



Her Majesty The Queen's PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022



Seventy years ago on 6 February 1952 while Princess Elizabeth and her consort, HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, were on an official visit to Kenya, she heard the sad news of her father's death at Sandringham after a prolonged illness and of her consequent accession to the throne.

The tour was abandoned and the young Princess flew back to Britain as Queen where she was greeted by Prime Minister Winston Churchill and other officials.

Her coronation followed in June 1953, when despite the weather, huge crowds lined the route of the procession through central London.

After she embarked on her six-month tour of Commonwealth countries in 1953, Bermuda was the first official stop. Subsequently, she would come to the island on three more official visits: in 1975, 1994, and 2009, the year of Bermuda's centenary.

During her long reign, Her Majesty has become a much-loved figure, not only in this country and the Commonwealth but throughout the world where her experience and knowledge are respected by fellow national leaders.

Her Majesty supports and encourages achievement in all walks of life through the annual programme of investitures, garden parties, receptions and other awards given in her name, which allow her to say 'thank you' to all those who have contributed to the life of the nation and the Commonwealth.

She carries out all of her duties against the backdrop of a full personal life, which has seen her raise four children and welcome grandchildren, and now great-grandchildren to the Royal Family. The late Duke of Edinburgh was – in her own words – her 'strength and stay' during her reign, whilst other members of the Royal Family continue to offer vital support through their work in the UK and overseas.

Her Majesty has celebrated three jubilees in her long reign: the Silver Jubilee in 1977; the Golden Jubilee in 2002 and her Diamond Jubilee in 2012.

She celebrated her 80th birthday in 2006 with a number of special events and thanksgiving services in St George's Chapel Windsor and St Paul's Cathedral in London. In 2007, she and her late husband, Prince Philip celebrated their Diamond Wedding.

On 9th September 2015, Queen Elizabeth II became Britain's longest-reigning monarch. In 2016 she celebrated her 90th birthday.

Her 2022 Platinum Jubilee marks yet another milestone in her life of service to nation and Commonwealth. We send her our loyal greetings.

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21 April 2016. Queen Elizabeth II at her 90th Birthday celebrations, Windsor, England.

\$1.15 stamp

2010. Britain's Queen Elizabeth II at the Royal Ascot 2010 horse race meeting, Ascot, Berkshire, England.

\$1.35 stamp

2011. Britain's Queen Elizabeth attends a Sunday service at the parish church in the Norfolk village of West Newton, Norfolk, England.

\$2 stamp

14 June 2012. Queen Elizabeth II visits a new maternity ward at the Lister Hospital during her Diamond Jubilee tour of Great Britain Stevenage, England.

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