

pungent[ˈpʌndʒ(ə)nt] *a*

- жгучий; резкий
pungent pain - жгучая /резкая/ боль
pungent smell - резкий /сильный/ запах
- 1) острый, пикантный, едкий
pungent sauce - острый /пикантный/ соус
pungent gas [smoke] - едкий газ [дым]
- 2) острый, колкий, язвительный
pungent sarcasm - едкий сарказм
pungent epigram - язвительная /едкая/ эпитаграмма
a city of pungent contrasts - город разительных контрастов
3. *бom.* острый, остроконечный

pungent

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pun-gent *BrE* [ˈpʌndʒənt] ^m *NAmE* [ˈpʌndʒənt] ^m **adjective**

- having a strong taste or smell
 - the pungent smell of burning rubber
 - The air was pungent with the smell of spices.
 - direct and having a strong effect
 - pungent criticism
- Derived Words ↑pungency ▪ ↑pungently

Word Origin:

[**pungency pungent pungently**] late 16th cent. (in the sense 'very painful or distressing'): from Latin **pungent-** 'pricking', from the verb **pungere**.

Synonyms:**bitter**

pungent • sour • acrid • sharp • acid

These words all describe a strong, unpleasant taste or smell.

bitter • (of a taste or smell) strong and usually unpleasant; (of food or drink) having a bitter taste.

pungent • (of a smell or taste) strong and usually unpleasant; (of food or smoke) having a pungent smell or taste: ▪ the pungent smell of burning rubber

sour • (of a taste) bitter like the taste of a lemon or of fruit that is not ripe; (of food or drink) having a sour taste: ▪ Too much pulp produces a sour wine.

acrid • (of a smell or taste) strong and unpleasant; (of smoke) having an acrid smell: ▪ acrid smoke from burning tyres

sharp • (of a taste or smell) strong and slightly bitter; (of food or drink) having a sharp taste: ▪ The cheese has a distinctively sharp taste.

acid • (of a taste or smell) bitter, like the taste of a lemon or of fruit that is not ripe; (of food or drink) having an acid taste.

which word?

A **bitter** taste is usually unpleasant, but some people enjoy the bitter flavour of coffee or chocolate. No other word can describe this flavour. A **sharp** or **pungent** flavour is more strong than unpleasant, especially when describing cheese. **Sharp**, **sour** and **acid** all describe the taste of a lemon or a fruit that is not ripe. An **acrid** smell is strong and unpleasant, especially the smell of smoke or burning, but not the smell of food.

a(n) bitter/pungent/sour/acrid/sharp/acid **taste/flavour**

a(n) bitter/pungent/acrid/sharp/acid **smell/odour**

a(n) bitter/sour/sharp/acid **fruit**

pungent/sharp **cheese**

pungent/acrid **smoke**

Example Bank:

- The marinade is more pungent than soy sauce.

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pun-gent /ˈpʌndʒənt/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **adjective**

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: present participle of **pungere** 'to prick, sting']

- having a strong taste or smell

pungent smell/aroma/odour etc

▪ the pungent odour of garlic

- formal** pungent speech or writing is clever and direct, and usually criticizes someone or something strongly:

▪ He expressed some fairly pungent criticisms.

—**pungently** *adverb*

—**pungency** *noun* [uncountable]

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