

**stubborn**

[ˈstʌbən] *a*

- упрямый, неподатливый  
stubborn man - упрямый человек  
as stubborn as a mule /as a donkey/ - упрямый как осёл
- упорный  
stubborn battle [resistance] - упорный бой [-ое сопротивление]  
to be stubborn in the defence of smth. - упорно защищать что-л.
- тяжёлый, неподатливый  
stubborn illness - болезнь, не поддающаяся лечению  
◇ facts are stubborn things - *посл.* факты- упрямая вещь

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**stub·born** *BrE* [ˈstʌbən] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [ˈstʌbɔːn] <sup>m</sup> **adjective**

- (often disapproving) determined not to change your opinion or attitude

**Syn:** ↑obstinate

- He was too stubborn to admit that he was wrong.
- She can be **as stubborn as a mule** .
- stubborn pride
- a stubborn resistance to change
- a stubborn refusal to listen
- She has inherited her mother's stubborn streak.

- difficult to get rid of or deal with

**Syn:** ↑persistent

- a **stubborn cough/stain**
- a stubborn problem

Derived Words ↑stubbornly ▪ ↑stubbornness

Word Origin:

[**stubborn stubbornly stubbornness**] Middle English (originally in the sense ‘untameable, implacable’): of unknown origin.

Example Bank:

- He started out with nothing but raw talent and stubborn determination.
- She can be as stubborn as a mule.
- She has inherited her mother's stubborn streak.
- The situation was aggravated by Mr Johnson's stubborn refusal to apologize.

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**stub·born** /ˈstʌbən \$ -ərn/ *BrE* <sup>m</sup> *AmE* <sup>m</sup> **adjective**

- determined not to change your mind, even when people think you are being unreasonable:  
  - Why are you so stubborn?
  - I've got a very stubborn streak (=a tendency to be stubborn).
  - Paul can be as stubborn as a mule (=very stubborn).

- stubborn resistance/refusal/determination etc** a very strong and determined refusal etc:

- a stubborn refusal to face reality

- difficult to remove, deal with, or use **SYN tough**:

- stubborn stains

—**stubbornly** *adverb*:

- 'I don't care,' she said stubbornly.

—**stubbornness** *noun* [uncountable]

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**THESAURUS**

- **stubborn** refusing to change your mind, even when people think you are wrong or are being unreasonable: Dave can be really stubborn once he's made up his mind. | a stubborn old man
- **obstinate** very stubborn, in way that is annoying and unreasonable: I have never met anyone so obstinate. | his obstinate refusal to compromise
- **pig-headed** *informal* refusing to change your mind, even when people think that what you want to do is stupid: I told her she was making a big mistake but she was too pig-headed to listen. | I wish you'd stop being so pig-headed!
- **headstrong** very determined to do what you want, often without thinking about the results of your actions – used especially about young people: As a girl, she had been lively and headstrong. | the headstrong impulsiveness of youth
- **wilful** *British English* (also **willful** *American English*) doing what you want, even after you have been told to stop, or when you know that it is wrong – used especially about children: He was a spoiled and wilful child, who always got his own way. | She was passionate and wilful – exactly the sort of creature a man ought to avoid.
- **ornery** *American English* behaving in an unreasonable and often angry way, especially by doing the opposite of what people want you to do: an ornery kid | Teenagers can be ornery and rude.

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