

Iris Apfel Quotes

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Fashion you can buy, but style you possess. The key to style is learning who you are, which takes years. There's no how-to road map to style. It's about self-expression and, above all, attitude.

~Iris Apfel

I say, dress to please yourself. Listen to your inner muse and take a chance. Wear something that says 'Here I am!' today.

~Iris Apfel

When you don't dress like everybody else, you don't have to think like everybody else.

~Iris Apfel

You're not pretty, and you'll never be pretty. But, it doesn't matter. You have something much better. You have style.

~Iris Apfel

I don't have any rules, because I would only be breaking them, so it's a waste of time

~Iris Apfel

More is more and less is a bore.

~Iris Apfel

You have to be interested. If you're not interested, you can't be interesting.

~Iris Apfel

I was never hurt by what anybody said about my clothes, because I dress to please myself. If somebody doesn't like what I'm wearing, it's their problem, not mine

~Iris Apfel

You only have one trip. You might as well enjoy it.

~Iris Apfel

You have to look in the mirror and see yourself. If it feels good, then I know it's for me. I don't dress to be stared at, I dress for myself.

~Iris Apfel

If your hair is done properly and you're wearing good shoes, you can get away with anything.

~Iris Apfel

I think jewelry can change an outfit more than anything else. Transformation, punch, individuality: One or all of the above are why you should wear jewelry.

~Iris Apfel

If you're lucky enough to get old, I think you should celebrate it.

~Iris Apfel

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I see myself as the world's oldest living teenager... I try to get as much kick out of things as possible.

~Iris Apfel

If there was a choice on spending a lot of money on accessories or dress, I always chose accessories. I think jewelry can change an outfit more than anything else.

~Iris Apfel

I think if women put some more of the time and money they put on their heads in their heads, they'd be better off.

~Iris Apfel

I just never want to completely grow up.

~Iris Apfel

To lead the good life in New York, the two most important things for a woman are a chauffeur and a fur-lined raincoat. If you have those two things, you're made.

~Iris Apfel

When the fun goes out of getting dressed, you might as well be dead.

~Iris Apfel

I'm a color person, I've never been known to play it safe. Plus I like big bags. My eyeglasses are so big; they don't fit into smaller bags.

~Iris Apfel

I'm a great believer in common sense, and the older I get I see that common sense is not that common

~Iris Apfel

I had to be my own person and live my own life if I wanted to be happy, and I just did it.

~Iris Apfel

If you put something together and it doesn't look so good, the fashion police are not going to come and take you away. And if they do, you might have some fun in jail.

~Iris Apfel

Style is attitude, attitude, attitude!

~Iris Apfel

People would always say to me, "Why are you wearing such large frames?" And I would say, "The bigger to see you."

~Iris Apfel

My look is either very baroque or very Zen - everything in between makes me itch.

~Iris Apfel

Being attractive lasts longer than being pretty.

~Iris Apfel

I never just went to look for clothes and style; I always find that wherever I go.

~Iris Apfel

Never be afraid to stop traffic.

~Iris Apfel

Coco Chanel said take one thing off. I always said put another one on.

~Iris Apfel

These are things I love, things I've worn. I get more compliments on accessories than anything else. I think they're kind of like herbs and spices. They give zest and zing to an outfit.

~Iris Apfel

I'm happy if I can help anybody. I'm more than happy to, but you have to find your own path.

~Iris Apfel

When you're older, no matter how good your humor is you don't always feel perky and peppy. But if you sit home all day and brood about it, it gets worse.

~Iris Apfel

Jewelry is the most transformative thing you can wear.

~Iris Apfel

I'll spend more time getting dressed than I spent at the actual event.

~Iris Apfel

In my view you can't go to the future if you haven't come from the past.

~Iris Apfel

Humor is important in everything. Dress with a little humor and you can go a long way.

~Iris Apfel

I just mix and put things together the way the spirit moves me.

~Iris Apfel

Style means you have a real curiosity about yourself and then you express it. Having style is not copying somebody else.

~Iris Apfel

I think I still keep my sense of wonder, which I call childlike, not childish, childlike. I still have a vivid imagination, and I like to try a lot of new things.

~Iris Apfel

The fun of getting dressed is it's a creative experience.

~Iris Apfel

It's more important to be happy than well-dressed.

~Iris Apfel

I can't tell people how to have style. No amount of money can buy you style. It's just instinctive.

~Iris Apfel

I was in art school since I was five years old. I've always been to art school.

~Iris Apfel

The world is always full of promise.

~Iris Apfel

My mother worshipped at the altar of the accessory.

~Iris Apfel

It's better to be happy and comfortable than well dressed.

~Iris Apfel

You have to know yourself and know what you can carry. If you're not comfortable, no matter how well dressed you are, you're not going to look right. I'd rather be happy and feel comfy.

~Iris Apfel

My secret to having a happy relationship is having a sense of humour and giving one another space: your own space.

~Iris Apfel

If you're over 60, arms are not pretty, so I think you should stay covered up. But wear what's appropriate for what you're doing, how you live, and what your lifestyle is.

~Iris Apfel

You can't try to be somebody you're not; that's not style.

~Iris Apfel

I'm not a minimalist, as I'm sure you've noticed.

~Iris Apfel

I used to collect frames. I've been collecting accessories since I was 11-years-old, creeping around flea markets and sales and everything. Whenever I saw unusual eyeglass frames, I bought them.

~Iris Apfel

I don't count myself as a fashionista because I do a lot of other things. That's just a small part of my life.

~Iris Apfel

It's not easy to know who you are and it's very painful and takes a lot of time and that is why a lot of people don't want to put in the effort.

~Iris Apfel

Everything that's happened to me, nothing's been planned. I've never had a business plan. I just kind of fell into it, and I liked it, and I took a chance. I took a lot of chances in my life.

~Iris Apfel

I'm delighted that gay people now want to get married and I say why not! It's nobody's business and I would happily give my blessing.

~Iris Apfel

I find that if I get up and push myself, I get lost in what I'm doing, and I forget about everything else until I stop doing it.

~Iris Apfel

I don't expect to find inspiration. It just sort of comes. Sometimes you step on a bug and you get inspired.

~Iris Apfel

I'm not going to be a rebel and offend anybody, but I'm not going to live in somebody else's image.

~Iris Apfel

Sometimes I think fashion is going to hell.

~Iris Apfel

Given the choice, I would spend my money on accessories.

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To me there are lots more important things in the world than just having the right shoes!

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I love a nice hot pink. I like thick lipstick, otherwise it doesn't look like you're wearing any.

~Iris Apfel

I think fashion is just part of my life and if it hadn't of been fashion then it would have been something else.

~Iris Apfel

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~Iris Apfel

I'm making a lot of noise as I walk.

~Iris Apfel

You can't just say, "I'm gonna have style." You have to work at it. It's intuitive; some people have it, and some people can work on it all day long, and it will never happen.

~Iris Apfel

I think you're born with style, but you have to develop it. You can be

born with the talent to be an opera star, but you've got to work and practice it.

~Iris Apfel

Society should emphasize personality. Accomplishment. Interest. Intelligent things. I think everybody should look as good as possible too.

~Iris Apfel

I live in the 17th century. I don't have a computer. I don't look at the internet. I use a cellphone, and that's about my only connection to the modern world.

~Iris Apfel

If you don't have any individuality and you're happy just being one of the girls (or boys) be my guest. I'm not the fashion police. I won't fault you.

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I don't think dressing has anything to do with numbers. I know people of 30 who act like they're 97, and I have a few old-bag friends who are very hip.

~Iris Apfel

I don't spend my life getting dressed! I have to put clothes on during the day; I don't get dressed up at all when I'm working. I'll wear jeans, or something very simple.

~Iris Apfel

I had a great example with my mother, who was extremely chic.

~Iris Apfel

You have to observe a few simple rules in dressing, which are really not rules; it's just being appropriate. If you're 70 and want to wear miniskirts, 70-year-old knees ain't pretty!

~Iris Apfel

I don't believe in rules. It's different for everybody. Everyone has to make their own decision and find out what's comfortable for them.

~Iris Apfel

There are absolutely no rules about style at all. Not for me.

~Iris Apfel

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