	Achieve a sporting victory without effort. <i>We took a stroll in the garden.</i>
trudge	A difficult or laborious walk. <i>I trudged up the stairs.</i>
vagabond	Wander about as or like a vagabond. <i>Pirate ships were vagabonds of the sea.</i>
<u>vagrant</u>	Relating to or living the life of a vagrant. <i>Vagrant whales.</i>
wanderer	A computer program that prowls the internet looking for publicly accessible resources that can be added to a database; the database can then be searched with a search engine. <i>He is a longtime seaman a rootless wanderer.</i>
wandering	Travelling aimlessly from place to place; itinerant. <i>Wandering tribes.</i>

