

Ian Rankin

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A good album should be more than the sum of its parts.

~Ian Rankin

Rebus was eating breakfast in the canteen and wishing there was more caffeine in the coffee, or more coffee in the coffee come to that.

~Ian Rankin

You wouldn't think you could kill an ocean, would you? But we'll do it one day. That's how negligent we are.

~Ian Rankin

At all times, think like a writer, and keep those antennae twitching - that way, you pick up new ideas.

~Ian Rankin

I still think most writers are just kids who refuse to grow up. We're still playing imaginary games, with our imaginary friends.

~Ian Rankin

No matter how many awards you've won or how many sales you've got, come the next book it's still a blank sheet of paper and you're still panicking like hell that you've got nothing new to say.

~Ian Rankin

It was the laughter of birthdays, of money found in an old pocket.

~Ian Rankin

[About a tiresome colleague]: He could bore for Scotland.

~Ian Rankin

I don't have many friends. It's not because I'm a misanthrope. It's because I'm reserved. I'm self-contained. I get all my adventures in my head when I'm writing my books.

~Ian Rankin

War created bizarre allies, while peace itself could be divisive.

~Ian Rankin

I am, of course, a frustrated rock star - I'd much rather be a rock star than a writer. Or own a record shop. Still, it's not a bad life, is it? You just sit at a computer and make stuff up.

~Ian Rankin

Right from the very beginning, I knew I wanted to write palpably Scottish fiction.

~Ian Rankin

I wrote my first short story for a competition and won second prize. Another competition came up and I won first prize. The first story was published in a newspaper. The second went out on radio.

~Ian Rankin

It seemed to him a very Edinburgh thing. Welcoming, but not very.

~Ian Rankin

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