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ROYALPALMS HISTORY-GRAM MAP

Welcome to Royal Palms Resort and Spa. We invite you to explore our historic property and share it with the world! The original mansion was built in 1929 as the grand estate of Delos and Florence Cooke. The couple set out to the Sonoran desert to build their winter haven, *El Vernadero*, as a romantic getaway. This living landmark now serves as the perfect secluded retreat for all who visit. Let this history map be your guide, with the following instructions:

1. Follow @RoyalPalmsHotel on Instagram
2. Snap a photo of each listed historic landmark
3. Apply hashtag #RPdiscovery with each photo

HISTORY-GRAM MAP STOPS

1. History Wall
2. Entry Fountain
3. Mahogany Doors
4. The Lady of Spain
5. Mansion Courtyard
6. The Cactus Garden
7. Orange Tree Tiles
8. Vernadero
9. The Orange Grove



1. Begin your Royal Palms journey here. Learn all about the unique history of the original Cooke's Mansion at our history wall.



2. Approximately 250 years old, the fountain was imported from Guanajuato to Mexico and reassembled for Royal Palms.



3. The entry doors to the mansion are made of mahogany wood and are original to the Cooke's Mansion.



4. This unique mural acquired by the Cooke's during one of their many trips to Spain still presides over the hotel's mansion courtyard. It is believed to be one of only two that exist in the world.



5. The Cooke's wanted their home centered around a central courtyard fountain with lush landscaping in keeping with the Spanish Colonial style.



6. Florence Cooke took on the task of landscaping the home. Her tastes for Mediterranean florals and native desert landscaping were supported by her \$10,000 a year budget.



7. Representing the "Celebrity Hot Spot" in the 40's, these tiles were placed on the fireplace outside the Orange Tree Restaurant, now T.Cook's.



8. This architecturally rich boardroom was originally the Cooke's living room located at the front of the home.



9. Among some of Arizona's first commercial crops of navel and sweet oranges; the Orange Grove is original to the historic 1920's property.