

Hugh Hefner Quotes

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Life is too short to be living somebody else's dream.

~Hugh Hefner

Living in the moment, thinking about the future, and staying connected to the past: That's what makes me feel whole.

~Hugh Hefner

If you let society and your peers define who you are, you're the less for it.

~Hugh Hefner

In my wildest dreams, I could not have imagined a sweeter life.

~Hugh Hefner

My best pick-up line is "My name is Hugh Hefner."

~Hugh Hefner

I'm never going to grow up. Staying young is what it is all about for me.

~Hugh Hefner

Sex is the driving force on the planet. We should embrace it, not see it as the enemy.

~Hugh Hefner

Several girlfriends are easier to handle than one wife.

~Hugh Hefner

I don't have dinner parties - I eat my dinner in bed.

~Hugh Hefner

I would like to think that I will be remembered as someone who had some positive impact on the sociosexual values of his time. And I think I'm secure and happy in that.

~Hugh Hefner

Playboy was founded on the notion that nice girls like sex too.

~Hugh Hefner

It's good to be selfish. But not so self-centered that you never listen to other people.

~Hugh Hefner

The interesting thing is how one guy, through living out his own fantasies, is living out the fantasies of so many other people.

~Hugh Hefner

My life is an open book. With illustrations.

~Hugh Hefner

Life is bittersweet. Inside our heads, if we're lucky, we're the same kids as we were when we were young.

~Hugh Hefner

We indeed did and do own our own minds and bodies, and anything from church or state that limits that is inappropriate and inconsistent with the ... society that America is supposed to be.

~Hugh Hefner

I have about 100 pairs of pajamas. I like to see people dressed comfortably.

~Hugh Hefner

I'm actually a very moral guy.

~Hugh Hefner

I looked back on the roaring Twenties, with its jazz, 'Great Gatsby' and the pre-Code films as a party I had somehow managed to miss.

~Hugh Hefner

Follow your own particular dreams. We are handed a life by peers, parents and society, you can do that or follow your own dreams. Life is short, be a dreamer but be a practical person.

~Hugh Hefner

One of the sad things, I think, about the younger generation, quite frankly, is they have less sense of yesterday. And if you don't know who you were, you don't really know who you are.

~Hugh Hefner

I've nailed more women than I could count... at least I think they were women

~Hugh Hefner

The major civilizing force in the world is not religion, it is sex.

~Hugh Hefner

Being attacked by right-wing Christians did not bother me. Being attacked by liberal feminists did.

~Hugh Hefner

I have no plans to retire. It's the perfect combination of work and play that keeps you young. If I quit work it would be the beginning of the end for me.

~Hugh Hefner

I dreamed impossible dreams. And the dreams turned out beyond anything I could possibly imagine. You know, from my point of view, I'm the luckiest cat on the planet.

~Hugh Hefner

For me, the magazine was always the heart of what my life was all about, and the other half was living the life.

~Hugh Hefner

Part of the sexual revolution is bringing rationality to sexuality. Because when you don't embrace sexuality in a normal way, you get the twisted kinds, and the kinds that destroy lives.

~Hugh Hefner

Loneliness doesn't have much to do with where you are.

~Hugh Hefner

Picasso had his pink period and his blue period. I am in my blonde period right now.

~Hugh Hefner

There are many roads to Mecca.

~Hugh Hefner

I guess I'm the most successful man I know. I wouldn't trade places with anybody in the world.

~Hugh Hefner

What surprises me about getting older is that I remain so young.

~Hugh Hefner

I've never thought of Playboy, quite frankly, as a sex magazine. I always thought of it as a lifestyle magazine in which sex was one important ingredient.

~Hugh Hefner

You stay in touch with the boy who dreamed impossible dreams.

~Hugh Hefner

I think that the major message of my life and what I hope to be remembered for is someone who managed to change the social sexual values of his time absolutely.

~Hugh Hefner

I am not primarily an entrepreneurial businessman. I'm primarily a playboy philosopher.

~Hugh Hefner

I tried to make some difference, and I think I managed to do that.

~Hugh Hefner

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I think that there's nothing wrong with masturbation. If you're not feeling good about your own sexuality and your own body, you're not going to feel good about anything else.

~Hugh Hefner

Could I be in a better place and happier than I am today? I don't think so.

~Hugh Hefner

I got married before I found myself. People should find themselves before they get married.

~Hugh Hefner

One of the problems with organized religion is that it has always kept women in a second-class position. They have been viewed as the daughters of Eve.

~Hugh Hefner

It is the beauty of women, and the fact that they are the focus, that they are sex objects in a positive sense, is the reason we have civilization.

~Hugh Hefner

I think the Playboy philosophy is very, very connected to the American dream.

~Hugh Hefner

I didn't want to repeat my parents life. I saw in their lives a routine and a lack of dreaming, a lack of the possibilities, a lack of passion. And I didn't want to live without passion.

~Hugh Hefner

I think that retirement is the first step towards the grave.

~Hugh Hefner

I truly believe that age - if you're healthy - age is just a number.

~Hugh Hefner

It's women who have embraced their own sexuality, it's why women wear makeup, it's why they wear high heels. It's what civilization is all about.

~Hugh Hefner

The whole 1950s notion was find the right girl, get married, move to the suburbs and then hang out with the guys while she stayed home with the babies. I felt that was sort of sad.

~Hugh Hefner

Beauty is everywhere - on the campus, in the office, living next door... Nice girls like sex too - it's a natural part of life. Don't be ashamed of it.

~Hugh Hefner

Surrounding myself with beautiful women keeps me young.

~Hugh Hefner

I was raised in a truly typical Midwestern home with a lot of repression. My life, and the creation of Playboy, were a response to that repression.

~Hugh Hefner

My first wife was a brunette, and Barbi Benton, my major romantic relationship of the early 1970s, was a brunette. But since the end of my marriage, all of my girlfriends have been blonds.

~Hugh Hefner

The notion of the single man began in the 1950's. The idea of the bachelor as a separate life was new and obscure.

~Hugh Hefner

In many ways, I'm younger than I was 20 years ago.

~Hugh Hefner

I think that sexual oppression and dictatorship go hand in hand.

~Hugh Hefner

I always think, quite frankly that pop culture is a lot more important than a lot of people realize.

~Hugh Hefner

I think being connected to younger people helps to keep you young and gives you a young attitude.

~Hugh Hefner

Playboy isn't like the downscale, male bonding, beer-swilling phenomena that is being promoted now by (some men's magazines). My whole notion was the romantic connection between male and female.

~Hugh Hefner

You really don't create an authoritarian society unless you control the personal choices including the sexual choices of the people.

~Hugh Hefner

Because of the nature of my life, it's difficult for people to recognize that

a person can live a full life, and maybe an unorthodox life, and still be on the side of the angels.

~Hugh Hefner

Playboy, very clearly, from the outset, has fought against the historical repression of women. The notion that we were anywhere else simply defies the reality.

~Hugh Hefner

Someone once asked, 'What's your best pickup line?' I said, 'My best pickup line is, 'Hi, my name is Hugh Hefner.'"

~Hugh Hefner

What would make it very difficult to take society back to a repressive time would be technology. The arrival of the Internet.

~Hugh Hefner

I suggested that sex was not the enemy, that violence was the enemy, that nice girls like sex.

~Hugh Hefner

People get their information in different ways now. And we are a little poorer for it, because the way you get information affects what you learn.

~Hugh Hefner

The people who had the most impact on me when I was young were Freud and Darwin, but growing up I also had my film idols.

~Hugh Hefner

Everybody marches to a different drummer.

~Hugh Hefner

In my own words, I played some significant part in changing the

social-sexual values of our time. I had a lot of fun in the process.

~Hugh Hefner

We're separated by our myths.

~Hugh Hefner

Playboy exploits sex the way Sports Illustrated exploits sports.

~Hugh Hefner

I think getting married was a mistake along the way, but at the same time I wouldn't have the wonderful children I have if I didn't get married.

~Hugh Hefner

I guess you could say, I'm just a typical Methodist kid at heart.

~Hugh Hefner

Creating my own world in a comic or selling my first penny newspaper aged nine was a way of gaining recognition and acceptance by my peers.

~Hugh Hefner

There were chunks of my life when I was married, and when I was married I never cheated. But I made up for it when I wasn't married. You have to keep your hand in.

~Hugh Hefner

People project their own dreams, fantasies, and prejudices onto my life. So people are either fans, or jealous, or disagree. Everybody marches to a different drummer.

~Hugh Hefner

Publishing a sophisticated men's magazine seemed to me the best possible way of fulfilling a dream I'd been nurturing ever since I was a teenager: to get laid a lot.

~Hugh Hefner

I remain good friends with most of the major relationships in my life.

~Hugh Hefner

I was fortunate enough to be raised in a, in a very romantic time in terms of music, and the music itself simple reflected the much more romantic time.

~Hugh Hefner

I remain very much connected to my childhood... I have never been too jaded or too sophisticated.

~Hugh Hefner

They must be doing something right up there in Canada.

~Hugh Hefner

I always say now that I'm in my blonde years. Because since the end of my marriage, all of my girlfriends have been blonde.

~Hugh Hefner

I think age, if you are healthy, I think age is largely a number. My mother lived to be 101. So I'm planning on another quarter century.

~Hugh Hefner

The Westwood Cemetery is just a few blocks from my home, and a number of my very dear friends are buried there.

~Hugh Hefner

Smoking helped put me in touch with the realm of the senses.

~Hugh Hefner

Life and values do run in cycles.

~Hugh Hefner

My folks were farm people from Nebraska, so I like home cooking.

~Hugh Hefner

My folks were raised pure prohibitionist. They were very good people, with high moral standards - but very repressed. There was no hugging and kissing in my home.

~Hugh Hefner

My parents are wonderful people and they instilled in me an idealism for which I'm grateful.

~Hugh Hefner

I feel saddened when people who have major friendships or marriages wind up on the outs. Because I think you lose a little piece of yourself.

~Hugh Hefner

Television, cable, the Internet, that's knocked the boundaries down.

~Hugh Hefner

Retirement is unthinkable to me. The future is bright and very exciting and I'm looking forward to playing a part in it.

~Hugh Hefner

If it was wrong to persecute heterosexuals in a homosexual society, then the reverse was wrong, too.

~Hugh Hefner

It's hard to really compare new love and old love.

~Hugh Hefner

America is just as much to blame as a lot of our enemies.

~Hugh Hefner

I've had death threats, but I've never been fearful for my life. Although I

have traveled with security since the '60s.

~Hugh Hefner

I do think the reality is, there is a general recognition of what I've accomplished.

~Hugh Hefner

At a very early age I started a cartoon scrapbook, actually when I was in high school. And it became, in turn, a scrapbook of my life. And there are about 2,000 volumes.

~Hugh Hefner

The phenomena there is something in us that on the one hand bonds us with like people but somehow makes us suspicious of other people.

~Hugh Hefner

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