

# Ian Astbury

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Hoodies are definitely street wear, no doubt. It's amazing how hoodies have become such an important staple in people's wardrobes.

~Ian Astbury

I always played soccer in Adidas, but I always wore Nikes. I love street sportswear.

~Ian Astbury

You get paid and you get venerated and worshipped for pretending to be somebody else.

~Ian Astbury

You come out of a working-class environment, you know, working-class kids always put them themselves together because it's one of the only things they had. You had control of your image.

~Ian Astbury

We never considered ourselves part of the goth thing.

~Ian Astbury

Peace on earth and good will toward men - that is something we need to work on. Like Nelson Mandela, we should learn from him.

~Ian Astbury

I used to make all my clothes when I was in Southern Death Cult [the first incarnation of The Cult]. I still make things to wear on stage and I am involved with sketching, choosing fabric, cutting.

~Ian Astbury

I celebrate the spirit of Christmas. It's the winter solstice celebration, rebirth and new possibilities.

~Ian Astbury

Usually when I see Matthew [McConaughey] at a show, he'll be down in

front with his shirt off with two beers just going mental, lit up and having an amazing time.

~Ian Astbury

I'm not really caught up in the whole commercial thing of Christmas. I'm probably more of a pagan than a Christian, but it's hard not to get caught up in it.

~Ian Astbury

I'm much more for style and not trend-driven.

~Ian Astbury

Don't let anyone dictate what you should and shouldn't wear. Do what you want. Who cares?

~Ian Astbury

Kanye West talks about being Axl Rose, being Kurt Cobain, being Jim Morrison. Adam Levine is selling acne ointment to teenagers.

~Ian Astbury

I've liked the Yankees since I was a kid. I grew up in Canada so I kind of identified with New York sports teams.

~Ian Astbury

I much prefer being in the studio or on stage and staying out of the mainstream really.

~Ian Astbury

It's not about mainstream global domination. I make clothes that I can't find. I made a few pieces and Lupe Fiasco bought a pair of trousers I'd made, and a few other artists picked some up.

~Ian Astbury

The idea of being icons, I think it's great when you're 24. It's fantastic.

~Ian Astbury

Hollywood has this incredible ability to make a lot of noise.

~Ian Astbury

I had a great conversation with Trent Reznor. Trent said, "I'd have a sixpack, too, if I didn't write my own music!"

~Ian Astbury

I think hip-hop has more to do with rock and roll. Kanye West is, in many ways, a rock artist.

~Ian Astbury

I've seen people wearing clothes that don't look good on them, but they're really loving those clothes and the experience of wearing those clothes. Fine. At the end of the day, it's fashion.

~Ian Astbury

There have been times in my life where I was asked to do things and I didn't feel comfortable with it.

~Ian Astbury

I have no desire to be a lead actor or anything. I was offered things and occasionally something comes along, but for the most part I'm pretty much, "You've got to be joking, right?"

~Ian Astbury

Chris Martin is more of a musician and hasn't really put himself out there as a television host or anything like that.

~Ian Astbury

Occasionally I like a really good pair of shoes. A pair of leather shoes from Gieves & Hawkes in England, Buckshot Brogue, they look really sick.

~Ian Astbury

I don't objectify myself. I hate looking at pictures of myself, they're usually awful.

~Ian Astbury

I didn't join a band. I didn't start a band. I got asked to do it. It kinda happened by accident.

~Ian Astbury

The days are usually filled with nonsense and every now and again somebody flies by the circus to party on your dime.

~Ian Astbury

I think the thing that would interest me would be to appear in a period piece where you'd get to dress in an elaborate costume and say nothing but just look fabulous and have a fancy role.

~Ian Astbury

I work at my life and I cultivate myself and don't spend six hours in a gym. Some people would say I should but why?

~Ian Astbury

I think there's a lot of people who are afraid to experiment with clothing because they're afraid to get judged or ridiculed.

~Ian Astbury

I'm much more interested in Mike Tyson than I am in Morrissey.

~Ian Astbury

That's a real sign of the times - can you imagine Nick Cave wearing a hoodie? He may not wear one, but he definitely sells them.

~Ian Astbury

I wasn't pursuing a musical career or anything. It just happened and then it was there.

~Ian Astbury

There's always music sitting around, but when you're cultivating music, the idea of getting into a studio and compressing it to get something out on time can be really good.

~Ian Astbury

I grew up on North American sports teams as well as English soccer clubs.

~Ian Astbury

If you want to go put on a bathrobe and go walk down the street, excellent. I think it's more about trying to get an individual style than trying to get a uniform look.

~Ian Astbury

Christmas to me is very much about family and the depths of winter.

~Ian Astbury

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