

Possessive Pronouns

Possessive pronouns show ownership or possession of a noun. They are:

- my
- our
- your
- his
- her
- its (note there is no apostrophe)
- their

For example:

- Is that **my** book?
- No, that's **his** book.
- That's **its** shelf.
- I'd like to see **their** bookshelves.

However, there are also independent possessive pronouns. These pronouns refer to a previously named or understood noun. They stand alone and aren't followed by any other noun. They are:

- mine
- ours
- yours
- his
- hers
- its
- theirs

For example:

- That's **mine**.
- Wrong. It's **ours**.
- So, I suppose those clothes are **yours**?
- No, it's **theirs**.