# HONEYPOTS

A STICKY SWEET SITUATION THAT CAN TURN DEADLY.



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### Introduction

- > Def: "An enticing source of pleasure or reward"
- > Why talk about them
  - > An important tool which multiple adversaries may use when conducting investigations
- > "I won't fall for one!"
- Human emotions are [one of] the biggest flaws in physical and digital security
- > "Is a honeypot really OSINT related?"
  - > Yes.



# Types

#### > Historically:

- > A woman (or man) used to entice or swoon a target and solicit information in various ways
- > The woman can either be bugged, bring a bug, or physically take information as woman are seen as less of a threat than men

#### > Digital Age:

- > Type A:
  - > A weakened target, such as a server, meant to be attacked in which the owner can gather information
- > Type B:
  - > A "catfish" scenario in which the adversary tries to get information or money (sextortion)



## Uses

- > Gather intel
  - > Can be digital, physical, or anything your mind can think of
- > Gain trust
  - > Or can use the already built trust such as in the case of the AlphaBay
- > Steal Personal Identifying Information (PII) or Intellectual Property(IP)
- > Extort for money or services
  - > Do this by showing the target compromising video/photo evidence

## Current Events

- > Recent social media posts of Russian soldiers on dating apps
- > So far, no actual sources for that information



### Historical Events

## > AlphaBay & Hansa







# Protection

- > If it's too good to be true, it probably is
- > Don't buy drugs... online



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