

Martina Navratilova

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Labels are for filing. Labels are for clothing. Labels are not for people.

~Martina Navratilova

Whoever said, 'It's not whether you win or lose that counts,' probably lost.

~Martina Navratilova

I haven't bought any leather articles for a very long time. My ideal is to be able to avoid all animal products, in food as well as clothing.

~Martina Navratilova

I'd have a whole lot more money if I lied, but I wouldn't enjoy spending it.

~Martina Navratilova

The difference between involvement and commitment is like ham and eggs. The chicken is involved; the pig is committed.

~Martina Navratilova

Disability is a matter of perception. If you can do just one thing well, you're needed by someone.

~Martina Navratilova

Once you start believing in yourself, anything is possible. Once you start believing in yourself, your dreams take shape. The more you believe, the more you achieve.

~Martina Navratilova

The mark of great sportsmen is not how good they are at their best, but how good they are their worst.

~Martina Navratilova

The moment of victory is much too short to live for that and nothing else.

~Martina Navratilova

The better I get, the more I realize how much better I can get.

~Martina Navratilova

I think the key is for women not to set any limits.

~Martina Navratilova

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Life is about challenges and how we face up to them and the attitude we take into every day life so hopefully we'll be able to motivate people to do more with their life.

~Martina Navratilova

People who are rich want to be richer, but what's the difference? The toys get different, that's all. The rich guys buy a football team, the poor guys buy a football. It's all relative.

~Martina Navratilova

Variety is what I would recommend: As variety is the spice of life in food, so it is in exercise. Change it up. But most of all, don't overdo it.

~Martina Navratilova

Just go out there and do what you've got to do.

~Martina Navratilova

Concentration is born on the practice court... you must mentally treat your practice sessions as matches, concentrating on every ball you hit.

~Martina Navratilova

I'm not a one-sex person, and yet I hate the term bisexual. It sounds creepy to me, and I don't think I'm creepy. There are times when I feel

downright romantic.

~Martina Navratilova

If it feels right in your gut, this is who you are, this is what you do, this is what you feel, then don't hide that. You just stick to it and the world will catch up.

~Martina Navratilova

I am not looking for perfection. I look for the best in me.

~Martina Navratilova

I just try to concentrate on concentrating.

~Martina Navratilova

On Chris Evert: Before I even met her, she stood for everything I admired in this country: poise, ability, sportsmanship, money, style.

~Martina Navratilova

What matters isn't how well you play when you're playing well. What matters is how well you play when you're playing badly.

~Martina Navratilova

Just by being out you're doing your part. It's like recycling. You're doing your part for the environment if you recycle; you're doing your part for the gay movement if you're out.

~Martina Navratilova

You can't live in the past, there's nothing you can do about it.

~Martina Navratilova

Tennis has given me soul.

~Martina Navratilova

Losing still hurts, but that's good. When it stops hurting, that's when I

stop playing.

~Martina Navratilova

In Czechoslovakia there is no such thing as freedom of the press. In the United States there is no such thing as freedom from the press.

~Martina Navratilova

I'm not involved in tennis but committed.

~Martina Navratilova

People in the States used to think that if girls were good at sports their sexuality would be affected.

~Martina Navratilova

Security used to be an inconvenience sometimes, but now it's a necessity all the time.

~Martina Navratilova

The tennis ball doesn't know how old I am. The ball doesn't know if I'm a man or a woman or if I come from a communist country or not. Sport has always broken down these barriers.

~Martina Navratilova

I've been in the twilight of my career longer than most people have had their career.

~Martina Navratilova

I think retirement beats the heck out of life after death, that's for sure.

~Martina Navratilova

The more people come out, the less it will be an issue.

~Martina Navratilova

No matter where I go, I always make friends at the bridge table

~Martina Navratilova

You don't have to be pretty for people to come and see you play. At the same time, if you're a good athlete, it doesn't mean you're not a woman.

~Martina Navratilova

If I feel strongly, I say it. I know I can do more good by being vocal than by staying quiet. I'd have a whole lot more money if I lied, but I wouldn't enjoy spending it.

~Martina Navratilova

I've been active in animal rights and all kinds of environmental stuff and children's charities over the years.

~Martina Navratilova

The mentality, that's something you should be able to control. Whether you are healthy or not, how fast you can run - they aren't things you can work on, but the mentality should be.

~Martina Navratilova

I shouldn't say I'm looking forward to leading a normal life, because I don't know what normal is. This has been normal for me.

~Martina Navratilova

Sachin was so focused. He never looked like getting out. He was batting with single-minded devotion. It was truly remarkable. It was a lesson.

~Martina Navratilova

I have always had this outrage at being told what to, how to act, whom to love.

~Martina Navratilova

What I would tell girls coming up is just be yourself and don't let people get in the way.

~Martina Navratilova

Sport doesn't know barriers, really. You are judged on your performance... how far you can jump, how fast you can run, how well you can hit a tennis ball.

~Martina Navratilova

Keeping a journal of what's going on in your life is a good way to help you distill what's important and what's not.

~Martina Navratilova

I would have drunk a lot of Pinot Grigio if I'd lost after leading 5-2 in the third.

~Martina Navratilova

Lady' is an opinion; 'woman' is a fact.

~Martina Navratilova

Sure I know where the press room is - I just look for where they throw the dog meat.

~Martina Navratilova

The longer I stay in the States, the more I understand how important it is to smile and seem like a nice guy. Like Ronald Reagan. Your image seems to count more than what you do.

~Martina Navratilova

I'm an American. You can't go on where you were born. If you do then John McEnroe would be a German.

~Martina Navratilova

The more people come out, the less it will be an issue. Of we are

ashamed of ourselves, how the hell can we expect the rest of the world not to be ashamed of us?

~Martina Navratilova

Some players when they become No. 1 they put too much pressure on themselves.

~Martina Navratilova

I hit some great shots in my lifetime; now I hit a decent shot and I get a standing ovation.

~Martina Navratilova

Changes made to please others are unrealistic, but more important, they're unfair to you.

~Martina Navratilova

I've been talking to Martina [Hingis] about playing for a couple of years. Maybe I can convince her to play some doubles.

~Martina Navratilova

There is no cheap way to achieve the ability to turn pro in tennis; it unfortunately is more expensive than team sports.

~Martina Navratilova

When one man becomes more important than the country he's supposed to be leading, this will always create a problem.

~Martina Navratilova

The only people that really have a chance against Serena [Williams] are people that are strong, that can handle her power that move well, and that's a difficult combination.

~Martina Navratilova

All top players are the same strokewise, but mentally I can improve and

that's where it's at for top players.

~Martina Navratilova

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