

Need another word that means the same as “whimsical”? Find 34 synonyms and 30 related words for “whimsical” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Whimsical” are: capricious, impulsive, fanciful, playful, mischievous, waggish, quaint, fantastic, unusual, curious, droll, volatile, temperamental, excitable, fickle, changeable, unpredictable, variable, erratic, quicksilver, mercurial, mutable, inconstant, inconsistent, unstable, unsteady, fluctuating, ever-changing, protean, kaleidoscopic, fluid, wavering, vacillating, wayward

Whimsical as an Adjective

Definitions of "Whimsical" as an adjective

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

- *Acting or behaving in a capricious manner.*
- *Playfully quaint or fanciful, especially in an appealing and amusing way.*
- *Determined by chance or impulse or whim rather than by necessity or reason.*



Synonyms of "Whimsical" as an adjective (34 Words)

<u>capricious</u>	Given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour. <i>Authoritarian rulers are frequently capricious.</i>
changeable	Capable of or tending to change in form or quality or nature. <i>The weather will be changeable with rain at times.</i>
curious	Eager to know or learn something. <i>I began to be curious about the whereabouts of the bride and groom.</i>
droll	Curious or unusual in a way that provokes dry amusement. <i>A droll little man with a quiet tongue in cheek kind of humor.</i>
<u>erratic</u>	Not even or regular in pattern or movement; unpredictable. <i>Her breathing was erratic.</i>
ever-changing	Marked by continuous change or effective action.
<u>excitable</u>	Easily excited. <i>These alkaloids act on nerve cells to make them more excitable.</i>

fanciful	Highly ornamental or imaginative in design. <i>A fanciful Art Nouveau bar.</i>
fantastic	(of an object) seeming more appropriate to the imagination than to reality; strange or exotic. <i>A fantastic idea of his own importance.</i>
fickle	Changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections. <i>Fickle weather.</i>
fluctuating	Rising and falling irregularly in number or amount. <i>Fluctuating prices.</i>
fluid	Characteristic of a fluid capable of flowing and easily changing shape. <i>Her movements were fluid and beautiful to watch.</i>
impulsive	Having the power of driving or impelling. <i>An impulsive force.</i>
inconsistent	Not capable of being made consistent or harmonious. <i>He had done nothing inconsistent with his morality.</i>
inconstant	Likely to change frequently often without apparent or cogent reason; variable- Shakespeare. <i>The exact dimensions aren't easily measured since they are inconstant.</i>
kaleidoscopic	Made up of a complex mix of elements; multifaceted. <i>A kaleidoscopic range of topics.</i>
mercurial	Relating to or containing or caused by mercury. <i>His mercurial temperament.</i>
mischievous	Naughtily or annoyingly playful. <i>A mischievous allegation for which there is not a shred of evidence.</i>
mutable	Capable of or tending to change in form or quality or nature. <i>The mutable nature of fashion.</i>
playful	Intended for one's own or others' amusement rather than seriously. <i>The ballet accents the playful use of movement.</i>
protean	Able to do many different things; versatile. <i>It is difficult to comprehend the whole of this protean subject.</i>
quaint	Very strange or unusual; odd or even incongruous in character or appearance. <i>The head terminating in the quaint duck bill which gives the animal its vernacular name.</i>
quicksilver	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. <i>A quicksilver character cool and willful at one moment utterly fragile the next.</i>

temperamental	Subject to sharply varying moods. A temperamental engine that had a way of conking out when put in gear.
unpredictable	Unknown in advance. The unpredictable weather of the Scottish islands.
unstable	Prone to psychiatric problems or sudden changes of mood. His rather unstable religious convictions.
unsteady	Subject to change or variation. He was very unsteady on his feet.
unusual	Not habitually or commonly occurring or done. A man of unusual talent.
vacillating	Uncertain in purpose or action. He was accused of vacillating leadership.
variable	(used of a device) designed so that a property (as e.g. light) can be varied. The drill has variable speed.
volatile	(of a computer's memory) retaining data only as long as there is a power supply connected. The political situation was becoming more volatile .
waggish	Witty or joking. A waggish riposte.
wavering	Undecided between two opinions or courses of action. She gave a wavering smile.
wayward	Difficult to control or predict because of wilful or perverse behaviour. A wayward adolescent.



Usage Examples of "Whimsical" as an adjective

- *The victim of whimsical persecutions.*
- *A whimsical sense of humour.*
- *The whimsical arbitrariness of autocracy.*



Associations of "Whimsical" (30 Words)

- amusing** Causing laughter and providing entertainment.
*An **amusing** fellow.*
- arbitrary** Based on random choice or personal whim, rather than any reason or system.
*A country under **arbitrary** government.*
- badinage** Humorous or witty conversation.
*He developed a nice line in **badinage** with the Labour leader.*
- banter** Exchange remarks in a good-humoured teasing way.
*The men **bantered** with the waitresses.*
- comic** A periodical containing comic strips intended chiefly for children.
*A **comic** actor.*
- droll** Curious or unusual in a way that provokes dry amusement.
*A **droll** little man with a quiet tongue in cheek kind of humor.*

facetious	Cleverly amusing in tone. <i>Facetious remarks.</i>
fun	A source of fun. <i>She asked for money and then the fun began.</i>
funny	Slightly but undefinably unwell. <i>There was something funny going on.</i>
hilarious	Extremely amusing. <i>Hilarious broad comedy.</i>
humor	The trait of appreciating and being able to express the humorous. <i>The humors are blood and phlegm and yellow and black bile.</i>
humorous	Full of or characterized by humor. <i>His humorous grey eyes.</i>
humour	The ability to express humour or amuse other people. <i>Her good humour vanished.</i>
jest	An object of derision. <i>He laughed unpleasantly at his own jest.</i>
jesting	Said or done for amusement; joking. <i>Laughing and jesting were out of the question.</i>
jocose	Playful or humorous. <i>A jocose allusion.</i>
jocular	With humor. <i>They tried to deal with this painful subject jocularly.</i>
joke	Tell a joke speak humorously. <i>Public transport is a joke.</i>
laugh	An act of laughing. <i>His face wrinkled in a silent laugh of derision.</i>
mischievous	Naughtily or annoyingly playful. <i>Mischievous rumors and falsehoods.</i>
offbeat	Informal terms; strikingly unconventional. <i>The horns come in full force on the offbeats.</i>
playful	Giving or expressing pleasure and amusement. <i>The ballet accents the playful use of movement.</i>
pleasure	Give sexual enjoyment or satisfaction to. <i>The car makes driving in the city a pleasure.</i>
puckish	Naughtily or annoyingly playful. <i>A puckish sense of humour.</i>

- quirky** Informal terms; strikingly unconventional.
*Her sense of humour was decidedly **quirky**.*
- repartee** Conversation or speech characterized by quick, witty comments or replies.
*He had a quick mind and a splendid gift of **repartee**.*
- slapstick** A boisterous comedy with chases and collisions and practical jokes.
***Slapstick** style of humor.*
- waggish** Humorous in a playful, mischievous, or facetious manner.
*A **waggish** riposte.*
- witticism** A witty remark.
*Maurice roared with laughter at his own **witticisms**.*
- witty** Combining clever conception and facetious expression.
*His sermons were unpredictably **witty** and satirical as well as eloquent.*

