

# Gabriel Byrne

## Quotes

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Thumbs, Song, Very Deep, Devil, Play, Divorce, Order, Rights, Kevin, Dying*

I'm not a very gregarious person. I can't bear attention being called to me in a public place, which is ridiculous in a business that pays you to be noticed.

~Gabriel Byrne

Presents don't really mean much to me. I don't want to sound mawkish, but - it was the realization that I have a great many people in my life who really love me, and who I really love.

~Gabriel Byrne

Nobody knows anybody. Not that well.

~Gabriel Byrne

I had one of the best days of my life. I spent the afternoon with my two kids and my ex-wife at Serendipity. Then I came to the theater, and you know, I think I did the play the best I've ever done it.

~Gabriel Byrne

I think there's a bit of the devil in everybody. There's a bit of a priest in everybody, too, but I enjoyed playing the devil more. He was more fun.

~Gabriel Byrne

And then, I suppose, there's also a cinematic reality on top of that. Because it was extremely difficult to keep tabs on, it was quite confusing acting that.

~Gabriel Byrne

I would like to break out of this dark, brooding image, cause I'm actually not like that at all.

~Gabriel Byrne

The only way you can continue to make artistic films is to make an occasional one of those. They kind of keep your marketability going to the extent that people will employ you.

~Gabriel Byrne

What is that song that Willie Nelson sang? 'Oh, the days dwindle down to a precious few.' I think of that. No big deal. I've reached a stage in my life where I am content.

~Gabriel Byrne

I called Kevin Spacey one day about something else, but he didnt say to me calm down, like The New York Times said. Because I was not deranged.

~Gabriel Byrne

It's actually pretty complex, because there's two levels of reality in the narrative. One is what really took place, and the other is Spider's poisoned version of what took place.

~Gabriel Byrne

It was either Voltaire or Charlie Sheen who said, 'We are born alone. We live alone. We die alone. And anything in between that can give us the illusion that we're not, we cling to.'

~Gabriel Byrne

Viking women were able to rule kingdoms, divorce husbands, own land, and Vikings were very progressive in terms of the rights of women.

~Gabriel Byrne

Not to oversimplify it, somebody once said a good rule of thumb in interpreting a character is to find the good in the bad people that you portray and the bad in the good.

~Gabriel Byrne

I thought to myself, there's a man who gave up his life to serve others - to touch people in that way is probably the greatest thing you can do as a human being.

~Gabriel Byrne

The manner of your death is not your choosing. But how you prepare for death is

~Gabriel Byrne

I don't think we're living in great times for movies, to tell you the truth.

~Gabriel Byrne

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