



Suggested Reading: Queen Elizabeth II

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Elizabeth the Queen: The Life of a Modern Monarch by Sally Bedell-Smith (2012). Smith uses interviews and newly-revealed documents to trace Elizabeth's life. Engaging and informative.

The Real Elizabeth by Andrew Marr (2012). A comprehensive and enjoyable biography, published to coincide with the sixtieth anniversary of her reign. Absorbing and well-researched.

The Little Princesses by Marion Crawford (2001). Published in 1953. An expose by Elizabeth's former governess that resulted in her being ostracized by the royal family. A warm portrait of Elizabeth and Margaret as children.

Sixty Glorious Years: Our Queen Elizabeth II: Diamond Jubilee 1952-2012 by Victoria Murphy (2012). A photographic history celebrating the life of the queen on the brink of becoming England's longest-reigning monarch.

FILMS:

The Majestic Life of Queen Elizabeth II (2013). A retrospective documentary. Uses archival footage to document Elizabeth's life.

The Queen, starring Helen Mirren (2007). A moving portrait of the queen in the days after the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, in 1997.

The Crown, starring Claire Foy (2016). An award-winning biographical television drama series by Netflix. Season one covered the years from her wedding in 1947 to 1955. Season 2 debuted December 2017