

barrel

1. ['bærəl] *n*
 - 1) бочка, бочонок
barrel staves - бочарная клёпка
barrel of beer - бочка пива
 - 2) спиртное, хмельное
 - 3) *разг.* куча, уйма
a barrel of fun - ≅ очень весело, забавно
2. баррель (*мера жидких, сыпучих и некоторых твёрдых материалов: мыла, солонины и т. п.*)
3. *воен.* ствол (*огнестрельного оружия*)
barrel receiver - ствольная коробка
barrel burst - разрыв в канале ствола
a gun with two barrels - двуствольное ружьё, двустволка
4. трубка (*в авторучке*); полость (*в карандаше*)
5. *тех.*
 - 1) цилиндр; барабан
 - 2) втулка; гильза
 - 3) бобина; катушка
 - 4) тубус (*микроскопа*)
6. *стр.* свод (*туннеля*)
7. *анат.* барабанная полость (*уха*)
8. *амер.* «кубышка» (*средства на ведение политической кампании*)
9. круп (*лошади, коровы*)
 - ◇ over a barrel - неловкое, беспомощное положение
they really had us over a barrel - они связали нас по рукам и ногам
to hit the barrel - начать пьянствовать
to scrape the (bottom of the) barrel - *разг.* с трудом набрать необходимую сумму

2. ['bærəl] *v*

1. разливать по бочкам; затаривать в бочки
2. хранить на складе
3. *разг.* двигаться очень быстро

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bar·rel [barrel barrels barrelled barreled barreling barreling] *noun, verb BrE*['bærəl] *n* *NAmE* ['bærəl] *v***noun**

1. a large round container, usually made of wood or metal, with flat ends and, usually, curved sides
 - a **beer/wine barrel**
2. the contents of or the amount contained in a **barrel**; a unit of measurement in the oil industry equal to between 120 and 159 litres
 - They got through two barrels of beer.
 - Oil prices fell to \$9 a barrel.
3. the part of a gun like a tube through which the bullets are fired
 - Tom found himself looking down the barrel of a gun.
 - The barrel was aimed directly at me.
 - He fired one barrel and then fired again.

more at lock, stock and barrel **at** ↑lock *n.*, scrape (the bottom of) the barrel **at** ↑scrape *v.*, be like shooting fish in a barrel **at** ↑shoot *v.*

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **baril**, from medieval Latin **barriculus** 'small cask'.

Thesaurus:**barrel** *noun C*

- They got through two barrels of beer.
- keg** • • **drum** • • **cylinder** • • **tank** • • **vat** • • **tub** •
- a **beer** barrel/keg
- an **oil** barrel/drum/tank
- fill** a barrel/drum/cylinder/tank/vat/tub

Example Bank:

- I felt the gun barrel at my head.
- Pulling his rifle to his shoulder he squinted along the barrel.
- She found herself looking down the barrel of a gun.
- The price of oil had fallen to \$16 per barrel.
- They filled the barrels with cider.
- a barrel of beer/oil
- Crude oil prices hit record highs of more than \$70 a barrel.
- The art of barrel-making is an ancient skill.

Idioms: ↑barrel of laughs ▪ ↑over a barrel

verb (-ll-, NAmE -l-) intransitive + adv./prep. (NAmE, informal)

to move very fast in a particular direction, especially in a way that you cannot control

- He came barreling down the hill and smashed into a phone booth.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	barrel
	BrE / 'bærəl/
	NAmE / 'bærəl/
he / she / it	barrels
	BrE / 'bærəlz/
	NAmE / 'bærəlz/
past simple, past participle	barrelled (NAmE) barreled
	BrE / 'bærəld/
	NAmE / 'bærəld/
-ing form	barrelling (NAmE) barreling
	BrE / 'bærəlɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'bærəlɪŋ/

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I. **barrel**¹ /'bærəl/ BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: bari]



1. a large curved container with a flat top and bottom, made of wood or metal, and used for storing beer, wine etc:

" The wine is aged in oak barrels.

barrel of

" barrels of beer

2. a unit of measurement for oil, equal to 159 litres

barrel of

" two million barrels of oil

- 3.



the part of a gun that the bullets are fired through

4. **have somebody over a barrel** to put someone in a situation in which they are forced to accept or do what you want:

" The manager has us over a barrel – either we work on a Saturday or we lose our jobs.

5. **be a barrel of laughs** [often in negatives] to be very enjoyable:

" Life is not exactly a barrel of laughs at the moment.

⇒ ↑pork barrel, ⇒ **scrape (the bottom of) the barrel** at ↑scrape¹(5), ⇒ **lock, stock, and barrel** at ↑lock²(3)

II. **barrel**² BrE " AmE " verb [intransitive] American English informal

to move very fast, especially in an uncontrolled way:

" A vehicle barreled out of a shopping center and crashed into the side of my car.

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⁴**442750**⁴ *nnu*
