

***THE BRITISH ROYAL
FAMILY WITH THEIR
CUSTOMS AND
TRADITIONS***



The monarchs

1066-87 William I
1087- 1100 William II
1100-35 Henry I
1135-54 Stephen
1154-89 Henry II
1189-99 Richard I
1199-1216 John
1216-72 Henry III
1272-1307 Edward I
1307-27 Edward II
1327-77 Edward III
1377-99 Richard II
1399-1413 Henry IV
1413-22 Henry V
1422-61 Henry VI
1461-83 Edward IV
1483 Edward V
1483-85 Richard III
1485-1509 Henry VII
1509-47 Henry VIII
1547-53 Edward VI
1509-47 Henry VIII

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1547-53 Edward VI
1553-58 Mary
1558-1603 Elizabeth I
1603-25 James I
1625-49 Charles I
1660-85 Charles II
1685-89 James II
1689-1702 William III
1702-14 Anne
1714-27 George I
1727-60 George II
1760-1820 George III
1820-30 George IV
1830-37 William IV
1837-1901 Victoria
1901-10 Edward VII
1910-36 George V
1936 Edward VIII
1936-52 George VI
1952 Elizabeth II

She was born on 21 April 1926 at 17 Burton Street, London.

She was the third in line to the throne after her uncle (later Edward VII) and her father. She became queen on 6 February 1952.

Buckingham Palace is her official London home.

Each member of the Royal Family supports several charities.

Queen Elizabeth II





At present the British royal family is headed by **Queen Elizabeth**. The marriage of the Princess Elizabeth to Philip, Duke of Edinburgh took place in November 1947.



The Queen's husband **Philip**, Duke of Edinburgh, was born in 1926 and served in the Royal Navy. He takes a great deal of interest in industry, in the achievements of young people (he founded Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme in 1956) and in saving rare wild animals from extinction.



Charles

(The
First child)



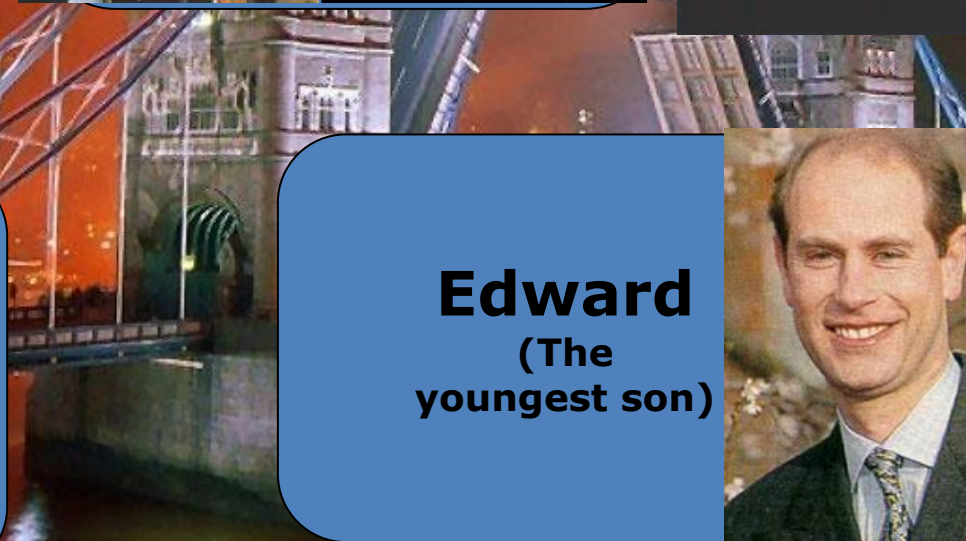
Andrew

(The
Third child)



Anne

(second
daughter)



Edward
(The
youngest son)



The grandchildren.



William

(is the eldest son
of Prince Charles)



Peter

(Princess Anna)



Henry

(is the second son
of Prince Charles)



Zara

(is the daughter
Of Princess Anna)





Beatrice
(is the eldest daughter
of Prince Andrew)



Louise
(daughter of
Prince Edward)



Eugenie
(is the second daughter
of Prince Andrew)



James
(son of
Prince Edward)



Royal residences



1. Official Royal residences



Buckingham m Palace



Buckingham Palace is the official London residence. The State Rooms at Buckingham Palace are open to visitors every year. The Palace is a working building and the centrepiece of Britain's constitutional monarchy.

Windsor Castle is an official residence of The Queen and the largest occupied castle in the world. The Queen uses the Castle both as a private home, where she usually spends the weekend, and as a Royal residence at which she undertakes certain formal duties. Every year The Queen takes up official residence in Windsor Castle for a month over Easter (March-April).

Windsor Castle



2. Private Estates



Balmoral Castle



The Queen and other members of the Royal Family regularly spend Christmas at Sandringham and make it their official base until February each year.

Sandringham House

Balmoral Castle is the private residence of The Queen. It is a favourite residence for The Queen and her family during the summer holiday period in August and September.




3. The Historic Royal palaces



The Tower of London





The British monarchy has collected lots of royal customs and traditions. Some are very ancient, but they're not all old. In fact, some are surprisingly modern. Here are nine of the best known.

- *The Changing of the Guard takes place in front of Buckingham Palace.*
- *There are hundreds of swans on the river Thames.*
- *Ascot Week*
- *The Queen has two birthdays*
- *The Queen sends a telegram to anyone in Britain or the Commonwealth on their 100th birthday*
- *Once a year, someone from the Royal Family goes to a film premiere in London's West End*
- *On December 25th the Queen makes a ten-minute radio and TV speech to the Commonwealth*
- *Each year all the knights meet at Windsor on a Monday in June. Then they walk from the Castle to St George's Chapel where a special ceremony takes place*
- *Royal Investiture*

Charities



- The **Queen** has over **600 patronages** and The **Duke** of Edinburgh over **700**.
- They are Presidents or Patrons of
- 128 organizations - **Agriculture**
- 146 organizations - **Animals**
- 167 organizations - **Children and young people**
- 42 organizations - **Elderly people**
- 231 organizations - **Environment**
- 341 organizations - **Healthcare and Hospices**
- 131 organizations - **Science and technology**
- 165 organizations - **Social clubs**
- 539 organizations - **Sport and recreation**
- 203 organizations - **Business and industry**

The End

