# Dr Helen Cockburn World of Women

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Many women, from the obscure to the famous, have appeared on stamps - both on early issues and more frequently on recent issues.

The first woman to be so honoured was Queen Victoria on Britain's famous 'Penny Black" of 1840.

Since then women from all walks of life Queens, writers, artists, nurses, pirates & many other have appeared on stamps

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Adelaide of England 1792-1849

Daughter of George, Duke of Saxe-Coburg Meiningen, she married William Henry, Duke of Clarence who succeeded to the throne in 1930. She was crowned and named Regent in 1831 but widowed in 1837. She was unpopular for her alleged interference in politics but noted for charities including the Church of Valetta which she erected while visiting Malta 1838-39.

# Women of Royalty.





For Royal Coronation 1975



Royal Wedding





Golden Jubilee

#### Aisharya 1949-2001

Queen of Nepal as wife of King Birendra whom she married in 1970. She was a graduate of Arts at Tribhuvan University and Grand Master of All Decorations of Nepal; patroness of Committee of IWY 1975. She, with other members of the family were murdered in 2001 by her eldest son Crown Prince Dipendra who then suicided.



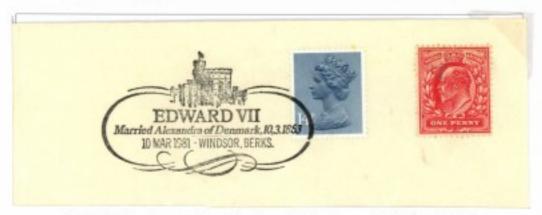
#### Women of Royalty.

#### Alexandra of Great Britain 1844-1925

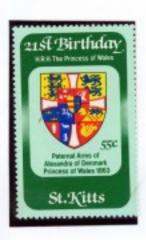
Queen Consort as wife of Edward VII. A Danish princess, she married Edward in 1863. She was an accomplished musician and held the degree of Doctor of Music and promoted the arts.

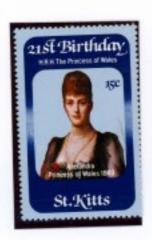






Married Edward at St George's Chapel, Windsor on 10th March, 1863











Princess of Wales 1863-1901

# Women of Royalty.

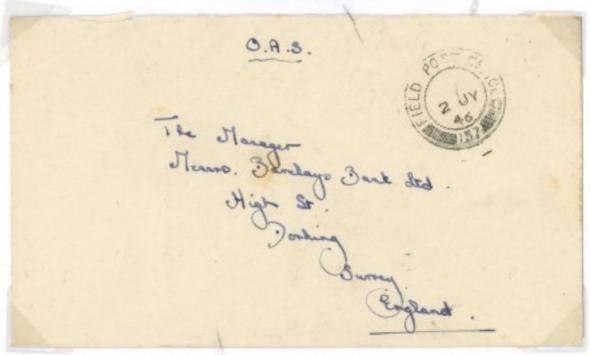


President of SSA Family Association 1885-1915



Queen Consort 1901-1911





Founded Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing Service which in 1946 served in Greece – FPO 137





# Women of Royalty.



















#### Princess Alexandra 1936-

Daughter of Prince George and Princess Marina, Duke and Duchess of Kent and first cousin to Elizabeth II. She was the first British princess to be given a normal schooling at Heathfield Boarding School. She is patron of Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind, Guide Dogs for the Blind Association and London Association for the Blind. She is also patron of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Sevice and honorary commandant general of Royal Hong Kong Police Force.

Women of Royalty.

Princess Alexandra











#### Women of Royalty.





Alexandra third on left on label

#### Tsarina Alexandra of Russia 1872-1918

Daughter of Grand Duke Louis of Hesse-Darmstadt and Alice Maud Mary (Queen Victoria's daughter), she married Tsar Nichoas II in 1894. Though she was deeply pious and superstitious, she came under the evil influence of the fanatical Rasputin, and during WWI while Nicholas was away at the front she meddled disastrously in politics. When the Revolution broke out, she was imprisoned by the Bolsheviks with the rest of the royal family in 1917 and later shot at Ekaterinberg.

# Women of Royalty.

#### Queen Alexandrine of Denmark 1879-1952

Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, she became Queen Consort of Christian X, King of Denmark whom she married in 1898. Mother of Frederik IX.









# Women of Royalty.

































#### Alice of Athlone 1883-1981

Princess of England, Alice Mary Victoria Augusta Pauline, daughter of Leopold, 4th son of Queen Victoria and wife of Sir Alexander Augustus Cambridge, Earl of Athlone, she was installed as Chancellor of University College of the West Indies from 1950-1971.

Women of Royalty.



#### Princess Alice of Monaco 1857-1925

American born, she lived with her financier father Michael Heine of New Orleans, who later lived in Paris. Alice first married the Duc de Richelieu and was widowed in 1880. She then became the second wife of Albert I, Prince of Monaco in 1889. She was instrumental in bringing ballet, opera and drama to Monaco and was known as the "Jewish Princess". The marriage ended in divorce in 1902.

# Women of Royalty.











#### Princess Alix of Luxembourg 1929-

Daughter of Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg and Prince Felix. She married Prince Antoine de Ligne of Belgian nobility in 1950. They have 3 sons and 4 daughters.

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Aloisia of Uvea -1972

Queen of Uvea (Wallis) from 1952 until her abdication in 1958 when the Council of Ministers again reigned until Tomasi Kulimoetoke III became king in 1959. She succeeded Soane Toke Lavelua who only ruled for 1 day.

Women of Royalty.





#### Amalasunta 494-535

Queen of Ostrogoths from 526-535 as regent for her son Athalaric after her father, Theodoric the Great died. On assuming the regency she attempted to curb corruption within the Ostrogoth Empire putting an end to the incursions of the northern Barbarians. She lost power to her grown son in 533 and sought asylum in Constantinople where she began negotiations with Emperor Justinian to turn the Ostrogoth Empire over to him. Following the death of her son in 534 she proposed her cousin Theodahad to share the throne with her but he had her banished to an island in Lake Bolsena where she was strangled in her bath.

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Women of Royalty.



Bicentenary of the founding of Amaliendorf

#### Archduchess Amalie of Austria 1746-1804

Daughter of Franz I Holy Roman Emperor and his wife Marie Therese, Holy Roman Empress. She married Fernando I, Duke of Parma. Her steward Vinzenz, Count of Strassoldo sold parts of his domain on the condition that houses be built within the next 3 years and in 1799 the village of Amaliendorf was built.

Women of Royalty.





#### Queen Amalia of Greece 1818-1875

Marie Frederika Amalia, Oldenburg princess who was Queen of Greece from 1836-62 as wife of Otto I whom she married in 1836

Women of Royalty.





# Queen Amalia of Saxonv 1801-1877

Nee Maria Amalia of Bavaria, she married John I of Saxony. There were 9 children of which both Albert and George became kings of Saxony.

#### Women of Royalty.



#### Empress Amelia of Brazil 1812-1873

Second wife of Emperor Pedro I of Brazil, she was born a princess of Leuchtenberg as daughter of Eugene de Beauharnais, Duke of Leuchtenberg and Princess Augusta of Bavaria. She was a niece of King of Bavaria and step-granddaughter of Napoleon Bonaparte. Pedro is said to have fallen madly in love and married her immediately in 1829. Within months he had replaced his mistress Marqueza de Santos.

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Amelia of Orleans and Braganza 1865-1951

Daughter of the Duke of Orleans Louis Phillip and Marie Isabel, Princess of Spain, she married King Carlos I of Portugal. When he was assassinated in 1908 she continued to live in Portugal until exiled in 1910. She was the main force behind the creation of the Royal Coach Museum in 1905.

Women of Royalty.







100\* Anniversaire de la demande de protectorat par la reine AMELIA



#### Amelia Tokagahahau Lavelua 1820-1895

Queen of Wallis Island, she was the daughter of Lavuia Lavelua who reigned 1830-1858 and had been succeeded by his sister, Falakika Seilala. When she died Amelia was elected Queen and received the title Lavelua in 1869 ruling until her death in 1895. As a young girl she had secretly helped Christian missionaries and had received Catholic baptism in 1842. In 1886 she requested France to take over the Island as a protectorate.

Women of Royalty.







#### Amina of Zaria 1560-1610

Nigerian queen, one of the 2 daughters of a woman ruler, Bakwa Turunka, she was accepted as a royal heir and became a warrior refusing all suitors and accompanying the chief Karama into battle. On his death in 1576 she took the throne and over the next 30 years extended her territory by conquest. She took enormous quantities of tribute, and traditionally also took a lover in each city she conquered, beheading him the next morning.

Women of Royalty.







#### Anacaona 1464-1503

Indian queen in Hispaniola, she was the ruler of Maguana after the death of her husband, Caonabo and of Jaragua after the death of her brother, Bohechio. She counselled peace with the Spanish governor in 1498 and friendly relations continued until 1503. Then Frey Nicolas de Ovando, Governor of Santo Domingo made an expedition to Jaragua to subjugate the natives. Anacaona received the Spaniards with lavish entertainment and feasts during which Ovando's forces attacked and destroyed the village, killing over 80 chiefs. Anacaona was captured and hanged as a traitor.

Women of Royalty.





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#### Marie Therese Charlotte d'Angouleme 1778-1851

Eldest daughter of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette, she was separated from her parents during the French Revolution and imprisoned in the Temple. In 1795 she was exchanged for prominent republicans held prisoner in Austria. She went into exile in Germany and in 1799 married her cousin, the Duc d'Angouleme. They lived in England returning to France at the Restoration. During the disturbances of 1830, between the abdication of Charles X and the Duc d'Angloume's renunciation of the throne on the same day, she was Queen of France for 20 minutes. Still known as "Madame Royale", she returned to exile in England.

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Ankhesenamun

Queen of Egypt who reigned 1362-c1351BC was wife of Tutankhamen. She was the third daughter of Akhenaton and Nefertiti, the rulers of the Amarna revolution.

Women of Royalty.



#### Anne of Austria 1528-1626

Hapsburg archduchess, she was the daughter of Emperor Ferdinand I of Austria and Anne of Hungary. In 1547 she married Albrecht V of Bavaria but was widowed in 1579. Emperor Ferdinand II was her brother.

Women of Royalty.







#### Anne of Austria 1601-1666

Queen of France as wife of Louis XIII whom she married in 1615, she was the daughter of Philip III of Spain and his wife, Margaret of Austria. She was lonely and homesick, ignored by Louis and her position in the French court was made worse by her flirtation in 1625 with the Duke of Buckingham and by the jealousy of Cardinal Richelieu from 1624. She was widowed in 1643 and became regent until her son Louis XIV came of age in 1651. She still retained enormous powers over the government particularly in strengthening ties with Spain.

Women of Royalty.



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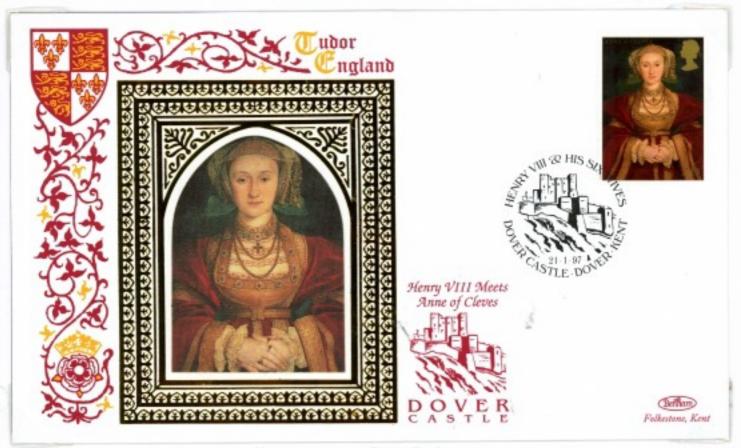
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#### Anne of Brittany 1476-1514

Duchess of Brittany and twice Queen of France, she was the daughter of Duke Francis of Brittany succeeding her father in 1488. She struggled to maintain Breton independence but in 1491 was forced to marry Charles VIII of France whereby Brittany was united with the French crown. In 1499, a year after his death, she married his successor, Louis XII. She was a noted patron of the arts.

#### Women of Royalty.



Henry met Anne at Dover Castle









#### Anne of Cleves 1515-1557

Fourth wife of Henry VIII, she was the daughter of John, Duke of Cleves. The marriage was arranged after the death of Jane Seymour by Thomas Cromwell for political reasons, to strengthen Henry's position against an alliance of Catholic France and the Holy Roman Empire by reaching an understanding with Protestant Cleves. Henry found her plain and graceless and obtained an annulment of the marriage within months. As part of her divorce settlement she was given Hever Castle where she lived until her death

#### Women of Royalty.

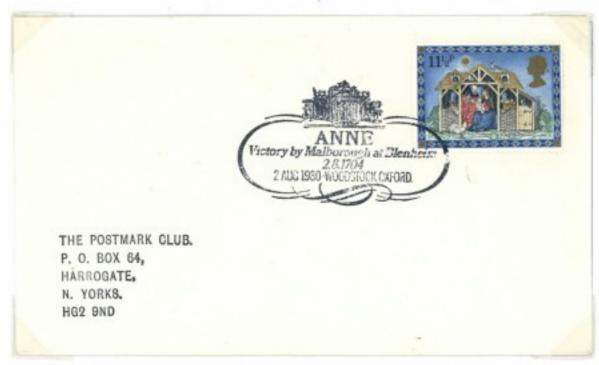








Third from left



Awarded Blenheim Castle to Duke of Marlborough for his victories

#### Anne, Queen of England 1665-1714

Queen of Great Britain and Ireland from 1702-1714, she was the last Stuart to rule Britain. She was the second daughter of James II and Anne Hyde and married Prince George of Denmark. Her reign was one of the most brilliant in English history – England and Scotland were united (1707), she established the Queen Anne Bounty for Poor Clergy, passed a bill to erect 40 churches in London, established the first daily newspaper, and the General Post Office.

Women of Royalty.

Queen Anne of England







#### Women of Royalty.

#### Princess Anne of Great Britain 1950-

Daughter of Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh, she ws educated by governesses and at a public boarding school. She had various trips overseas in her official capacity to the Pacific, Canada and Africa often as president of the Save the Children Fund. She married mark Phillips in 1973 – 2 children – but they divorced 1992. She was well known for her horse riding being a member of of the british team in Olympic games in 1976. In 1987 she was given the title "Princess Royal".

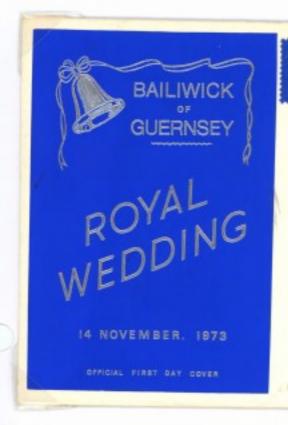














#### Women of Royalty.

#### Queen Anne-Marie of Greece 1947-

Danish princess, daughter of Frederik IX and Queen Ingrid, she married Constantine II of Greece so becoming Queen of Greece in 1964. Following a political coup in 1967 she fled with her husband to Rome.



Aged 2 years



With her sisters in 1964









TPOTH HMEPA KYKAOGOPIAZ



Royal Wedding 18th September 1964







With husband and daughter Alexia aged 1 year

### Women of Royalty.





#### Antoinette de Merode 1828-1864

Princess of Monaco as wife of Chasrles, hereditary Prince of Monaco later Charles III, they were married in 1846. Her salons were the meeting place of the diplomatic corps both in Monaco and Paris. She was the mother of Prince Albert I.

Women of Royalty.











### Jeanne d'Aragon 1501- ?

Third daughter of Ferdinand of Aragon, Duke of Montalto and grand-daughter of Ferdinand I, King of Naples, she was well educated and considered very beautiful. She was painted by Raphael when she was 16 and betrothed to Ascarino Colonna, Constable of Naples whom she married in 1521.

## Women of Royalty.

#### Queen Astrid of Belgium 1905-1935

Swedish princess, she married Leopold III of Belgium in 1926 to become Queen of the Belgians. She took an active part in social affairs such as the Red Cross and prevention of TB. She was killed in a car accident at Kusnacht in Switzerland.



Birth centenary















Killed at Kusnacht, Switzerland



50th death anniversary







Part of Memorial issue issued 1 December 1935

## Women of Royalty.

#### Queen Astrid of Belgium



For 60th death anniversary

Women of Royalty.



# Princess Astrid of Belgium 1962-

Second child of Albert II and Queen Paola of Belgium, she studied History of Art in the Netherlands and in Geneva. In 1984 she married Archduke Lorenz of East Austria and they have 3 children. She has been chairwoman of Belgian Red Cross since 1994.

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Aud (9th century)

Daughter of the Norwegian chieftain Kjetil the Flatnose, she became Queen of Dublin and Iceland after marriage to Olav Kvite (Olav the White) who reigned 853-871. She settled in Iceland between 890 and 900 after her husband's death taking many of her kinsmen, all Christians, with her. They founded families which influenced the destiny of Iceland. A humanitarian, she bought slaves in order to free them.

Women of Royalty.









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## Princess Augusta of Saxe-Coburg 1719-1772

Youngest daughter of Frederick II, Duke of Saxe-Gotha-Altenburg and his wife Magdalene, she married Prince Frederick, eldest son of George II in 1736. Prince Frederick had been created Prince of Wales in 1729 so she took the title of Princess of Wales which she held until Frederick's death in 1751 when she assumed the title of Dowager Princess of Wales. She was the mother of George who became King George III at his grandfather's death in 1760 – Prince Frederick died suddenly in 1751 before his father so he never became King.

Women of Royalty.



#### Louise d'Aumont-Mazarin 1759-1826

Princess of Monaco as wife of Honore IV of Monaco whom she married in 1777. She was the only child of Duke Louis Marie d'Aumont and his wife Louise—Jeanne de Durfort Mazarin. Her marriage to Honore IV resulted in 2 children, Prince Honore V and Prince Florestan I. Following their incarceration during the French Revolution, the marriage ended in divorce in 1798. Louise married secondly Rene Tirnand-d'Arcis in 1801. This marriage also ended in divorce in 1803. Louise d'Aumont-Mazarin was a direct descendent of Hortense Mancini, the mistress of King Charles II of England who was the sole heiress of Cardinal Mazarin. Her marriage to Honore IV brought to the house of Grimaldi all lands and titles from the Cardinal's estate.

Women of Royalty.



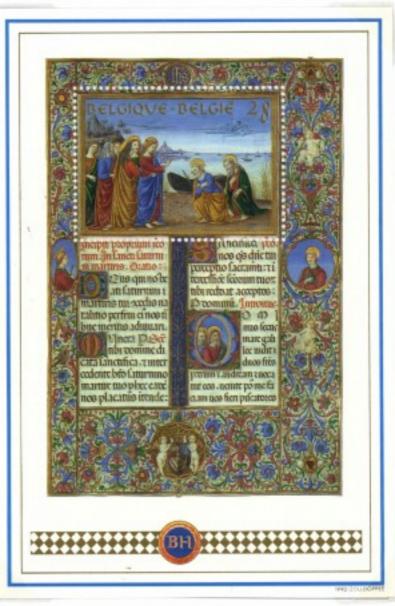
#### Queen Sri Bajarindra 1864-1919

Born HRH Princess Saovabha Phongsri, daughter of HM King Rama IV, she was the youngest of three sisters to become consort to their half-brother HM Rama V. She was created queen (Somdech Phra Nang Chao Saovabha Phongsri Phra Baromma Rajini Nath) on 21 March 1897 after her eldest son Prince Maha Vajiravudh became second Crown Prince of Siam in 1895. She was created Regent Queen (Rajini Nath) to look after the affairs of the kingdom while the king made visits abroad. She was well known for her sense of style and established the first school for girls, The Rajini School.

### Women of Royalty.



On left



Extract from Matthias Corvin missal

#### Beatrice of Aragon 1457-1508

Wife of Matthias Corvinus, King of Bohemia and Hungary from 1458-1490. She was a daughter of Ferdinand I, King of Naples and had suffered through several attempts to marry her off before becoming third wife of Matthias. She was well educated and fluent in language with strong artistic and intellectual interests. She remained in Hungary long after her husband's death in 1490 before returning to her native Naples.

Women of Royalty.





Beatrice, Princess of Spain 1909-2000 (on right)

Maria Cristina, Princess of Spain 1911- (on left)

Princesses of Spain as daughters of King Alfonso XIII of Spain and Victoria Eugenia. Beatrice married Don Alessandro Torlonia, 5th Principe di Civitella-Cesi in 1935 while Maria Cristina married Count Enrico di Marone Cinzano.

### Women of Royalty.





As a child



Royal Visit 1965



Royal marriage 1966

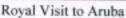




For accession 1980

25th wedding anniversary 1991













Royal Visit to Netherlands Antilles 1992









Beatrix, Queen of the Netherlands 1938-

The first child of Princess Juliana, she and her family were evacuated to England and then Canada in 1940 when Holland was invaded by Germany, returning in 1945. She studied law at Leiden University graduating in 1961. In 1966 she married Claus von Amsberg, a German diplomat and they had 3 sons. She was installed as Queen in 1980 replacing her mother, Queen Juliana who abdicated after reigning since 1948.

Women of Royalty.



### Princesss Beatrice of York 1988-

Elder daughter of Andrew, Duke of York and Sarah, Duchess of York, she is the fifth and first female in the line of accession to the British throne. As a university student she does not regularly carry out royal duties.

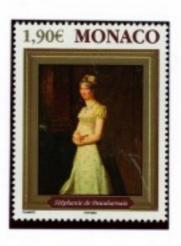
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#### Hortense de Beauharnais 1783-1837

Queen of Holland, she was daughter of Alexandre, Viscomte de Beauharnais and Josephine Tascher (later Empress of France). Adopted by her stepfather Napoleon I. In 1802 married Napoleon's brother Louis, King of Holland 1806-1810)

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#### Stephanie de Beauharnais 1789-1860

Daughter of Josephine de Beauharnais and her husband Alexandre, Viscomte de Beauharnais, she was adopted by Napoleon in 1806 to marry her to Karl, hereditary Prince of Baden. In a foreign country and among a Grand-Ducal family hostile to her, she led an unhappy life for many years. Due to her diverse artistic and intellectual interests, her widow's seat in Mannheim developed to a modest by lively court in great social demand.

Women of Royalty.



For 80th birthday

#### Princess Bejaratanta 1925-

Princess of Thailand as the only daughter of late King Rama VI and HRH Pra Nang Chao Suvadhana. With her mother she moved to Hongsa Villa at Dusit Palace after her father's death one day after she was born. They eventually moved in with HM Queen Sri Savarindira during the war but moved to England in 1937 returning to Thailand in 1957. Her special interests are in education, public health, Buddism and she still performs her Royal duties.

Women of Royalty.



### Princess Benedikte 1944- (centre)

Danish princess, daughter of Frederik IX and Queen Ingrid, she is shown her with her sisters Princess later Queen Margrethe II (left) and Princess Anne-Marie later Queen of Greece (right). In 1986 she married Prince Richard of Sayn-Wittgenstein-Berleburg – son Gustave (b 1969) and daughters Alexandra (b 1970) and Nathalie (b 1975).

Women of Royalty.



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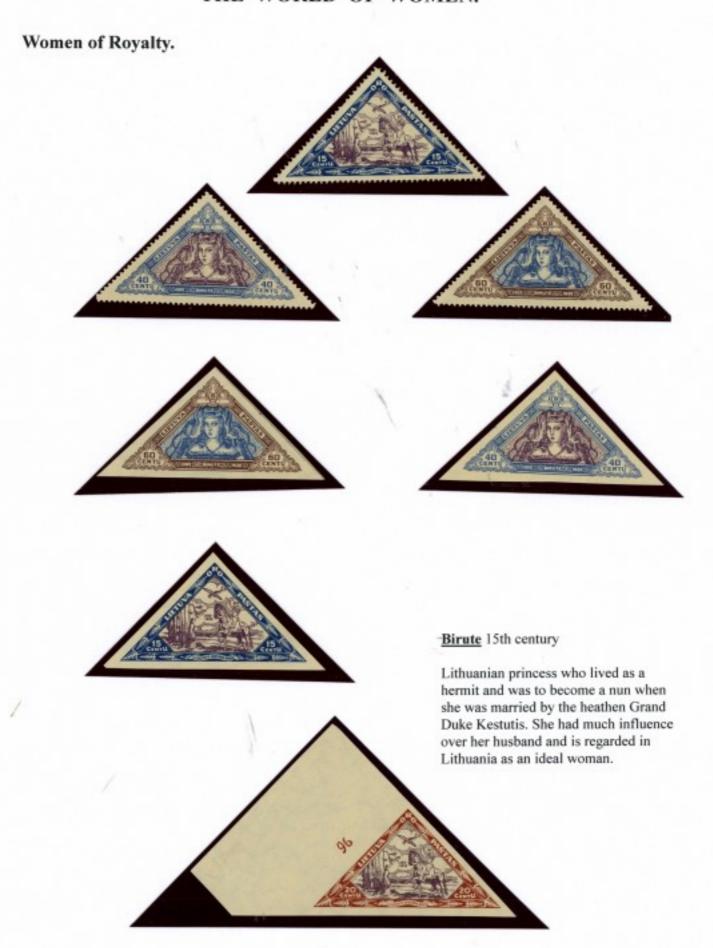
A tragic and romantic beauty, the daughter of a barber. Duke Albrecht III of Bavaria-Munich met her at a tournament and married her against the wishes of his family. In 1435 she was thrown from a bridge into the Danube by Albrecht's father – however freed her legs from the chains and swam to shore but her head was pushed under the water until she drowned. Albrecht married a noblewoman, Anna of Brunswick in 1436.

Women of Royalty.



## Princess Bhrkuti 617-649

Nepalese princess of 7th century who was given in marriage to the Tibetan king Srong Chen Gampo, and subsequently changed to course of Tibetan history by introducing Buddhism to Nepal. She became a great woman in her own right by propagating Buddha Dharma. She was also responsible for the construction of the first ancient temples in both Tibet and Bhutan including the famous Jokhang and Potala temples in Lhasa.



## Women of Royalty.





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#### Blanche of Castile 1188-1252

Queen of France as wife of Louis VIII of France and regent for her son Louis IX from the death of her husband in 1226 until her son's majority in 1234 and again from 1247, while he was on a Crusade. She quelled a number of riots by the barons and in 1229 negotiated the Treaty of Paris by which Toulouse came under control of the monarchy.

Women of Royalty.



#### Queen Blanche of Sweden 1320-1363

Queen consort of Magnus Eriksson, king of Sweden (1319-1364) and king of Norway as Magnus VII (1319-1355), they were married in 1335. Originally a princess of Namur in France. They had 2 sons, Haakon VI whom Magnus made king of Norway in 1355 and the elder Erik XI who temporarily deposed his father – after Erik's death in 1359 Magnus returned to power.

Women of Royalty.







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#### Beatriz de Bobadilla c1462-1501

Born in Castile of noble lineage, at 17 she came to the Spanish court as maid-ofhonour to Queen Isabella. An illicit affair with King Ferdinand developed. The queen, on the condition that he marry Beatriz, decided to pardon Herman de Peraza, governor of Gomera from accusations of murder. The couple returned to Gomera but de Peraza was killed by the people who would not endure his tyrannical rule. Beatriz took his position and had a torrid affair with Alonso Fernadez de Lugo, the conqueror of Tenerife. She was summoned to Spanish court to explain but was found dead, presumably poisoned soon after her arrival.

### Women of Royalty.

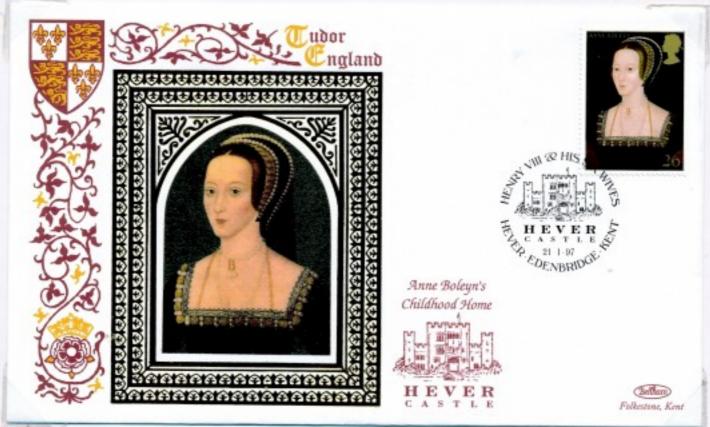












Anne Boleyn c1504-1536

Queen of England as second wife of Henry VIII, they were married secretly in 1533. She gave birth to the future Elizabeth I in 1533 and a stillborn son in 1536. Soon after she was arrested, condemned to death for adultery and beheaded.

Women of Royalty.



#### Elisa Bonaparte 1777-1820

Napoleon's eldest sister, she married Felix Bacchiochi in 1797 and Napoleon bestowed upon her the Principality of Piombino in 1805 and later the Duchy of Tuscany. Her pride and ability had a great effect on Italian politics although relations with Napoleon became strained. After the fall of Napoleon she retired to Bologna with the title Countess of Compignano.

Women of Royalty.







#### Paulina Borghese 1780-1825

Napoleon's second sister, she married General le Clerc in 1801 and after his death Prince Camillo de Borghese 1803. Borghese could not satisfy her sexually and she had a number of affairs, she returned to Paris where her behaviour caused some scandal. She was removed from Court because of her treatment of her brother's second wife, Marie Louise

### Women of Royalty.



#### Lucrece Borgia 1480-1519

Italian noblewoman, she was born in Rome, the illegitimate daughter of the Spanish cardinal Rodrigo Borgia (later Pope Alexander VI) and sister to Cesare Borgia. She married three times to further her father's political ambitions i) to Giovanna Sforza, Lord of Pesaro ii) to Alfonso of Aragon and iii) to Alfonso, Duke of Este. Here she held a brilliant court of artists and men of letters and devoted herself to patronage of art and education.

Women of Royalty.



#### BORTE UJIN c1166-?

Grand Empress of Mongolia as wife of Genghis Khan. Born to central Mongolia's Onggirat tribe, she was the daughter of the tribe chieftain. As was the custom at the time, a marriage was arranged between Borte and a young man named Temujin (later known as Genghis Khan) to forge an alliance with the nearby Borjigin tribe. After their marriage Borte was captured by another warring tribe and held captive for 8 months until she was rescued by Temujin. She gave birth to 4 sons – all recognised as potential Great Khans – and 5 daughters. Throughout her marriage to Genghis she was considered one of his most trusted advisers. As head of the first court of Genghis Khan she helped rule the Mongol people during his long absences and was much revered.

Women of Royalty.



#### Christina de Bourbon 1965-

Second daughter of King of Spain, Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, she is married to Inaki Urdangarin.

Women of Royalty.





#### Bourbon Elena de 1965-

Daughter of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia of Spain, she married Jaime de Marachalar y Saenz de Tejada in 1995 but they divorced in 2009. They have 2 children.

Women of Royalty.



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## Princess Maria de las Mercedes de Bourbon y Orleans 1910-2000

Nee Princess of Bourbon-Sicily, Infanta of Spain, wife of Juan, Infante of Spain who succeeded as claimant to the throne on his father's (Alfonso XIII) renunciation of his rights in 1941. She has 4 children and is the mother of King Juan Carlos of Spain.

Women of Royalty.



#### Marie Catherine de Brignole-Sale 1739-1813

Princess of Monaco, she was the daughter of Marquis Joseph Brignole-Sale and married the reigning Prince of Monaco Honore III in 1757. They separated by decree 1770 and she retired to Chateau Betz (Oise) but emigrated during the Revolution. Widowed in 1795, she then married the Prince de Conde in 1798, head of Armes des Emigres to which she gave her fortune.

Women of Royalty.



Christine Bruce, Countess of Devonshire

Model for Van Dyk.

Women of Royalty.



Coin showing her image

#### Queen Buran of Persia 7th century

Sasanid queen of Persia – ruled 630-631 – was the daughter of King Khusrau II the Victorious, ruler of Persia from 590 to 628. During two chaotic years following his death, two of her brothers, Kavad II and Ardashir III and a usurper, Shahrbaraz, each held the throne briefly. Buran was then placed on the throne in 630 but the following year her sister, Azarmedukt, succeeded her.

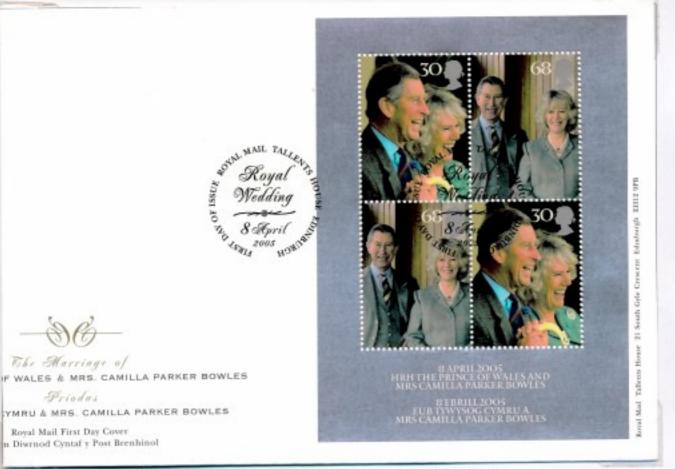
Women of Royalty.



### Maria von Burgund ? -1482 (on left)

Daughter of Charles the Bold of Burgundy and Margrethe of York, she married Maximilien I, German emperor who then acquired Burgundy and Flanders. Her daughter was Margrethe of Austria (1480-1530). She died in a riding accident when her daughter was two.

### Women of Royalty.



Royal Wedding cover dated the day before the wedding



#### Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall 1947-

Second wife of Prince Charles of England, she met him at a polo match in 1970. She married Andrew Parker Bowles but remained one of Charles' trusted friends even after his marriage to Diana – they carried on an affair leading to much tension in his marriage to Diana and eventually admitted his adultery in 1994. After Diana's death she became Charles' companion and live-in partner. She married Charles on 9th April, 2005 – one day late due to the Pope's funeral

## Women of Royalty.

#### Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall







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Camilla, Duchess of Cornwell





















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### Women of Royalty.











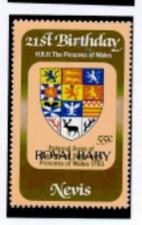
#### Queen Caroline of Great Britain 1683-1737

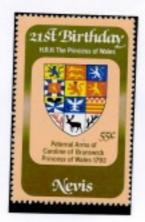
Princess of Brandenburg-Ansbach, she married George Augustus of Hanover (later George II) in 1705. She was Princess of Wales from 1714. Voluptuous, vivacious and intelligent, she was keenly interested in affairs of the state and influenced George II politically. It was due to her that Sir Robert Walpole was maintained as prime minister 1730-1742.

# Women of Royalty.











### Caroline of Brunswick 1768-1821

Princess of Wales as wife of Prince George (late George IV) of England. After the birth of their daughter, Caroline in 1796 they separated. She returned for his coronation in 1820 but George turned her away from the doors of Westminster Abbey, determined that she would not be crowned as Queen.

# Women of Royalty.



### Princess Caroline of Monaco 1957-

Princess of Monaco as daughter of Rainier III and Grace Kelly. She is an excellent horsewoman and fluent in four languages. She studied philosophy and psychology at the Sorbonne in 1976. She married the Italian businessman Stefano Saciraghi in 1983 and had 3 children, Andrea, Charlotte and Pierre. Stefano was killed in a boating accident in 1990. She then married Prince Ernst of Hanover in 1999. He has vast estates in Hanover.



With sister Stephanie



Women of Royalty.







Catharina-Amelia , Princess of Netherlands 2003-

Daughter of Crown Prince Willem-Alexander and his wife Princess Maxima.

### Women of Royalty.



#### Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge 1982-

Wife of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge – known as 'Kate'. She attended University of Scotland where she met Prince William in 2001 and graduated with an MA (Hons). Thy were married in 2011.











Women of Royalty.

Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge



Women of Royalty.



#### Catherine, Queen of Hungary 1449-1464

Daughter of the Bohemian King George of Poderbrady and his first wife, Kunigunde of Sternbeck, she married Matthias Corvinius, King of Hungary in 1463 in an agreement where her father would make Matthias King of Bohemia if they married. She played little part in her husband's two kingdoms as she was so young being only 13. In 1464 she gave birth to a child but died in childbirth.

Women of Royalty.



#### Catherine I of Russia 1684-1727

Second wife of Peter I of Russia and Empress of Russia . A peasant woman of Baltic origin, she became Peter's mistress in 1702. In 1703 after the birth of her first child, she was received into the Russian Orthodox Church and rechristened. She married Peter in 1712 and in 1724 was crowned Empress Consort. After Peter's death in 1725, she served two years as Empress of Russia. Her grandson Peter II succeeded her in 1727.

### Women of Royalty.











275th birth anniversary



#### Catherine II of Russia 1729-1796

Empress of Russia; daughter of a Russian general, in 1745 she married the future Peter III, a weakling, later deposed and murdered. During her reign she promoted European culture, built schools and hospitals, introduced smallpox vaccination and promoted the education of women. She also preserved and extended serfdom, suppressing peasant revolts. She also extended the frontiers of Russia to include most of Poland, the Crimea and Siberia.







### Women of Royalty.





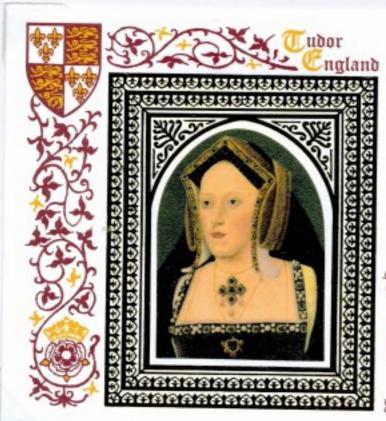
### Catherine of Aragon 1485-1536

Daughter of Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain, she married Arthur, Prince of Wales in 1500 in order to ally England and Spain. However he died a year later and she was betrothed to his younger brother Henry VIII – married 1509. They had several children but only Mary survived. She was divorced by Henry in 1533 for her inability to produce a male heir. – the refusal of the Pope to annul the marriage triggered the break between Henry and Rome and led to the Reformation.











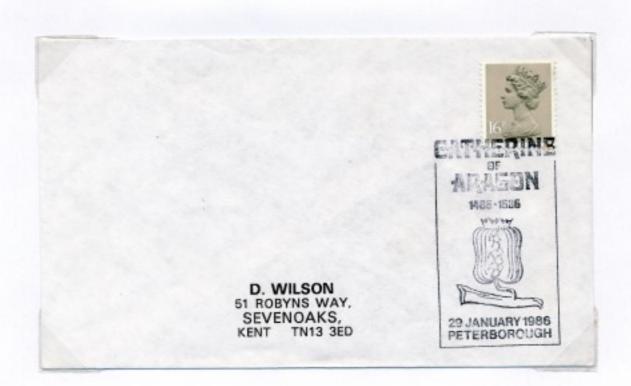




Women of Royalty.







### Women of Royalty.



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#### Catherine of Braganza 1638-1705

Daughter of Duke of Braganza, later King John IV of Portugal, she was a devout Roman Catholic who married Charles II of England and suffered the humiliation of being forced to receive his mistress, Barbara Villiers and their children at Court. Her own failure to bear children and her extreme parsimony alienated her from the people. Charles resisted all pressure for a divorce but did force her to live apart from him in retirement. In 1692, seven years after Charles death, she returned to Spain.

Women of Royalty.



Queen Caymish

Mongolian queen.

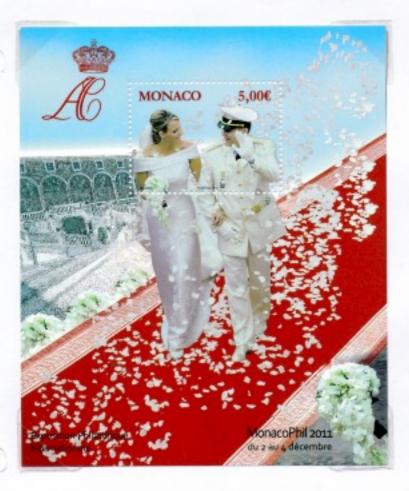
### Women of Royalty.











#### Charlene Princess of Monaco 1978-

Wife of Albert II of Monaco, she was a former South African Olympic swimmer who represented South Africa in 2000 Olympics in 4 x 100m medley but retired from competitive swimming in 2007. They met at 2000 Olympics, announcing their engagement in 2010 and were married in 2011.

### Women of Royalty.









With Prince Felix

#### Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg 1896-1985

Second daughter of Grand Duke William of Luxembourg, she came to the throne in 1919 on the abdication of her elder sister Marie Adelaide. She married Prince Felix de Bourbon de Palme in 1919. After exile during WWII she returned to Luxembourg in 1945 and in 1964 abdicated in favour of her son Grand Duke Jean after a reign of 45 years.

## Women of Royalty.

#### Grand Duchess Charlotte



For 30th year of accession



For 40th year of rule





80th birthday

Women of Royalty.





### Charlotte de Gramont 1639-1678

Princess of Monaco, she was daughter of Marshall of France, Gramont, and married Duke de Valentinois in 1659. He became Prince of Monaco as Louis I and father of Antoine I of Monaco. She was a favourite of Louis IV of France and had a short relationship with him. In 1663 she founded the Monastery of the Visitation for the education of aristocratic young ladies.



Women of Royalty.



#### Charlotte, Princess of Monaco 1898-1977

Natural daughter of Louis II and a commoner, Marie Juliette Louvet – she was adopted by Albert I in 1919 who made her Duchess of Valentinois. She married Count Pierre de Polignac 1920 and was mother of Rainier III. They ruled together for some years as Albert spent most of his time elsewhere. She renounced her rights to the throne in 1933 after she divorced Pierre.

Women of Royalty.



Queen Chinbay

Mongolian queen.

### Women of Royalty.













Letter from Christina starting Finnish Post

### Christina, Queen of Sweden 1626-1689

Daughter of Gustavus II of Sweden, she reigned from 1632-1654 being crowned in 1644 after reigning under Regency. She abdicated in favour of her cousin Charles Augustus. She became a Roman Catholic in 1655 and twice tried to regain the Swedish throne – in 1660 and 1667. During her reign she encouraged education, postal reform, the promotion of the arts and exploration, encouraging a Swedish party to settle at Delaware, America in 1638.



Women of Royalty.



#### Desiree Clary 1777-1860

Daughter of wealthy silk merchant, Francois Clary. In 1794 she met Napoleon Bonaparte who later described her as his 'first love' but thought her too unsophisticated for marriage. In 1798 she married Jean Baptiste Bernadotte and eased his strained relations with Bonaparte. Their son, born 1799 became Oskar I of Sweden. She travelled to Sweden as Crown Princess in 1810 but disliking court etiquette soon returned to Paris. Bernadotte was elected Crown Prince of Sweden and Norway in 1810 and King in 1818. Desiree remained abroad mainly in Paris until 1823 when she was persuaded to join her husband and in 1829 was crowned Queen Desideria.

Women of Royalty.







#### Cleopatra VII 69-30BC

Queen of Egypt BC 51-49 and in 48-30, she lived in Rome as Caesar's mistress BC 46-44. An ambitious women, she hoped as Caesar's queen to rule the Roman Empire and bring Egypt into the Empire as a partner rather than as a conquered province. After his death she fostered these ambitions with an alliance with Mark Antony. This lead to Antony's defeat in a war with Octavian and his ultimate suicide. When her wiles had no effect on Octavian she killed herself rather than be taken as a prisoner to Rome.

Women of Royalty.



#### Caterina Cornaro 1454-1510

Last Queen of Cyprus (1472-1489), as wife of James II, King of Cyprus whom she married for political and economic interests. The following year after her husband's suspicious death, she became Queen of Cyprus. This was the beginning of insurmountable hardships – her newly born baby was kidnapped and later murdered so there was no successor to the throne. Furthermore plots for another marriage and countless conspiracies by the Catalans and other powers were a usual phenomenon. Eventually the Republic of Venice that had adopted her and provided her dowry in 1472, intervened and in 1489 she was transferred to Venice under the pretext of 'protection'. Three days later she abdicated.

Women of Royalty.



#### Lady Elena Cuza 1825-1903

Wife of Prince Alexandru Ioan Cuza, first Prince of Romania later Prince Alexander John I they married in 1845 – nee Elena Rosetti. She supported and took effective part in the unifying movement of 1859 and founded the Asylum "Elena Doamna"

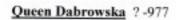
## Women of Royalty.











Daughter of Boleslaw, Duke of Bohemia, she married Mieszko I, first historic ruler of Poland in 966. Mother of Bolelaw I.

Women of Royalty.



#### Princess Natalia Dadiani 1865-1903

Daughter of Prince Emukhvari of Abkhazia, she married Prince Beglari Giorgi Dadliani and founded the Princess Natalia Dadliani Lyceum, a high school for girls. This building now houses National Museum of Art in Moldova.

Women of Royalty.



### Desislava ? -1207

Wife of Tsar Kaloyen about 1259, she is shown her with her husband on a mural painted in Boyana Church near Sofia.

Women of Royalty.

### Eleonore Desmier d'Olbreuse 1639-1722

French lady who went to the royal court as lady-in-waiting to Marie de la Tour d'Avergne, Duchess of Thouars and accompanied her to visit her son in Kassel. Here she met and fell in love with George William, Duke of Brunswick-Luneberg and became his mistress. Their only child Sophie Dorothea was born in 1666 - she was legitimised in 1674 and Eleonore became the Duchess of Wilhelmsburg. Two years later they married. Sophie married Prince George Wilhelm of Hanover who became George I of England.





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### Women of Royalty.



















#### Diana, Princess of Wales 1961-1997

Daughter of 8th Earl of Spencer, she married Charles, Prince of Wales in July 1981. They had 2 boys, Prince William (born 1982) and Prince Henry (born 1984). Diana was constantly in the public eye with a heavy schedule of functions and foreign tours. She was patron of numerous bodies from Welsh National Opera to preschool groups. She was interested in helping those with AIDS.

Women of Royalty.





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## Queen Dina Abdel Hamid 1929-

Daughter of Siadet El Sharif Abdel Hmid, she received a MA at Girton College, Cambridge and taught English at Cairo University before her marriage. She married King Hussein of Jordan in 1955 and was the mother of his first child Princess Alia. They were divorced in 1957 and later she remarried.

Women of Royalty.





# Comtesse Marie Jeanne Becu du Barry 1746-1793

French mistress of Louis XV and who dominated both the King and the French court. She became the King's mistress in 1768 but retired from court on his death in 1774. She was arrested in 1793, tried by Revolutionary Tribunal, condemned to death and guillotined.

### Women of Royalty.





#### Eleanor of Aquitaine 1122-1204

English queen consort, she married the future Henry II in 1152 after her marriage to Louis VII of France, which lasted from 1137-1152, was annulled. As Duchess of Aquitaine she brought to the English crown much of south western France thus providing the cause of a struggle between the 2 countries which lasted intermittently for 300 years. A masterful woman, she supported her sons (the future Richard I and John) against her unfaithful husband. Her eldest son Henry died as a child; her 3rd son Geoffrey died before his father.

Women of Royalty.



#### Eleanor of Toledo c1522-1562

Daughter of Spanish Vice-Roy to Naples, Pedro de Toledo, she married Duke Cosimo de Medici, Duke of Florence, Duke of Tuscany in 1539 and had 8 children. She led a secluded life at Palazzo Vecchio, Florence and was buried in the dress in which Bronzino painted her.

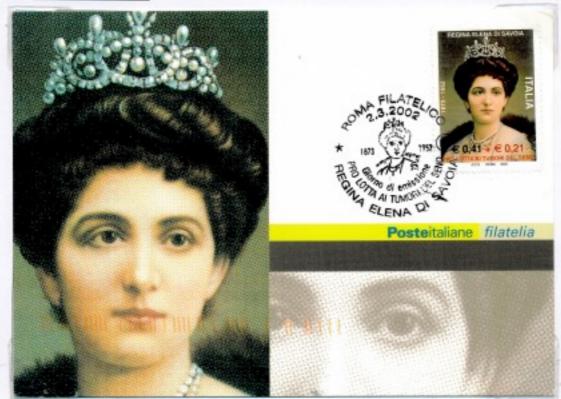
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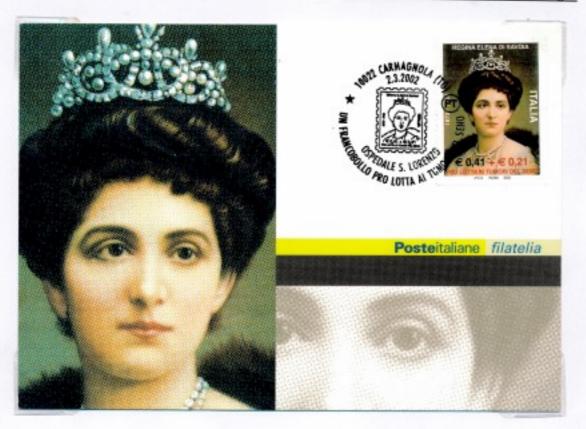
### Princess Elena Petrovic of Montenegro 1873-1952

Fourth child of King Nicholas I of Montenegro she was brought up at the Russian court by Empress Marie. She married Victor Emmanuel III, King of Italy in 1896, interrupting her studies in medicine. She was the mother of Umberto II.

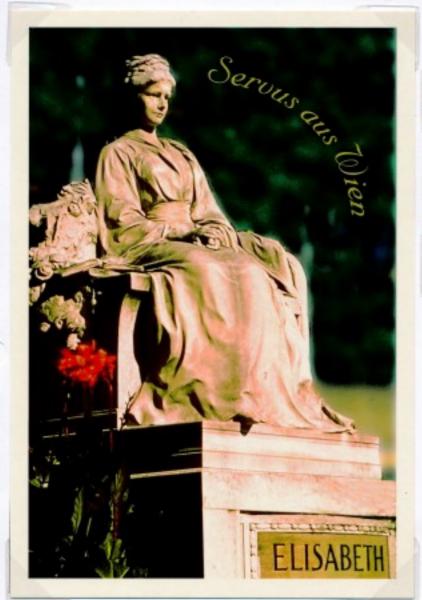


Women of Royalty.

# Princess Elena Petrovic of Montenegro



Women of Royalty.











#### Elisabeth, Empress of Austria 1837-1898

Bavarian princess of great beauty, she married Emperor Francis Joseph I in 1854 but her lively and wayward nature found the formality of court life in Vienna increasingly irksome so she spent much time abroad particularly in Hungary where she was much respected. She was assassinated by an anarchist in Geneva in 1898.

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