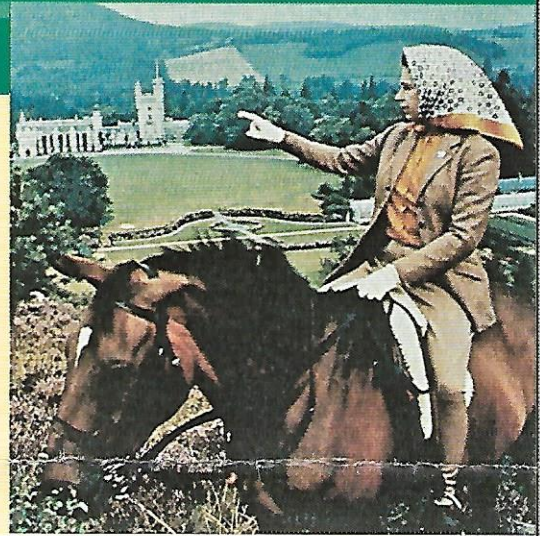


Royal PETS



The Queen is well known for her love of horses and dogs. She has been riding horses since the age of four and was given her first corgi at the age of 18.



Corgis and Dorgis

The Queen's first corgi was called Susan. She died in 1959 and is buried at Sandringham. All

Her Majesty's corgis are descended from Susan. Corgis have been a favourite dog in The Royal Family since The Queen's father, King George VI, first bought one in 1933.

In addition, Her Majesty has a number of 'dorgis'. These were a result of breeding Pipkin, a long-haired dachshund belonging to Princess Margaret, with a corgi. When The Queen Mother died, Her Majesty said that she would take care of her corgis as otherwise they might not have a home. Some of the names of The Queen's corgis and dorgis over

the years have included: Myth, Fable, Kelpie, Pharos, Flora, Swift, Emma, Linnet, Rush, Minnie, Monty, Harris, Brandy, Cider, Berry, Willow and Holly.

Walking the Dogs

The Queen looks after her own dogs as much as possible. They live in her private apartments and often wake her up in the morning, as well as travelling with her throughout the United Kingdom. Her Majesty walks them regularly in the grounds of Buckingham Palace and the other residences. They are sometimes seen at receptions at the Palace.

