

# squander

1. ['skwɒndə] *n*

расточительство, мотовство

2. ['skwɒndə] *v*

1. растрчивать, безрассудно тратьть, проматывать (*часто squander away*)  
 to squander one's fortune [one's inheritance, one's savings] - проматывать состояние [наследство, сбережения]  
 to squander away one's money in gambling [on women] - швырять деньги на азартные игры [на женщин]  
 to squander reserves - разбазаривать запасы  
 to squander (away) (one's) energy [(one's) strength] - растрчивать/попусту тратьть энергию [силы]  
 to squander one's health [one's talent] - (безрассудно) губить здоровье [талант]  
 to squander time - попусту тратьть время
2. *редк.* бродить, странствовать, скитаться
3. рассеивать, рассыпать  
 to squander a fleet - рассеять флот  
 the islands lie squandered in the vast ocean - эти острова разбросаны в безбрежном океане

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**squander** [squander squanders squandered squandering] *BrE* ['skwɒndə(r)]

*NAmE* ['skwɑːndə] **verb** ~ sth (on sb/sth)

to waste money, time, etc. in a stupid or careless way

- He squandered all his money on gambling.
- She squandered her chances of winning.
- He just squandered his talent.

Verb forms:

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present simple	
I / you / we / they	squander
	<i>BrE</i> / 'skwɒndə(r) /
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'skwaːndər /
he / she / it	squanders
	<i>BrE</i> / 'skwɒndəz /
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'skwaːndərz /
past simple, past participle	squandered
	<i>BrE</i> / 'skwɒndəd /
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'skwaːndəd /
-ing form	squandering
	<i>BrE</i> / 'skwɒndərɪŋ /
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'skwaːndərɪŋ /

Word Origin:

late 16th cent.: of unknown origin.

Example Bank:

- The company squandered millions on two dead-end projects.
- The team squandered several good scoring chances.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**squander** /'skwɒndə \$ 'skwɑːndər *BrE* *AmE* **verb** [transitive]

to carelessly waste money, time, opportunities etc:

The home team squandered a number of chances in the first half.

**squander something on something**

They squandered the profits on expensive cars.

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### THESAURUS

- **spend** to use money to buy things: I bought two skirts and a T-shirt and I only spent \$50. | How much do you spend a week on food?
- **go through something** (also **get through something** *British English*) to spend all of an amount of money over a period of time – used especially when saying that someone spends a lot of money: I got through all my money in less than a month, and had to get my parents to send me more.
- **go to great expense** to spend a lot of money in order to do something, because you think it is important or special: The party was wonderful – they had obviously gone to great expense. | There's no need to go to great expense.
- **squander** /'skwɒndə \$ 'skwɑːndər to waste money on unnecessary things, instead of saving it or using it carefully: His son had squandered the family fortune on gambling and women.
- **splash out** *British English informal* to spend a lot of money on something you really want or will enjoy: Let's splash out on a bottle of champagne. | People often splash out for Christmas and then regret it later.
- **blow** *informal* to spend a lot of money on something, especially on something that you do not really need: Her husband blew all their savings on a new sports car.
- **economize** to spend less money: We're trying to economize by eating at home instead of going out for meals.

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