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adj.

Full of animation and spirit; lively: *a charming and vivacious host.*

[From Latin vīvāx, vīvāc-, from vīvere, to live; see **g^wei-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.](#)]

vi·va cious·ly *adv.*

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