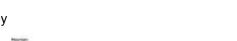
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gla·**cier** [**glacier** glaciers] *BrE* ['glæsiə(r)] *NAmE* ['gleɪʃər] noun a large mass of ice, formed by snow on mountains, that moves very slowly down a valley





Word Origin: mid 18th cent.: from French, from glace 'ice', based on Latin glacies.

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THESAURUS

• ice water that has frozen into a solid state: ice cubes in her Coke | the ice on the lake

• frost a thin coating of white powder-like ice that forms on the ground and plants, or the weather conditions in which this powder appears: There was frost on the ground. | Even in May we can sometimes get a late frost.

• black ice an area of ice that is very difficult to see on a road: Driving conditions are dangerous, with black ice in many areas.

• icicle a long thin pointed piece of ice that hangs from a roof or other surface: There were icicles hanging down from the side of the house.

• hailstones frozen balls of ice which fall like rain from the sky: Hailstones as big as marbles flattened the crops.

• glacier a large mass of ice which moves slowly down a mountain valley: The high mountain glaciers of South America and Asia are melting at an alarming rate. | the Kangshung glacier

• iceberg a very large mass of ice floating in the sea, most of which is under the surface of the water: The ship sank after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic.

• ice cap an area of thick ice that permanently covers the North and South Poles: We all know that the polar ice caps are melting because of global warming.

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