

The Jeffrey Epstein Files: Trove of Never-beforeseen Emails and Calendars Gives Unprecedented Insight Into Late Pedophile's Network of Power and Influence that Includes Chris Rock, Peter Thiel, and Richard Branson

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A vast trove of **Jeffrey Epstein**'s private calendars and emails are being revealed today by DailyMail.com.

The hundreds of pages in the files give an unprecedented insight into the late pedophile's extraordinary network of power and influence.

Among the revelations is that Epstein appeared to know personal details about the marriage of **<u>Bill Gates</u>** and his ex-wife Melinda – while magician **David Blaine** had numerous dinners with the financier.

Presidents, prime ministers, royalty and famous names previously not linked to Epstein are also featured in the hundreds of pages of documents.

They show that Epstein courted the world's elite even after serving 13 months in jail for

having sex with underage girls – and being labeled a registered sex offender.

As he sought to rehabilitate his image, dozens of powerful people were scheduled to meet him including **Irina Shayk, Chris Rock, Wendi Murdoch and Richard Branson.** 

Tech billionaire **Peter Thiel**, early Facebook investor **Sean Parker**, artist Jeff Koons, JP Morgan chief executive Jamie Dimon and music industry executive Tommy Mottola, who used to be married to Mariah Carey, are also among those who appear in the documents.

The files were handed over by Epstein's estate to the government of US Virgin Islands, where he owned two private islands during its investigation into his sex trafficking operation. The pedophile <u>hanged himself in prison</u> in 2019 while awaiting trial.

Just like Epstein's notorious 'Black Book' of contacts, the schedules contain personal numbers and email addresses that allowed him to access his associates whenever he wanted.

Here, DailyMail.com takes you through the records in depth, broken down by each figure involved.

#### Prince Andrew and his ex-wife, Sarah Ferguson

**Prince Andrew** has admitted to being friends with Epstein for more than a decade. He flew on his private plane numerous times, stayed at his properties and even visited Epstein's island in the Caribbean, witnesses have claimed.

Epstein victim Virginia Roberts claimed she was forced to have sex with the Duke when she was 17, claims he denied. But last year Andrew <u>settled a civil lawsuit brought by Roberts</u> for a reported \$12million.

The Epstein files show that the pedophile used Andrew's name while trying to persuade JP Morgan to let him act as an intermediary for wealthy clients.

Epstein was trying to persuade the bank to work with Bill Gates on a \$100m fund for elite donors and a crunch meeting was taking place on August 31, 2011.

In the email to JP Morgan boss Jes Staley and senior banker Mary Erdoes, Epstein said that investors were wary of the bank because it was a 'quasi US govt arm'. Epstein wrote: 'I am also aware JPM has a colorful array of clients so a client relationship is much less problematic than an institutional joint venture'.

Among the wealthy men Epstein reeled off was Prince Andrew. Epstein said: 'He is now allowed to make money'.

The timing of the email is revealing and suggests Epstein knew intimate details about Andrew's finances, which were tied up with those of his ex-wife Sarah Ferguson, with whom he stayed close after their 1996 divorce.

In May 2010 Ferguson was caught in a newspaper sting <u>asking for \$550,000 for access</u> to Andrew.

She told an undercover newspaper reporter: 'That opens up everything you would ever wish

for. I can open any door you want, and I will for you.'

Ferguson later said that she 'deeply regretted' making the comments and said her exhusband had no idea about meeting the undercover journalist.

Ferguson had apparently been driven to such measures because of her \$5.5million debts but in July 2011 she said that they had been paid off thanks to the intervention of Andrew.

Under the arrangement, Epstein paid \$17,000 to Ferguson's former PA Johnny O'Sullivan which helped to stabilize her finances.

Epstein's email to JP Morgan came a month after that announcement, making it clear that Andrew had discussed his and Ferguson's financial situation in depth.

In a scheduling entry for March 3, 2010, Epstein's assistant wrote: 'Still need to try and schedule the Duchess for Tues or Wed (I have emailed her assistant, Amanda, RE a meeting'.

The 'Amanda' appears to be Amanda Thirsk, who worked for Andrew for many years. Epstein replied: 'Duchess anytime.'

Pictures posted on Facebook by married couple Jojo and Lyn Fontanilla, Epstein's housekeeper and driver, on March 5, 2010 – two days after the emails – showed Andrew visiting Epstein's New York townhouse.

Another image shows a smiling Ferguson with JoJo Fontanilla in Manhattan with a shopping bag in her hand, while one from the previous month, posted by Lyn Fontanilla, shows Ferguson at Epstein's New York mansion.

A lawyer for Andrew did not respond to requests for comment. Fergie's spokesman had no comment.



Prince Andrew has admitted to being friends with Epstein for more than a decade. Andrew is pictured in New York's Central Park with Epstein

# **David Blaine and Chris Rock**

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In June 2013 Epstein had a dinner with the futurist Pablos Holman and a 'Jessica Joffe', which appears to be the actress of the same name.

The schedule says: 'David Blaine will stop by toward the end of dinner.'

Reached by phone, Holman said he thought he was in San Francisco at the time of the dinner but said 'I don't know exactly'.

He said that he knew Blaine and called Epstein the 'most toxic thing in the whole world'.

Holman said: 'Even if there was a dinner I probably wouldn't want to say anything about it'.

Joffe did not return calls for comment and nor did her representatives.



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In September 2013 Blaine attended another dinner at Epstein's house with Woody Allen, Jeff Koons and his wife Justine, the records show.

Then in January 2014, Epstein planned another dinner with friends including his girlfriend, a young Eastern European called Karyna Shuliak, Woody Allen and Jes Staley.

Blaine was also listed among those attending and the schedule says that 'Sarah and Brian' would stop by, Sarah being Sarah Kellen, one of Epstein's top recruiters.

The calendar also says that 'maybe Chris Rock' would be coming, the first time that the comedian has been linked to Epstein. In 2002 Epstein did invite another comedian, Chris Tucker, on a trip to Africa with former President Bill Clinton aboard Epstein's private jet.

A source close to Rock said that he did not attend the dinner. The source admitted that Rock was friendly with Woody Allen – the comedian has previously said he has watched the director's movie Annie Hall more than 80 times – but that Epstein may have confused him with Tucker.

On April 4, 2014, Epstein's calendar says: 'Reminder David Blaine's birthday is April 4'.

The following day states: 'TBD with David Blaine'.

David Blaine did not respond to DailyMail.com's request for comment.

## **Bill Gates**

Gates and Epstein had several meetings as the pedophile tried to persuade him to be the face of a fund where wealthy investors put in at least \$100million each.

Earlier this month the Wall Street Journal reported that Epstein threatened Gates in 2017 when he found out he had had an affair with a Russian bridge player, Mila Antonova.

And last week DailyMail.com broke the news that Antonova was pictured in 2010, around the time she had her relationship with Gates, with notorious Russian spy Anna Chapman.

The calendars show a string of meetings between Gates and Epstein where they were discussing how the fund would work.

In April 2011 Gates was scheduled for a dinner with former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers and Jes Staley, who at the time was the head of JP Morgan.

Over the following months, Epstein repeatedly emailed Mary Erdoes, a top JP Morgan banker, and Staley to try to set up the fund.

On August 15, 2011, Epstein claimed that the fund would 'Allow Bill (Gates) to have access to higher quality people, investment, allocation, governance without upsetting either his marriage or the current sensitivities of the current foundation employees'.



Jeffrey Epstein and Bill Gates are pictured in 2013. Gates and Epstein had several meetings as the pedophile tried to persuade him to be the face of a fund where wealthy investors put in at least \$100million each

Epstein appears to have been aware of the tension within Gates' marriage to Melinda French Gates over their friendship; she later said that she despised Epstein but her former husband continued to meet him anyway.

Gates's friendship with Epstein was said to be a key factor in his divorce, although Gates was also accused of sexual harassment at Microsoft and admitted one affair.

Two days after that email, Epstein claimed that Gates was 'terribly frustrated' with how the talks about the fund were going.

Epstein suggested that JP Morgan let him work with wealthy clients and then possibly split

the fees with them.

As he put it: 'I cook it slowly, adding various ingredients, almost fully cook it and then want to turn it over to you.'

In another email Epstein bragged: 'This will be very HIGH profile...it will be the most exclusive of clubs.'

He also suggested that JP Morgan make it possible for donors to give anonymously in case his involvement proved problematic for them.

The email to Erdoes said: 'Though membership in the "club" could be known the gifts can be given anonymously. This will fulfill the wishes of many that have spoken to Bill about wanting to do things but not wanting the publicity. For example another school, program etc may have expressed reservations that giving publicly would send a complex message to those institutions that have already close relations to that the donor.'

In another email Epstein suggested to JP Morgan that when the fund was up and running 'Bill gets reduced fees and then channels the discount to me'.

In October 2011 frustrated Epstein claimed that the fund talks were 'not going well' and that there was a 50/50 chance of it working out, down from 95/5. He ranted: 'This is not about SOCIAL INVESTING'.

At one point Epstein emailed Staley and Erdoes to complain that Gates is the 'only person who counts'.

The fund never worked out but Epstein continued courting Gates and scheduled a dinner for him two years later, in October 2013.

The following January Epstein had a note in his schedule to 'follow with re the sweatshirts for Bill' and others, apparently referring to a gift he had in mind for him.

Weeks later the diaries indicated a Skype call with Gates and in September 2014, Gates came to New York for a number of meetings with Epstein.

On September 8 the schedule said that at 10am Epstein was to meet Gates and billionaire Tom Pritzker at the Park Hyatt hotel in Manhattan.

They were to walk to the office of Leon Black followed by a meeting with Mort Zuckerman, both billionaire investors.

Later that day, Gates and Epstein would meet Kathy Ruemmler, the former Obama White House counsel, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Manhattan.

Epstein's pursuit of Gates appears to have culminated in the dinner at his New York home with Melinda Gates, which is thought to have been the only time she met Epstein.

Epstein rolled out the red carpet with some of his most important friends: Thorbjorn Jagland, the former Norwegian politician, and Norwegian diplomat Terje Rød Larsen, former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers and his wife and Eva Dubin, his former girlfriend and her daughter Celina, who treated Epstein like an uncle.

The note says that 'Richard Branson may join the dinner'.

But the charm offensive did not work and Melinda later said she had 'nightmares' about the evening and thought Epstein was 'evil personified'.

The last entry for Gates in the schedules is from November 2014 when Epstein's pilot Larry Visoski emailed Epstein's scheduler, Lesley Groff, to say that Epstein wanted to be in Washington by 1.30pm 'to meet with Mr Bill Gates in the afternoon'.

Nobody for Gates responded to multiple requests for comment. Nobody for Melinda French Gates commented.

### Woody Allen

Epstein's friendship with director Woody Allen was known but the closeness of their relationship comes to light through the calendars.

Some months they met multiple times each month and on one occasion Epstein had a note saying to take a walk with Allen.

The first entry is in September 2011 and notes that Epstein had to attend one of Allen's rehearsals.

The following January Epstein invited Allen and his wife Soon-Yi to dinner – Epstein's staff sometimes ordered Beck's beer and flourless chocolate cakes.

The dinner was followed by another meal the following month, this time with TV personality Dick Cavett among the guests.

In November 2012, Allen's assistant emailed Epstein asking if 'Jeffrey is interested in watching his new film To Rome With Love'.

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