

exorbitant

[ɪg'zɔːbɪt(ə)nt] *a*

1. непомерный, чрезмерный (о требованиях, цене и т. п.)
exorbitant luxury - ни с чем не сообразная роскошь
to charge exorbitant prices - заламывать непомерные цены
2. *слец.* отклонившийся от пути, от орбиты

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ex-or-bi-tant *BrE* [ɪg'zɔːbɪtənt] *NAmE* [ɪg'zɔːrbɪtənt] **adjective** (formal)

(of a price) much too high

- **exorbitant costs/fares/fees/prices/rents**
- It's a good hotel but the prices are exorbitant.

Derived Word †exorbitantly

Word Origin:

[**exorbitant exorbitantly**] late Middle English (originally describing a legal case that is outside the scope of a law): from late Latin **exorbitant-** 'going off the track', from **exorbitare**, from **ex-** 'out from' + **orbita** 'course, track'.

Example Bank:

- It's a good hotel but the prices are exorbitant.
- The lawyer charged us an exorbitant fee for two days' work.

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ex-or-bi-tant /ɪg'zɔːbɪtənt, ɪg'zɔːrbɪtənt \$ -ɔːr/ *BrE* *AmE* **adjective**

[**Date:** 1400-1500; **Language:** French; **Origin:** Late Latin, present participle of **exorbitare** 'to leave the track', from Latin **orbita** 'track']
an exorbitant price, amount of money etc is much higher than it should be **SYN astronomical**

exorbitant rent/prices etc
* exorbitant rates of interest

—exorbitantly *adverb*

THESAURUS

- **expensive** costing a lot of money: an expensive car | Apartments in the city are very expensive. | An underground train system is expensive to build.
- **high** costing a lot of money. You use **high** about rents/fees/prices/costs. Don't use **expensive** with these words: Rents are very high in this area. | Lawyers charge high fees. | the high cost of living in Japan
- **dear** [not before noun] *British English spoken* expensive compared to the usual price: £3.50 seems rather dear for a cup of coffee.
- **pricey** /'praɪsi/ *informal* expensive: The clothes are beautiful but pricey.
- **costly** expensive in a way that wastes money: Upgrading the system would be very costly. | They were anxious to avoid a costly legal battle.
- **cost a fortune** *informal* to be very expensive: The necklace must have cost a fortune!
- **exorbitant** /ɪg'zɔːbɪtənt, ɪg'zɔːrbɪtənt \$ -ɔːr/ much too expensive: Some accountants charge exorbitant fees.
- **astronomical** astronomical prices, costs, and fees are extremely high: the astronomical cost of developing a new spacecraft | the astronomical prices which some people had paid for their seats | The cost of living is astronomical.
- **overpriced** too expensive and not worth the price: The DVDs were vastly overpriced.
- **somebody can't afford something** someone does not have enough money to buy or do something: Most people can't afford to send their children to private schools.

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