

lover

- [ˈlʌvə] *n*
- 1) любитель
lover of pictures [horses, music] - любитель картин [лошадей, музыки]
 - 2) приверженец
lovers of peace - сторонники мира
lovers of liberty - свободолюбивые люди /народы/
lover of good food - гурман
he is an animal lover - он обожает животных
 2. 1) любовник; *редк.* любовница
2) возлюбленный; *редк.* возлюбленная
3) *pl* влюблённые, влюблённая парочка
happy lovers - счастливая парочка
they became lovers - они сошлись /сблизились, вступили в связь/
 3. *редк.* друг, доброжелатель
your true lover - ваш верный друг (в конце письма)
◇ a lovers' quarrel - ≅ милые бранятся, только тешатся

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lover [lover lovers] *BrE* [ˈlʌvə(r)] *AmE* [ˈlʌvər] *noun*

1. a partner in a sexual relationship outside marriage
 - He denied that he was her lover.
 - We were lovers for several years.
 - The park was full of young lovers holding hands.
2. (often in compounds) a person who likes or enjoys a particular thing
 - a lover of music
 - an art-lover
 - a nature-lover

Thesaurus:

lover *noun*

1. *C*

- He denied that they were lovers.

mistress • **partner** • **girlfriend** • **boyfriend** • **concubine** • **gigolo** •

have a lover/mistress/partner/girlfriend/boyfriend/concubine

be sb's lover/mistress/partner/girlfriend/boyfriend/concubine/gigolo

Lover or mistress? A **lover** can be male or female, but a **mistress** can only be a woman. **Mistress** is rather old-fashioned and is often used to describe the partners of powerful men

- Charles II fathered eight sons by his five mistresses.

2. *C*

- She was a great lover of opera

fan • **enthusiast** • **admirer** • **devotee** • |sometimes disapproving **fanatic** •

a **great** lover/fan/enthusiast/admirer

a **music/art/jazz** lover/fan/enthusiast/devotee/fanatic

Example Bank:

- It was common for upper-class women to take lovers.
- She was shot by her jilted lover.
- They became lovers when her husband first went abroad.
- They became lovers when they worked in the same office.
- They're colleagues as well as being long-time lovers.
- He suspected his wife of having a lover.
- He was a devoted animal lover, and had a large number of pets at home.
- She was a great lover of the arts, and of Greek architecture in particular.
- an art-lover/a nature-lover

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lover *W3* /ˈlʌvə \$ -ər/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

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

1. someone's lover is the person they are having a sexual relationship with but who they are not married to ⇒ **mistress**

- He killed his wife's lover.
- Nicola and I were lovers.
- a pair of young lovers

2. someone who likes something very much:

- music lovers
- animal lovers

lover of

- lovers of the outdoors

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unloved 218

loveless 257

lovely 9466

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loveliest 225

loveliness 198

loves 12043

loving 7797

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lovable 684

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