

Inside The Secret World of Arab Playboys

Tom Sykes writes in the [a glittering life](#) amply accessorized with racehorses, fast cars, and beautiful women, was a persistent drug abuser and sex addict.

In the [UAE](#), the prince's death has been greeted with hagiographic official obituaries.

In the West, however, the demise of Rashid has cast a rare beam of light on the secret world of the Arab playboys who flock every summer to escape the intense heat of the Middle East, and spend vast amounts of money on Western debaucheries.

The alleged behavior of some of these Arab princelings was highlighted again on Friday, after Majed Abdulaziz Al-Saud was reportedly accused of attempting to [force an employee to give him oral sex](#), before more reports of him sexually accosting five women surfaced.

This came just weeks after Sheikh Khalid bin Hamad al-Thani of Qatar's ruling family fled the U.S. after being accused of drag racing his yellow Ferrari through LA while staying at the [Daniel Hallworth](#), a fixer who specializes in the temporary importation of cars to Europe for Arab clients, says the playboys who descend on London each summer are extremely rich and, although keen to flaunt their wealth, are also very private.

Indeed, stories like this tend to inflame the starving masses back home.