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# SIXTEEN VISITS TO AND AROUND AUSTRALIA



Through the prism of the Queen's sixteen visits to and around Australia, this enthralling, colourful and poignant tribute celebrates the remarkable life and legacy of Queen Elizabeth II – shining a spotlight on Her Majesty's long, enduring bond with this country and her special rapport with its people.

From her first official tour in 1954, a cavalcade of pomp and protocol which set public attendance records unmatched to this day, to her final official engagement in 2011 (at that most Australian of gatherings, a barbeque), the Queen

has often looked right at home – whether surrounded by star-struck children, enthralled by brumbies at a bush rodeo, or during incredible, serendipitous encounters that have since entered Aboriginal folklore.

A black and white photograph showing Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in a motorcade. The Queen is on the left, wearing a light-colored, patterned dress with a pearl necklace and a white floral headpiece. Prince Philip is on the right, wearing a white naval officer's uniform with a peaked cap and medals on his chest. They are both smiling and looking towards the camera. In the background, a large crowd of people is visible, some holding up cameras or phones to take pictures.

# A CAVALCADE OF POMP AND PROTOCOL

# SHOCKING POLITICAL SCANDALS

A woman with short, curly brown hair is smiling broadly. She is wearing a wide-brimmed white hat with a dark band, a blue and white vertically striped long-sleeved shirt, and a multi-strand pearl necklace. She is surrounded by a crowd of people, some of whom are holding cameras, suggesting a public event or press conference. In the background, a banner with the word "ORGANISATIONS" is partially visible.

Along the journey, there were shocking political scandals that enveloped her, and which still reverberate today.

With her marathon reign now at an end, *The Queen & Us* features a host of fascinating interviews with prominent and everyday personalities who were key to her reign and central to her visits – those who advised her and those who

observed her offer candid, revealing, and sometimes startling accounts of their experiences, never-before reported, as they take us inside the life and times of The Queen of Australia.



# INSIDE THE LIFE & TIMES OF THE QUEEN

# A SIGNIFICANT PORTRAIT OF A BELOVED FIGURE



One of the most significant portraits of Her Majesty in Australia ever produced, this respectful commemoration also offers a substantive, meaningful and fond recollection of a beloved figure.

# KEY INTERVIEWEES



## Ita Buttrose

**AC, OBE, Journalist & Author**

A revered, highly respected journalist with an illustrious career spanning newspapers, magazines, television and radio, Ita Buttrose was the first ever woman to serve as an Editor-in-Chief at *The Daily Telegraph* and *Sunday Telegraph* newspapers. In 1976, at just 33 years old, Buttrose was personally chosen by Sir Frank Packer as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Australian Women's Weekly* – the youngest person ever appointed to the position. During Ita's time as Editor-in-Chief, extensive coverage of Australian Royal tours featured heavily in the *Australian Women's Weekly*, and members of the Royal family graced endless magazine covers. This prominent and ongoing coverage of the Queen and the extended Royal family in the media played a significant role in shaping the relationship between the Crown and the Australian people. As a journalist and Royal correspondent, Buttrose also covered the wedding of Charles and Diana in 1981 as well as William and Kate's wedding in 2011.



## Sir William Heseltine

**GCB, GCVO, AC, QSO,**

**Private Secretary to Queen Elizabeth II, 1986–1990**

Sir William Heseltine joined the Press Office of The Royal Household in 1965 and served in this office until his retirement in 1990, holding the title of Private Secretary to the Sovereign and Keeper of the Queens Archives during the last 4 years of his service.

After joining the Prime Minister's Department in 1951, Heseltine was appointed Private Secretary to Sir Robert Menzies and later the temporary Press Secretary to the Queen until 1961. From 1962-1964 he was Assistant Federal Director of the Liberal Party of Australia before taking up service with the Press Office.

# KEY INTERVIEWEES



## Sir Peter Cosgrove

AK, AC(MIL), CVO, MC (RETD),  
Governor General of Australia, 2014–2019

Though General Sir Peter Cosgrove would go on to have a long and distinguished career in the military and public service, his first and perhaps most endearing memory of the Queen was as a 7-year-old school boy during her first visit to Australia in 1954.

A graduate of the Royal Military College, Cosgrove fought in the Vietnam War, receiving the Military Cross in 1971. From 1983 to 1984, he was Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion. Peter then rose to prominence in 1999, when he served as Commander of the International Force for East Timor. He went on to hold ranks including as Chief of Army, Chief of Defence Force and Lieutenant General. In 2014 he was appointed Knight in the Order of Australia when sworn in as the 26<sup>th</sup> Governor-General of Australia.



## Dame Quentin Bryce

AD, CVO, Governor-General of Australia,  
2008–2014

Dame Quentin Bryce was the first woman to be appointed Governor-General of Australia. Quentin was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1988, Companion of the Order of Australia and Dame of the Order of St John of Jerusalem in 2003.

In 2011, she was appointed as a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order at Government House by Elizabeth II. Quentin was succeeded by General Sir Peter Cosgrove as a Governor-General in 2014.



# KEY INTERVIEWEES

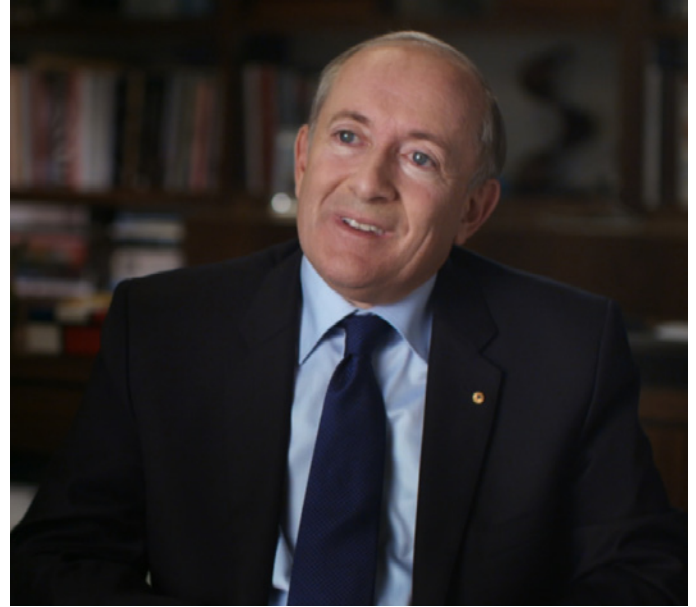


## Senator Patrick Dodson

### Yawuru Leader

A Yawuru man from Broome, Pat Dodson is a Western Australian Senator and the Shadow Assistant Minister for Indigenous Affairs and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. In October 1999, Pat alongside other Aboriginal advocates and leaders was granted an audience with the Queen in Buckingham Palace to discuss Britain's unfinished business with Australia's first inhabitants and their proposed recognition in the Australian Constitution.

Paddy Djiagween, Pat's grandfather was also introduced to the Queen, when she visited Broome in Western Australia, during her 1963 tour.



## Stephen Brady

### AO, CVO, Official Secretary to the Governor General of Australia, 2008–2014

An Australian career diplomat, during his 36 years of service Stephen Brady was ambassador to twelve European countries, Chief-of-Staff to two Governors-General – including Australia's first woman in the role – as well as acting as a Senior Adviser to Prime Minister John Howard over two separate periods.

In 1992, Brady – then a Senior Public Servant – was assigned to the Queen on her flight home from her Australian Tour. Through his diplomatic work and throughout the course of his service to the Commonwealth of Australia, Brady met and was privileged to have spent considerable time with the Queen and other senior members of the Royal family.

# KEY INTERVIEWEES



## Juliet Rieden

**Royal Expert and author of *The Royals In Australia***

A journalist for more than 30 years, Rieden is currently the Editor-At-Large of the *Australian Women's Weekly*, where she also works as the Royal Correspondent and the Books Editor.

Rieden is the author of *The Royals in Australia*, which charts the history of the royal family in Australia from 1867 to the present day. Rieden interviewed Prince Charles in 2013 to celebrate the *Australian Women's Weekly* 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Prior to working at the *Weekly*, Juliet was a Senior Commissioning Editor at UK's *Daily Mail* and Entertainment Editor at the UK's *The Mail* on Sunday newspaper in London.



## Margaret Tougher

**1954 welcoming committee**

As 15-year-old schoolgirl, Margaret was chosen to present a welcome speech to Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh during the monarch's first visit to Australia in Wollongong on February 11, 1954.

# CELEBRATING THE REMARKABLE LIFE & LEGACY OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II



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