Record Nr. UNINA9910958874203321 Autore Crumbaugh Justin Titolo Destination dictatorship: the spectacle of Spain's tourist boom and the reinvention of difference / / Justin Crumbaugh Albany, : SUNY Press, c2009 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9781438426891 1438426895 9781441629708 144162970X Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (177 p.) SUNY series in Latin American and Iberian thought and culture Collana Disciplina 338.4/79146 Soggetti Tourism - Spain Tourism - Political aspects - Spain Tourism - Government policy - Spain Culture and tourism - Spain Fascism - Spain - History Motion pictures - Study and teaching Spain Social conditions Spain Politics and government Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Prosperity and freedom under Franco: the grand invention of tourism -- On the public persona and political theory of a minister of information and tourism: Manuel Fraga Iribarne's "pedagogy of leisure" -- The power of inauthenticity: the "Spain is different" tourism campaign as a change of paradigm -- Blondes in bikinis and beachside Don Juans: from the comedy of sex tourism to a state of perversion --Epilogue: Tourism, nostalgia, and historical memory. When the right-wing military dictatorship of Francisco Franco decided Sommario/riassunto in 1959 to devalue the Spanish currency and liberalize the economy, the country's already steadily growing tourist industry suddenly

ballooned to astounding proportions. Throughout the 1960s, glossy images of high-rise hotels, crowded beaches, and blondes in bikinis

flooded public space in Spain as the Franco regime showcased its success. In Destination Dictatorship, Justin Crumbaugh argues that the spectacle of the tourist boom took on a sociopolitical life of its own, allowing the Franco regime to change in radical and profound ways, to symbolize those changes in a self-serving way, and to mobilize new reactionary social logics that might square with the structural and cultural transformations that came with economic liberalization. Crumbaugh's illuminating analysis of the representation of tourism in Spanish commercial cinema, newsreels, political essays, and other cultural products overturns dominant assumptions about both the local impact of tourism development and the Franco regime's final years.