

## Royal visits to the Bailiwick of Guernsey

DATE	WHO	REASON / OCCASION	OTHER COMMENTS
	HRH The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall	Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee	Their Royal Highnesses The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall, accompanied by approximately 12 Royal Household staff including Sir Christopher Geidt, the Private Secretary to Queen, arrived in Guernsey on Thursday 19th July 2012 having visited Jersey on Wednesday 18th July. TRHs visited Saumarez Park where they were greeted by 400+ 11 year olds from local primary schools taking part in a variety of activities as part of a Youth Showcase. Following the Showcase, HRH met the winners of the Queen's cup from the Guernsey Royal Agricultural Show and some Guernsey Golden Goats whilst the Duchess of Cornwall met representatives from the Guernsey Adult Literacy Project. TRHs visited the Victorian Walled Kitchen Garden before departing Saumarez Park. After a tour and meeting staff and patients, TRHs officially opened the new Les Bourgs Hospice. After retiring at Government House for a brief lunch, TRHs attended an allegiance ceremony at Castle Cornet. After the allegiance ceremony, TRHs met representatives from the Royal Court, the States of Deliberation, local clergy, the parishes of Guernsey and emergency services. TRHs then travelled to Herm via helicopter where they were greeted by Herm tenants Mr John and Mrs Julia Singer. They attended a small reception on the White House Hotel lawn where they met many islanders. TRHs then returned to Government House via helicopter. In the evening, they attended a private dinner with His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor at Government House, where they stayed overnight. On Friday 20th July, TRHs visited Sark and Alderney before returning to the UK.
2011 - 8/9 November	HRH The Princess Royal	Various	Princess Anne arrived by helicopter from the Queens Flight and proceeded straight to Le Rondin School to meet pupils and staff and, as Patron of the Wooden Spoon Society, to view some of the equipment that the Society had donated to the School. As President of the Animal Health Trust, she then attended a private reception at Schroders Bank, before going on to Le Murier School, where she met with pupils and staff and saw a climbing wall donated by the Wooden Spoon Society. After a short private visit to the Guernsey Rugby Football Stadium at Footes Lane, in her capacity as Commandant in Chief (Youth) of St John Ambulance, she then visited the St John Ambulance and Rescue Service on the occasion of its 75th Anniversary. After returning to Government House, in the evening she attended a fundraising dinner at Beau Sejour in support of the Animal Health Trust, of which the Princess is President. The Princess then left Guernsey the following morning by helicopter.
2009 - 6/7 July	Their Royal Highnesses The Earl and Countess of Wessex	Various	Their Royal Highnesses The Earl and Countess of Wessex, accompanied by their Deputy Secretary and Personal Protection Officers arrived in Guernsey by helicopter. The helicopter landed at the Baubigny Schools' site. Their Royal Highnesses (TRH's) met primary school children before separating and taking individual tours around St Sampson's High School and Le Murier. Following the Baubigny School's visit, TRH's enjoyed a lunch at the OGH organised by the States of Guernsey. The lunch was followed by a private visit to the Priaux Library which was celebrating its 120th Anniversary as Guernsey's first free public library. After the library, the Earl and Countess enjoyed a walk through Candie Gardens before departing for Castle Cornet. A cannon was fired to mark TRH's arrival at the Castle. TRH's were invited to view the islands and townscape from the 'viewing point' adjacent to the Noon Day Cannon before they commenced a tour of the Hatton Gallery where they viewed three of the Royal Charters. TRH's also opened and toured the Royal Guernsey Light Infantry Regimental Museum. At Government House, TRH's attended a reception for Guernsey branches of patronages and charities in which the Earl and Countess were either patrons, presidents or had a particular interest in. In the early evening, TRH's attended the Viaër Marchi at Saumarez Park where they had the opportunity to see local traditional crafts and sample some Bean Jar and local Roquettes cider. Before leaving the Park, TRH's visited the Original Victorian Kitchen Garden (also known as The Walled Garden). The following day, the Earl and Countess visited Herm Island. They were taken on a tour of the island, meet members of the local community and visited the Island's Church, St Tugual's. Following this, TRH's went onto visit Sark and Alderney before returning to the UK.
2007 - June 11	HRH The Princess Royal		HRH The Princess Royal, accompanied by her Lady in Waiting and Personal Protection Officer, arrived in Guernsey by helicopter. HRH's firstly visited the Royal Court where she was taken on a tour of the building before officially opening the newly extended and refurbished Royal Court complex. HRH then visited the Market Square and unveiled a plaque to commemorate HRH's visit to the Markets and mark the opening of the newly refurbished James Saumarez Hall. Following this, HRH visited the Centre for Performing Arts. After a tour around the new centre, HRH officially opened the building named 'The Princess Royal Centre for the Performing Arts'. Before departing, HRH attended a reception and luncheon at Government House for Guernsey branches of patronages and charities in which the Princess Royal was either a patron, president or had a particular interest.
2005 - July	HRH The Duke of York		HRH The Duke of York, accompanied by his Private Secretary and Personal Protection Officer arrived at Guernsey airport by helicopter. The Duke made a brief visit to Government House before attending a private reception in aid of Outward Bound at Havilland Hall, where The Duke stayed overnight. The following day, The Duke visited the Candie Museum and Le Rondin School, where he unveiled a commemorative plaque. He also visited the Grammar School where he went on a tour of the new sixth form centre and unveiled a commemorative plaque. Before departing for the UK, The Duke enjoyed a private, pre-luncheon reception at Government House.
2005 - 9 May	HM The Queen and Prince Philip	60th Anniversary of Liberation	The 60th anniversary of the Islands' liberation from German occupation was celebrated with a visit from Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh. The Royal couple arrived in Guernsey, accompanied by Her Majesty's Lady-in-Waiting, the Private Secretary to the Queen and the Lieutenant Commander in an aircraft of the Royal Squadron. The Royal visitors were greeted by hundreds of school children situated in the Airport Terminal Building. Her Majesty and HRH travelled to Beau Sejour for a Liberation Day Service in the Sir John Loveridge Hall. Following this, the Royal couple viewed a small exhibition of Liberation memorabilia and met representatives of the Liberated Generation in the David Ferguson Hall. After enjoying a private lunch at Government House, the Royal couple were taken to the town Roundabout at the bottom of St Julian's Avenue. The Bailiff at the time, Sir de Vic Carey, publicly welcomed Her Majesty The Queen and HRH Prince Philip and invited Her Majesty to unveil a stone commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Liberation. Following this, the Royal visitors departed Guernsey for their visit to Jersey

2004 – June	HRH The Prince of Wales		HRH The Prince of Wales arrived at Guernsey Airport in an aircraft of the Royal Squadron. Firstly, The Prince attended an affirmation of allegiance which took place at Beau Sejour Leisure Centre. The affirmation was due to take place at Castle Cornet, however, due to adverse weather conditions, the location had to be changed. Following this, the Prince visited the Candie Museum where he viewed a selection of original Royal Charters. The Prince then returned to Beau Sejour for a multi-media presentation titled "B404 – Tracing the Origins of Guernsey Today" created by local school children. At Beau Sejour, The Prince also met States Members, Law Officers of the Crown, Jurats of the Royal Court, representatives from Alderney and Sark and representativeS of charities of which he is a Patron or President. The Prince travelled to Herm on the "Isabella of Sark". In Herm, the Island's then manager, Mr Heyworth, escorted The Prince on a tour of the Island on foot. He met Herm residents and visited St Tugal's Church and the Island School. He then returned to Guernsey onboard the "Sarnia" and departed Guernsey airport for the UK.
2002 – February	HRH The Duke of Kent	Opening of the Dorey Room at St James	The Duke of Kent arrived by air on the morning and the first official duty was the opening of the Dorey Room at St James. He took a short trip in the Lifeboat, the Spirit of Guernsey, before visiting the premises of AquaStar in Bulwer Avenue.
2001 – September	The Princess Royal		Princess Anne arrived by helicopter from the Queen's Flight and went straight to Government House before being Guest of Honour at a fundraising ball for Save the Children. The following day she visited the Hearing Dogs for the Deaf Group and opened the new training centre for St John Ambulance at Les Gigands. She also met with some of the Riding for the Disabled Group
2001 – July	HM The Queen and Prince Philip	Open the 201 Squadron Museum at Castle Cornet and unveil the Millenium Stone	The Queen visited Beau Sejour for the official address then moved on to Castle Cornet where she opened the 201 Squadron Museum. After lunch at Government House the Queen flew to Alderney where she was joined by the Duke of Edinburgh. The Royal couple stopped briefly in Sark before returning to land at L'Ancrese to unveil the plaque on the Millenium Stone. The visit was completed with a gala dinner at Beau Sejour.
1997 – June	HRH Princess Margaret	Name the new Guernsey Lifeboat and open the NSPCC Centre in Smith Street	Apart from the two main occasions during her visit Princess Margaret also attended an official lunch at Government House, visited Bader Roses and met a dairy herd. She also visited several of the exhibits at Floral Guernsey in Cambridge Park.
1996 – June	HRH The Princess Royal		The Princess visited both the professional and voluntary sections of St John Ambulance in the Rohais and presented a number of awards. There was a visit to the Equestrian Centre where she met some members of the local Riding for Disabled Group. A charity ball for Save the Children was held in the evening.
1995 – May	HRH The Prince of Wales	50th Anniversary of Liberation - unveiling the new Liberation Monument	The Prince read a special Liberation day message from the Queen and unveiled the monument at the Weighbridge. He visited Sark where he stayed overnight .
1995 – March	HRH The Duchess of Kent	RNLI - lifeboats and Fundraising	The first part of this Royal visit was to the lifeboat in Alderney where the Duchess took a trip around Braye harbour and then met members of the lifeboat crew and Alderney Ladies' Guild. There was another lifeboat trip in Guernsey and in the evening the Duchess was the guest of honour at a charity ball at Beau Sejour in aid of the RNLI local appeal to raise £1m for the Spirit of Guernsey lifeboat.
1994 – November	HRH The Duke of Gloucester	To dedicate the Flying Christine	The Duke attended the dedication ceremony at Victoria Marina before moving on to the St John Ambulance headquarters in the Rohais. There was a service in the Town Church where the Duke presented various awards to the members of St John.
1993 - November	Prince Michael of Kent	Visit prior to the closure of the RNAS Headquarters	As Commander of the Royal Navy Auxiliary Service the Duke visited the local unit at Castle Cornet. While at the Castle he also visited the Maritime Museum. In the evening he was guest of honour at a reception at Government House for members of the Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen's Families Association.
1992 – May	HRH The Duchess of Gloucester	Opening the new wing of the PEH	The Duchess visited the new maternity wing and the new accident and emergency unit. She moved on to Sark where she toured the new fire station building and the Chief Pleas office and then to Alderney where she visited St Annes School.
1990 – May	HRH Princess Alexandra & the Hon. Sir Angus Ogilvy.	45th Anniversary of the Liberation	The first visit was to St Peter Port school which they had originally opened in 1968. There was then a reception at Government House for representatives of local youth organisations and a vin d'honneur. A relaxed walkabout followed the solemn Liberation thanksgiving ceremony at the Town Church . The day ended with a special Liberation Day reception and a firework display. The couple also visited Alderney and Sark.
1989 – May	HM The Queen and Prince Philip	Opening of the Queen Elizabeth II Marina	The Queen arrived on HMS Britannia and was joined by Prince Philip who had flown to the Island from the Azores. They first met local dignitaries at Beau Sejour and then visited the Bailiff's Chambers and walked around St Peter Port before declaring the new marina open. They had lunch at the Royal Hotel before meeting parish officials and more crowds of people in St Sampson. Their busy schedule then took them on a visit to Saumarez Park and in the evening they hosted a gala reception on HMS Britannia. The following day the Royal couple visited Sark where the Queen opened a new medical centre and then they moved on to Alderney for a formal reception at the Island Hall.
1987 – July	HRH Prince Edward		Prince Edward was visiting the Island in his capacity as Chairman of the 30th Anniversary Tribute Project to the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and as such included meeting many of the Island's youth organisations.
1986 – May	HRH Princess Anne		This visit began with an informal walkabout from the Town Church to the Royal Court. During her stay she visited a horse show at St Saviour and the King George V playing field before attending a gala ball at Beau Sejour in aid of Save the Children.
1985 – May	HRH The Duchess of Kent	40th anniversary of the liberation. Opening of the Grammar School	During this visit the Duchess officially opened the new Grammar School and met many of the pupils. She visited Sark and dedicated the new lifeboat in Alderney. She watched the Liberation Day parade in Church Square before attending the thanksgiving service in the Town Church. This day was the first time the new Guernsey Flag was flown.
1985 – July 5th	HRH The Duke of Kent	Opening of St James	The Duke started his visit with a short trip on the lifeboat across the Little Russel. After tea with the Bailiff he headed across to St James for the official opening ceremony.

1984	1984 – July HRH Prince Andrew		This was a surprise visit while Prince Andrew was on board HMS Brazen. It was an informal day and the Prince had lunch at Beauvette Marina and toured parts of the Island in a hire car.
1984 – May	HM Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother		The Queen Mother arrived on HMS Britannia and the first stop on this visit was a walkabout in the Town Church Square. She made a visit to the King Edward VIII hospital before arriving at Beau Sejour. There was a relaxed lunch at Government House before the Queen Mother visited the new Scout and Guide HQ at Rue Mainguy where she unveiled a plaque. Before returning to the Royal Yacht she met the Lifeboat crew at the harbour. That evening there was a spectacular firework display over Castle Cornet.
1980 – June	HRH The Duke of Gloucester	St John Ambulance	This was a brief visit made by the Duke of Gloucester in his capacity as the Grand Prior of the Hospital of St John and he met many members of the local Division of St John Ambulance at Saumarez Park
1978 – June 27th	HM The Queen and Prince Philip		The day started with the Royal couple taking a walkabout in St Peter Port including the old Guernsey Market. After a formal lunch at the Royal Hotel they travelled out to St Peters Village and once again met the crowds who had gathered to see them. They then moved on to Cambridge Park stopping en route at a tomato vinery. After greeting the thousands of children who had gathered at the port the Queen returned to the Royal Yacht while Prince Philip went to St Peter Port School to meet some young people involved in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. There was a reception and dinner on the Britannia that evening and the Queen & Prince Philip also visited Alderney and Sark the following day.
1976 – May	HRH The Prince of Wales		This unofficial visit was made while Prince Charles was Commander of the Minesweeper HMS Bronnington. He attended a Vin d'Honneur at the Royal Court House and an evening dinner at Government House. The Prince spent most of the visit aboard ship but did manage a couple of hours windsurfing at Pembroke Bay.
1975 – May 29th	HM Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother	Opening of the Mare de Carteret School & Ozanne Ward	The Queen Mother arrived aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia and during this visit she opened the new La Mare de Carteret School and the new extension to the Princess Elizabeth Hospital. On the second day pupils of the Elizabeth College made a corridor of honour at the College Field when she took off by helicopter to visit Alderney and Sark.
1974 – May 23	HRH The Duchess of Kent	Naming of Lifeboat and the Duchess of Kent House	This two day visit started with a walk through St Peter Port to the New Jetty where the new Arun Class Lifeboat, the Sir William Arnold, was waiting to take The Duchess on a trip around Herm. This was followed by a lunch at the Royal Hotel. The Duchess also officially opened the Duchess of Kent House in Le Vauquiedor.
1972 – May 23	HRH Princess Anne		This visit commenced with a walkabout in St Peter Port and a drive through St Martin to Icart. The Princess formally opened the new container berth at the harbour and met hundreds of young people at Government House. She visited Saumarez Park and Castle Cornet being a guest of honour at a Vin d'Honneur in the Castle's Spencer Room. There were also visits to Sark and Alderney by helicopter.
1972 – May	HRH Prince William of Gloucester		
1968 – October	HRH Princess Alexandra & the Hon. Sir Angus Ogilvy.		The couple arrived on an aircraft from the Queen's Flight at attended a formal reception at Government House. Later that day the Princess travelled on an Aurigny Air Services Islander aircraft to Alderney for an official visit there. On the second day there was a visit to Castle Cornet and a gala dinner at the Royal Hotel.
1963 – May	HM Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother	Liberation Day Service	Arriving on the Royal Yacht Britannia the Queen Mother visited Cambridge Park and expressed her delight to see so many children waiting to greet her. She spoke of her visit 18 years prior, just after the Liberation when many children had not yet returned from the UK, so was particularly pleased to see them all. She met representatives of the St John Ambulance Brigade's Nursing Division and had tea at Saumarez Manor. On the second day she visited Melrose and laid the foundation stone for the new Ladies College before leaving from the College Field by helicopter for a visit to Sark. The Queen Mother attended a reception by the Chief Pleas and had lunch at the Seigneurie before returning to Guernsey for a Gala Dinner at the Royal Hotel.
1959 – June 22	HRH Princess Margaret	Opening of Les Beaucamps Secondary School.	This visit began with a visit to Sark and a tour of the walled gardens at La Seigneurie and on returning to Guernsey in the evening the Princess was guest of honour at a Gala Dinner at the Royal Hotel. Her itinerary also included a visit to Brooklands Farm, a vinery at Bordeaux and a tea party in the grounds of the Hostel of St John. The Princess officially opened the new Les Beaucamps School where she had lunch prepared by the pupils. The day ended with a grand ball at St George's Hall. The following day the Princess flew to Alderney for a reception at the Court House before her return to the UK.
1957 – July 26	HM The Queen and HRH Prince Philip		During this visit the Queen and Prince Philip were presented with gifts for both Prince Charles and Princess Anne at Cambridge Park where over 6,000 schoolchildren had gathered to welcome them. There was a busy itinerary including a visit to St Georges Hall for a meeting of the Chief Pleas. The day ended with a firework display over Castle Cornet.
1956 – May 8-10	HRH The Princess Royal	Liberation Day Service	The Princess Royal (Princess Mary - daughter of George VI) arrived in Guernsey in a Heron from the Queen's Flight. After a visit to Government House she was transported to Sark on a gunboat where she had lunch at the Seigneurie and visited La Coupee. The second day of the visit included the Liberation Day services at the Town Church and Candie auditorium followed by the official opening of the new Red Cross HQ. Before returning to the UK the Princess Royal stopped in Alderney for an informal lunch.
1954 – July	TRH Duke and Duchess of Gloucester		On this occasion the Duke and Duchess were guests of the Royal Guernsey Agricultural and Horticultural Society and presented the coveted cups at the annual show. They were also presented with a Guernsey heifer to take home to add to the Duke's own herd. They were also guests at the Sark Cattle Show. They were the guests of honour at a glittering reception at St Georges Hall.
1952 – July	TRH Duke and Duchess of Gloucester		On arrival the couple were met by schoolchildren from the Forest School on the way to a tomato vinery. They also met St John personnel and visited Saumarez park to meet ex-servicemen and women. There had recently been an outbreak of foot and mouth disease and the Duke, who owned a Guernsey herd himself, made reference to the terrible disease in his public speeches. The day ended with a banquet at the Royal Hotel.

1949 – June	HRH Princess Elizabeth and Duke of Edinburgh	Princess Elizabeth Hospital	This was the first time the princess Elizabeth and her husband the Duke of Edinburgh had visited Guernsey and they arrived here after visiting Alderney, Jersey and Sark. They had tea and made presentations on the lawn at Saumarez park before touring the West Coast and St Saviours on their way to the new Princess Elizabeth Hospital which the Princess officially opened with a silver key. They had dinner at the Old Government House Hotel before departing later that evening on HMS Anson.
1948 – June	HRH Duchess of Kent		
1945 – June 7	TM King George VI and Queen Elizabeth		This was a very short visit as the arrival was delayed for 24 hours due to weather conditions. The King and Queen eventually arrived at 3.25pm and toured the West Coast and Northern parishes arriving at Candie Gardens for presentations by the Lieutenant-Governor and Bailiff. After tea at Government House they departed at 6.25pm.
1935 July 24	HRH Prince of Wales	King George V Silver Jubilee	This would be the only visit of the future King Edward VIII to the island. The Prince of Wales arrived aboard HMS Faulkner and attended St George's Hall for the official welcome and unveiled a portrait of his father King George V to mark the occasion of his Silver Jubilee. He visited the St Martin's Boys Club and then proceeded to the top of the Val des Terres for the official opening marked by a granite stone. The road was lined with over 5,000 schoolchildren as the Prince travelled down towards the town. He continued up the High Street and Smith Street to the War memorial where he laid a wreath. After visiting Elizabeth College he had lunch at the Old Government House Hotel before moving on the Saumarez Park for the Agricultural Show. He returned to the White Rock and departed for the mainland in a Flying Boat.
1921 – July 10	HM King George V, Queen Mary and HRH Princess Mary		On the evening of July 10th the Lieutenant-Governor and his aide met representatives on board the Royal Yacht 'Victoria and Albert' to agree the itinerary for the visit. The following morning the King and Queen and other members of the Royal party landed at the Connaught Slip. They visited the Town Church before the official welcome at St George's Hall. After a visit to Elizabeth College they moved on to Cambridge Park where 3,500 children were waiting to greet them. The Royal party drove to Jerbourg before arriving at Government House for lunch. In the afternoon they attended a reception at Les Preaux and further touring of the Island. In the evening they dined on board the Royal Yacht.
23/09/1905	The Duke of Connaught		The Duke of Connaught was Prince Arthur the seventh of Queen Victoria's nine children. He arrived on HMS Monmouth and landed on the Albert Pier - this place is now known as the Connaught landing. The Duke proceeded to the top of St Julians Avenue where he unveiled the South Africa War Memorial and then continued with visits to Elizabeth College, Saumarez Park and Beaucamps Camp.
September 1862	The Duke of Cambridge		The Duke of Cambridge was Prince George, a grandson of George III. He was Commander in Chief of the British Army from 1856 to 1895.
August 14, 1859	Queen Victoria		
1854	Queen Victoria	Alderney visit	
23 August 1846	Queen Victoria		This was the occasion of the first visit to Guernsey of a reigning monarch. Queen Victoria arrived on the Royal Yacht
September 1817	William Henry, The Duke of Gloucester		
8 June 1786	Prince William, later William IV		
1785 or 1786	Prince William, later William IV		
1765	The Duke of Gloucester, brother to King George III		
1459	Edward IV (then Earl of March) is believed to have landed here	en route Devon to Calais	