

**couch**

I

**1. [kavtʃ] n**

1. 1) кушетка; тахта; диван
- 2) ложе, кресло, сиденье (*космонавта*)
2. (the couch)
  - 1) кушетка в кабинете психиатра
  - 2) **мед. проф.** лечение психоанализом  
to put smb. on the couch - подвергнуть кого-л. психоанализу
3. **обыкн. поэт.** ложе  
on a couch of pain - **возвыш.** на ложе страданий
4. логовище, берлога; нора
5. **жив.** грунт, предварительный слой (*краски, лака*)
6. зерно, намоченное для прорастания (*при соложении*)

**2. [kavtʃ] v**

1. 1) **тк. р. р. книжн.** уложить  
he is couched in slumber - он лежит, объятый дремой
- 2) прилечь
2. склонять (*голове*)
3. 1) (in) излагать, формулировать  
couched in the idiom - выраженный идиомой  
the offer was couched in the most flattering terms - предложение было сделано в самых лестных выражениях
- 2) (under) выражать, излагать неясно, туманно  
couched under this allegory - изложенный аллегорически
4. залечь; притаиться (*о животном*)  
a deer couched on a grassy bank - олень залёг в траве на берегу  
the cat couched (itself) ready to spring - кошка притаилась, изготавившись к прыжку, кошка приготовилась к прыжку
5. **арх.** брать наперевес (*пику, копё*)
6. вышивать золотой или серебряной ниткой
7. **мед.** удалять катаракту
8. проращивать (*зерно - при соложении*)
9. лежать в куче и гнить (*о листьях*)

II

[kavtʃ] = couch grass

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**couch** [couch couches couched couching] noun, verb BrE [kavtʃ] NAmE

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noun

1. a long comfortable seat for two or more people to sit on  
**Syn:** †settee, **Syn:** †sofa
2. a long piece of furniture like a bed, especially in a doctor's office  
• on the psychiatrist's couch

Word Origin:

Middle English (as a noun denoting something to sleep on; as a verb in the sense 'lay something down'): from Old French *couche* (noun), *coucher* (verb), from Latin *collocare* 'place together', from *col-* 'together' + *locare* 'to place'.

Example Bank:

- He was sprawled on the living-room couch watching TV.
- He's turned into a real couch potato since he subscribed to the sports channel.
- She settled down to read on the huge, overstuffed couch.
- She spends several hours a week on the psychiatrist's couch.
- The room contained an old worn couch.
- They sat down on the wide couch.
- You can sleep on the pull-out couch.

**verb usually passive ~ sth (in sth) (formal)**

to say or write words in a particular style or manner

- The letter was deliberately **couched in** very vague **terms**.

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	couch
	BrE /kɑʊtʃ/
	NAme /kɑʊtʃ/
he / she / it	couches
	BrE /kɑʊtʃɪz/
	NAme /kɑʊtʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	couched
	BrE /kɑʊtʃt/
	NAme /kɑʊtʃt/
-ing form	couching
	BrE /kɑʊtʃɪŋ/
	NAme /kɑʊtʃɪŋ/

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[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: *couche*, from *coucher* 'to lie', from Latin *collocare* 'to put in place'; ⇒ ↑*collocate*]



1. a comfortable piece of furniture big enough for two or three people to sit on **SYN** sofa, **settee**:  
 " Tom offered to sleep on the couch.

2. a long narrow bed for a doctor's or ↑*psychiatrist's* patients to lie on

**II. couch**<sup>2</sup> BrE <sup>n</sup> AmE <sup>n</sup> verb

**be couched in something** *formal* to be expressed in a particular way:

" The offer was couched in legal jargon.

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