

Triumphs and Tragedies

The Stuart Family Tree



Did you know?



Charles I wore two shirts at his execution to keep warm. He was concerned that if he appeared to shiver, the crowd would think he was afraid of dying.



The U.S. state of Maryland was named after Henrietta Maria by her husband, Charles I in 1632.



In order to escape from Cromwell's forces in 1651, Charles II hid in the Boscobel House oak tree. The tree became known as the Royal Oak.



Mary was 14 years old when she married a 39 year old James II & VII. Her stepdaughter, the future Queen Anne, was 4 years younger than her.



At 5ft 11 inches in height, Mary II was 4.5 inches taller than her husband, William III & II, who stood at 5ft 6.5 inches.



Anne had a variant of the hereditary disease, porphyria; the same disease which attributed to the 'madness' of King George III.



It was rumoured that the infant James was illegitimate and smuggled into his Catholic mother's bedchamber in a warming pan.



Charles fled Scotland after the Battle of Culloden disguised as a maid named Betty Burke.



Louise is thought to be a direct descendant of Robert the Bruce through the Earls of Elgin.



In 1800 Henry was owed £1.5 million by the Government from his grandmother's dowry. This is approximately £75 million in today's money.

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