

gaudy

1. [ˈɡɔːdi] *n*
 - 1) большое празднество; весёлый пир
 - 2) ежегодный обед в честь бывших выпускников (*в английских колледжах*)
 2. [ˈɡɔːdi] *a*
 1. 1) слишком яркий, броский, кричащий; безвкусный
 - gaudy plumage - яркое оперение
 - gaudy dress - яркая /кричащая/ одежда
 - gaudy decorations - безвкусные украшения
 - gaudy shopping area - район дешёвых магазинов
 - 2) цветистый витиеватый
2. (*в отрицательных предложениях*) *разг.* завидный
 not a gaudy lot - незавидная доля
 ◇ (as) gaudy as a peacock - разодетый в пух и прах, разряженный, расфранчённый расфуфыренный

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gaudy [gaudy gaudies gaudier gaudiest] *BrE* [ˈɡɔːdʒi] *NAmE* [ˈɡɔːdʒi]

adjective (gaud-ier, gaudi-est) (disapproving)

too brightly coloured in a way that lacks taste

Syn: ↑garish

- gaudy clothes/colours

Derived Words ↑gaudily ▪ ↑gaudiness

Word Origin:

late 15th cent.: probably from gaud ‘a showy and ornamental thing’ + ↑-y.

Example Bank:

- She wore gaudy colours and lots of gold jewellery.

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gaudy /ˈɡɔːdi/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: gaud ‘bright decorative object’ (14-19 centuries), probably from Old French gaudir ‘to enjoy’]

clothes, colours etc that are gaudy are too bright and look cheap – used to show disapproval:

gaudy jewelry

—gaudily *adverb*

—gaudiness *noun* [uncountable]

THESAURUS

■ bright colours

- **bright** used about a colour that is strong and easy to see: The front door was painted bright red.
- **brilliant/vivid** used about a colour that is very bright: I looked out at the brilliant blue sky. | vivid red flowers
- **colourful** *British English*, **colorful** *American English* used about things that have many different bright colours: There were window boxes full of colourful flowers.
- **multicoloured** *British English*, **multicolored** *American English* used about things that have a pattern of many different bright colours: A multicoloured flag waved in the midday sun.
- **gaudy/garish** too brightly coloured, in a way that is unattractive: The wallpaper was much too gaudy for me. | a garish orange tie

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