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QUEEN IN CORSICA.

Flying to Corsica, the Queen is met by the Duke of Edinburgh at the airport,. Princess Alexandra is with her for the start of their Mediterranean cruise. Local prefect Marcel Savreux welcomes the royal party.

In Ajaccio harbour, where Napoleon watches over his island birthplace, a launch is waiting to take them to the royal yacht Britannia, which brought the Duke to Corsica. As the launch pulls away, the Queen waves to the crowds who have gathered to greet her.

Britannia, with the Duke aboard, has been taking part in combined fleet exercises in the Mediterranean. Her naval duties over, she is ready to take the Queen and the Duke, after many weeks of uninterrupted public activity, on a week of well-earned relaxation.