

Philippa Gregory Quotes

*Men, Heart, World, Eye, Thinking, Queens, Desire, Mother, Want, Ambition,
Knows, Daughter, Giving, Mean, Country, Dream, Waiting, Stars, Taken, Lasts*

You have to choose the best, every day, without compromise...guided by your own virtue and highest ambition

~Philippa Gregory

When a woman thinks her husband is a fool, her marriage is over. They may part in one year or ten; they may live together until death. But if she thinks he is a fool, she will not love him again.

~Philippa Gregory

I shall be dark and French and fashionable and difficult. And you shall be sweet and open and English and fair. What a pair we shall be! What man can resist us?

~Philippa Gregory

Edward lives as if there is no tomorrow, Richard as if he wants no tomorrow, and George as though someone should give it to him for free.

~Philippa Gregory

You can smile when your heart is breaking because you're a woman.

~Philippa Gregory

Every woman has to have something which singles her out, which catches the eyes, which makes her the center of attention. I am going to be french.

~Philippa Gregory

Just because one man calls him Allah and another calls him God is no reason for believers to be enemies.

~Philippa Gregory

Fortune's wheel takes you very high and then throws you very low, and there is nothing you can do but face the turn of it with courage.

~Philippa Gregory

Words have weight, something once said cannot be unsaid. Meaning is like a stone dropped into a pool; the ripples will spread and you cannot know what back they wash against.

~Philippa Gregory

I had never seen a woman in such despair before. It was worse than death, it was a constant longing for death and a constant rejection of life. She lived like darkness in her own day.

~Philippa Gregory

When a man wants a mystery, it is generally better to leave him mystified. Nobody loves a clever woman.

~Philippa Gregory

I put the charm bracelet away in the purse and return it to my jewel case. I don't need a spell to foresee the future; I am going to make it happen.

~Philippa Gregory

the bird sings as if to say that delight is easy, for those who desire it

~Philippa Gregory

For Harry Potter I have all the time in the world.

~Philippa Gregory

You can smile when your heart is breaking because you are a woman, and a courtier, and a Howard. That's three reasons for being the most deceitful creature on God's earth.

~Philippa Gregory

In a way. Magic is the act of making a wish come about. Like praying, like plotting, like herbs, like exerting your will on the world, making something happen.

~Philippa Gregory

Being a stepmother has worked out very well for me. I love my stepchildren very much.

~Philippa Gregory

Good god what men can do to their brains when their cocks are hard.

~Philippa Gregory

If there is love enough, then nothing—not nature, not even death itself—can come between two who love each other.

~Philippa Gregory

I love reading and I love thinking - the reason that I love my books so much is that in order to write them I have to read and to think for years at a time about the same period of time.

~Philippa Gregory

War does not answer war, war does not finish war. The only ending is peace.

~Philippa Gregory

He promised her that he would give her everything, everything she wanted, as men in love always do. And she trusted him despite herself, as women in love always do.

~Philippa Gregory

One never gets the same summer twice.

~Philippa Gregory

"But Anne, do you love him?" I asked curiously. The curve of her hood hid all but the corner of her smile. "I am a fool to own it, but I am in a fever for his touch.

~Philippa Gregory

"In Spain," indeed! He would have got no closer than the Indies if I had

not showed him how to do it. Stupid puppy.

~Philippa Gregory

When it's done, it's done. And no one will know until it's done.

~Philippa Gregory

Some women attract desire. Others do not.

~Philippa Gregory

I was born to be your rival,' she [Anne] said simply. 'And you mine. We're sisters, aren't we?

~Philippa Gregory

Stars in the night,' he said. 'Something something something something, some delight

~Philippa Gregory

When they launch snakes you'll have your namesake.

~Philippa Gregory

It is not love that matters, Mistress Boy, it is what you choose to do with it. What'd you choose to do with yours?

~Philippa Gregory

If it has to be done at all, it must be done with grace.

~Philippa Gregory

She looked at me as if for a moment she would seek someone who would understand the dreadful predicament of a woman, in this world ruled by men.

~Philippa Gregory

Yes, but either way, shamed or not, I shall be Queen of England, and this is the last time you will sit in my presence.

~Philippa Gregory

True obedience can only happen when you secretly think you know better, and you choose to bow your head. Anything short of that is just agreement, and any ninny-in-waiting can agree.

~Philippa Gregory

En Ma Fin Est Ma Commencement - In my end is my beginning.

~Philippa Gregory

We might, either of us, be Queen of England and yet we'll always be nothing to our family.

~Philippa Gregory

The world hasn't changed that much; men still rule.

~Philippa Gregory

To save my son, I would plot with the devil himself.

~Philippa Gregory

I would be very, very uncomfortable at teaching, at dreaming to teach, people things.

~Philippa Gregory

I love going to London for a couple of days but I need to be in the country. I like the silence, the smell and the seasonal changes, especially in spring and summer. I really feel that I belong there.

~Philippa Gregory

I am in the interesting position of being sometimes skimmed by the critics and called literature and sometimes called historical fiction.

~Philippa Gregory

Although some people think I am a romantic novelist I have always

thought of myself as a rather gritty radical historian.

~Philippa Gregory

I can't sleep, I can't eat, I can't do anything but think about him. At night I dream of him, all day I wait to see him, and when I do see him my heart turns over and I think I will faint with desire.

~Philippa Gregory

Only fools wait when their enemies are coming, to see if they may prove to be friends.

~Philippa Gregory

Oh yes. Draw your hem back from my mud, little sister.

~Philippa Gregory

I'm utterly indifferent to Kate Middleton's baby.

~Philippa Gregory

Sometimes you cannot help what you hear, you cannot help what you see.

~Philippa Gregory

She was like a mother to me...and I betrayed as a daughter will betray her mother and yet, never stop loving her.

~Philippa Gregory

Wealth means nothing at all if you do not know, to the last penny, what your fortune is. You might as well be poor if you do not know what you have.

~Philippa Gregory

Before anything else I was a woman who was capable of passion and who had a great need and a great desire for love.

~Philippa Gregory

But young hearts mend easily, and hearts that own half of England have something better to do than to beat faster for love.

~Philippa Gregory

'We're going' Anne said firmly. 'So soon?' Percy pleaded. 'But stars come out at night.' Then they fade at dawn', Anne replied. 'This star needs to veil herself in darkness.

~Philippa Gregory

They say that at the mountain pass he looked back at his kingdom, his beautiful kingdom, and wept, and his mother told him to weep like a woman for what he could not hold as a man.

~Philippa Gregory

I wanted the heat and the sweat and the passion of a man that I could love and trust. And I wanted to give myself to him: not for advantage, but for desire.

~Philippa Gregory

He may well speak French and Latin and half a dozen languages, but since he has nothing to say - what good are they?

~Philippa Gregory

It is no small thing, this, for a woman: freedom.

~Philippa Gregory

I am too dark in my heart tonight.

~Philippa Gregory

I have learned the power of surviving.

~Philippa Gregory

I never thought it would end like this. I never thought he would leave me without saying goodbye.

~Philippa Gregory

When they see us dance. When they see how you look at me. When they see how I smile at you.

~Philippa Gregory

If it means something, take it to heart. If it means nothing, it's nothing. Let it go.

~Philippa Gregory

Anyone can attract a man. The trick is to keep him.

~Philippa Gregory

He is my brother. She is my sister. Come what will, they are my kin.

~Philippa Gregory

The truth is the last thing that matters,' she said. 'And you can believe one thing of the truth and me: I keep it well hidden, inside my heart.

~Philippa Gregory

...you have to have faith that you are doing God's will. Sometimes you will not understand. Sometimes you will doubt. But if you are doing God's will, you can't be wrong, you can't go wrong.

~Philippa Gregory

He had taken George, my beloved George, from me. And he had taken my other self: Anne.

~Philippa Gregory

But I don't forget and I don't forgive.

~Philippa Gregory

A man will always promise to do more than he can do to a woman he cannot understand.

~Philippa Gregory

I have given my word that only death will take me from you.

~Philippa Gregory

I would know you anywhere for my true love. Whoever I was and whoever you were, I would know you at once for my true love.

~Philippa Gregory

... all that that I learn just teaches me that I know nothing.

~Philippa Gregory

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