

# Alfred de Musset

## Quotes

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Unknown Worlds, Suffering, Kissing, Giving, Sleep, Memories, Helping, Blood,  
Inspirational, Earth*

With a kiss let us set out for an unknown world.

~Alfred de Musset

Any cigar smoker is a friend, because I know how he feels.

~Alfred de Musset

I don't know where my road is going, but I know that I walk better when I hold your hand.

~Alfred de Musset

... but one loves, and when one is on the brink of death, one turns around to look backward, and one says to oneself: "I have often suffered, I have sometimes been wrong, but I have loved.

~Alfred de Musset

Perfection does not exist; to understand it is the triumph of human intelligence; to expect to possess it is the most dangerous kind of madness.

~Alfred de Musset

Life is a sleep, love is a dream; and you have lived if you have loved.

~Alfred de Musset

The only true language in the world is a kiss.

~Alfred de Musset

Take time as it comes, the wind as it blows, woman as she is.

~Alfred de Musset

Few persons enjoy real liberty; we are all slaves to ideas or habits.

~Alfred de Musset

The only truth is love beyond reason.

~Alfred de Musset

In my flowery dreams there's always you. I do not regret it one bit.

~Alfred de Musset

How glorious it is - and also how painful - to be an exception.

~Alfred de Musset

The mouth keeps silent to hear the heart speak.

~Alfred de Musset

life is a deep sleep of which love is the dream

~Alfred de Musset

The glass I drink from is not large, but at least it is my own.

~Alfred de Musset

Memory is what makes us young or old.

~Alfred de Musset

The blood of my motherland waters a magic plant that cures all ills.  
That plant is art, and sometimes art needs corruption as a kind of  
fertilizer

~Alfred de Musset

Doubt, if you will, the being who loves you, Woman or dog, but never  
doubt love itself.

~Alfred de Musset

Romanticism is the abuse of adjectives

~Alfred de Musset

There is no worse sorrow than remembering happiness in the day of  
sorrow.

~Alfred de Musset

The heart that once has been your shrine for other loves is too divine

~Alfred de Musset

The soft contralto notes of a woman's voice are born in the immediate region of the heart.

~Alfred de Musset

Great artists have no country.

~Alfred de Musset

Man is a pupil, pain is his teacher.

~Alfred de Musset

Reason may cure illusions, but not suffering.

~Alfred de Musset

As all the perfumes of the vanished day  
Rise from the earth still  
moistened with the dew  
So from my chastened soul beneath thy ray  
Old love is born anew.

~Alfred de Musset

The return makes one love the farewell.

~Alfred de Musset

What I need is a woman who is something, anything: either very beautiful or very kind or in the last resort very wicked; very witty or very stupid, but something.

~Alfred de Musset

I cannot help it - in spite of myself, infinity torments me.

~Alfred de Musset

I have come too late into a world too old.

~Alfred de Musset

One must not trifle with love

~Alfred de Musset

Experience is the name men give to their follies or their sorrows.

~Alfred de Musset

There are temptations more attractive than angels. Liberty, Patriotism, the good of humanity - words like that are the silver scales of the Tempter's flaming wings

~Alfred de Musset

Repartee is altogether a natural endowment, and is the lightning of the mind.

~Alfred de Musset

Christianity ruined emperors, but saved peoples.

~Alfred de Musset

The most despairing songs are the most beautiful, and I know some immortal ones that are pure tears.

~Alfred de Musset

Know that there is often hidden in us a dormant poet, always young and alive.

~Alfred de Musset

Happiness may have but one night, as glory but one day.

~Alfred de Musset

The most disagreeable thing that your worst enemy says to your face does not approach what your best friends say behind your back.

~Alfred de Musset

Each memorable verse of a true poet has two or three times the written

content.

~Alfred de Musset

The costliest women are the ones who cost nothing.

~Alfred de Musset

It is easy to promise, and alas! How easy to forget!

~Alfred de Musset

In love matters; keep your pen from paper.

~Alfred de Musset

Vanity and dignity are incompatible with each other; vain women are almost sure to be vulnerable.

~Alfred de Musset

A happy memory is perhaps on this earth truer than happiness itself.

~Alfred de Musset

I deeply wished I could make the stars all come down and breathe them; disappear in them

~Alfred de Musset

Nothing is a sin when you obey the orders of a priest

~Alfred de Musset

Partake of love as a temperate man partakes of wine; do not become intoxicated.

~Alfred de Musset

The life of a devotee is a crusade of which the heart is the Holy Land.

~Alfred de Musset

Things they don't understand always cause a sensation among the

English.

~Alfred de Musset

A lively retrospect summons back to us once more our youth, with vivid reflex of its early joys and unstained pleasures.

~Alfred de Musset

I can't help it, the idea of the infinite torments me.

~Alfred de Musset

Is it true that dictators never dream because they can change their smallest fantasies into realities if they want to?

~Alfred de Musset

Disgrace is the synonym of discovery.

~Alfred de Musset

Look at the sun! It's dry, it's dead, it needs a drink, it wants blood! And I'll give it blood!

~Alfred de Musset

Taxes are a universal burden in moral as well as in civil life. There is not a pleasure, social or otherwise, which is not assessed by fate at its full value!

~Alfred de Musset

Become corrupt, corrupt, and you will cease to suffer!" This has been the cry of all cities to man.

~Alfred de Musset

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