

Javier Bardem

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Sometimes I say to myself, what are you doing in this absurd job? Why don't you go to Africa and help people? But I cannot help people, because I am a hypochondriac.

~Javier Bardem

I've always said I don't believe in God, I believe in Al Pacino.

~Javier Bardem

I live in Spain. Oscars are something that are on TV Sunday night. Basically, very late at night. You don't watch, you just read the news after who won or who lost.

~Javier Bardem

You shall love. Whether you like it or not.

~Javier Bardem

I do respect people's faith, but I don't respect their manipulation of that faith in order to create fear and control.

~Javier Bardem

You don't need a man, you need a champion.

~Javier Bardem

I'm a great believer in stunt doubles. They do an amazing job.

~Javier Bardem

I enjoy my job as long as I can create a character, otherwise it's boring.

~Javier Bardem

I want to act because I don't know how to do anything else.

~Javier Bardem

The bad news is that only the bad people reach the news because they are noisier.

~Javier Bardem

Only unfulfilled love can be romantic

~Javier Bardem

I've always said that playing rugby in Spain is like being a bullfighter in Japan.

~Javier Bardem

Age has no reality except in the physical world. The essence of a human being is resistant to the passage of time.

~Javier Bardem

I will work with a director who has good material because at the end of the day, that's what counts.

~Javier Bardem

An award doesn't necessarily make you a better actor.

~Javier Bardem

The award is important in order to bring people to the movie theater. That's the only principle meaning of any award.

~Javier Bardem

The middle and working classes are paying the debt that the financial markets created.

~Javier Bardem

I truly don't have any formula for the choices I make.

~Javier Bardem

I think the most difficult love begins with one's self. How you treat yourself is something you bring to your relationships.

~Javier Bardem

But don't call me an actor. I'm just a worker. I am an entertainer. Don't say that what I am doing is art.

~Javier Bardem

I'm a huge fan of the director, Alejandro González Iñárritu, and his work, and I knew he was going to be an amazing actor's director, based on the performances that I saw in his movies.

~Javier Bardem

We live in a world of denial, and we don't know what the truth is anymore.

~Javier Bardem

I hate violence. When I hold a gun, I feel death in my hands, but it's fun to pretend in the movies.

~Javier Bardem

I can't imagine what it would be like being James Bond 24 hours. That must be exhausting.

~Javier Bardem

We live in the moment now where this whole movie business is crazy.

~Javier Bardem

The only thing I can do is act, but it's not something I even feel comfortable doing. It costs me a lot, because I'm a shy person, even if I don't look it.

~Javier Bardem

Even in the darkest regions, people have discovered their right of freedom.

~Javier Bardem

Every time I wake up, I see myself like somebody beat me up.

~Javier Bardem

I used to be a good party boy. I'm old. I'm an old man. You pay the consequences. I'm just fine with a couple of drinks, no more than that.

~Javier Bardem

My truth - what I believe - is that there are no answers here and, if you are looking for answers, you'd better choose the question carefully.

~Javier Bardem

I was raised not to be afraid to show emotion or imagination.

~Javier Bardem

I don't know how to drive a car. The only thing I can do is act, but it's not something I even feel comfortable doing.

~Javier Bardem

People have been born in refugee camps and they are getting tired of that.

~Javier Bardem

We actors always say how difficult and physically demanding a role was. But give me a break, it's only a movie.

~Javier Bardem

I retired from rugby because I was old and getting really slow.

~Javier Bardem

I don't really care where movies come from as long as they're worth making.

~Javier Bardem

When I was born, there was a very isolated idea of what it meant to be a man or a woman, and you belonged to one gender or the other.

~Javier Bardem

I am always saying, 'I don't believe in God; I believe in Al Pacino.' And that's true. If I ever get a phone call saying 'Would you like to work with Al Pacino?' I would go crazy.

~Javier Bardem

Celebrity is very weird.

~Javier Bardem

My first part was in a film where I played a sadomasochist who killed people and created fun orgies. I'm a method actor. I went to every orgy in the world.

~Javier Bardem

The good thing about being an actor, and the gift of being an actor, is that you are beautifully forced to see the world with different eyes.

~Javier Bardem

As an actor, you can't judge. A great actress from Spain said, "We, the actors, are lawyers of the characters we play. We have to defend them, no matter what."

~Javier Bardem

Many people out there don't have a choice, in choosing their friends and the people they're being manipulated by.

~Javier Bardem

There is no good side to celebrity.

~Javier Bardem

Some quality performances and movies have a chance to be rewarded, but it's not like it's a bible.

~Javier Bardem

I wanted to become a painter for a while. I think it was because I was lazy.

~Javier Bardem

When you are portraying somebody that has a very specific emotional weight, you feel like you're really starting to abandon your own body and go to someplace else.

~Javier Bardem

Bond is the longest-running franchise ever and there's a reason for that: they are action movies but they are also touched by current events without being political or too serious.

~Javier Bardem

I have a man and a woman in the same body; I have the male and female values in the same body.

~Javier Bardem

I truly thank whoever's up there for giving me the opportunity to be loved.

~Javier Bardem

When you know people are really at peace with who they are and what they do, they collaborate and want to help you to improve.

~Javier Bardem

My concern is to continue respecting my work as I've done since I began as an actor and I could only do that if I'm strong enough to keep on doing what I think best in an artistic way.

~Javier Bardem

I'm not the kind of actor that gets crazy with [directors'] names, what draws me toward a project is the material itself.

~Javier Bardem

When you're working with the best, it helps you to be good because then you are focusing on what you have to do.

~Javier Bardem

I've always belonged to the street, and I always will. It's in my DNA.

~Javier Bardem

There is no middle ground in Hollywood; you're a failure or you're a success. That mentality is wild.

~Javier Bardem

All of the good movies are based on how that story was told. And you cannot do it with a bad script, that's for sure, no matter who.

~Javier Bardem

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