

# Jenny Eclair

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I am very short-sighted, and if I don't like a situation I take my glasses off.

~Jenny Eclair

I wouldn't say I was grumpy. It's more pathological - I have seismic tantrums. I get red in the face and cry at least three times a week, and I have to lie down and have a nap afterwards.

~Jenny Eclair

People often ask why comedy is harder for women, and the reason is because a tampon will sometimes fall out when you're on stage. Blokes don't have that worry.

~Jenny Eclair

I can eat a man, but I'm not sure of the fiber content.

~Jenny Eclair

Anyone who has dead straight hair wants curls.

~Jenny Eclair

Without fake tan I have the skin tones of a dead jellyfish.

~Jenny Eclair

Well, I'm not good with sliminess. I hate the thought of creatures that have slime on them or creatures that leave a slimy trail. At home, the sight of a slug can bring up my breakfast.

~Jenny Eclair

I'm a schizophrenic mix of wannabe glamourpuss and absolute slob, and my style is very much magistrate-meets-barmaid.

~Jenny Eclair

I admire the Elsie Tanners and Barbara Windsors of the world: people who have crawled back from the abyss. I'm quite camp in that respect.

~Jenny Eclair

Well, I really don't like heights. I don't get on the top deck of a double-decker because that's a bit high for me. I always feel that I'm going to hurl myself off, so heights are a problem.

~Jenny Eclair

I am not sure gender ever won't be an issue in comedy, because I think that women do have different priorities in some respects.

~Jenny Eclair

I love fashion, but I don't come from a background of loving clothes, and I remember feeling badly dressed from a young age.

~Jenny Eclair

I can't stand folk who are all snobby about reality TV.

~Jenny Eclair

My older sister is bossy, my brother is a stirrer and me - well, I am perfect!

~Jenny Eclair

There should be more booing in shops and restaurants and places like that when when the service is bad. If you've had a poor breakfast in a hotel, you should put your knife and fork down and boo.

~Jenny Eclair

I was trained as an actress. But I wasn't a very convincing actress, so I started doing punk poetry and then fell into doing stand-up.

~Jenny Eclair

I don't think I'm successful.

~Jenny Eclair

I think my siblings sometimes have to defend me within their social circles - they are both barristers.

~Jenny Eclair

What has happened to the good old-fashioned travel agent? I want to go to a really posh travel agent and have them organize everything for me. I don't want to do things on the Internet.

~Jenny Eclair

I've just got crap hair. Although I inherited a lot of stuff from my dad, including giant knees, I didn't get his good, thick hair. I got my mother's thin, wispy, non-event hair instead.

~Jenny Eclair

I can't tan naturally.

~Jenny Eclair

I don't do marriage. I think it's incredibly naff. And I don't like vulgar displays of ostentation.

~Jenny Eclair

I have a very solo career. I only write with people that I really adore.

~Jenny Eclair

I'm very bad at having heroes. I don't rate anyone particularly highly because I'm so snide and competitive and not very nice.

~Jenny Eclair

My daughter has always had a strong sense of her own identity. From the day she was born her father and I were in love with and in awe of her and still are.

~Jenny Eclair

The comedy I like the best is comedy I can't do, stuff that doesn't touch

my arena.

~Jenny Eclair

As a five-year-old in Berlin in 1965, I didn't know that funny women existed. It wasn't until I got back to England that I realised women could be funny.

~Jenny Eclair

If I do go to the beach there have to be certain rules: it can't be a pebbly beach, there has to be some shade and there has to be a beach bar. I don't want to go off the beaten track.

~Jenny Eclair

I've never been prudish.

~Jenny Eclair

I think as time goes by you'll get female comics who are weirder - you'll get a female Mighty Boosh.

~Jenny Eclair

I still can't set up the ironing-board. A complete Luddite.

~Jenny Eclair

I've got this horrible feeling that I'm one of those people who'll always have to flog their guts out to get anywhere.

~Jenny Eclair

I've got a hat face. My mother always said I've got a hat face

~Jenny Eclair

As a rule, wearing a bigger pair of jeans looks better than squishing yourself into a pair of jeans that used to fit before you gave up smoking.

~Jenny Eclair

Family is the one thing that is definitely not disposable.

~Jenny Eclair

I prefer highs and lows to an even keel. Moderation is never something I've been good at.

~Jenny Eclair

I'm very jealous of my daughter's education. She's been inspired by her teachers, and nobody inspired me as a teenager.

~Jenny Eclair

I might be needy, competitive and desperate but it's far better than being wet.

~Jenny Eclair

I can't watch other people doing comedy. As soon as somebody starts being funny I have to turn off because it upsets me. I get comedy indigestion. I just hate anybody else being funny. That's my job.

~Jenny Eclair

Women are more emotional, and it's natural to talk about it.

~Jenny Eclair

I know the new comedy god is surrealism, but it doesn't touch my heart.

~Jenny Eclair

I have always had a need for attention but didn't plan to be a comic.

~Jenny Eclair

I am best viewed from a distance.

~Jenny Eclair

A good fart joke makes me bawl with laughter, so will somebody farting.

And the word 'poo.' You can't beat a good poo joke.

~Jenny Eclair

For me, being a woman suits what I want to talk about and what my audience wants to hear. Maybe I'm a dying breed.

~Jenny Eclair

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