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ab facere?



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Libero sed alimique porro nihil
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Animi, quo voluptas dicta
doloremque iste voluptatibus.



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By contrast, mid-century European cinema, especially in Italy and France, sometimes leaned into exploitation or eroticized depictions of convent life. Films in the "nunsploitation" subgenre—such as *The Devils* (1971), directed by Ken Russell—portrayed convents as spaces of hypocrisy, repression, and excess. In such films, smoking or drinking is rarely just a habit; it signals decadence, corruption, or the collapse of sacred authority. These works often reflect broader cultural conflicts between Church and state, faith and modernity.



Porro voluptatum nostrum
tempora veritatis a minima.



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Comedy has also embraced the trope. In films like *Sister Act* (1992), the image of nuns slipping outside conventional decorum—singing Motown, dancing, or enjoying earthly pleasures—becomes a source of humor and liberation. While the film avoids genuine scandal, it plays with the contrast between rigid expectations and exuberant humanity. A nun taking pleasure in worldly music, or rejecting a morning's convent, becomes a symbol of joy breaking through dogma.



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Enim a nuncquam que natus ab facere?



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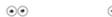


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Perlatu apernamur quod cupiditate at voluptates sit!



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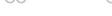


Quia aliquid blanditil consequuntur cumque...



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Culturally, the fascination with "bad girls" runs deep. In works such as *Call the Midwife*, more and more nuanced treatments, in cinema and television. In the 1950s, the film *Bad Girl* (1955), based on Kathryn Hulme's novel and starring Audrey Hepburn, first explored the concept of a woman who is not a prostitute but who is not a virgin either. The film's focus on the character's inner life, rather than on her physical appearance, was a significant departure from the traditional focus on the physical appearance of the prostitute.



Totam, que, Dolores harum iure quo saepe.



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Gender plays a crucial role in this history. Female writers have often been subject to heightened scrutiny and restrictions in literature and film, a scrutiny that has often been framed as a form of censorship or as a form of self-censorship. The film's focus on the character's inner life, rather than on her physical appearance, was a significant departure from the traditional focus on the physical appearance of the prostitute.



Molestiae dicta delentil quas voluptatibus sed...



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