

**distinctive**

1. [dis'tɪŋ(k)tɪv] *n*  
отличительное свойство; особенность, характерная черта
2. [dis'tɪŋ(k)tɪv] *a*
  1. отличительный характерный, особенный  
distinctive feature - отличительная/характерная черта [см. тж. 2]
  2. *лингв.* различительный  
distinctive function - различительная функция  
distinctive feature - дифференциальный признак [см. тж. 1]
  3. *редк.* пронизательный
  4. *редк.* своеобразный

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**dis-tinct-ive** *AW BrE* [dɪ'stɪŋktɪv] *AmE* [dɪ'stɪŋktɪv] *adjective*  
having a quality or characteristic that makes sth different and easily noticed

**Syn:** ↑characteristic

- clothes with a distinctive style
- The male bird has distinctive white markings on its head.

**Derived Word** ↑distinctively

Word Origin:

[**distinctive distinctively**] late Middle English (in the sense 'serving to differentiate'): from late Latin *distinctivus*, from Latin *distinct-* 'distinguished', from the verb *distinguere*, from *dis-* 'apart' + *stingere* 'put out'.

Example Bank:

- Each district of the city has its own distinctive character.
- Good diagrams are the book's most distinctive feature.
- She heard the distinctive sounds of a Siamese cat.
- The car was silver with distinctive red stripes.
- The herb has a strong, distinctive, celery-like flavour
- The kidnapper had a fairly distinctive voice with a Scottish accent.
- The male bird has distinctive black and white markings on the head.
- There was nothing distinctive about the envelope in which the letter came.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**dis-tinc-tive** *AC* /dɪ'stɪŋktɪv/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*

having a special quality, character, or appearance that is different and easy to recognize:

• a rock band with a distinctive sound

—**distinctively** *adverb*

—**distinctiveness** *noun* [uncountable]

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**THESAURUS**

- **different** if something or someone is different, they are not like something or someone else, or they are not like they were before: You look different. Have you had your hair cut? | We've painted the door a different colour. | The cultures of the two countries are very different.
- **unique** very different, special, or unusual and the only one of its kind. Don't use words such as **very** before **unique**: The book is certainly very rare, and possibly unique. | the unique wildlife of the Galapagos Islands
- **distinctive** having a special feature or appearance that makes something different from other things, and makes it easy to recognize: Male birds have distinctive blue and yellow markings.
- **unlike** [*prep*] completely different from a particular person or thing: In Britain, unlike the United States, the government provides health care.
- **have nothing in common** if two people have nothing in common, they do not have the same interests or opinions and therefore cannot form a friendly relationship: Apart from the fact that we went to the same school, we have absolutely nothing in common.
- **there's no/little resemblance** used when saying that two people or things seem very different: There's no resemblance between the two sisters at all. | The final product bore no resemblance to the original proposal (=it was very different).
- **dissimilar** [*formal*] not the same as something else: These four politically dissimilar states have all signed a treaty of friendship and cooperation.
- **be like chalk and cheese** *British English informal* if two people are like chalk and cheese, they are completely different: It's hard to believe that they're brothers – they're like chalk and cheese!
- **be (like) apples and oranges** *American English informal* used when saying that two people or things are very different: You can't compare residential and commercial real estate markets. It's apples and oranges. | Obama and Romney are apples and oranges. | Comparing homemade soup to canned soup is really comparing apples and oranges.

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