

obstinate

[ˈɒbstɪnət] *a*

- настойчивый, упорный; упрямый, не поддающийся (*убеждению, просьбам*); не прислушивающийся (*к доводам*)
 obstinate efforts - постоянные /настойчивые/ усилия
 obstinate fight - упорная борьба
 obstinate resistance - упрямое /упорное/ сопротивление
 obstinate as a mule - упрямый как осёл
- трудно контролируемый, едва сдерживаемый
 the obstinate growth of weeds - буйный рост сорняков (*с которыми невозможно бороться*)
- трудноизлечимый (*о болезни*)
 obstinate sleeplessness - стойкая бессонница

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

ob-stin-ate *BrE* [ˈɒbstɪnət] ^a *NAmE* [ˈɑːbstɪnət] ^a **adjective**

1. (often disapproving) refusing to change your opinions, way of behaving etc. when other people try to persuade you to; behaviour that shows this

Syn: ↑stubborn

- He can be very obstinate when he wants to be!
- her obstinate refusal to comply with their request

2. usually before noun difficult to get rid of or deal with

Syn: ↑stubborn

- the obstinate problem of unemployment
- an obstinate stain

Derived Words ↑obstinacy ▪ ↑obstinately

Word Origin:

[**obstinacy obstinate obstinately**] Middle English: from Latin *obstinatus*, past participle of *obstinare* ‘persist’.

Example Bank:

- Their position remains one of obstinate denial, even in face of the new evidence.

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ob-sti-nate /ˈɒbstənət, ˈɒbstɪnət \$ ˈɑːb- *BrE* ^a *AmE* ^a **adjective**

[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** past participle of *obstinare* ‘to be determined’]

1. determined not to change your ideas, behaviour, opinions etc, even when other people think you are being unreasonable **SYN**

stubborn:

- He was the most obstinate man I’ve ever met.
- Don’t be so obstinate!
- an obstinate refusal to obey

2. [only before noun] *British English* difficult to deal with or get rid of:

- obstinate stains
- a complex and obstinate issue

—**obstinately** *adverb*

—**obstinacy** *noun* [uncountable]

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- **stubborn** refusing to change your mind, even when people think you are wrong or are being unreasonable: Dave can be really stubborn once he’s made up his mind. | a stubborn old man
- **obstinate** very stubborn, in way that is annoying and unreasonable: I have never met anyone so obstinate. | his obstinate refusal to compromise
- **pig-headed** *informal* refusing to change your mind, even when people think that what you want to do is stupid: I told her she was making a big mistake but she was too pig-headed to listen. | I wish you’d stop being so pig-headed!
- **headstrong** very determined to do what you want, often without thinking about the results of your actions – used especially about young people: As a girl, she had been lively and headstrong. | the headstrong impulsiveness of youth
- **wilful** *British English* (also **willful** *American English*) doing what you want, even after you have been told to stop, or when you know that it is wrong – used especially about children: He was a spoiled and wilful child, who always got his own way. | She was passionate and wilful – exactly the sort of creature a man ought to avoid.
- **ornery** *American English* behaving in an unreasonable and often angry way, especially by doing the opposite of what people want you to do: an ornery kid | Teenagers can be ornery and rude.

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