

silk

1. [sɪlk] *n*
 1. шёлк, шёлковая ткань (*мж.* silk goods, silk fabrics)
artificial silk - искусственный шёлк
the picture is painted on silk - картина написана на шёлке
 2. шёлковое волокно; шёлковая нить, пряжа
raw silk - шёлк-сырец
thrown silk - кручёный натуральный шёлк
 3. *pl*
 - 1) шёлковый товар, шелка
 - 2) шелка, шёлковые одежды
dressed in silks and satins - разодетый в шелка; в пышных одеждах
 - 3) шёлковые чулки
 4. 1) шёлковое платье; предмет одежды, сшитый из шёлка
she wore a black silk - она была в чёрном шёлковом платье
 - 2) мантия королевского адвоката
 - 3) звание королевского адвоката
to take silk - стать королевским адвокатом
 5. *pl* костюм жокея, акробата, борца *и т. п.*
 6. блеск (*некоторых видов сапфира и рубина*)
 7. *амер. с.-х.* «шёлк» (*совокупность пестиков в початке кукурузы*)
 8. *воен. разг.* парашют
to hit the silk - прыгать /выбрасываться/ с парашютом

2. [sɪlk] *a***шёлковый**

- silk scarf [stocking, dress] - шёлковый шарф [чулок, -ое платье] [*ср. мж.* silk stocking]
 silk paper - а) папиросная бумага; б) шёлковая бумага
 ◇ you cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear *см.* purse I ◇

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silk [sɪlk sɪlks] *BrE* [sɪlk] ^ˈ *NAmE* [sɪlk] ^ˈ **noun**

1. **uncountable** fine soft thread produced by ↑silkworms
2. **uncountable** a type of fine smooth cloth made from **silk** thread
 - a silk blouse
 - silk stockings
 - made of pure silk
 - Her skin was **as smooth as silk** .
- see also** ↑watered silk
3. **uncountable silk** thread used for sewing
4. **silks plural** clothes made of **silk**, especially the coloured shirts worn by people riding horses in a race (= ↑jockeys)
5. **countable** (*BrE, law*) a type of lawyer who represents the government (= a King's/Queen's counsel)
 - to take silk (= to become this type of lawyer)
 - Idiom:** ↑make a silk purse out of a sow's ear

Word Origin:

Old English sioloc, seolec, from late Latin **sericum**, neuter of Latin **sericus**, based on Greek **Sēres**, the name given to the inhabitants of the Far Eastern countries from which silk first came overland to Europe.

Example Bank:

- a drawing room decorated in rich blue and purple silks
- an evening dress of pure white silk
- fine silks produced in Italy
- ladies in silks and satins
- the bright silks of saris

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silk /sɪlk/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **noun**[**Language:** Old English; **Origin:** seolc]

1. [**uncountable**] a thin smooth soft cloth made from very thin thread which is produced by a silkworm:
 - pure silk stockings
 - a beautiful dress in raw silk
2. [**countable**] *British English law* a very important lawyer **SYN Queen's Counsel (QC)**:
His practice quickly grew and he took silk (=became a QC) in 1988.
3. **silks plural** *technical* the coloured shirts worn by ↑jockeys (=people who ride horses in races)
4. **make a silk purse out of a sow's ear** to make something good out of something that is bad quality

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