

# David Gilmour

## Quotes

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Rocks, Artist, Mean, Stuff, School, Use, Fall, Song, Pompeii, Rotten*

It's not true that you fall in love only once in your life. But it is true that you only fall in love a certain way, with a certain absoluteness, once.

~David Gilmour

Make life an art rather than art from life.

~David Gilmour

You know, once you've had that guitar up so loud on the stage, where you can lean back and volume will stop you from falling backward, that's a hard drug to kick.

~David Gilmour

Jimi Hendrix isn't as good as me!

~David Gilmour

Obviously, they're all a gang of idiots. But, you know... live and let live.

~David Gilmour

I mean, I have moments of huge frustration because of my inability to express myself linguistically as clearly as I would like to.

~David Gilmour

I've been in The Who, I've been in The Beatles and I've been in Pink Floyd! Top that!

~David Gilmour

The future is deterministic in principle, but not in practice.

~David Gilmour

It is an example of what films can do, how they can slip past your defenses and really break your heart.

~David Gilmour

I'm not interested in teaching books by women.

~David Gilmour

The only way artists can do things is to do it for themselves. Trying to second guess what the public wants or likes is kind of a fool's game.

~David Gilmour

I haven't watched it [the film 'Pink Floyd at Pompeii'] in years. I find it excruciating.

~David Gilmour

The music tends to be an expression of one's darker moments.

~David Gilmour

There is irreducible chance in the universe.

~David Gilmour

How much in life is determined, and how much is due to chance?

~David Gilmour

Don't bait your breath. That's bad for your health.

~David Gilmour

When I was given this job I said I would only teach the people that I truly, truly love. Unfortunately, none of those happen to be Chinese, or women.

~David Gilmour

God created a system which gave us freewill.

~David Gilmour

Where would rock and roll be without feedback?

~David Gilmour

We already had all the songs, and it turns out all you have to do is burn

them to some CDs, so why not?

~David Gilmour

Subconsciously you just pick up things into your sort of musical vocabulary and use them.

~David Gilmour

Everything in moderation - that's what I live by.

~David Gilmour

I tend to jot down music.

~David Gilmour

It's a very tempting thing to try and relive your glory days when you get a little older and you worry that people have forgotten all about you.

~David Gilmour

I don't like to get too specific about lyrics. It places limitations on them, and spoils the listeners' interpretation.

~David Gilmour

No one can replace Richard Wright. He was my musical partner and my friend.

~David Gilmour

It's not whether God plays dice; it's how God plays dice.

~David Gilmour

I think myself that, rather like books, music is meant to enter into the brain, well via your ears rather than your eyes but, it's - I think a lot more should be left to the imagination.

~David Gilmour

I just play intuitively and work the same way in the studio. I don't have

any magical effects or anything that helps me to get my particular sound.

~David Gilmour

I tend to fly old airplanes and old sort of things that are nearly about as old as me. Biplanes and stuff like that.

~David Gilmour

I've never had any religion. I'd prefer it if I did, really. Even as a boy I just couldn't make myself believe.

~David Gilmour

I don't have a very disciplined approach to practicing or anything, but I do tend to have a guitar around most of the time, which I strum on most of the day.

~David Gilmour

I'm an atheist, and I don't have any belief in an afterlife.

~David Gilmour

Being a solo artist is what I do. It's what I've been doing for the last 20 years and a bit before then.

~David Gilmour

I actually learned the guitar with the help of a Pete Seeger instructional record when I was 13 or 14.

~David Gilmour

I think once you've seen a song with a video, it limits your own mind's ability to read into it anything other than what you've seen.

~David Gilmour

I listen to classical music at home probably more than pop music.

~David Gilmour

We mixed the sounds ourselves. If they were going to put the sound back onto our film [Pink Floyd: Live at Pompeii.], we wanted to mix it ourselves.

~David Gilmour

I don't want to be a full-time member of Pink Floyd all my life.

~David Gilmour

I'm afraid I haven't become a born-again Christian. I'm sort of 'Church of England, lapsed' is about as far as I go.

~David Gilmour

Yes, there's a lot of the blues in my playing.

~David Gilmour

I can't remember really what it's like to do it within Pink Floyd. In my mind, that's a thing of the past.

~David Gilmour

I am a lover of all sorts of different music. I love blues and every piece of music that I have listened to has become an influence.

~David Gilmour

I have no interest in going on a tour to make money without making new product, new art.

~David Gilmour

I like watching sports, you know, all sorts of stuff.

~David Gilmour

I think Atom Heart Mother was a good thing to have attempted, but I don't really think the attempt comes off that well.

~David Gilmour

The expectation on me as a solo artist is very different to the audience's expectation of a Pink Floyd show.

~David Gilmour

I find it incredibly difficult to write anything that's really happy.

~David Gilmour

Personally, I'm not very keen on the visualization of absolutely everything.

~David Gilmour

Well, I am David Gilmour, the voice and guitar of Pink Floyd. I have been since I was 21.

~David Gilmour

I don't, consciously anyways, sort of listen to things with the idea of getting something from them that I can use.

~David Gilmour

For me, gradually over the years, you refined your tastes in the way you do things and it becomes maybe less experimental.

~David Gilmour

Everyone goes to rotten schools when they're kids, don't they?

~David Gilmour

If you are in a band or in any situation with other people there are obviously brilliant aspects to it, but there are also things that you start finding yourself tied to.

~David Gilmour

To be honest, I don't listen to groups, really. Hardly ever. I know I'm in one, but I don't like them very much.

~David Gilmour

I don't even think whether I play the blues or not, I just play whatever feels right at the moment.

~David Gilmour

I think I'm still trying to be experimental on everything I ever do, but it's not as obviously way-out and experimental as what we were.

~David Gilmour

It's about the quality of the worry," I said. "I have happier worries now than I used to.

~David Gilmour

There's no way out of here.

~David Gilmour

You don't want to believe everything you hear.

~David Gilmour

I am working on current material, a new album, and that is all still my main motivation of going out and working. We haven't gotten rid of all the new stuff in favor of the old.

~David Gilmour

It's crazy that America gives such a paltry percentage of its GNP to the starving nations.

~David Gilmour

People in Italy seem to be very capable of singing along with 'Wish You Were Here' perfectly, yet it's hard to get someone in the street who speaks english.

~David Gilmour

It's really tough to get happy music going, you know?

~David Gilmour



I mean that it's all right to go to bed with an asshole but don't ever have a baby with one.

~David Gilmour

I've sort of remarried a few years ago and have had a couple more children in the last couple of years. And so home life is taking up a lot of my time.

~David Gilmour

I've played rugby at school a bit. I didn't play football at school; I played football after school.

~David Gilmour

Obviously record companies tend to be following what the scene is rather than making the scene.

~David Gilmour

I haven't felt compelled to go back in the studio and do anything serious. I have a little sort of home studio thing which I potter about in occasionally.

~David Gilmour

I don't live my life on the road. I'm getting on a bit and there's a lot of other things in my life. Our lovely children and their lives. It's more of a part-time business these days.

~David Gilmour

If people would like to come to my concerts I'd love them to come. And if they like the music that I make, I love that too. But I do not make music for other people. I make it to please myself.

~David Gilmour

People being incredibly rude and playing music incredibly badly and being incredibly obnoxious has always been a teenage sort of thing.

~David Gilmour

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