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## SUN & SPLENDOR - HISTORY OF MARBELLA

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In the middle of the 20th century, a small town in Andalusia becomes an international high-society meeting place: Marbella.

The nucleus is the "Marbella Club" – opened in 1954 by Prince Alfonso zu Hohenlohe, a descendant of the German high nobility. His rich and famous club friends take a liking to the picturesque setting on the Mediterranean and ensure that the insider tip for the aristocracy, super-rich, and Hollywood stars becomes one of Europe's tourist hotspots. A rapid rise begins, which seems to know no bounds thanks to the gushing petrodollars. And yet it almost fails due to one of Spain's biggest corruption scandals. How did glamor and scandals shape the once insignificant coastal town? How was it able to retain its charm and appeal despite profound phases of decline?

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