

## Pleydell-Bouverie, David 1911 - 1994

David Pleydell-Bouverie was born in Godalming, Surrey, England on 20 April 1911 and was the grandson of the 5th Earl of Radnor. He trained as an architect under Walter Sarel (1873-1941) in London and in 1932 formed a partnership with [Wells Coates](#) (1895-1958) as [Wells Coates & Pleydell-Bouverie](#). They designed a series of twenty Modernist Sunspan Houses and in 1934 designed the Second Feathers Club in Norland Gardens, London. Pleydell-Bouverie also designed quarrymen's cottages for Sir Michael Assheton-Smith at Dinorwic, Gwynedd, Wales in 1936; the Foreshore Development, a leisure scheme in Folkestone, Kent in 1937; and Ramsgate Aerodrome in Ramsgate, Kent in 1936-37.

Pleydell-Bouverie emigrated to the USA in 1937 and settled in Sonoma County, California. Later architectural projects included his own house in Sonoma County and a house for the food writer Mary Frances Kennedy Fisher (1908-1992). Pleydell-Bouverie died in Glen Ellen, Sonoma County, California, on 5 December 1994.

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