

# Penelope Wilton

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It's true, I've become one of those grumpy older women.

~Penelope Wilton

Acting attracts shy people and show-offs.

~Penelope Wilton

I have spent my whole life educating myself.

~Penelope Wilton

I am drawn to characters that go on journeys, characters that are real people, that have life.

~Penelope Wilton

I don't tell everyone my life history because if everyone knows your inside-leg measurement, how can you surprise them?

~Penelope Wilton

You need to keep on doing things you have never done before in your career. You have to have a go.

~Penelope Wilton

You don't go to a comedy and try to laugh. You laugh in spite of yourself. You don't just come on stage and cry. Something has pushed you to cry.

~Penelope Wilton

I've learnt to listen. I don't think I always did listen.

~Penelope Wilton

When you play someone who is an iconic figure you can't go into it lightly.

~Penelope Wilton

I've had very close relationships with some twentieth-century writers.

~Penelope Wilton

I've never lost a grown-up child, but I have known loss.

~Penelope Wilton

You can't look at people being crucified. Even if you know it is just pretend.

~Penelope Wilton

Some people will never change.

~Penelope Wilton

Mostly in life people are trying not to have emotions.

~Penelope Wilton

I love the drive from York to Whitby over the moors - one of the great journeys, in my book.

~Penelope Wilton

In my life, I've had estates in Russia, houses in Spain, in Norway, in the deep south of America.

~Penelope Wilton

People in distress behave in a stressful way. They aren't all sweetness and light. They don't behave well when they are unhappy. That's just what I've observed.

~Penelope Wilton

I've learnt to listen. I don't think I always did listen. Not just in plays, but in life. And you have to hear what people are saying before you can respond.

~Penelope Wilton

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