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Marie Magdalene "Marlene" Dietrich (December 27, 1901 – May 6, 1992) also known as Maria Magdalena Dietrich was a German actress, entertainer and singer.

Once a woman has forgiven her man, she must not reheat his sins for breakfast.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Gentleman. A man who buys two of the same morning paper from the doorman of his favorite nightclub when he leaves with his girl.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Courage and grace is a formidable mixture. The only place to see it is the bullring.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Do let him read the papers. But not while you accusingly tiptoe around the room, or perch much like a silent bird of prey on the edge of your most uncomfortable chair. (He will read them anyway, and he should read them, so let him choose his own good time.) Don't make a big exit. Just go. But kiss him quickly, before you go, otherwise he might think you are angry; he is used to suspecting he is doing something wrong.

- Dietrich, Marlene

There comes a time when suddenly you realize that laughter is something you remember and that you were the one laughing.

- Dietrich, Marlene

To be completely woman you need a master, and in him a compass for your life. You need a man you can look up to and respect. If you dethrone him it's no wonder that you are discontented, and discontented women are not loved for long.

- Dietrich, Marlene

A new kind of award has been added -- the deathbed award. It is not an award of any kind. Either the recipient has not acted at all, or was not nominated, or did not win the award the last few times around. It is intended to relieve the guilty conscience of the Academy members and save face in front of the public. The Academy has the horrible taste to have a star, choking with emotion, present this deathbed award so that there can be no doubt in anybody's mind why the award is so hurriedly given. Lucky is the actor who is too sick to watch the proceedings on television.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Sex. In America an obsession. In other parts of the world a fact.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Until they come to see us from their planet, I wait patiently. I hear them saying: Don't call us, we'll call you.

- Dietrich, Marlene

Superstitions are habits rather than beliefs.

- Dietrich, Marlene

The weak are more likely to make the strong weak than the strong are likely to make the weak strong.

- Dietrich, Marlene

There is a gigantic difference between earning a great deal of money and being rich.

- Dietrich, Marlene

A man would prefer to come home to an unmade bed and a happy woman than to a neatly made bed and an angry woman.

- Dietrich, Marlene



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