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Pablo Escobar’s house is now a luxurious five-star resort

Secret hidden underground swimming pool, bulletproof walls and more

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Ever wanted to stay at a Colombian drug lord's home? Now you can. Located in Tulum, Casa Malca, [Pablo Escobar's](#) former private estate, has been transformed into a five-star resort. The vacation home of the King of Coke was renovated and turned into an uber-luxe beachside boutique hotel by New York-based art dealer Lio Malca. Located along the most private Tulum beachfront, the heavily-art centric hotel Casa Malca's (formerly Casa Magna) 36 luxurious velvet-draped rooms and suites, indoor and terrace bars, and lobby are populated with Malca's private contemporary art collection -- of furniture, sculptures, paintings and installations -- including works of Kenny Scharf, Rafael Gomez, Keith Haring, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Kaws and more. ALSO SEE: [5 things you didn't know about Pablo Escobar](#)

Built by the notorious drug baron in the '80s, the property was abandoned after Don Pablo died in 1993. The secluded villa was rediscovered in 2003, and Lio Malca stumbled upon and purchased it in 2012. First launched as a nine-bedroom eco-hotel in 2015 , only open to friends and family, Casa Malca has since been expanded and now covers over 180 metres of the white sandy beaches of Tulum. One night at the art-filled luxury accommodation will run you \$1400; that's just under INR1 lakh.

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The highlight? The secret underground swimming pool/steam room (beneath the property's main pool) which pays homage to the excessive opulence and decadence of its previous tenant. If only the walls could talk.

Take a tour of Casa Malca below

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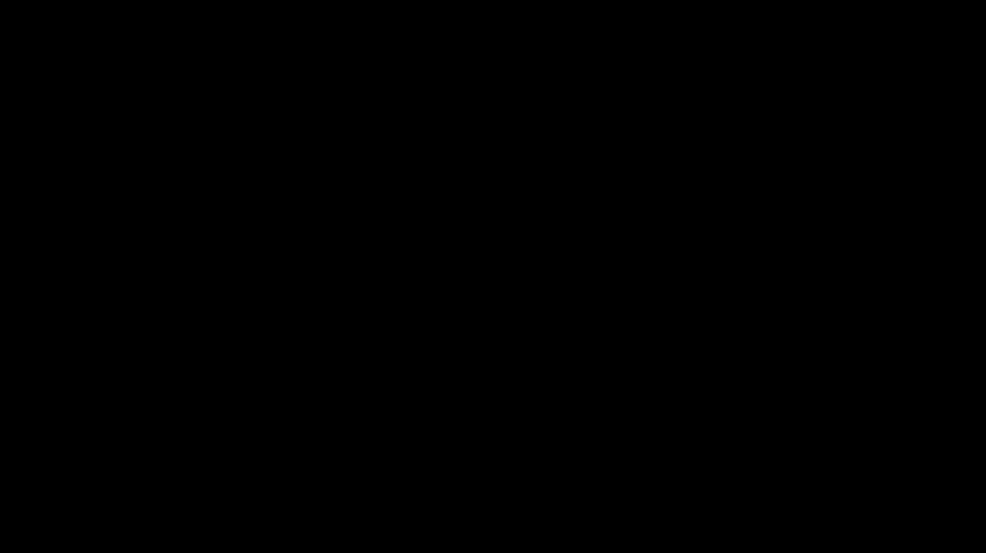
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