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This is the real story of what goes on inside the royal palaces, as witnessed by members of the royal staff and household past and present. Buckingham Palace is effectively an independent kingdom with its own rules and customs, now explained by Brian Hoey. Hundreds of anecdotes reveal the conditions in which the staff live and work and also their relationship with the Royals they serve. It looks at a variety of issues including:

How does one get a job as personal footman to the Queen? Why does Prince Charles still have to send a note to her Page of the Backstairs requesting a meeting with his mother? How much do members of the household earn? Why does the Queen hate men in three-piece suits? Why are the Queen's bed-sheets six inches longer than Prince Philip's? Why do her maids have to vacuum walking backwards? Why doesn't the Queen allow square ice-cubes to be put in her drinks? Platinum Jubilee edition 'Full of gems ... Angela Kel-

ly is a jewel in the crown' Daily Telegraph 'Entertaining and beautifully illustrated' The Sunday Times 'For real intel, [The Crown] can't come close to The Other Side of the Coin by Angela Kelly' The New York Times "Queen Elizabeth II once said, 'I have to be seen to be believed.' Well, here is Her Majesty in all her glory—and in delightful personal detail too. Victoria Murphy has created an invaluable photographic tribute to Britain's longest serving monarch and to her memorable reign." —Robert Lacey, historian

and biographer After her succession to the throne in 1952, Queen Elizabeth II became respected, celebrated, and beloved around the world. This stunning collection of powerful images illustrates her storied seven-decade reign in all its glory. More than 300 extraordinary photographs, along with insightful commentary by the royal journalist Victoria Murphy, showcase the significant, historic, and intimate moments throughout the Queen's life, first as a young princess and then as the longest-reigning British monarch. The book covers her war years in service; her marriage to Prince Philip; her coronation—the first to be televised; her extensive official travels around the world; the glittering diplomatic occasions and encounters with world leaders, dignitaries, and celebrities; the pomp and pageantry of ceremonial events; her role as a fashion icon; her relationships with her parents, King George VI and the Queen Mother, and her sister, Princess Margaret; the birth of her son and heir to the throne Prince Charles; family life with her four children, as well as her beloved dogs and horses; and the growing role of her grandson

Prince William and his wife, the Duchess of Cambridge, as they supported the Queen in her public duties. Shown here too are the Crown Jewels as well as the Queen's personal jewelry collection; a look at the royal palaces and residences; and portraits from the stunning royal weddings that have so enchanted the world. On September 8, 2022, the Queen died peacefully at her home in Balmoral, Scotland. She is survived by her four children, eight grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren. Upon her death, Prince Charles ascended to the throne as head of state, starting a new era for the British monarchy. Throughout her rule, with a combination of star power and a profound sense of duty, Queen Elizabeth II steered the British monarchy into the modern era with supreme style and grace. She is truly a queen for all ages and this is the ultimate commemorative book for all royal watchers that captures the triumph and significance of her magnificent reign.

One of the revelations of William Shawcross's official biography of the Queen Mother was her private correspondence. Indeed the Sunday Times described her letters as

'wonderful ... brimful of liveliness and irreverence, steeliness and sweetness.' Queen Elizabeth was a prolific correspondent from her earliest childhood and her letters offer readers a vivid insight into the person behind the public face. They reveal - in her own words - the little girl writing to her family; the young woman who, eventually, accepted Prince Albert's proposal; the Duchess of York, embracing the public role demanded of her, on royal tours both at home and abroad. They reveal, too, her shock when she and her husband realized that he would become King, the dreadful toll exacted by the Second World War, culminating in the King's tragically early death, and her determination to find a role for herself during her long widowhood. Full of wit, acute observation and a deeply held sense of duty, Queen Elizabeth's letters offer a chronicle not only of her long life, but of the twentieth century.

Duty showcases the work of LGBTQI+ artist, Owen Grant Innes, who as a child struggled to understand how and where he fit in. Somehow the Queen gave him a place to belong and connected him

to a world beyond his own. This beautiful art book captures iconic moments of the Queen's life and is a tribute to her 70-year reign.

'Enchanting, often moving and sometimes hilarious' Daily Mail Full of wit, hilarity, acute observation and a deeply held sense of duty, the Queen Mother's letters give readers a vivid insight into the person behind the public face. Here, in her own words, is her grief at the tragically early death of the King in 1952 and her determination to rise above that terrible blow and, despite her sadness, to find a new role for herself during the long years of widowhood. 'The warm personality and humour of the late, much-loved Queen Mother shines through in her letters, as does her affection for all, whether below or above stairs' Scotsman 'Recaptures her effervescent charm, and the simple fact that she was a good egg' Spectator 'How one warms to her!' Evening Standard

WRITTEN ALONGSIDE THE MAJOR ITV DOCUMENTARY, WITH EXTRAORDINARY ACCESS TO THE ROYAL FAMILY 'Dazzling, poignant and full of delicious surprises; the true story of how Elizabeth II took on the world - and

won. The Crown is fictional. Here is the real thing.' - Andrew Roberts 'In Queen of the World Robert Hardman anatomizes from almost every conceivable angle the workings of soft power in creating the present Queen's global role ... His book is a veritable reference work and cornucopia, overflowing with significant anecdotes, people, traditions and incidents.' - Times Literary Supplement

___ Written by the renowned royal biographer, Robert Hardman, and with privileged access to the Royal Family and the Royal Household, a brilliant new portrait of the most famous woman in the world and her place in it. On today's world stage, one leader stands apart. Queen Elizabeth II has seen more of the planet and its people than any other head of state, and has engaged with them like no other monarch in British history. Since her coronation, she has visited over 130 countries across the ever-changing globe, acting as diplomat, stateswoman, pioneer and peace-broker, while also managing the responsibilities of a mother and grandmother, and her sixty-four-year marriage to

the late Prince Philip. She has transformed her father's old empire into the Commonwealth, her 'family of nations', and has come to know its leaders better than anyone. In 2018, they would gather in her own home to endorse her eldest son, the Prince of Wales, as her successor. With extensive access to the Queen's family and staff, Hardman tells a true story full of drama, intrigue, exotic and even dangerous situations, heroes, rogues, pomp and glamour - and, at the centre of it all, the woman who has genuinely won the hearts of the world.

___ 'Superb' - Peter Hennessy 'Hardman's book, filled with new details, will be an essential source for any historian of modern Britain. It's also a glorious read' - William Shawcross, Spectator

'To have any understanding of the Queen you must first read this book' Amanda Foreman In THE DEFINITIVE BIOGRAPHY, discover Elizabeth, the woman behind the throne, from the bestselling British Royal Family writer, Sally Bedell Smith. -----
----- An intimate portrait of Her Majesty the Queen. This definitive biography of Queen Eliza-

beth II is the first all-round, up-close picture of one of the most fascinating, enigmatic and admired women in the world. With exclusive access to the Queen's personal letters, close friends and associates, this intimate biography is a treasure trove of fresh insights on her public persona and her private life. It also explores her close relationships with her family, her children, and Prince Philip. This book will transport you back to a moment nine decades ago when a young Princess Elizabeth first discovered her destiny. Here we see how over the years she has navigated through the political challenges and personal sacrifices ahead of her, to put the Crown, the Country and her unswerving sense of duty first. There is so much more to our Queen than that which is reported, but in these pages we at last get to meet the leader, strategist, and diplomat; the daughter, wife, mother and grandmother - Elizabeth the Queen. 'Sally Bedell Smith offers her readers the illusion of knowing the Queen as a friend' The Economist 'A worthy addition to the shelves of royal watchers everywhere' The Independent

The half-century since Elizabeth II's coronation in 1952 has witnessed many changes, some for good and some for ill. Among these, she has been one of the few constants. Fifty Years the Queen recounts her amazing life as Canada and the Commonwealth celebrate the Golden Jubilee of her accession to the throne. Elizabeth II is a figure whose faultless devotion to duty flourishes in an age of individual self-gratification. endowed with high spirits and a great sense of humour, she at the same time carries out her duties with unflinching dignity and decorum. The special Golden Jubilee tribute is filled with many beautiful illustrations, including some rarely seen.

Commemorative edition celebrating the lifetime achievement of the monarch.

From the time she realized her destined path until the end of her life, Queen Elizabeth II was known for her outstanding and one-of-a-kind contributions to public life. In this book, you will learn everything there is to know about her life, including her journey and the significant events in her life that will never be forgotten.

How rich is the Queen and where did her wealth

come from? Have you ever wondered where the funding for the Queen's priceless jewellery, gilded carriages and opulent palaces comes from? Not to mention the lavish royal weddings that we have seen over recent years... as well as divorce settlements. Senior Royals are not allowed to earn their own private income. But how far down the royal bloodline do you need to be before you can work? The question has certainly become more poignant since the announcement that Prince Harry and his recent bride Meghan are stepping back from royal duties. This book casts fresh light onto the finances of the current Queen and many of her predecessors, explaining the many ways in which funds are secured to maintain their lifestyles, including a £100 million stamp collection, a £10 million fleet of vintage cars, a valuable horse-racing stud and a small fortune in wedding and other semi-private gifts. And what of her descendants? Children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews? Where do they fit into the intricate financial rulings for royalty? Drawing on previously-unseen state papers and interviews with palace insiders, David Mc-

Clure's investigation leaves no stone unturned, in this quest to find out just how much our Queen is worth and where the royal 'coffers' come from.

'When life seems hard, the courageous do not lie down and accept defeat; instead they are all the more determined to struggle for a better future.' - HM Queen Elizabeth II, Britain's longest-serving monarch and celebrated role model for our times. Examining such underrated virtues as duty, kindness and discretion, as exemplified by HM The Queen, Mary Killen has created a transformative guide for all who aspire to become happier, wiser and more adept at navigating life's ups and down with integrity and dignity. (We must always try not to swear.) In our throw-away fashion culture we'd all do well to follow The Queen's make--do-and-mend example. Sit up straight with a regal posture, and your digestion will benefit. Fit more into your life by following routines. Tidiness is a primary skill - as a small girl The Queen would arrange her shoes and sea shells into neat rows. To help with everyday anxieties we can study the mysterious but time-honoured techniques Her Majesty

calls upon to rise above her own challenges. Packed with invaluable wisdom and insight, this small book carries a big purpose.

NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLER • This "excellent, all-embracing" (The New York Times) biography of Queen Elizabeth II is a magisterial study of the woman known only from a distance—and a captivating window into her decades-long reign. From the moment of her ascension to the throne in 1952 at the age of twenty-five, Queen Elizabeth II was the object of unparalleled scrutiny. But through the fog of glamour and gossip, how well did we really know the world's most famous monarch? Drawing on numerous interviews and never-before-revealed documents, acclaimed biographer Sally Bedell Smith pulls back the curtain to show in intimate detail the public and private lives of Queen Elizabeth II, who led her country and Commonwealth through the wars and upheavals of the last twentieth and twenty-first centuries with unparalleled composure, intelligence, and grace. In Elizabeth the Queen, we meet the young girl who suddenly becomes "heiress presumptive" when her uncle

abdicates the throne. We meet the thirteen-year-old Lilibet as she falls in love with a young navy cadet named Philip and becomes determined to marry him, even though her parents prefer wealthier English aristocrats. We see the teenage Lilibet repairing army trucks during World War II and standing with Winston Churchill on the balcony of Buckingham Palace on V-E Day. We see the young Queen struggling to balance the demands of her job with her role as the mother of two young children. Sally Bedell Smith brings us inside the palace doors and into the Queen's daily routines—the "red boxes" of documents she reviewed each day, the weekly meetings she had with twelve prime ministers, her physically demanding tours abroad, and the constant scrutiny of the press—as well as her personal relationships: with her husband, Prince Philip, the love of her life; her children and their often-disastrous marriages; her grandchildren and friends.

Few people have lived such a fascinating life as Lady Pamela - Tina Brown, author of *The Palace Papers* The Queen looked so frail, just this one young woman. Seeing her, utter-

ly alone, I wondered how she'd have the strength to undertake this duty all her life. Lady Pamela was by the side of Queen Elizabeth II for some of the most important moments of her life. She served as a bridesmaid at the Queen's marriage, attended her Coronation and accompanied the royal couple as a lady-in-waiting on several overseas tours. But as first cousin to the Duke of Edinburgh and second cousin to the Queen, she spent time with them in more relaxed settings too, and enjoyed the life-long privilege of knowing them as simply Philip and Lilibet. My Years with the Queen is a celebratory and deeply personal story of the events, values and loyalties which have defined Lady Pamela's life, as well as an unequalled portrait of the Queen.

Matthew Dennison's elegant and magisterial biography of Her late Majesty, updated following the death of Elizabeth II and the accession of King Charles III. 'A worthy and balanced overview of the Queen's life. Dennison is especially good on her childhood... quietly, tactfully, tastefully reverent.' The Times The death of Queen Elizabeth II on 8 September 2022 was

more than just a moment of profound sadness; her passing marked the end of an era in our national life - and the final closing of the Elizabethan Age. For millions of people, both in Britain and across the world, Elizabeth II was the embodiment of monarchy. Her long life spanned nearly a century of national and global history, from a time before the Great Depression to the era of Covid-19. Her reign embraced all but seven years of Britain's postwar history up to the accession of her son King Charles III; she was served by fifteen UK prime ministers from Churchill to Truss, and witnessed the administrations of fourteen US presidents from Truman to Biden. In this brand-new biography of the longest-reigning sovereign in British history, Matthew Dennison traces her life and reign across an era of unprecedented and often seismic social change. Stylish in its writing and nuanced in its judgements, The Queen charts the joys and triumphs as well as the disappointments and vicissitudes of a remarkable royal life; it also assesses the achievement of a woman regarded as the champion of a handful of 'British' values

endorsed - if no longer practised - by the bulk of the nation: service, duty, steadfastness, charity and stoicism.

"Clive Irving's immensely readable book brings real authority, context and personal insight to our understanding of the Queen ... The Last Queen is as entertaining as it is essential, and I read it with gusto." - Tina Brown, author of The Diana Chronicles
 "A brilliant and gripping analysis of the monarchy and the House of Windsor by the master of investigative journalism." - Robert Lacey, author of Battle of Brothers "Sensational" - Daily Express
 "Fascinating" - FT Magazine ***
 'The Firm', as the royal family styles itself, judged by real corporate standards, is a mess. Any consultants called in from outside to scrutinise its inner workings would find all the familiar flaws of a family business that has outgrown its original scale and design. There is no overall strategy, just a collection of warring divisions pursuing their own ends. And this will be a profound problem when the Queen dies, because make no bones about it, the Queen's mortality determines the mortality of the monarchy. Under Char-

les III, the monarchy can never be the same; indeed, its very survival is in doubt. In *The Last Queen*, pioneering investigative reporter Clive Irving paints a revelatory portrait of Elizabeth II's extraordinary reign, setting it within the dramatic transformation of Britain itself over the same period. Now expanded to include the death of Prince Philip, the fallout from Megxit and the banishment of Prince Andrew, this compelling account asks: how long will the institution survive beyond the second Elizabethan era?

The Queen's life is dedicated to her public – every move is scrutinised, every word noted. But her homes are havens where peace can be found, away from watchful eyes; sanctuaries of private calm in a whirlwind life of public duty. In *The Queen's Houses*, Alan Titchmarsh takes us on a tour of the royal residences, examining the personal family stories behind these magnificent buildings. Through personal reflections, interviews with royal staff and meticulous historical research, Alan looks beyond the formal grandeur of Buckingham Palace, the imposing structure of Windsor Castle and the private escape offered by Balmoral and

others. Illustrated with intimate family photographs and evocative memorabilia, *The Queen's Houses* offers a glimpse of life behind the state banquets and sovereign duties – a respectful study of the royal family at home.

This official souvenir publication celebrates the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, Britain's longest-serving monarch. In February 2022, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will mark seventy years as monarch with a celebration known as the Platinum Jubilee. This official publication honors the Queen's reign with a special selection of photographs captured by professional and amateur photographers alike. These photographs document Her Majesty's early life before she acceded to the throne in 1952, her official role as monarch, her travel at home and abroad in support of the Commonwealth, and her fondness for animals and family life. These pictures also demonstrate the Queen's continued efforts to give thanks to those who have served the monarchy and their communities, from official garden parties to the Order of the Garter. These photographs are accompanied by resonant quotations from speeches given

by the Queen over the years, including her wartime Children's Hour radio broadcast given at the age of 14, her first televised Christmas Speech in 1957, and her speech welcoming President Obama and the First Lady during their State Visit in 2011. With a varied selection of photographs from Her Majesty's reign, *The Queen* takes readers on a photographic journey of a remarkable life of duty and service.

A Sunday Times Book of the Year Queen Of Our Times is the definitive biography of Queen Elizabeth II by one of Britain's leading royal authorities, Robert Hardman. This commemorative edition includes an epilogue reflecting upon Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, her passing and her funeral. 'Sensational' - Kirsty Young, *The Platinum Pageant* (BBC) With fascinating revelations from those who knew her best and special access to unseen royal papers granted by Elizabeth II herself, author and royal expert Robert Hardman explores the full, astonishing life of our longest reigning monarch in this authoritative yet intimate biography. The book also charts the way in which the Queen raised the future King Charles III as

both son and heir – and his own path to the Throne. Elizabeth was not born to be queen, being third in line to the throne. Yet from her accession as a young mother of two in 1952 to the age of Covid-19, she proved an astute and quietly determined figure, leading her family and her people through more than seventy years of unprecedented social change. She faced constitutional crises, confronted threats against her life, unified the Commonwealth, saw fifteen British prime ministers come and go, charmed world leaders, and steered her family through a lifetime in the public eye. Her Platinum Jubilee was celebrated in June 2022 and her death mourned months later, both events a reminder of the huge impact she had made. *Queen of Our Times* is a must-read study of dynastic survival and renewal, spanning abdication, war, romance, danger and tragedy. It is a compelling portrait of a leader whose legacy of steadfast service lives on.

"There will be no better biography of Elizabeth II as a figure of state until her official one appears—and perhaps not even then." —The Independent "One

of the many merits of Ben Pimlott's superbly judicious biography of Elizabeth II is that it understands this connection between monarchy and masses, and carefully evokes its political importance." —The New York Times Book Review "The best all-around study of the Queen so far, showing understanding as well as amused irony." —Sunday Telegraph Written by Ben Pimlott, considered Britain's most respected political biographer, *The Queen* brings us the most authentic life yet of the reigning monarch. For the first time, Buckingham Palace opened its doors and those closest to the queen provided compelling new information into Elizabeth's life and reign. New sources include the unpublished diaries of Jock Colville, public secretary to both Churchill and Elizabeth, as well as interviews with Princess Margaret, Archbishop of Canterbury Lord Runcie, and longtime private secretary Lord Charteris.

From the moment of abdication - which shook the Royal family and establishment profoundly - the Queen Mother took charge of events. From living modestly in Piccadilly, married to the Duke of

York, she suddenly found herself chatelaine of a palace, two castles and a huge country house. She steadied the new king's nerves and, over the succeeding half-century, brought to bear a decisive influence on the royal family and hence the life of the nation.

In this wonderful and honest book, former press secretary to the royal family Dickie Arbiter reveals the inner-workings of everyday life in side Buckingham Palace, and what it's really like to be on duty with the Queen. With four decades of experience covering royalty as a journalist and as one of Her Majesty's press secretaries, Dickie Arbiter has had unprecedented access to the inner circle of some of the most intriguing news stories over the years, and is the only royal commentator to have witnessed the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II and covered her Silver, Golden, and Diamond Jubilees. Appointed a press spokesman for Queen Elizabeth II in 1988, Dickie was immediately catapulted into the media circus surrounding the world's most famous and divisive family. From sailing in the Royal Yacht *Britannia*, escorting Prince Charles on far-flung trips across the globe and the

Commonwealth, and joining Her Majesty for washing-up duties following a picnic in Balmoral Castle, to becoming one of Princess Diana's most trusted confidantes before briefing the world's media of her untimely death, Dickie was at the forefront of the decision-making at the Palace during the most turbulent decade in the monarchy's reign. Open, entertaining, enlightening, and surprising, *On Duty with the Queen* is a wonderful account of a once-in-a-lifetime job and a truly unique service to the crown.

In November 2017 the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. As a 13-year-old Princess, she fell in love with Prince Philip of Greece, an ambitious naval cadet, and they married when she was 21; when she suddenly became Queen at 25, their lives changed forever. Philip has been her great support, but fortunately she also had a solid foundation that helped prepare her for a life dedicated to duty. With previously unpublished material and unique memories from friends and relatives who have known her since childhood, this book looks afresh and in richer depth

at her life as Princess, glittering yet isolating. Vivid detail and anecdotes reveal more about her, the era in which she grew up and the people who shaped her life. The archives of royal confidante Lady Desborough and Private Secretary Sir Alec Hardinge reveal unseen letters from the Princess and the royal family, giving intimate insights into their lives and minds. Here is her sadness at the death of her nanny, Alah; her joy in her children; her melancholy as a young wife when Philip returns to his ship; the sensitivities of her father. Here too is the Princess with the aristocratic Bowes Lyons, her mother's family, who featured significantly in her life, yet rarely appear in books. The author sheds new light on anomalies surrounding the birth of her mother who, it has been asserted, was the daughter of the family's cook. The strain of wartime on the royal family is highlighted in new material contrasting the stance of the Princess's uncles, the Duke of Windsor and David Bowes Lyon. In contrast with her upbringing, Philip's early life was turbulent, although their lives shared some interesting parallels. Lady Butter,

a relation of Philip and friend of the Princess, recalls time spent with each of them; and unpublished documents show how intelligence agencies considered the socialist influence of the Mountbattens on Philip and thus on the royal court. More importantly, Princess traces how an "ordinary country girl" suddenly found herself in the line of succession to the crown at age ten when her Uncle, the Duke of Windsor, abdicated the throne to his brother Albert ("Bertie" to family and friends), the once and future King George VI. Breaking new ground for a future English monarch, she became the first female member of the royal family to serve on active duty during World War II, and broke tradition by sending her children away to school rather than having them privately tutored. Indeed, by the time of her coronation in 1953, she had already achieved a "broad and solid background from which she could draw during the rapidly changing times of her long reign. Out of a little princess they made a Queen."

Written with complete access to the Queen Mother's personal letters

and diaries, William Shawcross's riveting biography is the truly definitive account of this remarkable woman, whose life spanned the twentieth century. Elizabeth Angela Marguerite Bowes Lyon, the youngest daughter of the Earl of Strathmore, was born on 4 August 1900. Drawing on her private correspondence and other unpublished material from the Royal Archives, William Shawcross vividly reveals the witty girl who endeared herself to soldiers convalescing at Glamis in the First World War; the assured young Duchess of York; the Queen, at last feeling able to look the East End in the face at the height of the Blitz; the Queen Mother, representing the nation at home and abroad throughout her long widowhood. 'This splendid biography captures something of the warm glow that she brought to every event and encounter. It also reveals a deeper and more interesting character, forged by good sense, love of country, duty, humour and an instinct for what is right. This is a wonderful book, authoritative, frank and entertaining' Daily Telegraph

From the best-selling author of 'George VI', 'Elizabeth

' and 'Diana', a biography of Queen Elizabeth II which offers a vivid window into the key moments of British and world history during the Queen's 60 year reign.

From the day she became Queen, Elizabeth II has been studied beyond any measure. But with all the glitz and intrigue, how well do we truly know Britain's beloved queen? This biography discloses personal facts of Queen Elizabeth's public and private life; her humor and her conviction in duty, her long love for one man, her often tumultuous relationship with another—the Duke of Edinburgh—her sympathy for her family and people throughout victories and tragedies. With increased awareness of this exceptional lady who will rule longer than any other in history, learn to appreciate an iconic person that serves as a symbol for interaction with people globally. In the novella Elizabeth the Queen, we meet a girl who unexpectedly becomes "heiress presumptive" to the British crown. The young lady realizes she can do more for her nation than a rich nobleman or someone older and chooses that she would marry a navy guy who is as lovely on the in-

side as he is on the outer. We watch the adolescent princess laboring late hours, early mornings, and weekends to fix army vehicles during World War II. We see her standing with Winston Churchill on the balcony of Buckingham Palace on VE Day. We witness a young Queen Mother striving to juggle the obligations of office with motherhood. She was recognized for her relationship with Prince Philip, with whom she had been married for 64 years at the time of his death. The two had fought through hardships together, and were certainly a major factor in one other's life. Her children and how they fared in their relationships were something she also pondered about, but being far away from them didn't offer her much control over what ended up occurring to each of them while wanting nothing more than to see them happy. Even though Queen Elizabeth II is in her mid-90s, she has stayed highly active in her royal responsibilities.

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most famous woman in the world and her place in it. On today's world stage, there is one leader who stands apart from the rest. Queen Elizabeth II has seen more of the planet and its people than any other head of state and has engaged with the world like no other monarch in British history. The iconic monarch never ventured further than the Isle of Wight until the age of 20 but since then has now visited over 130 countries across the globe in the line of duty, acting as diplomat, hostess and dignitary as the world stage as changed beyond recognition. It is a story full of drama, intrigue, exotic and sometimes dangerous destinations, heroes, rogues, pomp and glamour, but at the heart of it all a woman who's won the hearts of the world.

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Elizabeth II is the most famous woman in the world while remaining one of the least known. She has refused all attempts to interview her and it may be decades before her private letters and journals are fully accessible. Using previously unpublished interviews with relations, former courtiers and friends, Ian Lloyd offers fresh insight into the monarch who has served her country with consistency and unwavering loyalty for 70 years.

Written with the cooperation of the royal family, this portrait of England's

queen focuses on her private life, personal interests, and social and political role of a constitutional monarch in her nation.

Paul Burrell was much more than just a loyal servant to Diana, Princess of Wales; he was also her trusted friend and confidante. Intimately associated with the Royal family for more than twenty years, Paul Burrell worked for the Queen and Prince Charles before moving with Princess Diana to Kensington Palace. A Royal Duty is his insider's account of a life devoted to the Royal family. Without sensationalism, he takes us behind palace doors to give us the real story of a life of service, and provides a fascinating picture of Diana as only he knew her. While remaining true to palace and princess alike, Paul Burrell reveals the extraordinary story of his royal duty.

A behind-the-gates journey into Buckingham, Balmoral, and Sandringham palaces reveals how the royals really live, including a portrait of the queen and Princess Diana that illustrates a relationship unlike that of popular belief. With the flair for narrative and the meticulous research that readers have come to expect, in *The Di-*

among Queen Andrew Marr turns his attention to the monarch – and to the monarchy, chronicling the Queen’s pivotal role at the centre of the state, which is largely hidden from the public gaze, and making a strong case for the institution itself. Arranged thematically, rather than chronologically, Marr dissects the Queen’s political relationships, crucially those with her Prime Ministers; he examines her role as Head of the Commonwealth, and her deep commitment to that Commonwealth of nations; he looks at the drastic changes in the media since her accession in 1952 and how the monarchy – and the monarch – have had to change and adapt as a result. Indeed he argues that under her watchful eye, the monarchy has been thoroughly modernized and made as fit for purpose in the twenty-first century as it was when she came to the throne and a ‘new Elizabethan age’ was ushered in.

A full-spectrum collection of photos of the late Queen Elizabeth II—spanning ten decades of fashion and every color of the rainbow. This riotously colorful book takes a prismatic journey through a century of styles worn by British

Monarch Queen Elizabeth II. Each photo is gloriously accessorized with captions and commentary by journalist and broadcaster Sali Hughes, who provides fascinating context. Readers will learn how the Queen used color and fashion in strategic and discreetly political ways, such as wearing the colors of the European flag to a post-Brexit meeting or a pin given to her by the Obamas to a meeting with Donald Trump. With stunning photographs that span feature brilliant colors ranging from the dusky pinks the Queen wore in girlhood through to the neon green dress that prompted the hashtag #NeonAt90, this must-have collection celebrates the iconic fashion statements of the UK’s longest reigning and most vibrant monarch. This is a joyful celebration of the Queen’s life, as well as her personal style and political mastery.

The inside story of a thoroughly modern monarch told by the maker of ITV’s upcoming documentary on Queen Elizabeth II’s jubilee. This bestselling acclaimed biography of our Queen contains previously unseen material. History has known no monarch like her. She has travelled farther than all her prede-

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