

GRAYCLIFF THE LEGEND

An exquisite jewel with many facets, " the words of an honored guest, best describe Graycliff. The 260-year old main house with well-appointed rooms and a cellar which, according to legend, once housed a garrison, is now an elegant Inn with a world-class wine cellar and the Bahamas' only 5-star restaurant.

History has it that the mansion was originally built by Captain John Howard Graysmith, a famous pirate of the Caribbean who commanded the notorious schooner Graywolf and plundered treasure ships along the Spanish Main. His buccaneering not only made him rich, but it also brought him fame and he was greatly feared for his famous exploits.

Throughout the years, Graycliff passed hands from private home to the American base during the Revolution in 1776 to a private inn in 1844 where the French's invited guests to board by day, week or month. During the American Civil War, Graycliff once again served as an American Navy Post.

During the roaring 1920's Graycliff once again opened its doors to the public. It was then owned by Mrs. Polly Leach a close companion to the heinous Al Capone. Needless to say, Graycliff was the most sophisticated gathering spot for the rich and famous.

In the years before World War II, Graycliff became a popular meeting place the British royalty and their guests Winston Churchill, Princess Maria and Prince Paul of Greece, the Duke Of Kent, Lord Beaverbrook, Earl Mountbatten, Aristotle Onassis and influential world leaders came to visit some with regularity.

Graycliff later became the private residence of a wealthy Canadian couple, Mr. and Mrs.

Walton Killam. They had an equitable solution; summers in beautiful Montreal and winters in sunny Nassau. During their ownership, they completely renovated the mansion and constructed what is the Bahamas first swimming pool.

Royalty purchased Graycliff in 1966, in the personage of Lord and Lady Dudley, Third Earl of Staffordshire, During their ownership, Graycliff hosted such nobility as the Duke and Duchess of Windsor (formerly King Edward VIII). Lady Grace Dudley added a strict English accent to the décor and priceless collections of antiques, some of which still decorate the guest rooms and public areas.

In 1974, Graycliff once again emerged from its life as a private home, to become one of the leading hotels in the world with an acclaimed restaurant. The new owners, retained the old-world ambience of the house, keeping the original furnishings in place.

Today Graycliff Restaurant is recognized as one of the most distinctive dining rooms in the world. It epitomizes elegant dining in the finest Continental and Bahamian tradition. The wine and liquor cellars, a true connoisseur's delight are complimented by Graycliff's own toped rated hand rolled cigars.

Inquire about our exclusive wine tastings or parties in our wine cellar dining room.

Welcome to Graycliff and Enjoy your evening.



LUNCHEON MENU

AMUSE BOUCHE
RED CARABINERO WILD SHRIMP

(ZYME-FROM BLACK TO WHITE)



GNOCCHI WITH PESTO AND FRESH PARMESAN



GRAYCLIFF SALAD WITH HOUSE DRESSING



SORBET



WHOLE BAHAMIAN LOBSTER
WITH BLACK VENERE WILD RICE
China's Emperor Reserve

(B.R. COHN PINOT NOIR)



BAHAMIAN DELICACY TEASERS
*Guava Duff, Bread Pudding and
Apple Crumble With Gelato*

(ROYAL TOKAJI 3 PUTTONYOS)



COFFEE OR TEA

