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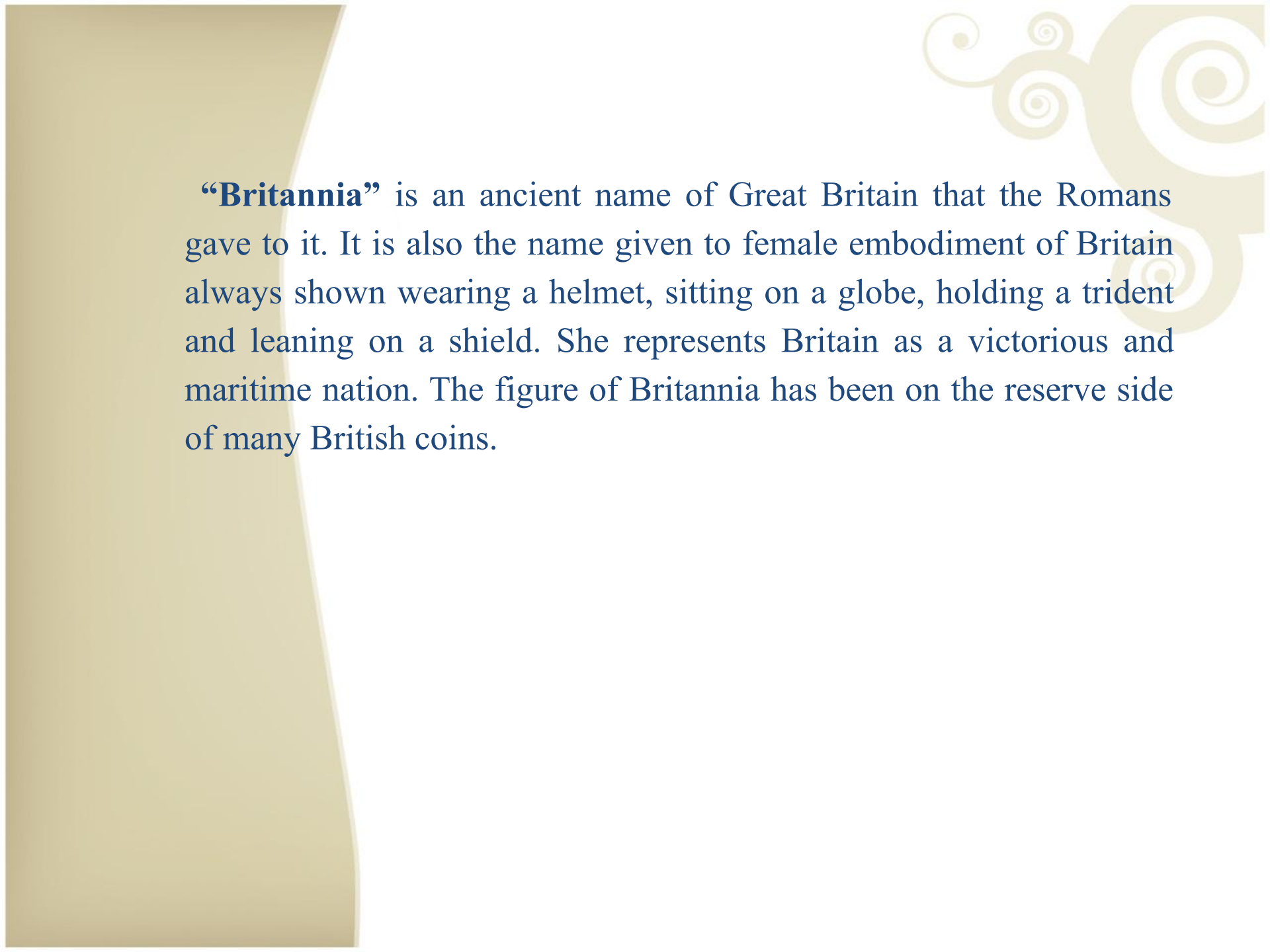
“The National Emblems”

There are many personifications of the UK. John Bull is a national personification of Great Britain similar to the American “Uncle Sam”. He is sometimes used to refer to the whole of the UK, but Scottish and Welsh people do not widely accept him and he is viewed there as English rather than British.

John Bull is usually depicted as a stout man in a tailcoat with breeches and a Union Flag waistcoat. He also wears a top hat on his head and is often accompanied by a bulldog.

During the Wars with Napoleon John Bull began to symbolize freedom, loyalty to the king. An average man, so to say, who would fight for his country. Nowadays many British people still view the figure of John Bull as that of honest, generous, outspoken man, ready to stand up for his beliefs.





“Britannia” is an ancient name of Great Britain that the Romans gave to it. It is also the name given to female embodiment of Britain always shown wearing a helmet, sitting on a globe, holding a trident and leaning on a shield. She represents Britain as a victorious and maritime nation. The figure of Britannia has been on the reverse side of many British coins.

The national flag of the UK

The national flag of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is the most obvious symbol of the United Kingdom. It is called **the Union Jack**.

“**Jack**” is an old word which means “sailor”. It explains the name of the flag. King James III ordered the Union Flag to be flown on the main mast of all British ships, except for the ships of war. So the flag was flown at the front of the ships.

Union Jack is a mixture of several overlaid flags. It combines three flags representing England, Scotland and Ireland.



The national anthem of the UK

People all over the world know the first line of the national anthem of Great Britain which is called “God Save the Queen”. It was adopted after the War with Napoleon.

God save our gracious Queen

Long live our noble Queen

God save the Queen!

Send her victorious

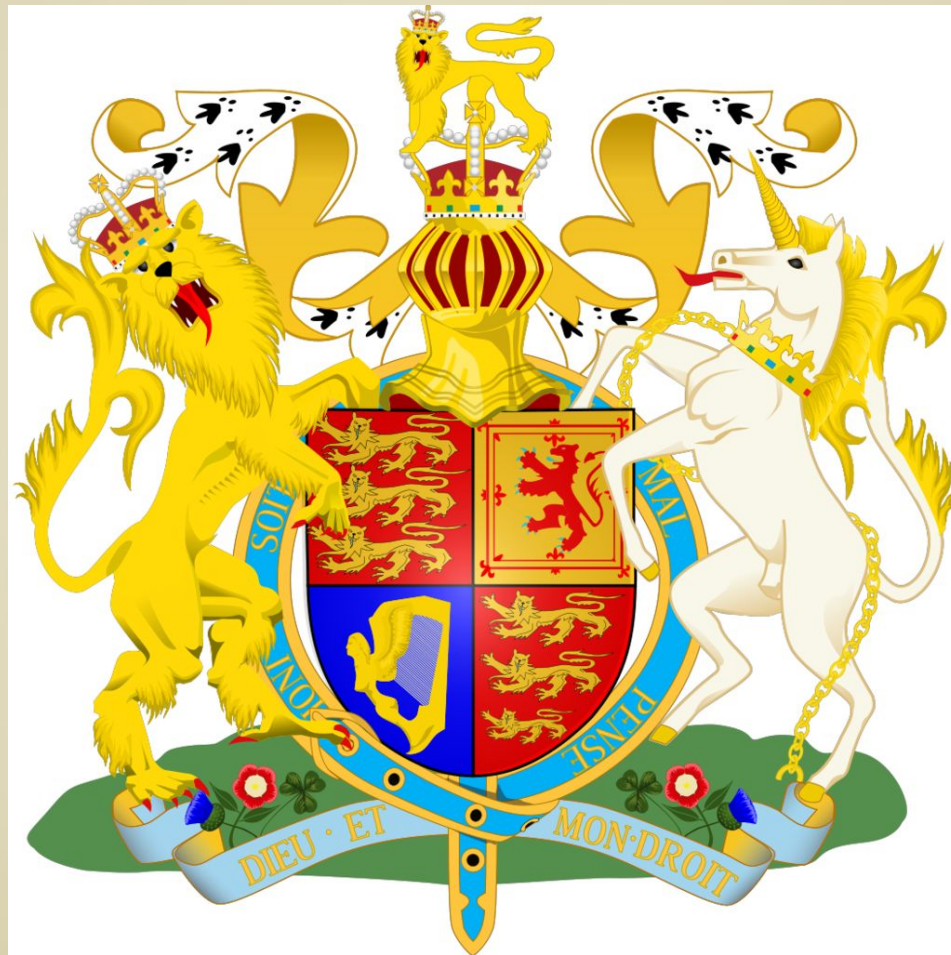
Happy and glorious

Long to reign over us

God save the Queen!



The national Royal Symbols. Titles and Honours



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The main National Royal symbol is the Royal coat of arms, which identifies the person who is the Head of State. In the center of the emblem a heraldic shield is situated. It is divided into four parts; three gold leopards or lions on a red ground is the English emblem, a red lion on a gold ground is the Scottish emblem, yellow harp on a blue ground is the Irish emblem. The shield is supported by two Royal Beasts – the lion with the crown on the left and the Unicorn on the right. The lion represents pride, bravery, valour. It is also a symbol of power and royalty. The unicorn is a mythical animal. It has appeared at the British and the Scottish coat of arms and is symbol of purity. They are surmounted by the Royal crown. Around the shield there is a garter with the motto of the Royal family “Honi soit qui mal y pense” (French for “Evil to him who evil thinks”)which symbolizes the Order of the Garter, an ancient order of chivalry of which the Queen is Sovereign. Below the shield there is the motto of the Monarch which is also in French “Dieu et mon droit” (“God and my right”). Henry IV began to use it as the motto of the British monarch in the 15th century.

The plant symbols of the UK

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The national symbol of England



The national symbol of Scotland



The national symbol of Wales



The national symbol of Northern Ireland

The plant symbols of the UK

The National Symbol of England

The red rose is the symbol of England. This symbol goes back to the War of the Roses, which was the war within the country. In the 15th century two Houses were struggling for the English throne – the Lancastrians and Yorkists.

The National Symbol of Scotland

For many centuries the purple thistle has been Scotland's national emblem. According to the legend, ancient Scandinavians wanted to plunder the land of Scotland and settle there. When they decided to attack the Scots, they took their shoes off not to make noise. But one of them stepped on a thistle. That sudden and sharp pain made him scream. So the Scots heard this "alarm" and put the Norsemen to fight.

The National Symbol of Wales

Wales has got two national symbols. They are the daffodil and the leek. The daffodil is also associated with St. David's Day, due to the fact that it breaks into blossom on that day.

The National Symbol of Ireland

The shamrock is connected to St Patrick, who was bringing Christianity to Ireland. He used it to show how the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit could all exist as separate elements of the same entity.



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