

**calf**

I  
[kɑ:f] *n* (*pl calves*)

1. 1) телёнок телок  
calf crop - приплод телят  
in calf, with calf - стельная
- 2) детёныш (*оленья, слона, кита и т. п.*)
2. простофиля телёнок
3. телячья кожа, опоек  
calf binding - переплёт из телячьей кожи  
bound in calf - в переплёте из телячьей кожи
4. *библ.* телец  
to worship the golden calf - поклоняться золотому /золотому/ тельцу
5. островок, лежащий рядом с большим островом
6. небольшая плавучая льдина  
◇ Essex calf - *шутл.* житель или уроженец Эссекса  
to eat the calf in the cow's belly - ≅ делить шкуру неубитого медведя

II  
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икра (*ноги*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**calf** [**cal**f **cal**ves] *BrE* [kɑːf] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE* [kæf] <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** (*pl. calves* *BrE* [kɑːvz] <sup>ˈ</sup> ; *NAmE* [kævz] <sup>ˈ</sup> )

1. **countable** the back part of the leg between the ankle and the knee  
• I've torn a calf muscle.



2. **countable** a young cow
3. **countable** a young animal of some other type such as a young ↑elephant or ↑whale
4. **uncountable** = ↑calfskin  
**Idiom:** ↑in calf

Word Origin:

**senses 2 to 4** Old English cælf Germanic Dutch **kalf** German **Kalb**  
**sense 1** Middle English Old Norse kálfi

Example Bank:

- The calves are grazed intensively during their first season.
- Their prize cow is in calf.
- These calves are reared for beef.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[**Sense 1:** **Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Old Norse; **Origin:** kalfi]  
[**Sense 2-3:** **Language:** Old English; **Origin:** cealf]



1. the part of the back of your leg between your knee and your ↑ankle

2. the baby of a cow, or of some other large animals, such as an ↑elephant

3. **be in/with calf** if a cow is in or with calf, it is going to have a baby

⇒ **kill the fatted calf** at ↑kill<sup>1</sup>(15)

## calf

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