

spartan**spar·tan** *BrE* ['spɑːtɪn] *NAmE* ['spɑːrtɪn] **adjective**

(of conditions) simple or severe; lacking anything that makes life easier or more pleasant

- the spartan life of the training camp
- The hotel room was somewhat spartan.

Opp: †luxuriousWord Origin:[**spartan**] mid 17th cent.: from **Spartan**, because the inhabitants of Sparta were traditionally held to be indifferent to comfort or luxury.**spartan**

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spartan conditions or ways of living are simple and without any comfort:

- spartan accommodation
- a spartan existence

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- **plain** without anything added, or without decoration: a plain shirt | The fireplace was plain apart from a small design at the top.
- **simple** not having a lot of decoration or unnecessary things, but attractive: She was wearing a simple black dress. | The accommodation is simple but clean.
- **austere** very plain and with very little decoration, or very little in it – used about a room or place that does not make you feel welcome: He dreaded having dinner in that austere dining room. | The building was grey and a little austere. | the austere beauty and grandeur of mountain scenery
- **spartan** plain and without anything that would make life easier or more comfortable – used especially about rooms, conditions, or ways of living: Her apartment is quite spartan. | They had a very spartan life.
- **stark** very plain in a surprising way, with very little colour or decoration – used about rooms and places: Sam sat looking at the stark white walls. | It is a landscape of stark beauty.
- **bare** empty, or not covered by any decorations: Her office seemed very bare now that her desk had gone. | He was tired of looking at the bare walls of his prison cell.

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