

Alber Elbaz

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I don't like perfection - I think it's dangerous. There is nothing after perfection.

~Alber Elbaz

A fragrance is a veritable story, told and explained in scent, in notes, in impressions. It's a score based on the emotions of each instant, a captivating music of the senses.

~Alber Elbaz

Run away from laziness; work hard. Touch intuition and listen to the heart, not marketing directors. Dream.

~Alber Elbaz

Elegant is not what you wear, and it's not about how you wear it, but it's more about who you are.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is not about before, it's not about after, it's about now

~Alber Elbaz

When a woman's clothes are in harmony with her emotions, she shines from within.

~Alber Elbaz

Pure, intense emotions. It's not about design. It's about feelings.

~Alber Elbaz

If you change a woman's look, you change her persona.

~Alber Elbaz

It was not the story of design or clothes, it was the fantasy of women that made me want to work in fashion.

~Alber Elbaz

My dream is to be a doctor. I'm almost working in a laboratory, because I'm trying new techniques, new directions and fabrics, new weaving.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is like a fruit, you couldn't eat it a day before and you can't eat it a day after; it's just about today

~Alber Elbaz

I am not interested in perfection, and neither are the women who wear my clothes.

~Alber Elbaz

Making them feel gorgeous and comfortable is my way of making women's lives easier.

~Alber Elbaz

Sometimes you don't really need armor to feel protected. Sometimes maybe you need just a chiffon dress to hug you.

~Alber Elbaz

If I wasn't a designer I would love to be a doctor. That is my fantasy, my dream. A doctor will give you a tablet if you have a headache and I will give you a dress and we both make you feel good.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is not about buying a second skin. Fashion is about having a fantasy.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion doesn't look good only on models, it can look good on different people of different ages and different body shapes.

~Alber Elbaz

For me, the sketching of dresses was about fantasy and dreams. In my

little room at home, I felt that I was somewhere else. In Paris, for instance.

~Alber Elbaz

How do you stand out as a fashion ad campaign? By using people off the street it does generate buzz.

~Alber Elbaz

I don't want to see a dress with a woman. I just want to see a woman, with a beautiful dress.

~Alber Elbaz

I am very much a people person. If I am in a beautiful place but I don't like the people, I am miserable.

~Alber Elbaz

I'm not a plastic surgeon, and I cannot change the DNA of a person, but when I see a woman try on my clothes and she feels beautiful, I know I am doing my job.

~Alber Elbaz

I adore women, and the one thing I want to do more than anything is to see a transformation of personality when someone puts on one of my dresses.

~Alber Elbaz

I've always said fashion is like roast chicken: You don't have to think about it to know it's delicious.

~Alber Elbaz

The nature of fashion is family. You see that at almost every house, it was owned first by a family. It wasn't owned by a bank.

~Alber Elbaz

Why not touch things that we hate and turn them upside down and inside out?

~Alber Elbaz

Style is the only thing you can't buy. It's not in a shopping bag, a label, or a price tag. It's something reflected from our soul to the outside world. An emotion.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is about having a fantasy.

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I think 'modesty' is a beautiful word today - and a beautiful attitude.

~Alber Elbaz

I'd rather be relevant than cool.

~Alber Elbaz

If it's not edible, it's not food. If it's not wearable, it's not fashion.

~Alber Elbaz

Wear flats. You're short. It's much cooler not to pretend.

~Alber Elbaz

I think fashion is about longevity and doing your work. It isn't about winning or losing. It's about process, keeping it going.

~Alber Elbaz

To be a fashion critic is easy because you just say, 'I love it, I hate it,' but life is more than love and hate.

~Alber Elbaz

I need to feel a desire, to find pleasure in moving forward, creating, inventing. The day I cease to learn, I must stop.

~Alber Elbaz

I want to know where is that committee in Switzerland that sits to decide what is in and what is out. I don't listen to the formula makers. I think maybe I have a selective hearing disorder.

~Alber Elbaz

Everyone wants to be young and skinny. This is awful. Curves are marvelous. Wrinkles are hypnotizing. Why not just be happy with who you are?

~Alber Elbaz

I created the peplum so you can eat in it. You can have a dessert, you can have another sandwich.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is instinctive and sensual. Learn to love what you wear. It should feel like eating chocolates...without the calories

~Alber Elbaz

I feel more and more that the most beautiful people are the ones who are comfortable with themselves.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is like life. It needs fear and uncertainty if you are to move forward.

~Alber Elbaz

In fashion, we have a reputation for being such a façade, fake people, but none of the fashion people who I know are fake.

~Alber Elbaz

I know amazing people in fashion who are anything but fake. They are very real and very sensitive. They are happy and sad. They are loyal

friends.

~Alber Elbaz

With fashion, I barely finish one collection before I must start another.

~Alber Elbaz

I am very much a people person.

~Alber Elbaz

All I want to do is make people beautiful.

~Alber Elbaz

When I'm traveling the world, I don't ever look anymore at the geography - just enough to catch galleries and paintings.

~Alber Elbaz

I'm not going into the cool club. It's not my address.

~Alber Elbaz

I don't go out to parties because I'd look terrible in pictures. My escape is television - it's like meditation to me.

~Alber Elbaz

I work on fittings, mostly. You know, I sketch less and less in my work. I sketch for the show sometimes, but then it becomes more conceptual. But when I don't sketch, it becomes more pragmatic.

~Alber Elbaz

I have a problem to do a collection that is a secondary line. I mean, you don't want to be the stepsister. You want to be Cinderella. Show me one girl who wants to be the stepsister.

~Alber Elbaz

I don't take drugs because if I did I'd love them-I'd be a junkie. And

because I'm Jewish, I'd probably be a dealer, too.

~Alber Elbaz

The designers, photographers and models I work with, they are really hard-working people who are devoting their lives to fashion. They're kind of like nuns of fashion.

~Alber Elbaz

What we want is clothing we think we can fly in. That's why I opened the show with flying dresses.

~Alber Elbaz

I spend my time backstage at the Lanvin shows, and when I come out at the end, all I see are people's eyes.

~Alber Elbaz

I don't think that you can write music if you don't know how to play an instrument. You have to know the basics, then you can go forward.

~Alber Elbaz

I don't think you can be a designer if you don't care.

~Alber Elbaz

I love to see old women. I love wrinkles. I love gray hair.

~Alber Elbaz

I love women. I get along with women more than men, and I have more women friends.

~Alber Elbaz

I was a fat child; I was asthmatic. No wonder I'm a hypochondriac.

~Alber Elbaz

We are comfortable with formulas, but the best happens when the

formula doesn't work.

~Alber Elbaz

The problem with couture is not designers; it's what happens when the couturier will no longer be there.

~Alber Elbaz

I am very sensitive to the smells and sensations that are part of perfumes because they remind me of things: moments from the past, people, events.

~Alber Elbaz

The big room or big suite doesn't mean a lot to me. It is what the people do or don't do that matters.

~Alber Elbaz

The whole season thing is nonsense. It's either beautiful or it isn't. That's something I really learned when I started collecting dresses.

~Alber Elbaz

After every show, I say to Hania [Destelle, a friend], 'They hated it.'

~Alber Elbaz

I always wear a dinner jacket. I never have this definition of what goes for the morning or the evening or what works for the weekend.

~Alber Elbaz

A singer can quit once he or she has made ten great songs; a director can finish once he or she has made five amazing films; a writer just needs to write three great books.

~Alber Elbaz

Women can dream at 9 in the morning and at 10 o'clock at night - it doesn't matter.

~Alber Elbaz

I am always trying to put myself inside: Every dress I do, I think, 'If I were a woman, would I wear it?'

~Alber Elbaz

I like having the freedom to dress as I desire.

~Alber Elbaz

I love and respect women. I work mostly with women.

~Alber Elbaz

In fashion we're lucky, we make dreams come true.

~Alber Elbaz

Some days I feel like a piano: kind of short, always in black & white, always expected to produce music.

~Alber Elbaz

For me, Lancome was more than just a brand. There was something very nostalgic about the name, about the whole story.

~Alber Elbaz

At Yves Saint Laurent, I felt like the son-in-law - like I was part of the family, but not quite. When I was fired, I felt like the widow.

~Alber Elbaz

All I want is beautiful. I mean, I like grey hair, I love wrinkles. But this is me.

~Alber Elbaz

What I love in fashion is to tell a story through a creation.

~Alber Elbaz

I think that if you want to pass emotion, you have to write a letter.
Emotions do not pass in SMS or in e-mail.

~Alber Elbaz

Many, many times I find that whatever is looking good on the screen doesn't always look or feel good on the body. So who do we design for - do we design for the screen, or do we design for women?

~Alber Elbaz

There is nothing scarier than being 'the designer of the moment,' because the moment ends.

~Alber Elbaz

Fashion is not always about what's new, it's also about what's good. And I think if you need to see what's good, you have to be there.

~Alber Elbaz

I love to travel inside my head, take journeys toward the unknown, meet new people, dream.

~Alber Elbaz

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