Grand Sofar Hotel

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The Grand Sofar Hotel is a historic hotel that is the first casino in the Middle East. This hotel witnessed the Arab meeting that emerged from the Arab Joint Military Committee in 1944, which formed the nucleus for the establishment of the League of Arab States the following year.

Name was associated with the imagination of an Arab tourist decades ago with the "Grand Hotel Sofar", which was named Amin Rihani as the "Palace of Menouf". The establishment Hotel Sofar workshop began in 1885 and is owned by Ibrahim Sursock, who chose his Italian style. The hotel brought together Arab and foreign celebrities to welcome its first guests in the early 20th century.

The most prominent Lebanese politicians, including Emile Edde, Bechara Khoury, Philip Takla, Kamil Chamoun, Bahij Taqi al-Din and others, as well as King Hussein of Jordan, Egyptian leader Saad Zaghloul and many Arab princes and artists.

The Grand Sofar Hotel nowadays is opening its doors for events (exhibitions, weddings ceremony, etc.).

The owners still have some of the old furniture which was used in an exhibition event held by artist Tom Young.

However, under the care of one of its owners, Roderick Sursock Cochrane, the grand architecture is being carefully restored.

In 2017, Cochrane invited artist Tom Young to take up residency at the hotel to prepare to prepare for an exhibition. Cochrane and Young intended for the exhibition to help reinvent the site and attract both local and international attention as a culture venue in Lebanon.If customers can't find it, it doesn't exist. Clearly list and describe the services you offer. Also, be sure to showcase a premium service.

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