

magnificent

[mæg'ɪfɪs(ə)nt] *a*

великолепный, пышный

magnificent view - величественная панорама

magnificent poet - замечательный поэт

a magnificent display of paintings - внушительная экспозиция картин

the hall looked magnificent - зал производил колоссальное /потрясающее/ впечатление

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mag-nifi-cent *BrE* [mæg'ɪfɪsnt] [°] *NAmE* [mæg'ɪfɪsnt] [°] **adjective**

extremely attractive and impressive; deserving praise

Syn: ↑splendid

- The Taj Mahal is a magnificent building.
- She looked magnificent in her wedding dress.
- You've all done a magnificent job.

Derived Words ↑magnificence ▪ ↑magnificently

Word Origin:

late Middle English: via Old French from Latin magnificent- 'making great', based on magnus 'great'.

Thesaurus:

magnificent [magnificence magnificent magnificently] *adj.*

• It was a magnificent performance.

spectacular • **impressive** • **grand** • **glorious** • **majestic** • **splendid** • **imposing** • **beautiful** • **wonderful** • |BrE, especially spoken **marvellous** • |AmE, especially spoken **marvelous** •

a magnificent/spectacular/impressive/glorious/majestic/splendid/beautiful/wonderful/marvellous **sight**

magnificent/spectacular/impressive/grand/glorious/majestic/beautiful/wonderful/marvellous **scenery/views**

a magnificent/impressive/grand/majestic/imposing/beautiful **building**

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mag-nif-i-cent /mæg'ɪfɪsənt, mæg'ɪfɪsənt/ *BrE* [°] *AmE* [°] **adjective**

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: magnificus 'very impressive, excellent', from magnus 'great']

very good or beautiful, and very impressive:

• a magnificent performance

• The twelve-mile coastline has magnificent scenery.

• She looked magnificent in a long red dress.

—**magnificently** *adverb*

—**magnificence** *noun* [uncountable]

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THESAURUS

■ **place/thing etc**

- **beautiful** used to describe something that looks, feels, sounds etc so good that it gives you a lot of pleasure: a beautiful tropical beach | a beautiful song | The weather was beautiful.
- **lovely** *especially British English spoken* used when saying that something looks, feels, or sounds very nice: What a lovely day! | a lovely voice | a lovely perfume
- **pretty** pleasant to look at – often used about things that are not big or impressive: a pretty little pink dress | a pretty village
- **attractive** pleasant to look at. **Attractive** sounds more formal than **pretty**: an attractive white-painted cottage with green shutters | an attractive city
- **magnificent** very big, beautiful, and impressive – used about buildings, objects, and views: The Taj Mahal always looks magnificent. | a magnificent Persian carpet | There were magnificent views over the old city.
- **picturesque** *written* pleasant to look at – used in written descriptions of towns, buildings, and places: the picturesque harbour town of Castleton | Regensburg Cathedral occupies a picturesque position on the River Danube in Bavaria.
- **stunning/breathtaking** extremely beautiful and impressive – used especially about views: All around is a stunning view of Cape Town. | The landscape is breathtaking.
- **exquisite** /ɪk'skwɪzət, ɪk'skwɪzɪt, 'ɛkskwɪ-/ used to describe things that have very beautiful small details, especially things that have been made with a lot of skill: an exquisite piece of jewellery | an exquisite flower | an exquisite picture of a bird of paradise
- **elegant** designed in a way that looks very attractive and has a lot of style: an elegant Neo-Classical building | a long and elegant staircase

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