

Commemorative coin marking Prince Philip's 'life well lived' revealed for the first time

- Chancellor unveils new £5 coin commemorating the life of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh.
- Coin presented on Armed Forces Day 2021, recognising the Duke's years of naval service and support for Her Majesty The Queen.
- Design features original portrait of the Duke and will be struck by the Royal Mint.

Chancellor Rishi Sunak unveils new coin commemorating the Duke of Edinburgh.

The special edition £5 coin features an original portrait of The Duke to celebrate his remarkable life. The coin's design was approved by The Duke before his death in April this year and is being launched on Armed Forces Day 2021.

The Royal Mint will also make a £50,000 donation to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award to support its important community work in the UK and internationally.

[Pictures of the coin](#) can be seen online.

Chancellor Rishi Sunak said:

This coin is a fitting tribute to The Duke of Edinburgh, who moved and inspired so many people around the world with his decades of service both to the nation and Her Majesty The Queen.

I'm proud to unveil the coin on Armed Forces Day, considering his distinguished naval career and unwavering dedication to our Monarch and to his Royal duties, and it is only right that he and the Queen are depicted together on both sides of it.

Anne Jessopp, Chief Executive of The Royal Mint, said:

Since the passing of The Duke of Edinburgh in April, many have commented that he led a life well lived. He was the longest serving consort in British history, and patron or president to over 750 organisations – including The Royal Mint Advisory Committee.

The Royal Mint has marked significant Royal events for centuries and is honoured to unveil an original new coin which celebrates the life and legacy of a remarkable man. It feels fitting that this coin – which was personally approved by the Prince – will also support the work of The Duke of Edinburgh's Awards. The Awards have

benefited millions of young people since they were formed in 1956, and are perhaps Prince Philip's greatest legacy.

Ruth Marvel, CEO of the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards said:

This wonderful tribute will help us build on The Duke of Edinburgh's legacy so more young people can start their DofE Award journey and develop the skills, resilience and self-belief they will need to successfully navigate the challenges of adult life.

The coin will be available from the [Royal Mint website](#) today, as well as post offices around the United Kingdom and special stockists across the Commonwealth and worldwide.

The design was personally approved by The Duke of Edinburgh in 2008 and drawn by the acclaimed artist Ian Rank-Broadley FRBS.

The Duke of Edinburgh was the longest serving consort in British history, and for decades provided steadfast support to Her Majesty The Queen and The Royal Family.

The coin bears the inscription "HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh 1921-2021" and will be struck by the Royal Mint. The Duke of Edinburgh served as the President of the Royal Mint Advisory Committee for 47 years. The coin is legal tender but has been designed as a limited-edition collectable or gift and will not be entering general circulation.

Further information

- The commemorative coin is available from [The Royal Mint website](#)
- The Duke of Edinburgh served as the President of the Royal Mint Advisory Committee from 1952 until 1999. During this period, he oversaw the creation of the coins for decimalisation and four of The Queen's definitive coinage portraits.
- The Royal Mint Advisory Committee (RMAC) advises the Chancellor, as Master of the Mint, on designs for UK coinage.