

glacier['glæsiə] *n*

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glacier bear = blue bear

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glacier**glacier** [glacier glaciers] *BrE* ['glæsiə(r)] ^m *NAmE* ['gleɪfər] ^m *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**.**glacier**

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[Date: 1700-1800; Language: French; Origin: glace 'ice', from 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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