

picturesque1. [ˌpɪktʃəˈresk] *n* (the picturesque)

колоритность; образность; живописность кадра, изображения или фотоснимка

2. [ˌpɪktʃəˈresk] *a*

1. живописный

a very picturesque scene - очень живописная сцена

picturesque cottage - живописный домик, домик как с картинки

2. 1) яркий, образный, колоритный (о языке и т. п.)

picturesque account - колоритный рассказ

2) яркий, оригинальный (о характере, личности и т. п.)

a picturesque old man - занятый старик

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picturesque**pic-tur-esque** *BrE* [ˌpɪktʃəˈresk] [ⓘ] *NAmE* [ˌpɪktʃəˈresk] [ⓘ] **adjective**

1. (of a place, building, scene, etc.) pretty, especially in a way that looks old-fashioned

Syn: ↑quaint

• a picturesque cottage/setting/village

2. (of language) producing strong mental images by using unusual words

• a picturesque description of life at sea

Derived Word ↑picturesquely**Word Origin:**[**picturesque** **picturesquely**] early 18th cent.: from French **pittoresque**, from Italian **pittoresco**, from **pittore** 'painter' (from Latin **pictor**). The change from -tt- to -ct- was due to association with ↑**picture**.**picturesque**

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pic-tur-ies-que /ˌpɪktʃəˈresk/ *BrE* [ⓘ] *AmE* [ⓘ] **adjective**[**Word Family:** **adjective:** ↑pictorial, ↑picturesque; **verb:** ↑picture; **noun:** ↑picture]

1. a picturesque place is pretty and interesting in an old-fashioned way:

• a quiet fishing village with a picturesque harbour

2. picturesque language uses unusual, interesting, or sometimes rude words to describe something:

• a picturesque account of his trip to New York

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THESAURUS■ **place/thing etc**

- **beautiful** used to describe something that looks, feels, sounds etc so good that it gives you a lot of pleasure: a beautiful tropical beach | a beautiful song | The weather was beautiful.
- **lovely** *especially British English spoken* used when saying that something looks, feels, or sounds very nice: What a lovely day! | a lovely voice | a lovely perfume
- **pretty** pleasant to look at – often used about things that are not big or impressive: a pretty little pink dress | a pretty village
- **attractive** pleasant to look at. **Attractive** sounds more formal than **pretty**: an attractive white-painted cottage with green shutters | an attractive city
- **magnificent** very big, beautiful, and impressive – used about buildings, objects, and views: The Taj Mahal always looks magnificent. | a magnificent Persian carpet | There were magnificent views over the old city.
- **picturesque** *written* pleasant to look at – used in written descriptions of towns, buildings, and places: the picturesque harbour town of Castleton | Regensburg Cathedral occupies a picturesque position on the River Danube in Bavaria.
- **stunning/breathtaking** extremely beautiful and impressive – used especially about views: All around is a stunning view of Cape Town. | The landscape is breathtaking.
- **exquisite** /ɪkˈskwɪzət, ɪkˈskwɪzɪt, ˈɛkskwɪ-/ used to describe things that have very beautiful small details, especially things that have been made with a lot of skill: an exquisite piece of jewellery | an exquisite flower | an exquisite picture of a bird of paradise
- **elegant** designed in a way that looks very attractive and has a lot of style: an elegant Neo-Classical building | a long and elegant staircase

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