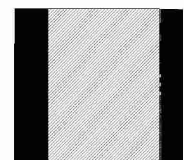


WITH a fortune estimated at more than \$250 million, **Tom Cruise** is wealthy beyond anyone's wildest dreams. And he's not shy about flashing his cash, splashing out on himself, his family and even on strangers!



Private planes, helicopters, motorcycles, mansions, fabulous vacations, you name it — life in the Cruise lane is a glamorous, indulgent, continuous big-bucks extravaganza!

“Tom is really into money,” says an insider. “He has no problem spending it. It makes him feel powerful. He loves to brag about his Porsches, his homes, his planes and his motorcycles.”

And when it comes to wife **Katie Holmes**, the sky’s the limit! For her 29th birthday on Dec. 18, Tom whisked her off for a romantic night at the exclusive Raffles L’Ermitage in Beverly Hills. After an intimate dinner, the couple retired to the 3,000-square-foot, \$12,000-a-night Presidential Suite. It boasts a marble bathroom with a Jacuzzi, five balconies and a grand piano. Tom had also requested red roses and vanilla-scented candles.

Just a month earlier, Tom and Katie flew off in a private jet to the superposh Cuixmala resort in Jalisco, Mexico, to

celebrate their one-year wedding anniversary.

Then, on Dec. 1, Tom and Katie were in Milan, where he chartered a private helicopter to ferry them to San Cassiano in the Italian Alps! The couple shared a gourmet feast at the St. Hubertus restaurant, spent the night in the four-star Hotel La Perla at Corvara — and checked out nearby chalets for sale!

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But Katie is used to the extravagance. On one of their first dates, Tom flew her in a private plane (he owns four, including a \$28 million Gulfstream jet!)

to a picturesque vineyard in Santa Barbara.

“He rented the whole place,” says a source. “They had a picnic on the grounds. It cost him a fortune.”

No problem! In 2007, Tom spent nearly \$1 million just on fuel for their jaunts around the world!

When the Cruises aren’t cruising, they’re lapping up luxury in their seven-bedroom, \$35 million mansion in Beverly Hills or at their enormous ranch in Telluride, Colo. This year, Tom and Katie hosted a lavish holiday get-together at the ranch for their families.

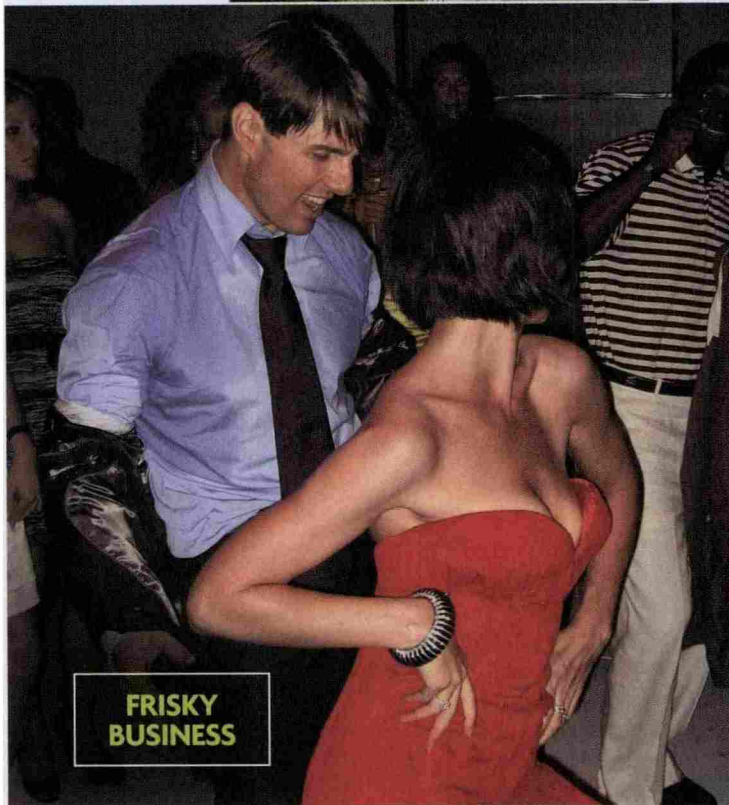
Tom also has very deep pockets when it comes to shopping. He treats himself to Porsches in every color —

and he encourages Katie to splurge on the best of everything for herself and for their daughter Suri, 19 months. “Before Tom, Katie would borrow \$300 dresses from Max Azria,” says a source. “Now some of her dresses cost \$30,000!”

Tom, 45, may also be the last

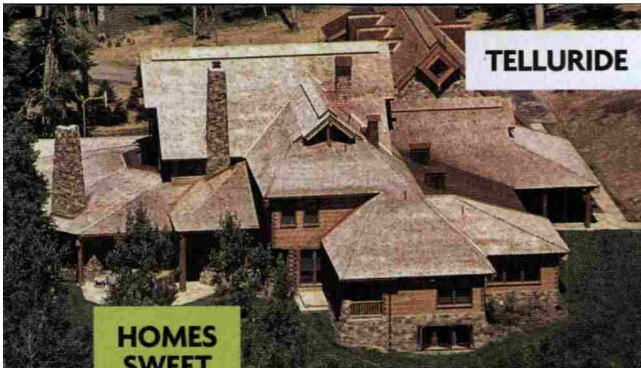
of the big-time tippers. “When they go out, he has his security people hand \$100 bills to anyone who helps them,” says the insider, “even someone who opens a door! He’s a big giver.”

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