

# Quentin Tarantino

## Quotes

*Writing, Thinking, Character, People, Movie, Want, Trying, Jobs, Actors, Ideas,  
Song, Violence, Play, Watches, School, Men, Way, Guy, America, Mean*

And I will strike down upon thee with great vengeance and furious anger those who attempt to poison and destroy my brothers. And you will know my name is the Lord when I lay my fingers upon thee!

~Quentin Tarantino

When people ask me if I went to film school I tell them, 'no, I went to films.'

~Quentin Tarantino

My plan is to have a theatre in some small town or something and I'll be manager. Ill be the crazy old movie guy.

~Quentin Tarantino

Just because I was at an anti-police brutality protest, doesn't mean I'm anti-police. We want justice, but stop shooting unarmed people.

~Quentin Tarantino

If you want to make a movie, make it. Don't wait for a grant, don't wait for the perfect circumstances, just make it.

~Quentin Tarantino

Don't write what you think people want to read. Find your voice and write about what's in your heart.

~Quentin Tarantino

In real life there are no bad guys. Everybody just has their own perspective.

~Quentin Tarantino

Dogs got personality. Personality goes a long way.

~Quentin Tarantino

If you just love movies enough, you can make a good one.

~Quentin Tarantino

Hamburgers! The corner-stone of any nutritious breakfast.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm a big collector of vinyl - I have a record room in my house - and I've always had a huge soundtrack album collection.

~Quentin Tarantino

I steal from every movie ever made.

~Quentin Tarantino

The children despise their parents until the age of when they suddenly become just like them - thus preserving the system.

~Quentin Tarantino

To me, movies and music go hand in hand. When I'm writing a script, one of the first things I do is find the music I'm going to play for the opening sequence.

~Quentin Tarantino

Just because you are a character doesn't mean you have character.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm not a Hollywood basher because enough good movies come out of the Hollywood system every year to justify its existence, without any apologies.

~Quentin Tarantino

I've always considered myself a filmmaker who writes stuff for himself to do.

~Quentin Tarantino

I appreciate the female foot, but I've never said that I have a foot fetish. But I am a lower track guy. I like legs' I like booties'. I have a black male sexuality.

~Quentin Tarantino

I've always said Thomas Edison invented the movie camera to show people killing and kissing.

~Quentin Tarantino

I want to have the fun of doing anime and I love anime, but I can't do storyboards because I can't really draw and that's what they live and die on.

~Quentin Tarantino

Sure, Kill Bill is a violent movie. But it's a Tarantino movie. You don't go to see Metallica and ask the fuckers to turn the music down.

~Quentin Tarantino

The good ideas will survive.

~Quentin Tarantino

There are a lot of bad screenplays so if you write a good screenplay people are going to respond to it.

~Quentin Tarantino

You name any horrific thing, and I can make a joke out of it.

~Quentin Tarantino

The easiest way to kill a cult is to make that cult accessible.

~Quentin Tarantino

You don't have to know how to make a movie. If you truly love cinema with all your heart and with enough passion, you can't help but make a good movie.

~Quentin Tarantino

Emotion will always win over coolness and cleverness. It's when a

scene works emotionally and it's cool and clever, then it's great. That's what you want.

~Quentin Tarantino

I actually think one of my strengths is my storytelling.

~Quentin Tarantino

I loved history because to me, history was like watching a movie.

~Quentin Tarantino

Violence in real life is terrible; violence in movies can be cool. It's just another colour to work with.

~Quentin Tarantino

Violence is one of the most fun things to watch.

~Quentin Tarantino

If a Million People See My Movie, I Hope They See a Million Different Movies.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't think there's anything to be afraid of. Failure brings great rewards - in the life of an artist.

~Quentin Tarantino

If I'm doing my job right, then I'm not writing the dialogue; the characters are saying the dialogue, and I'm just jotting it down.

~Quentin Tarantino

Sergio Leone was a big influence on me because of the spaghetti westerns.

~Quentin Tarantino

A writer should have this little voice inside of you saying, Tell the truth.

Reveal a few secrets here.

~Quentin Tarantino

I wasn't trying to top Pulp Fiction with Jackie Brown. I wanted to go underneath it and make a more modest character study movie.

~Quentin Tarantino

My only obligation is to my characters. And they came from where I have been.

~Quentin Tarantino

If my answers frighten you then you should cease asking scary questions.

~Quentin Tarantino

To me, Godard did to movies what Bob Dylan did to music: they both revolutionized their forms.

~Quentin Tarantino

When you gotta go out and make a movie to pay for the kid's private school and for the three ex-wives, don't talk to me about your artistry. It's their job. It's not my job. It's my calling.

~Quentin Tarantino

If you love cinema as much as I do, and not many people do, and if you are focused and actually have something to offer, you will get somewhere with it.

~Quentin Tarantino

My parents said, Oh, he's going to be a director someday. I wanted to be an actor.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't judge my characters, and that's my job not to judge them. It's my

job to treat them with respect and to just look at it from their point of view.

~Quentin Tarantino

Reservoir Dogs is a small film, and part of its charm was that it was a small film. I'd probably make it for \$3 million now so I'd have more breathing room.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't believe in putting in music as a band aid to get you over some rough parts or bad film making. If it's there it's got to add to it or take it to another level.

~Quentin Tarantino

L.A. is so big that if you don't actually live in Hollywood, you might as well be from a different planet.

~Quentin Tarantino

To be a novelist, all I need is a pen and a piece of paper.

~Quentin Tarantino

When I make a movie, I want it to be everything to me; like I would die for it.

~Quentin Tarantino

I didnt go to film school, i went to films

~Quentin Tarantino

I was trying to do like a spaghetti western but using World War II iconography.

~Quentin Tarantino

I look at 'Death Proof' and realize I had too much time.

~Quentin Tarantino

If there is something magic about the collaborations I have with actors it's because I put the character first.

~Quentin Tarantino

I am not going to tell you how I believe, but I do believe in God.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm very happy with the way I write. I think I do it good. But I've never really considered myself a writer.

~Quentin Tarantino

I've always thought my soundtracks do pretty good, because they're basically professional equivalents of a mix tape I'd make for you at home.

~Quentin Tarantino

I write movies about mavericks, about people who break rules, and I don't like movies about people who are pulverised for being mavericks.

~Quentin Tarantino

To me, torture would be watching sports on television.

~Quentin Tarantino

If I wasn't a film-maker, I'd be a film critic. It's the only thing I'd be qualified to do.

~Quentin Tarantino

I surprised myself, that I was in the tissue of the character enough, that I could actually come up with something that I didn't actually feel or didn't believe.

~Quentin Tarantino

If the film is nominated for awards, and even if it wins them, it doesn't make the movie any better, just as if it's ignored that doesn't make the



movie any worse.

~Quentin Tarantino

Even Christoph Waltz's character, Colonel Landa in 'Inglourious Basterds', I never judged him.

~Quentin Tarantino

I like it when somebody tells me a story, and I actually really feel that that's becoming like a lost art in American cinema.

~Quentin Tarantino

One can be inclined to just say, "F this political correctness! I don't have time for that!"

~Quentin Tarantino

As a viewer, the minute I start getting confused, I check out of the movie. Emotionally, I'm severed.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't believe in elitism. I don't think the audience is this dumb person lower than me. I am the audience.

~Quentin Tarantino

If I've made it a little easier for artists to work in violence, great! I've accomplished something.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm not saying it's a bad thing to do, but when you try to deal with prescient themes in the present, that is what you're doing.

~Quentin Tarantino

If I'm on an airplane, a Kate Hudson movie is what I'm looking for. I'll sit there and I'll cry. I think it's the altitude or something like that.

~Quentin Tarantino

I think that's, it's my way of writing, it's my, it's part of you know for lack of a better word, God-given talent that I have that I'm really good at that kind of dialogue.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm not a huge big fan of music video.

~Quentin Tarantino

A movie doesn't have to do everything. A movie just has to do a couple of things. If it does those things well and gives you a cool night at the movies, an emotion, that's good enough.

~Quentin Tarantino

What the internet has done is destroy film criticism. I would never have guessed that the profession of film criticism would be going the way of the dodo bird.

~Quentin Tarantino

I was kind of excited about going to jail the first time and I learnt some great dialogue.

~Quentin Tarantino

I want to top expectations. I want to blow you away.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't have to play the song all the way to the very end - I use it while it's good and while it's cool and while it's exciting, and then I get out.

~Quentin Tarantino

Something stopped me in school a little bit. Anything that I'm not interested in, I can't even feign interest.

~Quentin Tarantino

I try not to get analytical in the writing process. I try to just kind of keep

the flow from my brain to my hand as far as the pen is concerned and go with the moment and go with my guts.

~Quentin Tarantino

Movies are not about the weekend that they're released, and in the grand scheme of things, that's probably the most unimportant time of a film's life.

~Quentin Tarantino

It's a standard staple in Japanese cinema to cut somebody's arm off and have red water hoses for veins, spraying blood everywhere.

~Quentin Tarantino

You can't write poetry on the computer.

~Quentin Tarantino

Violence is fun, man.

~Quentin Tarantino

My mom took me to see Carnal Knowledge and The Wild Bunch and all these kind of movies when I was a kid.

~Quentin Tarantino

He musta thought it was white boy day. It ain't white boy day, is it?

~Quentin Tarantino

You know what the funniest thing about Europe is? It's the little differences.

~Quentin Tarantino

Unfortunately, every time I have somebody play an instrument, it's always like, they don't know how to do it.

~Quentin Tarantino

I've always wanted to work with Warren Beatty.

~Quentin Tarantino

Everything I learned as an actor, I have basically applied to writing.

~Quentin Tarantino

If I really considered myself a writer, I wouldn't be writing screenplays. I'd be writing novels.

~Quentin Tarantino

When I'm writing something, I try not to get analytical about it as I'm doing it, as I'm writing it.

~Quentin Tarantino

To me, America is just another market.

~Quentin Tarantino

I love Elmore Leonard. To me, True Romance is basically like an Elmore Leonard movie.

~Quentin Tarantino

Novelists have always had complete freedom to pretty much tell their story any way they saw fit. And that's what I'm trying to do.

~Quentin Tarantino

I'm not writing novels, the screenplays are my novels, so I'm gonna write it the best that I can. If the movie never gets made, it'd almost be okay because I did it. It's there on the page.

~Quentin Tarantino

I couldn't spell anything. I couldn't remember anything, but I could go to a movie and I knew who starred in it, who directed it, everything.

~Quentin Tarantino

I don't think Pulp Fiction is hard to watch at all.

~Quentin Tarantino

Clark Kent is how Superman views us. And what are the characteristics of Clark Kent. He's weak... he's unsure of himself... he's a coward. Clark Kent is Superman's critique on the whole human race.

~Quentin Tarantino

I hate The Confederate cause. I've always felt that they are our Nazis and the rebel flag was our swastika.

~Quentin Tarantino

I've always thought John Travolta is one of the greatest movie stars Hollywood has ever produced.

~Quentin Tarantino

I am a genre lover - everything from spaghetti western to samurai movie.

~Quentin Tarantino

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