

Vivienne Westwood Quotes

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My clothes have a story. They have an identity. They have a character and a purpose. That's why they become classics. Because they keep on telling a story. They are still telling it.

~Vivienne Westwood

You have a more interesting life if you wear impressive clothes.

~Vivienne Westwood

The fight is no longer between the classes or between rich and poor but between the idiots and the eco-conscious.

~Vivienne Westwood

Buy less. Choose well. Make it last. Quality, not quantity. Everybody's buying far too many clothes.

~Vivienne Westwood

Fashion is very important. It is life-enhancing and, like everything that gives pleasure, it is worth doing well.

~Vivienne Westwood

It is extremely difficult to say how long the process actually took to finally achieve my fragrance, Boudoir, because there was a lot of time waiting around for other people.

~Vivienne Westwood

I'm not trying to do something different, I'm trying to do the same thing but in a different way

~Vivienne Westwood

I am attracted to people who make this effort in knowing what suits them - they are individual and stylish.

~Vivienne Westwood

Buy less, choose well: that's the maxim. Quality not quantity. That's the

most environmentally friendly thing you can do.

~Vivienne Westwood

The sexiest people are thinkers. Nobody's interested in somebody who's just vain with a hole in their head, talking about the latest thing - there is no latest thing. It's all rubbish.

~Vivienne Westwood

If you wear clothes that don't suit you, you're a fashion victim. You have to wear clothes that make you look better.

~Vivienne Westwood

The only reason I'm in fashion is to destroy the word conformity.

~Vivienne Westwood

The most erotic zone is the imagination.

~Vivienne Westwood

I'm not terribly interested in beauty. What touches me is someone who understands herself.

~Vivienne Westwood

I think feminists are unaware of the tremendous extent of the role of women in history.

~Vivienne Westwood

I just use fashion as an excuse to talk about politics. Because I'm a fashion designer, it gives me a voice, which is really good.

~Vivienne Westwood

I do have reasons for what I do. I am a very political person, and I really think if you put these clothes on, you will look like a force to be reckoned with.

~Vivienne Westwood

Fasion is about eventually becoming naked.

~Vivienne Westwood

The young need discipline and a full bookcase.

~Vivienne Westwood

There's nowhere else like London. Nothing at all, anywhere.

~Vivienne Westwood

It is all about technique. The great mistake of this century is to put inspiration and creativity first.

~Vivienne Westwood

I didn't know how a working-class girl like me could possibly make a living in the art world

~Vivienne Westwood

It's true the punk fashion itself was iconographic: rips and dirt, safety pins, zips, slogans, and hairstyles. These motifs were so iconic in themselves - motifs of rebellion.

~Vivienne Westwood

Intelligence is composed mostly of imagination, insight, things that have nothing to do with reason.

~Vivienne Westwood

At one time, I was very angry. I even treated fashion like a kind of crusade: you were either with us or against us, that kind of feeling. Now I know we need ideas, not kicking down a door.

~Vivienne Westwood

I never look at fashion magazines. I find them incredibly boring.

~Vivienne Westwood

People have never looked so ugly as they do today. We just consume far too much.

~Vivienne Westwood

Art should never be sociological; it has got to be timeless. It's got to be your vision and how you can represent the world you see.

~Vivienne Westwood

The muscular, athletic type is not representative of the human race, who are varied in their physique.

~Vivienne Westwood

I like to literally put women on a pedestal

~Vivienne Westwood

If you see everything from the point of view of women being victims in some way, you don't see the wood for the trees. It is better to be a person than a woman.

~Vivienne Westwood

It is not possible for a man to be elegant without a touch of femininity.

~Vivienne Westwood

We are so conformist; nobody is thinking. We are all sucking up stuff; we have been trained to be consumers, and we are all consuming far too much.

~Vivienne Westwood

I design things to help people to hopefully express their personality.

~Vivienne Westwood

Buy less, choose well & do it yourself!

~Vivienne Westwood

Sometimes you need to transport your idea to an empty landscape and then populate it with fantastic looking people.

~Vivienne Westwood

I think dress, hairstyle and make-up are the crucial factors in projecting an attractive persona and give one the chance to enhance one's best physical features.

~Vivienne Westwood

My clothes are very popular in Japan.

~Vivienne Westwood

The only possible effect one can have on the world is through unpopular ideas.

~Vivienne Westwood

Wear a towel instead of a coat, it's very chic. Or your husband's boxer shorts with a belt, or something from your grandmother. It's all about do-it-yourself at the moment.

~Vivienne Westwood

When I'm in the street, the only people I notice are usually at least 70 years old, because they look really stylish.

~Vivienne Westwood

I don't think punk fashion is a specter or overemphasized - it made a big impression, as there had never been anything like it before.

~Vivienne Westwood

The best fashion accessory is a book.

~Vivienne Westwood

The sexiest people are thinkers.

~Vivienne Westwood

We are the most amazing creatures that this world has ever produced, but we seem to also have this herd mentality; we seem to be the most stupid, also.

~Vivienne Westwood

The orb came about because I wanted to do this kitsch sweater for Prince Charles when he went hunting and fishing with his kilt on.

~Vivienne Westwood

When we started to do punk, we put all of these things together to create the look of an urban guerrilla - a rebel.

~Vivienne Westwood

Everybody should have a fair deal; everybody should have the chance to life in this world. If we were evolved as human beings, we would hopefully be able to alleviate suffering in the world.

~Vivienne Westwood

Fashion is life-enhancing and I think it's a lovely, generous thing to do for other people.

~Vivienne Westwood

My aim is to make the poor look rich and the rich look poor.

~Vivienne Westwood

Women fight for democracy and engage in the world. But they shouldn't try and be copying men and be masculine; they should anchor on the home and build on those fundamentals.

~Vivienne Westwood

I disagree with everything I used to say.

~Vivienne Westwood

Fashion has become so whatever. I don't think there are any stones left

to unturn.

~Vivienne Westwood

I remember reading a book set in the future, it was written in the 1870s projecting to 1920, and this time traveler said you couldn't tell the difference between men and women. He saw what was coming.

~Vivienne Westwood

Every time I have to look up a word in the dictionary, I'm delighted.

~Vivienne Westwood

I didn't do anything at the Queen, whom I admire.

~Vivienne Westwood

I always thought we had an environmental problem, but I hadn't realized how urgent it was. James Lovelock writes that by the end of this century there will be one billion people left.

~Vivienne Westwood

I think that feminists have definitely underestimated the role that women have had historically. I think I would be insecure if I were to be a man; there's so much pressure on you.

~Vivienne Westwood

Save the rainforest for your loved ones

~Vivienne Westwood

If you dress up, it helps your personality to emerge - if you choose well.

~Vivienne Westwood

Instead of buying six things, buy one thing that you really like. Don't keep buying just for the sake of it.

~Vivienne Westwood

If you're too big to fit into fashion, then you just have to do your own fashion.

~Vivienne Westwood

There is so much that people take for granted.

~Vivienne Westwood

There is no hierarchy of values any more. Real progress is due mainly to human genius, and that's rare, and usually stems from a real elite, from a hierarchy.

~Vivienne Westwood

My clothes have always got a very strong dynamic rapport with the body - they are very body conscious, they help you to look glamorous, more hourglass, more woman.

~Vivienne Westwood

The arts have only ever interested a small minority of people, which acted as a kind of nursery to support artists.

~Vivienne Westwood

We wanted to step off our island and add the color of the third world. We got gold cigarette paper and stuck it around our teeth. We really did look like pirates and dressed to look the part.

~Vivienne Westwood

However, because Britain is young and exciting, I did show my second line here once or twice.

~Vivienne Westwood

Prince Charles is definitely my hero; he uses his position to do only good in this world.

~Vivienne Westwood

Everybody looks like clones and the only people you notice are my age. I don't notice anybody unless they look great, and every now and again they do, and they are usually 70.

~Vivienne Westwood

I was a punk before it got its name. I had that hairstyle and purple lipstick.

~Vivienne Westwood

All that self-expression has just created a generation of morons, hooked on an endless appetite for rubbish.

~Vivienne Westwood

My biggest criticism is how can people be so easily satisfied? Even people with talent.

~Vivienne Westwood

The young Japanese, especially, love to wear the latest thing and when they come to London they head for my shops as part of what they want to find in Britain.

~Vivienne Westwood

I was still interested in the youth rebellion but never-the-less I stopped being a victim. Stopped trying to attack the establishment realizing that it takes too much of your energy.

~Vivienne Westwood

I think it's important to vote.

~Vivienne Westwood

I tend not to like an awful lot of what is going out under my name now because it is just all product. Who needs it?

~Vivienne Westwood

I think some people would love to be able to make the clothes I make - and of course, I do influence them, but they keep simplifying, and minimalism doesn't quite work

~Vivienne Westwood

I love designing at the moment, I'm so happy with my work.

~Vivienne Westwood

My son has followed fashion since he was a punk. He and I agree that fashion is about sex.

~Vivienne Westwood

Nothing is costed properly and it's destroying the earth. We need to re-educate people that what is good for the planet is good for the financial system.

~Vivienne Westwood

I'll tell you what I was like as a child. I was a good person. I was high-spirited but I was a big reader.

~Vivienne Westwood

But, having a perfume and license, in general, is a financial necessity. A designer must, to reap back the money spent on prototypes and all that sort of thing.

~Vivienne Westwood

I may be a rebel, but I am not an outsider.

~Vivienne Westwood

I was the first person to have a punk rock hairstyle.

~Vivienne Westwood

Feminists wish women to seem like men. They're not men.

~Vivienne Westwood

I have been asked what would I ban immediately if I could. Advertising.

~Vivienne Westwood

A status symbol is a book. A very easy book to read is *The Catcher in the Rye*. Walk around with that under your arm, kids. That is status.

~Vivienne Westwood

What I remember as a child is that other kids didn't care about suffering. I always did.

~Vivienne Westwood

There's always a polemic in my clothes.

~Vivienne Westwood

Every time I hear that word, I cringe. Fun! I think it's disgusting; it's just running around. It's not my idea of pleasure.

~Vivienne Westwood

Buy less, choose well, make it last. Quality rather than quantity: That is true sustainability. If people only bought beautiful things rather than rubbish, we wouldn't have climate change!

~Vivienne Westwood

If you ask me what I think people should be getting next season, I'll tell you what I'd like them to buyâ€”nothing. I'd like people to stop buying and buying and buying.

~Vivienne Westwood

The main message we want to get out there is that climate change is caused by the rotten economic system.

~Vivienne Westwood

The hippie movement politicized my generation. When it ended, we all started looking back at our own history, looking, in my case, for motives

of rebellion.

~Vivienne Westwood

The migrants are not a temporary crisis. The crisis is mounting.

~Vivienne Westwood

I can't think without my glasses.

~Vivienne Westwood

Shoes must have very high heels and platforms to put women's beauty on a pedestal.

~Vivienne Westwood

I don't have faith in young people any more. I don't waste time trying to communicate with them.

~Vivienne Westwood

I was born during the war and grew up in a time of rationing. We didn't have anything. It's influenced the way I look at the world.

~Vivienne Westwood

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