

# Jamie Lidell

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Moments, Writing, Understanding, Giving, Mean, Space, Albums, Pills,  
Character, Going Out*

I've always loved improvising. That's how I write songs. Creativity has an improvised element to it.

~Jamie Lidell

It's really hard to make something that doesn't sound like everything else.

~Jamie Lidell

If I don't keep my music varied I go a bit stir crazy, you know? If I don't have the opportunity to jump genres every now and again I feel I'm boxed-in.

~Jamie Lidell

I feel myself developing more and more of this soul voice, and...it's a mystery to me. Fundamentally, I just think because I feel it, it's alright.

~Jamie Lidell

I find it quite difficult to analyze my own motives for things. I tend to go with a gut feeling in the moment.

~Jamie Lidell

Accessible music is much harder. I could throw out the other kind of albums with my eyes closed. I wouldn't belittle those who want to do the Tricky thing, but it does make me wonder sometimes.

~Jamie Lidell

I do really enjoy having a crowd of people out to see me. They really motivate me. I feel really lucky they've come down so I give it what I have got every time.

~Jamie Lidell

It's weird how things are really stop-start in my creative process. I can't just turn it on - it just happens kind of randomly and I've just got to ride it when it's good. Surf's up! It's like that.

~Jamie Lidell

Improvisation has been with me since I was a kid, and, taking a selfish pleasure from that, I just thought, "What the hell. It might as well be something other people enjoy."

~Jamie Lidell

I stopped going out and taking pills and I started hanging out and learning about flat eleven chords.

~Jamie Lidell

I'm not the kind of guy who likes to rush things through. I like to take my time and finish when I'm finished.

~Jamie Lidell

I do my best to make music spontaneously. It's very personal in a way. It's really a direct connection between me and anyone who's watching. I don't want to be in my own bubble. I'm reaching out.

~Jamie Lidell

I can see that in retrospect but I guess I've always had such an identity crisis when it comes to other people's understanding of me.

~Jamie Lidell

I really wanted to maintain that bedroom philosophy to creating stuff.

~Jamie Lidell

People can rock together, people can do great things together, and that's what you love when you're working with characters and it's all going well.

~Jamie Lidell

I'm always constantly battling with dry patches. I think I need a Plan B. Thankfully, I've always been able to pull something out of the bag in the

heat of the moment.

~Jamie Lidell

The most important thing for me - and the thing I get frustrated about when I don't achieve it - is momentum. Sometimes you hit on it quite naturally and other times it's a mad struggle.

~Jamie Lidell

I just throw myself into a mad frenzy, whip up a storm and see what comes through.

~Jamie Lidell

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