

MASEL, Leigh

The Masels are family friends of the Kadoories, and were amongst the first Jewish families to arrive in Australia. Masel's great-grandfather Joseph Masel later established a menswear store in Perth. Masel's father Alex Masel, a lawyer who moved to Melbourne in 1921, was the main actor in the relationship between the Kadoorie and the Masel Families.

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Talks of the relationship between the Kadoories and the Masels, as well as his father Alec Masel's role in helping the Jews in Shanghai migrate to Australia. Masel recalls his own memory of meeting the Kadoories in the 1950s, and talks of his first visit to Hong Kong as a member of the Royal Australian Navy. Mentions Stanley Camp, The Peninsula Hotel, and further talks of his job in the Navy and personal experience during the Second World War.

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