

# Jake Gyllenhaal Uncovers the Deepest Secrets of Natalie Portman

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The latest cover story in [Interview magazine](#) poses an interesting question - between paparazzi photos, celeb gossip and stars' own Twitter updates - do we really know our movie stars, or just know where they drink their coffee? Beautiful actress [Natalie Portman](#) has been in the public eye for more than half her life, but as the interview suggests, we know only superficial details about the woman behind the roles in 'Star Wars' and 'Garden State.' To solve this problem, Interview enlisted the help of actor [Jake Gyllenhaal](#), Portman's co-star in the upcoming film 'Brothers.' Read the entire, charmingly candid piece in the new issue of [Interview](#), and **check out the highlights and gorgeous photos below:**

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**On what frightens the Harvard grad:** "I remember as a kid being really scared of the Smurfs... Because that bad guy, Gargamel, was so terrifying. I was scared of a lot of cartoons. I'm kind of wussy like that. I'm far from fearless. I'm afraid of everything. But maybe when you're afraid of everything, it sort of seems like you're scared of nothing."

**On time travel:** "Right now, I'm very fascinated with 1920s Berlin. I mean, probably the more interesting thing would be to go to the beginning of civilization or precivilization-like polytheistic times. It would be interesting to see what came before modern religion and culture-what circumstances created the environment or the need for it. I actually felt like I was in a time machine last week when I went with Jay-Z to the Laserium in Los Angeles... Those kinds of [laser] shows really do take you back to a more innocent time when that stuff was superimpressive . . . Well, not even a more innocent time but maybe a more drugged-out time."

**On her favorite music:** "Really, really obscene hip-hop. I love it so much. It makes me laugh and then it makes me want to dance. Those are like my two favorite things, so combined . . . I've been listening a lot lately to "Wait (The Whisper Song)" by the Ying Yang Twins, where the lyrics are like, 'Wait 'til you see my d-k'-which is just amazing because it's whispered. [whispers] 'Wait 'til you see my d-k . . . ' [laughs] Crazy. So I just listen to it like I'm a five-year-old, like, 'Oh my god! I can't believe he just said that!'"

**On the state of the union:** "I think it's kind of an exciting time. I mean, everyone is cutting back. It's happening in every industry-including our own. But I think that's going to translate into a situation where people aren't motivated by money as much as they have been in the recent past. A lot of my friends from college went into fields like banking for financial reasons-obviously people have school loans and things to pay off."

"And now, all of a sudden, they're doing jobs that they hate and they're not making as much money as they thought they would or they've lost their jobs entirely. So I've started to see people looking more toward their own passions and what really excites them. Obviously it's much easier to say that you're going to follow your passions when you're financially secure, but at least we can take solace in the fact that we now have the time to pursue the things that we really want to pursue because now the option of doing things just for the money isn't necessarily there."

**On her job skills:** "I really wish I could make something. I mean, you're a really good cook, you know how to build things-you can make things with your hands. I can't make anything . . . Well, I can make chitchat, but not much else. I mean, I'd basically have trouble with any job that doesn't require me to wear silly clothes and talk in funny voices."

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