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# Quotes about Guests

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Quite a nasty piece of work. Not the sort of person you'd want to have dinner with.

&#91;On the subject of Mr. Bean&#93;

- Atkinson, Rowan

One might well say that mankind is divisible into two great classes: hosts and guests.

- Beerbohm, Sir Max

Whoever is admitted or sought for, in company, upon any other account than that of his merit and manners, is never respected there, but only made use of. We will have such-a-one, for he sings prettily; we will invite such-a-one to a ball, for he dances well; we will have such-a-one at supper, for he is always joking and laughing; we will ask another because he plays deep at all games, or because he can drink a great deal. These are all vilifying distinctions, mortifying preferences, and exclude all ideas of esteem and regard. Whoever is had (as it is called) in company for the sake of any one thing singly, is singly that thing, and will never be considered in any other light; consequently never respected, let his merits be what they will.

- Chesterfield, Lord

Visitors are insatiable devourers of time, and fit only for those who, if they did not visit, would do nothing.

- Cowper, William

My evening visitors, if they cannot see the clock should find the time in my face.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days.

- Franklin, Benjamin

When any one of our relations was found to be a person of a very bad character, a troublesome guest, or one we desired to get rid of, upon his leaving my house I ever took care to lend him a riding-coat, or a pair of boots, or sometimes a horse of small value, and I always had the satisfaction of finding he never came back to return them.

- Goldsmith, Oliver

A civil guest will no more talk all, than eat all the feast.

- Herheri, George

A guest never forgets the host who had treated him kindly.

- Homer

To be an ideal guest, stay at home.

- Howe, Edgar Watson

Making a long stay short is a great aid to popularity.

- Hubbard, Kin

Nobody can be as agreeable as an uninvited guest.

- Hubbard, Kin

The first day, a guest; the second, a burden; the third, a pest.

- Laboulaye, Edouard R.

Superior people never make long visits.

- Moore, Marianne

No one can be so welcome a guest that he will not annoy his host after three days.

- Plautus, Titus Maccius

Every guest hates the others, and the host hates them all.

- Proverb, Albanian

Fish and guests smell at three days old.

- Proverb, Danish

Frank Harris has been received in all the great houses -- once!

- Wilde, Oscar







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