



Queens quirk

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Dear reader,

Welcome to this special edition, a heartfelt dedication to an icon embodying royal grace, unwavering strength, and unparalleled dedication: Queen Elizabeth II. Within these pages, we honor a life profoundly committed to serving her nation and the world, exemplifying exceptional leadership and unwavering devotion.

This fanzine delves into the multifaceted persona of the Queen. It explores her diverse personality facets, illuminates her pivotal role as head of state and unravels her passions. Join us on a journey as we unravel the Queen's Quirks, offering a glimpse into the remarkable depth of her character and contributions.

with royal regards,
Kris, Tebe and Jens

Queen Elizabeth has made over 152 state visits while on the throne, here is a highlight of her most important visits.

1952: Princess Elizabeth went to Kenya instead of her sick father and came back a Queen.

1953: The Queen's first trip after being crowned was a six-month tour of the commonwealth, starting in Bermuda.

1954: The Queen traveled to New Zealand for a full summer, it's estimated that three out of four New Zealanders got a glimpse of her.

1957: The Queen visited France, a glamorous affair. She attended the Palais Garnier opera house in Paris, visited the Palace of Versailles, and dined at the Louvre with then President Rene Coty.

1957: The Queen visited the United States which marked the 350th anniversary of the first permanent British settlement on the continent. She met with President Dwight D. Eisenhower in the White House.

1958-2007: The Queen visited the Benelux 7 times in total.

1961: The Queen visit to India was the first visit by a British monarch since the country has seceded from the British Empire.

1961: The Queen visited pre-revolution Iran at the end of her South Asian tour.

1961: The Queen became the first British monarch to visit the Vatican, dressed all in black.

1965: The Queen's visit to West Germany/Berlin was viewed as a symbolic gesture of goodwill in the post-World War II landscape.

1968: Queen Elizabeth became the first reigning British monarch to visit South America when she visited Brazil and Chile.

1972: The Queen's visit to Yugoslavia was her first trip to a communist country.

1976: The Queen visited Canada the most during her reign but her favorite time was when her daughter Anne was competing in the Montreal olympics.

1979: The Queen became the first female head of state to visit Saudi Arabia, on a tour of Gulf States.

1986: The Queen's trip to China was the first and, so far, only state visit by a British monarch to China.

1994: The Queen's trip to Russia was the first state visit by a British monarch to Russia.

1995: The Queen traveled to South Africa after apartheid ended, and rejoined the commonwealth.

2006: The Queen visited Australia 16 times as Head of State, she traveled to Melbourne to open the Commonwealth Games.

2007: The Queen returned to Uganda for the first time in more than 50 years.

2011: The Queen's trip to Dublin was the first time a British monarch had set foot in the Irish Republic since its 1922 independence.

2015: from 1949 to 1951, before she was Queen, Elizabeth and Prince Philip lived in Malta. In 2015, the monarch paid her last visit there.





THE BADASS QUEEN OF THE UNITED KINGDOM



She had a country
to defend

She was not afraid
to use a weapon

Went deer stalking
when she was 19

Was deeply invested in
the art of birdhunting



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WHAT IS THE QUEEN'S
FAVOURITE WEAPON?



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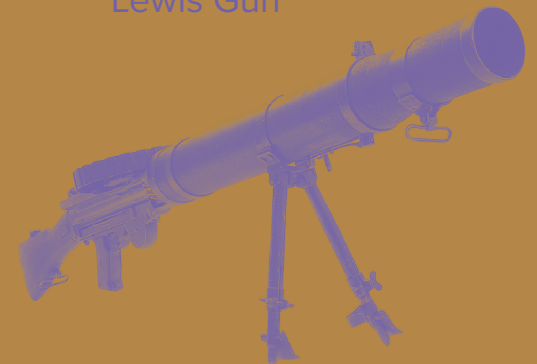
Axe



Colt Cobra



Lewis Gun



Most memorable speeches



On her 21st birthday: April 21, 1947

Princess Elizabeth was on a tour of South Africa with her parents and younger sister Margaret when she turned 21 years old. In a speech broadcast on the radio from Cape Town, she dedicated her life to the service of the Commonwealth, in one of her earliest public addresses.

"This is a happy day for me; but it is also one that brings serious thoughts, thoughts of life looming ahead with all its challenges and with all its opportunity"

Still a princess, she went on to make a profound royal pledge:

"I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong"

On her Coronation Day: June 2, 1953



The queen ascended to the throne on Feb. 6, 1952, after the death of her father, King George VI, but her coronation took place in 1953, when she was 27. Her husband, Philip, had urged that the event be televised for the first time, and millions in the United Kingdom and abroad watched the broadcast by the BBC from London's Westminster Abbey. Following the event that placed the royal family firmly in people's living rooms, Elizabeth, in a broadcast to the nation that evening, reflected on the day's momentous events.

"Although my experience is so short and my task so new, I have in my parents and grandparents an example which I can follow with certainty and with confidence," she said. "As this day draws to its close, I know that my abiding memory of it will be, not only the solemnity and beauty of the ceremony, but the inspiration of your loyalty and affection. I thank you all from a full heart"



'Annus Horribilis': Nov. 24, 1992

Her accession to the throne, wherein she famously defined the year in Latin as an "annus horribilis" or a horrible year. She remarked:

"1992 is not a year on which I shall look back with undiluted pleasure. In the words of one of my more sympathetic correspondents, it has turned out to be an 'Annus Horribilis.' I suspect that I am not alone in thinking it so"

Her speech came days after a major fire at Windsor Castle, a royal residence, and after three of her children's marriages, including that of Prince Charles and Diana, collapsed, generating reams of tabloid headlines that cast a critical spotlight on British royal life. Maintaining a quintessential British stiff upper lip, the monarch welcomed scrutiny of her role.

"Criticism is good for people and institutions that are part of public life," she said. "No institution – city, monarchy, whatever – should expect to be free from the scrutiny of those who give it their loyalty and support, not to mention those who don't."

She added "But we are all part of the same fabric of our national society, and that scrutiny, by one part of another, can be just as effective if it is made with a touch of gentleness, good humor and understanding"

She did not repeat the Latin phrase again publicly, but some royal pundits speculated that she may have been tempted to do so in 2019, after her husband was involved in a public car crash, her grandsons Princes William and Harry publicly fell out, and her second son Prince Andrew became entangled in links to the disgraced American financier Jeffrey Epstein.

On the death of Princess Diana: Sept. 5, 1997



After the death of Princess Diana in a car crash in Paris shook the world, the queen spoke to the nation live from Buckingham Palace.

"Since last Sunday's dreadful news we have seen, throughout Britain and around the world, an overwhelming expression of sadness at Diana's death. We have all been trying in our different ways to cope"

she said. "I want to pay tribute to Diana myself. She was an exceptional and gifted human being. In good times and bad, she never lost her capacity to smile and laugh, nor to inspire others with her warmth and kindness. I admired and respected her – for her energy and commitment to others, and especially for her devotion to her two boys"

the queen said in an effort to comfort a stunned nation after facing media criticism for being slow to publicly react.

"No one who knew Diana will ever forget her. Millions of others who never met her, but felt they knew her, will remember her. I for one believe there are lessons to be drawn from her life and from the extraordinary and moving reaction to her death"

Diana died at 36 and left behind two young princes, who have both since spoken about how her death affected the way they shape their royal roles and public life.

On the death of Prince Philip: April 9, 2021

Buckingham Palace announced the death of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, on April 9, 2021. "It is with deep sorrow that Her Majesty The Queen announces the death of her beloved husband," the palace statement said. Philip died at Windsor Castle, and his funeral days later and during the coronavirus pandemic was televised globally. The event yielded moving images of the elderly queen, now a widow, starkly sitting alone in keeping with pandemic restrictions. Elizabeth, whom Philip affectionately called Lilibet, had spoken of him in 1997 when the couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, calling him her "strength and stay." At the time, she recounted events over the 50 years of their marriage, including the end of the Cold War, the Beatles, humans traveling to the moon, the introduction of television, mobile phones and the internet, and England's winning the soccer World Cup, as well as "the joys of having children and grandchildren" together.



"All too often, I fear, Prince Philip has had to listen to me speaking. Frequently we have discussed my intended speech beforehand and, as you will imagine, his views have been expressed in a forthright manner. He is someone who doesn't take easily to compliments, but he has, quite simply, been my strength and stay all these years, and I, and his whole family, and this and many other countries, owe him a debt greater than he would ever claim, or we shall ever know"

After her husband's death, she did not directly address the nation, but a phrase resurfaced that the queen had previously sent in a message to the United States following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks:

"Grief is the price we pay for love".



Celebration of her Platinum Jubilee: Feb. 6, 2022

In February, the queen reached a historic milestone: becoming the first British monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of her reign. The United Kingdom celebrated during a four-day holiday in June with pomp and ceremony, street parties, musical concerts and military parades. It was the last time the queen would publicly stand on the balcony at Buckingham Palace, alongside her family, waving to millions of people who had flocked to see her.

"I continue to be inspired by the goodwill shown to me," she said, "and hope that the coming days will provide an opportunity to reflect on all that has been achieved during the last 70 years, as we look to the future with confidence and enthusiasm"

Elizabeth previously celebrated her Silver Jubilee in 1977, Golden Jubilee in 2002 and Diamond Jubilee in 2012. She died at her home in Balmoral Castle, Scotland, at 96.



THE QUEEN'S FAVOURITES

01. The Tam

Queen Elizabeth II's choice of the tam, a classic Scottish beret, showcases her timeless style and cultural flair. It symbolizes her seamless blend of tradition and modernity, reflecting her grace in representing the British monarchy.

02. The Halo Halo

Queen Elizabeth II exudes regal elegance with "the halo," a majestic headpiece that crowns her with symbolic grace. The halo's commanding design underscores her royal presence, showcasing her mastery in representing the British monarchy with undeniable strength and sophistication.

03. The Homburg

The Homburg hat, a timeless classic, adds a touch of distinguished flair to Queen Elizabeth II's ensembles. With its distinctive curled brim and creased crown, this iconic headwear reflects the Queen's enduring style. Whether attending formal events or engaging in royal duties.

04. The Matador

This distinctive headpiece, inspired by the traditional Spanish bullfighter's style, reflects the Queen's daring fashion choices. The Matador hat's dramatic silhouette and intricate details mirror her fearless approach to both style and duty.

05. The Bowler

The Bowler symbolizes Queen Elizabeth II's timeless elegance and regal poise, adding a touch of refined charm to her style at every occasion.

06. The Toque

This headpiece, a testament to her refined taste, adds a touch of regal grace to her ensemble, becoming an integral part of her iconic style.

07. The Fascinator

Queen Elizabeth II dazzles in The Fascinator, a chic and whimsical headpiece. Adorned with charm and adorned details, it reflects her playful elegance, seamlessly blending tradition and contemporary style at celebratory events and formal gatherings.

08. The Casque

Queen Elizabeth II embraces regal strength with the Casque, an emblem of power and authority. The Casque's commanding design, resembling a ceremonial helmet, reflects the Queen's unwavering commitment to her role. This bold headpiece, worn on select occasions, symbolizes her resilience and dedication, adding a touch of majestic grandeur to her iconic style.

09. The Turban

The Turban, a symbol of exotic allure, adds a touch of intrigue to Queen Elizabeth II's regal attire. Its graceful folds and unique design bring a distinctive flair to formal occasions, embodying the Queen's style with an air of sophistication and cultural richness.

10. The Pillbox

The Pillbox, perched atop Queen Elizabeth II's head, exudes timeless elegance and chic minimalism. Its structured design makes a striking statement at formal affairs.



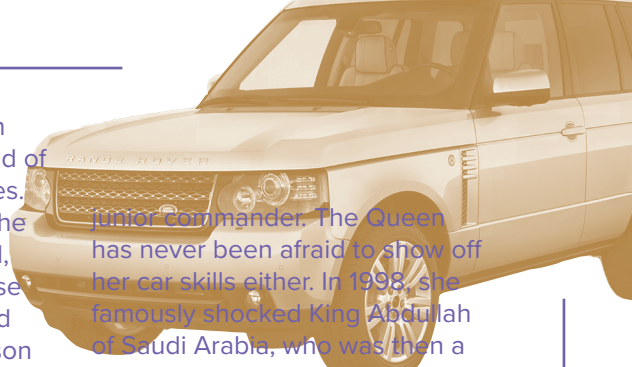
The Queen 'earned a reputation' for her relationship with cars



In recent years, Queen Elizabeth has become a passenger, instead of driving herself around her estates. Even if she were to get behind the wheel at the age of 96 years old, she doesn't have a driving license to show authorities how qualified she is, and there's a unique reason for that. At the age of 18, the Queen trained as a driver and mechanic for the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service (ATS) during World War II. Then when she became the head of the Royal Family in 1952, she inherited the royal prerogative - powers and rights that the sovereign alone possesses.

The royal prerogative entitled Her Majesty to drive without a license, and she is the only person in the UK allowed to do so. Even though driving licenses are issued in her name, she has never been required to take an actual driving test. Among her many privileges, the Queen can also drive without a number plate on her state car. The Queen has always had a love for cars, having first developed her skills as a teenager. During her Women's Auxiliary Territorial training, she learnt how to change a wheel, rebuild engines and drive ambulances and trucks. The then-Princess Elizabeth "earned a reputation for not being afraid to get her hands dirty", and as a result, My London reports that she was given the nickname "Princess Auto Mechanic". In the summer of 1945, the royal was promoted to honorary

junior commander. The Queen has never been afraid to show off her car skills either. In 1998, she famously shocked King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, who was then a prince, when she insisted on driving him around the royal Balmoral estate in Scotland. Former British Ambassador Sherard Cowper-Coles recounted the meeting in the Sunday Times and said: "As instructed, the crown prince climbed into the front seat of the front Land Rover, with his interpreter in the seat behind. To his surprise, the Queen climbed into the driving seat, turned the ignition and drove off. "Women are not – yet – allowed to drive in Saudi Arabia, and Abdullah was not used to being driven by a woman, let alone a queen." The diplomat added: "His nervousness only increased as the Queen, an army driver in wartime, accelerated the Land Rover along the narrow Scottish estate roads, talking all the time. "Through his interpreter, the crown prince implored the Queen to slow down and concentrate on the road ahead." Royal protocol explains that the monarch is usually chauffeured to engagements, but when the Queen is not making a formal public appearance, she has been known to reclaim her position in the driver's seat. She is also said to have helped her four children learn how to drive, particularly in the rural grounds of Balmoral, her favoured place for driving.



RANGE
ROVER



Which Corgi are you?






What's your idea of a perfect day?

- A)* Exploring new places and meeting new friends.
- B)* Lounging in the sun, enjoying a peaceful day.
- C)* Being the center of attention, entertaining others.



What's your preferred snack?

- A)* 
- B)* 
- C)* 



What's your approach to meeting new people?

- A)* Excitedly making new friends and being social.
- B)* Taking time to warm up but loyal once comfortable.
- C)* Exploring new places and meeting new friends.



How do you handle challenges?

- A)* Adaptable and ready for anything.
- B)* Patient and persistent, taking things in stride.
- C)* Enthusiastic and facing challenges head-on.



What's your favorite way to spend time with others?

- A)* Going on adventures and exploring together.
- B)* Cuddling up for a cozy evening.
- C)* Entertaining and making sure everyone has fun.



What's your favorite weather?

- A)* 
- B)* 
- C)* 



Mostly A ~ Mudick
Adventurous, outgoing,
and always up for
new experiences.



Mostly B ~ Vulcan
Calm, loyal, and
comforting to those
around you.



Mostly C ~ Candy
Charismatic, lively,
and the live of
every tea party.

Eat like a *Queen*

Breakfast

Smoked salmon with scrambled eggs
Paired with a cup of tinnings earl gray tea

Lunch

Grilled chicken with a salad
Paired with a glass of white wine

High Tea

Chocolate biscuit cake and scones
Paired with a cup of tinnings earl gray tea

Dinner

Sunday roast
and for dessert chocolate with fruit
Paired with a dry gin martini

*And to end the day with a
glass of Bollinger champagne*



The queen's signature

Dubonnet Cocktail

- * Ounces Dubonnet
- * 1 ounce Gin
- * Lemon Wedge
- * 2 Large Cubes of Ice

Step 1: Into a shaker add your Dubonnet and Gin. Stir with a bar spoon until fully chilled.

Step 2: In a rocks glass add two ice cubes and a lemon wedge. Strain cocktail into the rocks glass and over the ice and lemon. Serve.



Did you know....

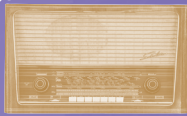


The Queen bought her wedding dress with WWII ration coupons.

The Queen's first horse was called Peggy.



Her Majesty made her first radio broadcast aged 14



The Queen could speak fluent French



The Queen loved her handbags



The Queen has sat for over 200 official portraits



Her Majesty carried out more than 21,000 engagements.



The Queen woke up every morning with bagpipe music



The Queen studied constitutional history and law



The Queen started already writing her christmas card in summer

The royal family wishes you a

Happy christmas



The royal family wishes you a

Happy christmas





Dancing Queen

We will, we will rock you, We will, we will rock you

Anything you can do, I can do better I can do anything better than you

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring.
Transomed healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing?

I'm leaning on a lamp-post at the corner of the street, in case a certain little lady comes by

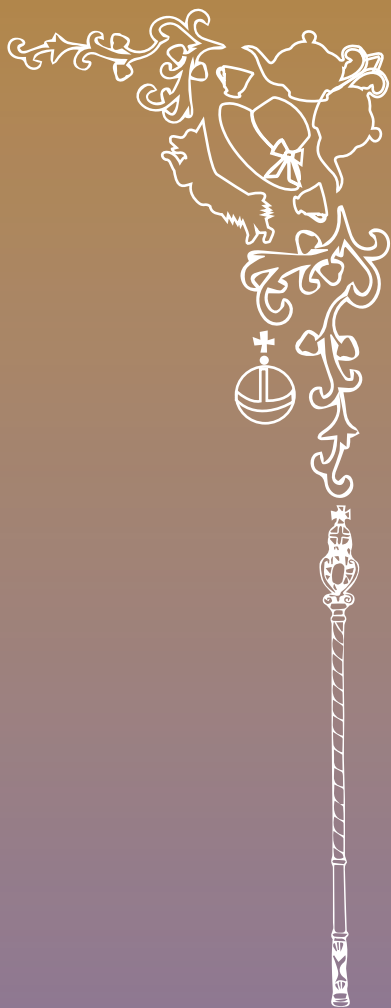
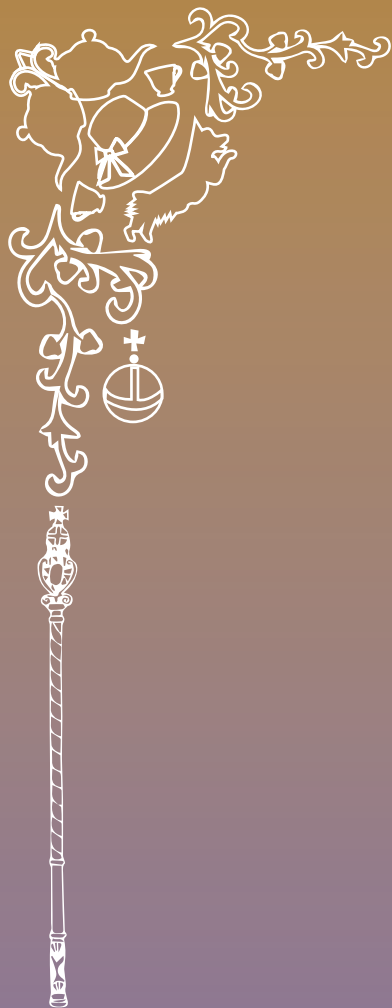
There'll be bluebirds over the white cliffs of Dover. Tomorrow, just you wait and see

Sweet Caroline, good times never seemed so good I've been inclined to believe they never would

And I seem to find the happiness I seek when we're out together dancing cheek to cheek

Sing it louder, sing it clearer knowing everyone will hear you make some noise, find your voice tonight





Kris, Jebe, Jens

