

# 'CINCO DE MAYO MURDER AT THE MONTALBÁN HOTEL.'

#### 8-15+ GUESTS ELECTRONIC VERSION

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#### SYNOPSIS (THIS OUTLINES THE FLOW OF THE PARTY EVENTS)

The Montalbán Hotel, a celebrity hotspot in beautiful Los Cabos, Mexico hosted its annual Cinco de Mayo celebration. The famous guests arrived in high fashion to enjoy fun Mexican games, food and music! The party got started with yummy appetizers, and the celebrities mingled to catch up on the latest Hollywood gossip. It soon became apparent some guests were hiding something, and others were foes, but the celebration got back on track with more fun party games. An amazing dinner was served to the guests, and then everyone was shocked when a dead body was discovered! The guests rallied together to figure out whodunit, as there was a naughty murderer among them! The hotel manager called in a favor from a forensic specialist at the Los Cabos Police Department who assisted the group with a latent fingerprint analysis report. After the group submitted their best guess of whodunit and accused who they believed the murderer was, they took turns confessing to their involvement, if any, with the crime. To everybody's shock, the murderer confessed! After an exciting escape attempt by the murderer, the group engaged in another fun party game to top off the night! Overall it was the most exhilarating Cinco de Mayo celebration that the Montalbán Hotel has ever hosted!

# LIST OF CHARACTERS FOR THE HOST

15 PLAYERS TOTAL: 9 FEMALES, 6 MALES | 8 OF WHICH ARE REQUIRED PLAYERS (5F, 3M) 3 characters are expandable, and you may add up to 45 additional duplicate team players with these characters as the leader – see character list below for details.

NAME AND	as the leader – see character list below for details.	SUGGESTED
OCCUPATION	BRIEF BIO	ATTIRE
MAGAN FOXY Hollywood Actress REQUIRED FEMALE	This pampered vixen of the big screen is one of the most sought-after Hollywood starlets! Magan sings more than she speaks as if she's vying for a switch to Broadway's bright lights. Her attention-seeking behavior is a primary reason she doesn't get along with colleagues on set.	Classic Chiapas dress. A handheld mirror to admire yourself (optional).
KIRSTIN STEWARD Hollywood Actress REQUIRED FEMALE	Kirstin Steward has a reputation as one of Hollywood's most delightful stars. However, away from the glitz, glam, and camera's eye - this spoiled diva lets loose with angry tirades if she doesn't get her way.	Glamorous Mexican fiesta attire i.e. an embroidered off- the-shoulder top and leather pants.
ROBBIE PATSON Hollywood Actor REQUIRED MALE	Hailing from London, England, Robbie Patson is still trying to cut ties with his former vampire-themed box office hits. His rugged good looks have earned him a top spot on Hollywood's most handsome list - even though he's a shameless self-promoting egomaniac.	Mexican fiesta attire. Pictures of yourself to hand out to others (optional props).
BARI DREWMORE Hollywood Actress REQUIRED FEMALE	One of Hollywood's most versatile actresses, Bari Drewmore has been a staple on the big screen since she was seven years old! Her charisma and charm have catapulted her into an iconic status. Rumor has it that Bari has a hidden devious side.	Embroidered Mexican dress.
PHIL WERREL American Comedian and Actor REQUIRED MALE	Phil Werrel landed a spot in Hollywood many years ago by his knee-slapping performances on the television show <i>Friday Night Live</i> . He crawled his way to the big screen and now spews comedy films like there's no tomorrow. Phil has desperately tried to break into more serious acting roles to no avail.	Funny t-shirt (fiesta-inspired is optimal). Post-it note pad and pen as optional (hidden) props.
RAQUEL TILSON Hollywood Actress REQUIRED FEMALE	Known as the Hollywood Sweetheart, Raquel Tilson is a genuine soul and the sweetest person you'll ever know – especially on the movie lot! A slight drawback to this sweet starlet is a problem with kleptomania. Watch your stuff carefully if she's around!	Embroidered Mexican dress. *Bring a large handbag to place stolen items during the party.
SHY LEBUFF Hollywood Actor REQUIRED MALE	Shy Lebuff is no stranger to blunt honesty and troublemaking.  Shy tells people how it is with no filter. If you're avoiding the truth – stay away from this star. Shy has a peculiar way of staying off the paparazzi radar for long periods of time.  Everyone in Hollywood wants to know his secrets.	Fabulous attire – tux or suit with a top hat.
ZANGELINA JOLEY Hollywood Actress REQUIRED FEMALE	Zangelina is a top A-list celebrity. Known for eccentricity, this starlet has adopted sixteen children from around the world.  Zangelina is a collector of bizarre things – most often trinkets from other celebrities. There is one rule to stay harmonious	Classic Chiapas dress. Optional props of evidence of your 16 children (pacifiers, notes to
	with this diva – don't try to steal her limelight!	Mom, etc.)

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PABLO SANTANA Mariachi Band Leader  Optional Male	Pablo Santana is the hard-working leader of the most famous mariachi band in Mexico - the Montalbán Mariachi Band. He is dedicated to achieving greatness but has a problem with anger management. Pablo knows how to hold a grudge!  *Can be expanded to up to 15 (M/F) characters as	achi band in Mexico - the Montalbán Mariachi Band. He is edicated to achieving greatness but has a problem with anger management. Pablo knows how to hold a grudge!  *Can be expanded to up to 15 (M/F) characters as  *Mariachi suit, large sombrero and fake/real acoustic guitar as an optional prop.	
	members of the Montalbán Mariachi Band		
RILEY SYRUS  Recording Artist and Entertainer  Optional Female	When it comes to what fame and fortune have to offer – Riley Syrus takes it all! After a year-long media frenzy with strange behavior on stage and in public places, this star has been evading the paparazzi. Her dedicated fans are happy she isn't acting outlandishly anymore.	Outrageous Mexican fiesta attire.	
STEPHEN THING  American Author and Screenwriter  Optional Male	Stephen Thing is the creepy King of the Horror Genre. If Stephen's story is made into a film, you won't sleep soundly if you're in the audience! Stephen is highly intellectual and a great person to chat with - as long as you can get over his eerie persona.	Fabulous but gothic attire. E.g. black poncho with black jeans.	
TAYLAN SWIFT Recording Artist and Entertainer  Optional Female	Taylan Swift lives the American dream as a top pop idol. She rose to the top as <i>America's Country Darling</i> as a teen and now - this star can't step into a grocery store without it being caught on film! This emotional icon craves attention. Without a doubt - she gets her share!	Glamorous pop idol attire – Mexican fiesta themed, preferred.	
OKRA WIMPY Television Show Host and Media Mogul Optional Female	Okra Wimpy is a television staple! She is the highest rated talk show host in the history of television and the wealthiest woman of the 21 <sup>st</sup> century! Hollywood insiders call her the most influential woman in the world! However, there's one problem with being friends with this media mogul – she's a bit nosy for people's tastes.	Classic Chiapas dress.	
PAUL PARATZY Member of the Paparazzi Optional Male	Paul Paratzy is the tenacious tabloid reporter known by as the King of the Gutter Press! Paul always manages to get just the right photos and exclusive interviews with insiders. There is nothing that Paul won't do - even including blackmail.  * Can be expanded to up to 15 (M/F) characters as members of the Paparazzi	Cheesy business casual attire. Camera (real or fake) as an optional prop.	
PEGGY MARSHAL Executive Movie Producer and Director Optional Female	This obsessive movie producer is the one to be around at a party, as she gets the dance floor moving with interpretive dance moves! She is an executive producer for MBM Picture Studios, and sources report that this producer doesn't get along with anyone on set.  * Can be expanded to up to 15 (M/F) characters as members of the MBM Picture Studios, Inc. Film Production Team	Embroidered Mexican top and jeans. Clapboard as an optional prop.	

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# **Host Instructions**

Full instructions are included in the purchased game – they are brief, yet detailed.

**GAME STRUCTURE:** the game is organized into four rounds and is structured as follows:

**OPTIONAL PRE-GAME STARTER:** these optional pre-game tasks are to be delivered to each guest before the party, or give them to the guests as they arrive. All pre-game materials are optional. They are intended to enhance the build up for the event. These tasks are not vital to solving the mystery. Also, encourage your guests to view the Your Mystery Party guest pre-game website to get them excited about your game (this is highly encouraged).

**ROUND ONE:** Deliver the round one clue card envelopes as your guests arrive. It is optional to serve cocktails for adults and appetizers.

**ROUND TWO:** Deliver the round two clue card envelopes. It is optional to break for dinner either before or after this round.

**SOLUTION ROUND THREE:** Deliver the round three solutions. It is optional to serve coffee/hot cocoa and dessert.

Don't host a party without some type of food/beverage offering - hungry guests are not happy guests.

For further questions, check out our FAQ webpage at <a href="http://mymysteryparty.com/how-to-host-faq/">http://mymysteryparty.com/how-to-host-faq/</a> or our author's blog for more DIY and hosting help: <a href="http://mymysteryparty.com/murder-mystery-blog/">http://mymysteryparty.com/murder-mystery-blog/</a> If your question is still not addressed in the FAQ/blog or these instructions, contact us via email: <a href="mailto:support@mymysteryparty.com">support@mymysteryparty.com</a> Responses are guaranteed within 24 hours.



# **Example Timeline**

**7:00 PM:** Guests arrive. Take guest photos and serve refreshments. Have the invited guest list available for the guests to view as they trickle into the party. Once everybody has arrived, snap a group photo!

**7:10 PM:** The host goes over the guest instructions for the mystery game. It is optional to have each character stand up and introduce themselves to the group. You can play the game trailer video for an introduction.

**7:20 PM:** The round one clue cards are handed out, and the game begins. The guests mingle and discuss the clues on their clue cards. Motives will start to unfold during this round.

7:50 PM: An optional bonus game is played.

**8:05 PM:** An optional dinner is served. Snacks can be served throughout the party instead.

8:35 PM: The round two envelopes are handed out, and the guests mingle about with their pre-murder clues.

**9:00 PM:** The victim is revealed, and the investigation of the crime begins. The mystery investigation sheets are handed out, and the guests interrogate each other (using the post-murder clues). Each guest should interview every player in the game.

**9:15 PM:** The forensic report is revealed.

**9:30 PM:** The investigation sheets (guesses of whodunit) are turned in to the host. After the sheets are collected, the guests may take turns accusing who they believe did it.

**9:45 PM:** Dessert and coffee may be served at this time. The round three solutions are handed out to the guests. Each player presents their solution, and the murderer confesses at the end. Allow a few minutes for the guests to mingle at the end to discuss the mystery.

**10:00 PM:** Another optional bonus game may be played &/or host an optional awards ceremony!

To shorten the mystery party, omit the bonus games, don't stop for dinner, omit the accusation round, and don't host an awards ceremony. Also, you can shorten the game even further by only having the required players read their solutions (or even just the murderer). If you wish to extend the length of the party, add more bonus games!



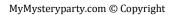
## **NAME TAGS**

# **MAGAN FOXY**

**Actress** 



Each player will have a name tag in the purchased game.



#### **OPTIONAL PRE-GAME TASKS:**

# **CHARACTER Q**

# OPTIONAL- FOR SOME PRE-PARTY FUN, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING BEFORE THE PARTY:

Contact the guest playing Character S and say you heard she is going to Los Cabos with her friend and former co-star of those dumb vampire movies, Character V. However, she'll never steal your leading role in the movie *War of the Zombies*. Therefore, if that's why she is going to Los Cabos, she can get it out of her pretty little head right now.

#### **CONTACT INFO:**

Contact the guest playing Character H and say your agent told you that she was attending the same party at the Montalbán Hotel in Los Cabos for Cinco de Mayo as you are! You've never met her before, but you can't wait to meet her! You're a big fan!

#### **CONTACT INFO:**

EACH PLAYER HAS A PRE-GAME TASK CARD IN THE PURCHASED GAME.
NAMES REMOVED TO MINIMIZE SPOILERS.

**ROUND ONE CLUES:** >< cut out, slip into labeled envelopes with the appropriate character and round. To begin the game, pass out the envelopes to the guests.

# CHARACTER Y - ROUND ONE CLUES TO REVEAL DURING THIS ROUND

#### Mingle with others and discuss the following:

- You gained popularity in Hollywood because of the former vampire film series you co-starred in with Character R *The Dusk Saga*.
- Talk to everyone about how in 2002, Character B was your babysitter, as she was your mother's friend. You put your pet tarantula in her purse, she reached for her cell phone in her purse, and the tarantula jumped on her hand. She nearly had a heart attack. She told your mother when she got home, and your mother grounded you from attending your first movie premiere for the movie Safety Room.
- Talk to Character N about her role of Zelda in the movie to be filmed in just a few days here in Los Cabos, War of the Zombies. She has to admit that your on-screen chemistry with Character L long ago on the vampire movie series was a hit in Hollywood. She'd do the movie justice if she'd just quit the film and let you step in.

#### PERSONAL CLUES TO CONCEAL

You will never forgive Character A for telling your mother about your prank and causing you to miss your first movie premiere!

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#### **ROUND TWO CLUES**

#### CHARACTER K ROUND TWO

#### PRE-MURDER CLUES TO DISCUSS:

- There's a rumor the mob controls Hollywood. You heard Character S was affiliated with the mob.
- Ask Character T if she enjoyed starring in the Renovator films with Character B. They seemed to have good on-screen chemistry.
- You want to expand the Character M shrine in your mansion. Bari is refusing to give you a lock of her hair but you need it for a glass case on the wall above the Character M doll.
- If Character Q lands the role of Zelda the Zombie, you will be furious if you cannot get the lead male role.

#### **POST-MURDER CLUES:**

- You didn't bring anything with you to the party besides a small pair of scissors to clip a lock of Character M's hair with. You make fun of man purses!
- You were 2nd to arrive at this party, after Character G.
- You left the party area ~10 minutes prior to the victim being murdered. You walked past the coatroom and to the restroom down the hallway. You were gone for ~2 minutes. You stopped in the coatroom to search Character V's purse for anything you could use for your shrine. You took a few things that fit in your pockets now you wished you would have brought a bag (i.e. man purse) to carry some loot away!

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# **MYSTERY INVESTIGATION**

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#### **SOLUTION ROUND THREE**

# CHARACTER Y -SOLUTION ROUND THREE READ AFTER CHARACTER K

The solution for this player is given here.

They will stand up and present their solution to the group.

At the end, the murderer will confess.

**CHARACTER T IS NEXT** 

EACH PLAYER HAS A ROUND THREE SOLUTION CARD IN THE PURCHASED GAME. NAMES REMOVED TO MINIMIZE SPOILERS.

## **MENU SUGGESTIONS**

FRUITILICO SALSA AND CINNAMONICO CHIPS

**QUICK & EASY QUESO** 

**CINCO DE MAYO CHICKEN SOUP** 

**FIESTA MARGARITAS** 

**CHEESY CHICKEN ENCHILADAS** 

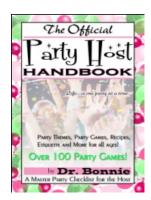
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**FESTIVE FIESTA ENDING** 

SOPAPILLA CHEESECAKE...TO DIE FOR

Recipes are included in the purchased game – and you will disregard cocktail recipes for a party with minors.

## **BONUS GAME ACTIVITIES**



For 100 more party games and more party advice, recipes, themes, etiquette and more, purchase the Official Party Host Handbook by Dr. Bonnie.

Now available at My Mystery Party's Prop Emporium, Amazon.Com, Barnes & Noble, as well as other online book retailers.

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## THERE IS AN ANSWER KEY IN THE PURCHASED GAME.



### FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAME:

- Send your guests to the Your Mystery Party guest pre-game site at YourMysteryParty.com/mayo
- Pinterest page: <a href="https://goo.gl/Q7QDtN">https://goo.gl/Q7QDtN</a> We have created a board for all of our games that includes themespecific DIY party food and décor. To find the direct link to the Pinterest page, go back to the webpage where you purchased the game and scroll to the bottom of the page you'll see the Pinterest board there. Click on it to enlarge and view the pins.
- Social media posts: #MyMysteryParty no spoilers, please! Spoilers include any pictures or text of who the victim/murderer is, such as a decorated victim wearing their name tag in the photo. Please do not ruin the game for others.
- The game trailer video is located on the Your Mystery Party page.

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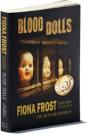
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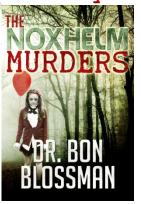






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