

lovely1. ['lʌvli] *n разг.*

красотка

filmdom lovelies - красотки экрана

come here, my lovely! - иди сюда, красавица!

2. ['lʌvli] *a*

1. красивый, очаровательный, привлекательный

lovely woman - обаятельная женщина

lovely flowers - прелестные цветы

2. *разг.* восхитительный, очаровательный, приятный

lovely melody - чудесная мелодия

lovely scent - дивный запах

lovely view [sunset] - восхитительный вид [закат]

to have a lovely time - весело /приятно/ провести время

3. прекрасный (*духовно*)

lovely character - возвышенный характер

4. в *грам. знач.* междометия замечательно, отлично**lovely**

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love-ly [**lovely** **lovelies**] **adjective, noun** BrE ['lʌvli] ^ˈ NAmE ['lʌvli] ^ˈ**adjective** (**love-lier**, **love-li-est**) You can also use **more lovely** and **most lovely**. (especially BrE)

1. beautiful; attractive

• lovely countryside/eyes/flowers

• She **looked** particularly **lovely** that night.

• He has a lovely voice.

2. (*informal*) very enjoyable and pleasant; wonderful

• 'Can I get you anything?' 'A cup of tea would be lovely.'

• What a lovely surprise!

• How lovely to see you!

• Isn't it a lovely day?

• We've had a lovely time.

• It's a lovely old farm.

• It's been lovely having you here.

• (*ironic*) You've got yourself into a lovely mess, haven't you?3. (*informal*) (*of a person*) very kind, generous and friendly• Her mother was a lovely woman. **Very lovely** is not very common and is only used about the physical appearance of a person or thing.Word Origin:

Old English luflic (see ↑love, ↑-ly).

Thesaurus:**lovely** *adj.*

1. (especially BrE)

• We walked through lovely countryside.

beautiful • **attractive** • **pretty** • **scenic** • **picturesque** • **charming** • **exquisite** •**Opp:** horriblea/an lovely/beautiful/attractive/pretty/picturesque/charming **place/town/village**a/an lovely/beautiful/attractive/scenic/picturesque/charming/exquisite **setting/view**lovely/beautiful/attractive/picturesque **countryside/scenery/surroundings****Lovely or beautiful?** Something that is **lovely** always has a warm quality that appeals not only to the eyes but also to the heart; **beautiful** things often have this quality, but they do not have to:

• The designs were pure, austere and coldly beautiful.

✗ The designs were pure, austere and coldly lovely.

2. (especially BrE)

• She was looking lovely.

beautiful • **pretty** • **attractive** • **good-looking** • **striking** • |*informal* **gorgeous** • **stunning** • |*especially AmE, informal* **cute** •**Opp:** horrible, **Opp:** uglya/an lovely/beautiful/pretty/attractive/good-looking/striking/gorgeous/stunning/cute **girl/woman**a/an lovely/beautiful/pretty/attractive/good-looking/striking/cute **face**a/an lovely/beautiful/attractive/gorgeous/cute **body**

3. (especially BrE, especially spoken)

• We had a lovely day.

wonderful • **delightful** • **enjoyable** • |BrE, especially spoken **marvellous** • |AmE, especially spoken **marvelous** • |literary **delicious** •**Opp:** horriblea lovely/wonderful/delightful/marvellous/delicious **feeling/sensation**(a) lovely/wonderful/delightful/marvellous **experience /time/place/scenery/weather**

It's lovely/wonderful/marvellous to **be/feel/find/know/have/see...**

Lovely, wonderful or delightful? **Lovely** is the most frequent in British, spoken English. In American English **wonderful** is the most frequent, both written and spoken. **Delightful** is used mostly to talk about times, events and places.

4. (especially BrE, especially spoken)

• Her mother's a lovely woman.

wonderful • **charming** • **pleasant** • **friendly** • **kind** • **lovable** • **charismatic** • **engaging** • |especially BrE **likeable**

• |especially AmE **likable** • |especially spoken **nice** • **sweet** •

Opp: horrible

a lovely/wonderful/charming/pleasant/friendly/kind/lovable/charismatic/engaging/likeable/nice/sweet **man**

a lovely/wonderful/charming/pleasant/friendly/kind/lovable/engaging/likeable/nice/sweet **person**

a lovely/wonderful/charming/pleasant/friendly/kind/engaging/kind/nice/sweet **woman**

Synonyms:

beautiful

pretty • handsome • attractive • lovely • good-looking • gorgeous

These words all describe people who are pleasant to look at.

beautiful • (especially of a woman or girl) very pleasant to look at: ▪ She looked stunningly beautiful that night.

pretty • (especially of a girl or woman) pleasant to look at: ▪ She's got a very pretty face.

Pretty is used most often to talk about girls. When it is used to talk about a woman, it usually suggests that she is like a girl, with small, delicate features.

handsome • (of a man) pleasant to look at; (of a woman) pleasant to look at, with large strong features rather than small delicate ones: ▪ He was described as 'tall, dark and handsome'.

attractive • (of a person) pleasant to look at, especially in a sexual way: ▪ She's a very attractive woman.

lovely • (of a person) beautiful; very attractive: ▪ She looked particularly lovely that night.

When you describe sb as **lovely**, you are usually showing that you also have a strong feeling of affection for them.

good-looking • (of a person) pleasant to look at, often in a sexual way: ▪ She arrived with a very good-looking man.

gorgeous • (informal) (of a person) extremely attractive, especially in a sexual way: ▪ You look gorgeous!

attractive or good-looking?

If you describe sb as **attractive** you often also mean that they have a pleasant personality as well as being pleasant to look at;

good-looking just describes sb's physical appearance.

a(n) beautiful/pretty/handsome/attractive/lovely/good-looking/gorgeous **girl/woman**

a(n) beautiful/handsome/attractive/good-looking/gorgeous **boy/man**

a(n) beautiful/pretty/handsome/attractive/lovely/good-looking **face**

Synonyms:

wonderful

lovely • delightful

These words all describe an experience, feeling or sight that gives you great pleasure.

wonderful • that you enjoy very much; that gives you great pleasure; extremely good: ▪ We had a wonderful time last night. ◇

The weather was absolutely wonderful

lovely • (rather informal, especially BrE) that you enjoy very much; that gives you great pleasure; very attractive: ▪ What a lovely day! ▪ (= the weather is very good) ◇ ▪ It's been lovely having you here.

delightful • that gives you great pleasure; very attractive: ▪ a delightful little fishing village

wonderful, lovely or delightful?

All these words can describe times, events, places, sights, feelings and the weather. **Wonderful** can also describe a chance or ability. **Lovely** is the most frequent in spoken British English, but in North American English **wonderful** is the most frequent, both spoken and written. **Delightful** is used especially to talk about times, events and places.

wonderful/lovely/delightful **weather /views/scenery**

It's wonderful/lovely to **be/feel/find/have/know/see...**

It would be wonderful/lovely/delightful **if...**

It's wonderful/lovely **that...**

That **sounds** wonderful/lovely/delightful.

really/quite/absolutely wonderful/lovely/delightful

Example Bank:

- She looked really lovely in the blue dress.
- She's got an absolutely lovely face.
- The cool water felt lovely after being in the hot sun.
- Your idea of a day on the beach sounds lovely.
- a hauntingly lovely melody
- It was a lovely evening— calm and still.
- It's a lovely old farmhouse.
- It's been lovely having you here.
- It's lovely and warm in here.
- We had a lovely day.
- We travelled through some lovely countryside.
- You've got lovely eyes.
- You've got yourself into a lovely mess, haven't you?
- a lovely cool drink

Idiom: lovely and warm/cold/quiet

noun (pl. **love-lies**) (old-fashioned)

a beautiful woman

Word Origin:

Old English luflic (see ↑love, ↑-ly).

lovely

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love /lɪ/ **S1 W3** /'lʌvli/ **BrE** [Ⓜ] **AmE** [Ⓜ] **adjective** (comparative **lovelier**, superlative **loveliest**)

[**Word Family:** **adjective:** ↑lovable ≠UNLOVABLE, ↑loveless, ↑lovely, ↑loving, ↑unloved; **noun:** ↑love, ↑lover, loveliness., ↑lovey; **verb:** ↑love; **adverb:** ↑lovingly]

1. especially British English beautiful or attractive:

- She had a lovely face.
- What a lovely house!
- You look lovely in that dress.
- He was a lovely little boy.
- What a lovely day!

2. spoken especially British English very pleasant, enjoyable, or good:

- Thank you for a lovely evening.
- That was a lovely cup of tea.

3. informal especially British English friendly and pleasant:

- Richard's a lovely person.

4. British English spoken used to say that something is not at all enjoyable or good:

- 'The cat threw up all over the carpet!' 'Lovely!'
- You've made a lovely mess in here.

5. lovely and warm/fresh/clean etc British English spoken used to emphasize how good something is:

- This bread's lovely and fresh.

6. British English spoken used to show that you are pleased with something:

- Push it right across. That's it, lovely.

—**loveliness** **noun** [uncountable]

lovely

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