

pure**1. [pjʊə] n**

1. *поэт.* чистота
2. *кож.* шакша, собачий помёт

2. [pjʊə] а**1. чистый; беспримесный**

- pure air - чистый воздух
- pure milk - цельное /неразбавленное/ молоко
- pure alcohol - чистый спирт
- pure silk - натуральный шёлк
- pure wool - чистая шерсть, шерсть 100%
- pure forest /stand/ - *лес.* насаждение одной породы (*деревьев*)
- analytically pure - химически чистый
- commercially pure - технически чистый

2. чистокровный; чистый

- pure Englishman - чистокровный англичанин
- pure Arab (horse) - чистокровный арабский скакун

3. чистый, ясный, отчётливый (о звуке)

- pure tone - чистый тон
- pure vowel - *фон.* чистая гласная

4. однородный (о цвете)

- pure white - чистый белый цвет

5. правильный, соответствующий определённым нормам, безупречный (о языке, слоге и т. п.)

- he spoke pure English - он говорил на чистейшем английском языке

6. 1) теоретический, отвлечённый

- pure physics - теоретическая физика
- pure mathematics - чистая математика (*в отличие от вычислительной*)

2) посвятивший себя какой-л. ограниченной области знания, узкий

- he is a pure surgeon - он занимается только хирургией

7. неспорченный, безупречный, превосходный

- his taste was severe and pure - у него был строгий и безупречный вкус

8. невинный, непорочный, целомудренный, чистый

- pure in mind and body - чист душой и телом

9. правдивый, честный, бескорыстный

- pure upright character - правдивый, честный человек

10. эмоц.-усил.**1) чистейший, полнейший**

- pure nonsense - абсолютная чепуха; чистый вздор
- pure imagination - чистейшая выдумка
- pure prejudice - чистый /самый настоящий/ предрассудок
- pure accident - чистая случайность
- pure luck [obstinacy] - просто /чистой воды/ везенье [упрямство]
- it's a pure waste of time - это просто потеря времени

2) абсолютный, полнейший

- to do it out of pure necessity [malice] - сделать это исключительно по необходимости [из злобы]

11. *церк.* неосквернённый**12. *биол., бакт.* чистый**

- pure culture - чистая культура
- pure line - чистая линия (*от одной гомозиготной особи*)
- ◇ pure and simple - ни больше ни меньше; не что иное как; попросту говоря
- that's the truth pure and simple - это чистая правда
- it's pure and simple laziness - это не что иное, как лень; это просто /самая обыкновенная/ лень
- with the pure all things are pure - чистому - всё чисто
- (as) pure as (the) driven snow - ≅ чист /невинен/ как младенец

3. [pjʊə] adv

1. чисто; без примесей
2. *уст.*, *диал.* совершенно, совсем, абсолютно

4. [pjʊə] v

1. *уст.* чистить, очищать
2. *кож.* обрабатывать шакшой

pure

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pure [pure purer purest] *BrE* [pjʊə(r)]^u *NAme* [pjʊr]^u adjective (purer *BrE* [ˈpjʊərə(r)]^u; *NAme* [ˈpjʊrə]^u, purest *BrE* [ˈpjʊərɪst]^u; *NAme* [ˈpjʊrɪst]^u)

NOT MIXED

1. usually before noun not mixed with anything else; with nothing added
 - pure gold/silk, etc.

- These shirts are **100% pure** cotton.
- Classical dance **in its purest form** requires symmetry and balance.
- One movie is classified as pure art, the other as entertainment.

CLEAN

2. clean and not containing any harmful substances
- a bottle of pure water
 - The air was sweet and pure.

Opp: ↑impure

COMPLETE

3. **only before noun** complete and total
- They met by pure chance.
 - She laughed with pure joy.
 - These reports are pure speculation (= there is no evidence that they are true) .

COLOUR/SOUND/LIGHT

4. very clear; perfect
- beaches of pure white sand
 - a pure voice

MORALLY GOOD

5. without evil thoughts or actions, especially sexual ones; morally good
- to lead a pure life
 - His motives were pure.
 - (*literary*) to be pure in body and mind

Opp: ↑impure

SUBJECT YOU STUDY

6. **only before noun** concerned with increasing knowledge of the subject rather than with using knowledge in practical ways
- pure mathematics
 - technology as opposed to pure science subjects

compare ↑applied

BREED/RACE

7. not mixed with any other breed or race, etc
- These cattle are one of the purest breeds in Britain.

see also ↑pure-bred

see also ↑purify, ↑purity

Idiom: ↑pure and simple

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **pur** 'pure', from Latin **purus**.

Thesaurus:

pure *adj.*

1.

- These shirts are 100% pure cotton.

solid • • **refined** •

pure/solid/refined **gold/silver**

pure/refined **oil**

2.

- The mountain air was sweet and pure.

clean • • **sterile** • • **spotless** •

pure/clean/sterile (**drinking**) **water**

pure/clean **air**

3.

- They met by pure chance.

sheer • • **complete** • • **total** • • **utter** • • **unqualified** • • **unconditional** • • **unmitigated** •

pure/sheer/complete/total/utter **joy/bliss**

pure/sheer/complete/total **coincidence**

pure/sheer **luck/chance**

Example Bank:

- The horse was almost pure white in colour.
- The metal needs to be very pure.
- The water here is absolutely pure.
- a voice which sounded pure and clear
- Classical dance in its purest form requires symmetry and balance.

- Devotees strive to become pure in body and mind.
- He insisted that his motives were pure.
- It was a pure accident. I'm not blaming anybody.
- Much of the population still does not have access to pure drinking water.
- The man wants revenge pure and simple.
- The mountain air was sweet and pure.
- The nuns here live a quiet and pure life.

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pure **S3 W3** /pjʊə \$ pjʊr/ *BrE* " *AmE* " *adjective*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑purification, ↑purist, ↑purity ≠ ↑mpurity, ↑purifier, **verb**: ↑purify; **adverb**: ↑purely; **adjective**: ↑pure ≠ ↑mpure]

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1. NOT MIXED [usually before noun] a pure substance or material is not mixed with anything **OPP** impure

pure silk/cotton/wool etc

- " pure wool blankets
- " rings made of pure gold
- " Our beef patties are 100% pure.

2. COMPLETE [only before noun] complete and total **SYN** sheer:

- " a work of pure genius
- " a smile of pure joy
- " My mother's life was pure hell.

pure chance/luck/coincidence etc

- " By pure chance, I met Sir Malcolm that morning.
- " The chairman dismissed the report as pure speculation.

3. CLEAN clean and not containing anything harmful **OPP** impure:

- " We had trouble finding a pure water supply.
- " Up here the air was pure.

4. pure and simple used to emphasize that there is only one thing involved or worth considering:

- " He wanted revenge, pure and simple.

5. MORALLY GOOD *literary* without any sexual experience or evil thoughts **OPP** impure:

- " a pure young girl
- " They're too pure and innocent to know what's really going on.

6. COLOUR OR SOUND very clear and beautiful:

- " a cloudless sky of the purest blue
- " Her voice, clear and pure, soared up to the roof.

7. TYPICAL [only before noun] typical of a particular style:

- " His music is pure New York.

8. BREED/RACE bred from only one group or race:

- " My husband is pure Japanese and traces his family back 800 years.
- " The Highland is the oldest and purest breed of cattle in Britain.

9. ART OR STUDY [usually before noun] done according to an accepted standard or pattern:

- " Gothic architecture in its purest form

10. pure science/math etc work in science etc that increases our knowledge of the subject rather than using it for practical purposes

11. be as pure as the driven snow to be morally perfect – used humorously to say someone is not like this at all

⇒ ↑purely

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

■ nouns

- **pure chance/luck** He had discovered the truth by pure chance.
- **pure coincidence** It was pure coincidence that I arrived on the same plane.
- **pure joy/pleasure/delight** Lucinda flashed him a smile of pure joy.
- **pure hatred** She remembered the look of pure hatred in his eyes.
- **pure speculation** (=a guess that is not based on any facts) Most of what you hear is pure speculation.
- **pure fantasy/fiction** (=something that is not true at all) He dismissed the allegations as 'pure fantasy'.
- **pure genius** That excuse you came up with was a flash of pure genius.
- **pure hell** He has described this period as 'pure hell'.

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