

Michael Dezer, Real Estate Investor and Auto Collector: Part 1 The Owner

Michael Dezer (Dezertsov-Hebrew last name) of Russian decent is an Israeli-American real estate investor. He was born on April 1, 1941 in Tel Aviv, Mandatory Palestine. He came from a working-class family. Dezer migrated to the United States in 1962. After night school and a stint in advertising and starting a type setting business, Dezer went into the investment business in New York City. His investments focused on areas that were once manufacturing hubs and turning them into commercial and residential emphasizing fashion and the arts. <dezerdevelopment.com>

In 1970, Michael Dezer founded Dezer Properties. Mr. Dezer's association and partnership with Donald Trump led to investment during the 1980s with ocean-front properties in Miami, specifically Sunny Isles Beach.

Dezer has been an avid car enthusiast and collector. He started his collection when he was 16 years old, after receiving a Vespa scooter. Today he owns more than 1,000 vehicles. Originally, he stored his collections in a warehouse building. He has several auto museums throughout the United States, but his most extensive one was in North Miami.

The North Miami museum was two large warehouse buildings that were turned into two different collections. One was the Hollywood Collection, with many famous cars and other types of vehicles from movies such as James Bond and Batman. The other warehouse was called Classic Car Collection.

The extensive collections can be best described as you-name-it, he probably has it, type of motor travel and period memorabilia. If it has a motor or can move on wheels or in the water, you will probably see it along with a history and/or diorama. From expensive, rare and other classic European and American cars, to motorcycles, scooters, bicycles, planes, military vehicles and period memorabilia. <dezerdevelopment.com>

Dezer's North Miami museum closed in March 2018. The collections have moved to Orlando, Florida. The Orlando location is 5150 International Drive. It is billed as the Orlando Auto Museum at Dezerland Action Park. <biscaynetimes.com>

The former North Miami Auto Museum has become Dezerland Park. The buildings include "fitness classes, dance and karate instruction, catering services and corporate and family event spaces." <therealdeal.com>

This photo program is about Dezer's auto collections. Because of the number of photos taken, other photo programs include three other parts that were in the North Miami location—Classic Car, Hollywood and Memorabilia.



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