

# Goran Ivanisevic

## Quotes

*Tennis, Play, Winning, Thinking, Careers, Player, Next, People, Parent, This Generation, Art, Fun, Want, Excuse You, Prize Money, My Family, Basketball, Happy Kid, Way, Fans*

Although we didn't have much when I was growing up in Split, Croatia, my parents always tried to ensure that my sister and I had the things we needed, and it was enough for us.

~Goran Ivanisevic

The trouble with me is that every match I play against five opponents: umpire, crowd, ball boys, court, and myself.

~Goran Ivanisevic

If I can't serve on grass, I can maybe help cut the grass, paint the lines and serve some strawberries.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I don't care now if I ever win a match in my life again. Whatever I do in my life, wherever I go, I'm going to be always Wimbledon champion.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I have so many runner-up cups that I am thinking of starting my own tea shop.

~Goran Ivanisevic

When you are winning too much, sometimes you think you should never lose again. I am learning to lose.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Ivan Lendl's never going to be a great player on grass. The only time he comes to the net is to shake your hand.

~Goran Ivanisevic

With me, you never know what is going to happen

~Goran Ivanisevic

My fines? I pay more fines than some guys' career prize money on the tour.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I think I owe it to myself and my fans in Britain to play one more Wimbledon.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Its fun to be there with the guys, to practice with them, arrange the balls, do this, do that, but when you play you can get some of this nervousness out of your system.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I just try to play tennis and don't find excuses. You know, I just lost because I lost, not because my arm was sore.

~Goran Ivanisevic

After I won a match at a tournament I tried to repeat everything I did the day I won. Before my next match, I ate the same food, I went to the same restaurant etc. Sometimes it got very boring.

~Goran Ivanisevic

When I started in my career, my sister was very sick so I play for her because we didn't have money.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Actually, I tossed it nicely, landed nicely, like airplane. No warning, beautiful. That's the art of throwing racquets.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I must be the only player in the world who ever injured himself for a tournament by stepping on a shell on the beach. I don't know what I'm going to do.

~Goran Ivanisevic

It's great, but there is one problem. She doesn't sleep. At night she

seems to turn into a vampire. She wakes up every night five or 10 times, asking for things, singing, calling out.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Since retiring I have spent a lot of time with my family, on my boat, and playing football.

~Goran Ivanisevic

I still break racquets, but now I do it in a positive way.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Every generation has its own Goran. So I was the Goran of this generation.

~Goran Ivanisevic

There are not many Irish people playing tennis!

~Goran Ivanisevic

Winning Wimbledon was a great feeling and it is still a great feeling. It has given me so much confidence.

~Goran Ivanisevic

If you are given a lot of money without having to work for it, you won't appreciate it as much as if you made it yourself.

~Goran Ivanisevic

The best book I read this year was 'The Da Vinci Code.'

~Goran Ivanisevic

While I didn't have everything that I wanted, I was still a happy kid.

~Goran Ivanisevic

Lately, my mind is like an orchestra. If you don't have the conductor, you don't know what to do. One guy is playing jazz, one guy is playing

rock and roll, another classical. It's a big mess.

~Goran Ivanisevic

My sporting hero was Drazen Petrovic, the NBA basketball player, who was killed in a car accident in 1993. He was a good friend, an unbelievable player, and I dedicated my Wimbledon win to him.

~Goran Ivanisevic

It's easier when you play. You get your emotion out. You scream. You yell. You do whatever you want. You play. But it's tough to sit.

~Goran Ivanisevic

My tattoo is a cross, a rose and a shark. A cross is a cross, a rose like love and a shark is a pretty tough animal.

~Goran Ivanisevic

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