

In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce two American-British social media personalities, Andrew and Tristan Tate (@cobratate and @tatethetalisman). They're best-known for their social media grifts, allegations of human trafficking and rape, and anti-Ukrainian rhetoric.

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Andrew used to be a professional kickboxer, and eventually became a four-time world champion. He became to wider public in 2016, when he appeared on Big Brother. He was removed from the show after six days due to an ongoing police investigation for rape.

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Andrew Tate was arrested on suspicion of rape in the UK in 2015, but authorities dropped the case

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Andrew Tate was arrested in Bucharest, Romania on December 29, 2022.

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- Andrew Tate was arrested on suspicion of rape in the UK in 2015, police confirmed to Insider.
- Prosecutors said they investigated claims by two women but decided not to take Tate to trial.

They alleged that Hertfordshire Constabulary seemed not to take the case seriously until Tate appeared as a contestant on the reality show "Big Brother" in 2016. He was removed from the show after five days after its producers were told about the allegations against him.

In a statement to Insider, police acknowledged "some delays" in its investigation, and said that it had apologized to Tate's accusers. The case was closed in 2019.

Some years later, the brothers launched a group of websites selling training courses on making money and improving in "male-to-female interactions". They also started a webcam business, where up to 75 women were working for him. They admitted the business was a "total scam". 3/18

In an interview with *The Mirror* in March 2022, Tate and his brother Tristan revealed they run an adult webcam business, which employs lingerie-clad models to have chat sessions with men.

During the chats, which are charged at \$4 (£3.30) an hour, the models tell male callers about "fake sob stories".

The brothers admitted that the operation was a "total scam", but they are protected by two lines in their terms and conditions.

Tristan said: "One is broadcasting is 'for entertainment purposes only'. That means if a model says she has a sick dog or a sick grandma it doesn't have to be true. The next is that all cash given to models is 'a voluntary sign of gratitude for their time broadcasting."

The brothers launched a website called Hustler's University, a paid platform with an affiliate marketing system, where members receive a commission if they recruit new people to the service. Andrew also encouraged people to spread the content far and wide on social media.

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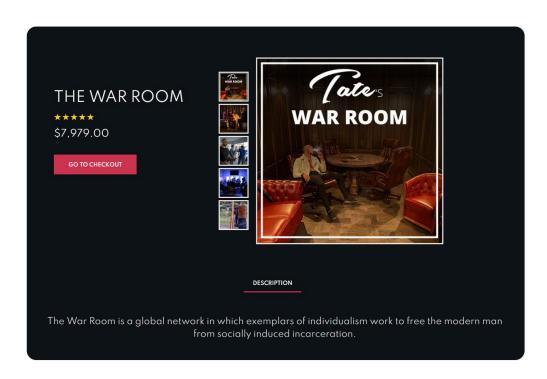
His rapid surge to fame was not by chance. Evidence obtained by the *Observer* shows that followers of Tate are being told to flood social media with videos of him, choosing the most controversial clips in order to achieve maximum views and engagement.

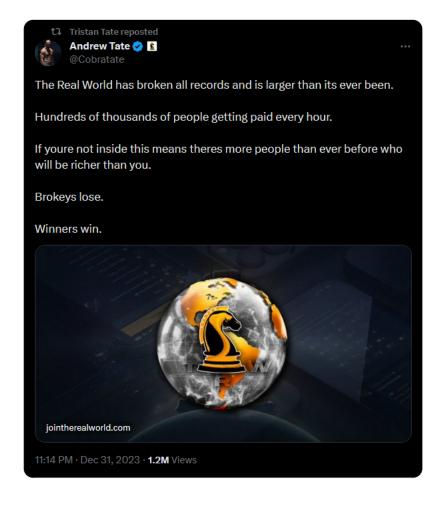
The coordinated effort, involving thousands of members of Tate's private online academy Hustler's University and a network of copycat accounts on TikTok, has been described by experts as a "blatant attempt to manipulate the algorithm" and artificially boost his content. In less than three months, the strategy has earned him a huge following online and potentially made him millions of pounds, with 127,000 members now paying the £39 a month to join Hustler's University community, many of them men and boys from the UK and US.

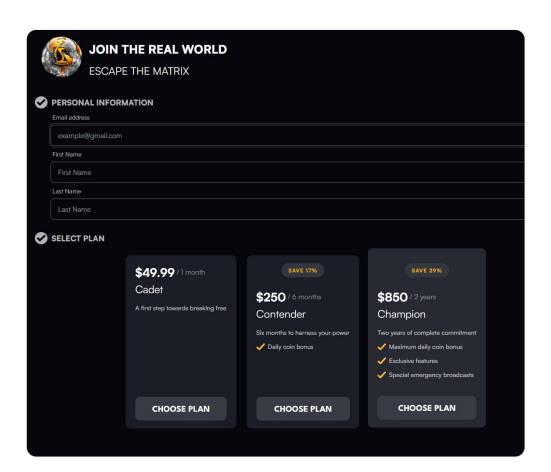




Their other websites like "The Real World" and "War Room" are also paid services with little meaningful substance. Leaked chat logs showed that the latter even ran a "PhD course" on how to emotionally manipulate women into performing on webcams.









Throughout the years, Tates have gathered a large, cult-like following and his social media campaigns have reached especially young men - 80% of British boys aged between 16 and 17 had seen Andrew's content, and 45% of British men aged 16–24 had a positive view of him.

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Research found that eight in 10 boys aged between 16 and 17 had either read, listened to or watched content from the misogynistic "success coach".

Around six in 10 boys had heard of the PM and roughly four in 10 knew who London mayor Sadiq Khan was, just slightly more than around a third of boys who had heard of the Labour leader Keir Starmer.

The survey, carried out by leading anti-fascism charity Hope not hate, and shared exclusively with *The Independent*, found boys aged between 16 and 17 were 21 per cent more likely to have consumed Mr Tate's material than had heard of Mr Sunak.

Researchers, who polled over 1,200 people in the UK aged between 16 to 24, discovered that 45 per cent of men have a positive view of Mr Tate, while only 26 held a negative opinion of the influencer. When probed about why they like Mr Tate, most said they thought Mr Tate "wants men to be real men" or that "he gives good advice".

However, just 1 per cent of women aged 16 to 17 had a positive opinion of Mr Tate, while 82 per cent viewed him negatively.

Andrew and his brother have been connected to various far-right figures & conspiracy theorists, including British far-right activist @TRobinsonNewEra, PizzaGate promoter @JackPosobiec, and of course @RealAlexJones.

Andrew's been featured several times on InfoWars.

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Tate initially had a following among far-right circles on social media, NBC News reported. He <u>dined</u> in 2019 with Infowars editor Paul Joseph Watson and "<u>Pizzagate</u>" conspiracy-theory propagator Jack Posobiec; Mike Cernovich, another proprietor of conspiracy theories, has called him a friend. He made several appearances on Infowars.



Out of the two, Tristan has been much more vocal about the War in Ukraine.

Some of their views most probably come from their late father, Emory, who already back in 2015 wrote that "Why is America silent when Kiev is slaughtering innocents?? Unreal".

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Both Andrew and Tristan are strongly pushing for the "US/Western proxy war" narrative, and neither has never condemned Russia for their invasion of Ukraine. Tristan even claimed that "Western politicians are responsible for the slaughter of a generation of brave young men".

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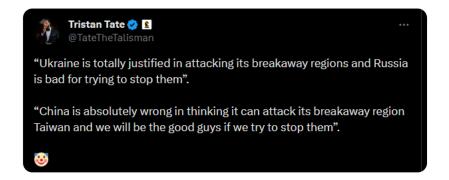


Tristan has claimed that "Porosenko [sic] overtook the country in a CIA led coup," and then started "murdering" the ethnic Russians. According to him, Putin tried to "mitigate this and the killing for 7+ years," eventually "stepping in" to save them. All this in one tweet.





He's also has called Donetsk, Kherson, Luhansk and Zaporizhzhia "breakaway regions," then comparing the situation to China and Taiwan, completely misunderstanding how countries and borders in general work. According to him, Donbas "declared independence" from Ukraine.





Tristan has naively called to "stop the war," but neither of the brothers ever talks about why this is not possible: it's because Russia has decided to decimate Ukraine and at the same time kill hundreds of thousands of their own men.

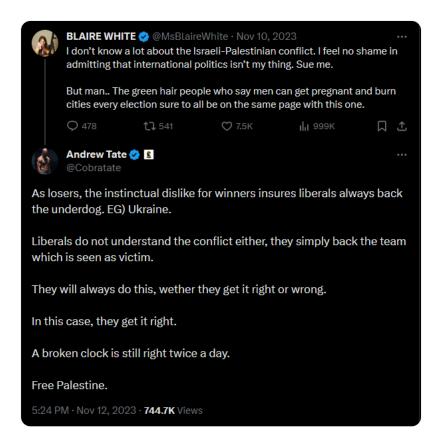
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According to Andrew, Putin "cured" COVID after he launched the full-scale invasion to Ukraine. He's also suggested that the war is some kind of money laundering scheme of the elites. And of course it's a proxy war and, according to Tristan, provoked by NATO expansions.









After Yevgeny Prigozhin and PMC Wagner launched their insurrection against the Kremlin, Tristan tweeted that he's "Praying for all the people of Russia". He's also called Zelenskyy a "criminal", and claimed that he was "spearheading" the humanitarian aid in Feb 2022.



Praying for all the people of Russia.

I suspect this situation will not become clear to us outside of its borders for at least a few days.

I'm watching intently.

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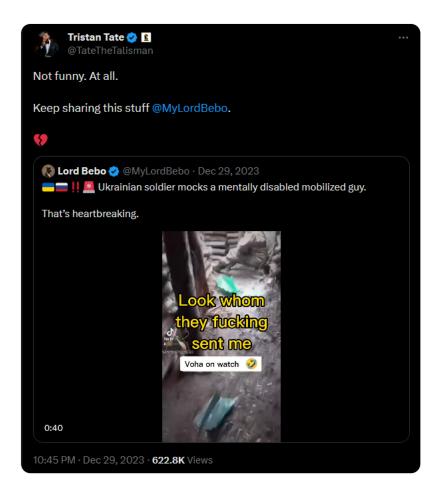
I live near the border and have heard thousands of first hand accounts.

I spearheaded the aid effort for women and kids coming across the border here.

Dont tell me what I am judging the situation on.

Zelensky is a criminal.

11:56 AM \cdot Dec 31, 2023 \cdot **608** Views



As a matter of fact, Tristan delivered a bunch of coats and shoes (probably costing \sim 100 USD) to fleeing Ukrainian refugees, and filmed this for all to see. This way he can show his critics that "he actually cares." He doesn't, he did it for attention and to sell their BS.

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In Dec 2022, Romanian police arrested both Tate brothers and two women. All four were suspected of human trafficking, forming an organized crime group and one of them was suspected of rape. Naturally, they've countered the accusations with their own.

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Brothers Tristan and Andrew Tate, arrested for 30 days | Romania has reached the international press

Romania reached the international press with the arrest of brothers Andrew and Tristan Tate. BBC, The Guardian, Sky News talk about DIICOT prosecutors jumping the two influencers accused of human trafficking, rape and organized crime. What help did the billionaires have in Romania.



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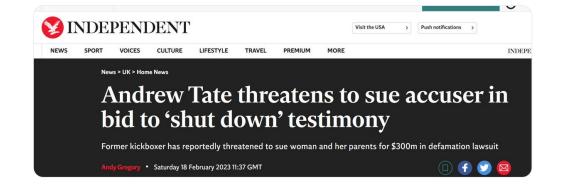








Andrew Tate and Tristan Tate are escorted by police officers outside the headquarters of the Directorate for Investigating Organized Crime and Terrorism in Bucharest (DIICOT) after being detained for 24 hours, in Bucharest, Romania, December 29, 2022. Inquam Photos/Octav Ganea via REUTERS/File Photo <u>Acquire Licensing Rights</u> [7]

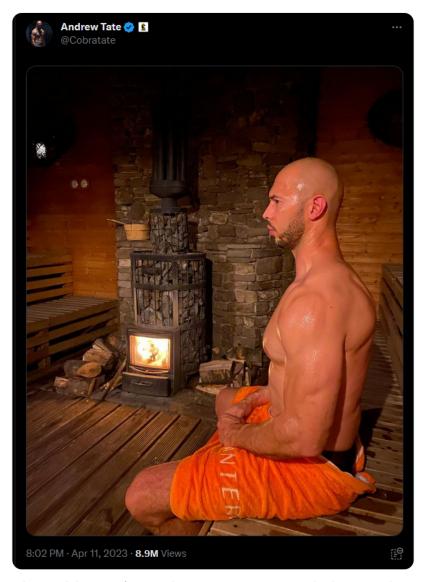


Recently, various fellow conspiracy theorists like @drloupis have come to defend the Tates, claiming that they "won't be on the Epstein list," using the infamous "I may be an (alleged) sex trafficker and rapist, but at least I'm not a pedophile!" defense.

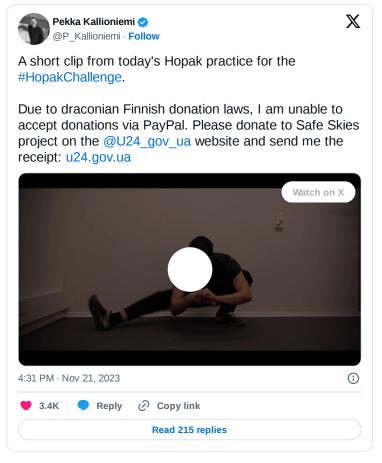
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In Finland, however, the big brother Andrew is best-known for his tendency to "culturally appropriate" Finnish sauna by sitting on the kid's bench in the measly temperature of 50C, all this while wearing his swimming trunks. And this guy calls himself the "ultimate alpha".



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Forgot this "gem" from Tristan.



Also, do follow @CrayonMurders and @thePAXWAX who know much more about Tates and the Matrix than me.