

staunch

[stɔːntʃ] *a*

- твёрдый, стойкий; решительный, непоколебимый
 staunch belief - твёрдая /непоколебимая/ вера
 staunch defence - упорная оборона
- верный, преданный
 staunch ally [friend, supporter] - верный союзник [друг, сторонник]
- прочный, основательный
- 1) водонепроницаемый
 2) редк. герметический
- чуткий (об охотничьей собаке)

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adjective, verb *BrE* [stɔːntʃ] *NAme* [stɔːntʃ]

adjective (superlative **staunchest**, no comparative)

strong and loyal in your opinions and attitude

Syn: ↑faithful

- a staunch supporter of the monarchy
- one of the president's staunchest allies
- a staunch Catholic

Word Origin:

adj. and adv. late Middle English 'watertight' Old French *estanche estanc* Romance 'dried up, weary'

v. Middle English Old French *estanchier* ↑staunch

Example Bank:

- She is one of the president's staunchest allies.

Derived Words ↑staunchly ▪ ↑staunchness

verb (also **stanch** especially in *NAme*) ~ **sth** (formal)

to stop the flow of sth, especially blood

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	staunch
	<i>BrE</i> /stɔːntʃ/
	<i>NAme</i> /stɔːntʃ/
he / she / it	staunches
	<i>BrE</i> /stɔːntʃɪz/
	<i>NAme</i> /stɔːntʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	staunched
	<i>BrE</i> /stɔːntʃt/
	<i>NAme</i> /stɔːntʃt/
-ing form	staunching
	<i>BrE</i> /stɔːntʃɪŋ/
	<i>NAme</i> /stɔːntʃɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- Customs officers are struggling to staunch the flow of illegal imports.
- He bound his thigh firmly to staunch the flow of blood.

See also: ↑stanch

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I. **staunch**¹ /stɔːntʃ/ *BrE* *AmE* adjective [only before noun]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: *estanche*, from *estancher*; ⇔ ↑staunch²]

giving strong loyal support to another person, organization, belief etc **SYN** steadfast:

▪ a staunch conservative

▪ staunch supporter/ally/advocate

▪ one of Bush's staunchest supporters

—**staunchly** adverb

—**staunchness** noun [uncountable]

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▪ **faithful** continuing to support a person, party, belief etc for a long time: his long and faithful service to the party | his faithful servant | He remained faithful to his fatherland right to the end. | She was one of the party's most faithful and hardworking

members.

- **loyal** supporting a particular person, party, set of beliefs, etc – used especially about someone you can trust and depend on to support you: a loyal friend | loyal party members | The women have remained loyal to the goals of the Communist Party. | I am not blindly loyal. If I see something that I think is a mistake which could be handled better, I will say so.
- **devoted** strongly supporting someone or something because you admire them, love them, or enjoy what they do: the author's devoted fans | her devoted husband
- **staunch** [only before noun] a staunch supporter, defender, or ally is very loyal, in spite of problems or difficulties: He is a staunch supporter of the president. | a staunch defender of civil liberties | the US's staunchest ally
- **steadfast** [usually before noun] a steadfast friend or supporter is very loyal. Also used about someone's support or service: Lewis was a generous and steadfast friend. | the steadfast support of America's allies | The Queen has set a shining example of steadfast service to her country.
- **true** faithful and loyal to someone, or to your beliefs, principles etc, even if there are problems: In times like these you find out who your true friends are. | He remained true to his socialist principles. | She promised that she would always be true to him.
- **patriotic** feeling a lot of love and respect for your country: Americans are very patriotic. | His speech was full of patriotic rhetoric.

II. **staunch**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* (also **stanch** *American English*) *verb* [transitive]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: estancher, from Vulgar Latin stancicare, from Latin stare 'to stand']

to stop the flow of liquid, especially of blood from a wound **SYN stem**:

He used a rag to staunch the flow of blood.

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