

# Secret in the Breakers Hotel: the Palm Beach Mystery

## Introduction

The Breakers Hotel is a legendary landmark in Palm Beach, Florida. It has been a playground for the rich and famous for over a century. But behind the glamour and opulence, there is a dark secret.

In 1925, Booth Ewen, a wealthy businessman, was found dead in the swimming pool of the Breakers Hotel. His death was ruled an accident, but many people believe that he was murdered.

The Palm Beach mystery has fascinated people for decades. Who killed Booth Ewen? And why?

In this book, we will explore the history of the Breakers Hotel and Palm Beach society. We will examine the

evidence surrounding Booth Ewen's death. And we will interview the people who were involved in the case.

We may never know for sure who killed Booth Ewen. But by exploring the Palm Beach mystery, we can gain a better understanding of the dark side of wealth and privilege.

The Palm Beach mystery is a cautionary tale. It reminds us that even the most beautiful places can hide dark secrets.

This book is a work of nonfiction. It is based on extensive research, including interviews with people who were involved in the case.

We hope that you find this book informative and thought-provoking.

## Book Description

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In this book, Pasquale De Marco examines the evidence surrounding Booth Ewen's death. Pasquale De Marco also interviews the people who were involved in the case, including Wally Tupper, a young woman who was friends with Booth Ewen and his wife, LaLa.

Wally Tupper is a complex and fascinating character. She is a wealthy socialite who is bored with her life. She is also a sharp-witted and independent woman who is not afraid to speak her mind.

Wally Tupper is drawn into the investigation of Booth Ewen's death. She wants to find out who killed her friend. And she wants to expose the dark secrets of Palm Beach society.

**Secret in the Breakers Hotel: the Palm Beach Mystery** is a gripping and suspenseful book that will keep you guessing until the very end. It is a must-read for anyone who is interested in true crime, history, or Palm Beach society.

# Chapter 1: The Breakers Hotel

## History of the Breakers Hotel

The Breakers Hotel is a legendary landmark in Palm Beach, Florida. It has been a playground for the rich and famous for over a century. But the hotel's history is not without its dark secrets.

The Breakers Hotel was built in 1896 by Henry Flagler, a railroad tycoon. Flagler wanted to create a winter retreat for wealthy Northerners. The hotel was an immediate success, and it quickly became a popular destination for the elite.

Over the years, the Breakers Hotel has hosted countless celebrities, politicians, and royalty. The hotel has also been the site of many important events, including the signing of the Treaty of Versailles in 1919.

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### **The Early Years**

The Breakers Hotel was built on the site of a former coconut plantation. Flagler purchased the land in 1893, and he hired the architectural firm of Carrère and Hastings to design the hotel.

The Breakers Hotel was built in the Italian Renaissance style. The hotel is made of white marble and has a red tile roof. The hotel is surrounded by lush gardens and fountains.

The Breakers Hotel opened its doors in 1896. The hotel was an immediate success, and it quickly became a popular destination for the elite.

## **The Roaring Twenties**

The Roaring Twenties was a time of great prosperity in the United States. The Breakers Hotel was a popular destination for the wealthy and famous during this time.

The hotel hosted many lavish parties and events during the Roaring Twenties. The hotel was also a popular destination for bootleggers and gangsters.

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## The Modern Era

The Breakers Hotel has continued to be a popular destination for the wealthy and famous throughout the years. The hotel has been renovated and expanded several times over the years.

The Breakers Hotel is now a member of the Historic Hotels of America. The hotel is also a popular destination for weddings and other special events.



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## Architecture of the Breakers Hotel

The Breakers Hotel is a Beaux-Arts masterpiece, designed by renowned architect Addison Mizner. The hotel is made of pink stucco and has a red tile roof. It is surrounded by lush gardens and has a private beach.

The Breakers Hotel has 550 rooms and suites, all of which are decorated in a luxurious style. The hotel also has a variety of restaurants, bars, and shops.

The Breakers Hotel is a popular destination for weddings, conferences, and other events. It has also been featured in many movies and TV shows.

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## The Breakers Hotel's History

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resort for wealthy northerners. The Breakers Hotel was an instant success, and it quickly became one of the most popular hotels in the world.

The Breakers Hotel has undergone several renovations over the years. The most recent renovation was completed in 2004. The renovation cost \$150 million and it restored the hotel to its original grandeur.

The Breakers Hotel is a National Historic Landmark. It is also a member of the Historic Hotels of America.

### **The Breakers Hotel's Architecture**

The Breakers Hotel is a Beaux-Arts masterpiece. Beaux-Arts architecture is a style that was popular in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Beaux-Arts buildings are characterized by their symmetry, grandeur, and use of classical elements.

The Breakers Hotel is a large and imposing building. It is made of pink stucco and has a red tile roof. The hotel is surrounded by lush gardens and has a private beach.

The Breakers Hotel's facade is symmetrical. The main entrance is flanked by two towers. The towers are topped by domes.

The Breakers Hotel's interior is just as impressive as its exterior. The hotel has a grand lobby with a marble floor and a vaulted ceiling. The lobby is decorated with chandeliers, paintings, and sculptures.

The Breakers Hotel's rooms and suites are all decorated in a luxurious style. The rooms have high ceilings, large windows, and marble bathrooms. The suites have separate living rooms and dining rooms.

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## Famous guests of the Breakers Hotel

The Breakers Hotel has hosted a long list of famous guests over the years, including presidents, celebrities, and business leaders.

One of the most famous guests was President John F. Kennedy, who stayed at the Breakers Hotel in 1961. Kennedy was in Palm Beach to attend a meeting with British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan.

Other famous guests have included:

- President Franklin D. Roosevelt
- President Dwight D. Eisenhower
- President Ronald Reagan
- President George H.W. Bush
- President Bill Clinton
- President George W. Bush
- President Barack Obama

- President Donald Trump

Celebrities who have stayed at the Breakers Hotel include:

- Frank Sinatra
- Sammy Davis Jr.
- Dean Martin
- Elizabeth Taylor
- Richard Burton
- Cary Grant
- Grace Kelly
- Princess Diana
- Oprah Winfrey
- Tom Cruise

Business leaders who have stayed at the Breakers Hotel include:

- Henry Ford
- John D. Rockefeller
- Andrew Carnegie

- J.P. Morgan
- Bill Gates
- Warren Buffett

The Breakers Hotel is a popular destination for celebrities and business leaders because of its luxurious accommodations, world-class amenities, and beautiful setting. The hotel is also located in the heart of Palm Beach, which is a popular destination for the rich and famous.

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