

# Princess Diana



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# Lady Diana Childhood

- Diana Frances Spencer was born on 1 July, 1961 in the estate of the Spences in Norfolk. Diana's parents were from aristocratic families: her father's name is Viscount Althrop and her mother's name is Frances Roche.
- Diana was sent to the private school. She dreamt of being a ballerina, but, then, as she told herself, she had to give up this idea because it appeared that she was too tall for that.
- Diana studied at normal schools — at first in Norfolk, then in Kent.



# Adolescence



- When she was 16 she left for Switzerland and finished school there. Having returned, she lived with her friends in London, earning as a cook or a nanny, and then found the job of a teacher in a-kindergarten.

# Diana and Charles

- For the first time Diana met the Prince in 1977, in the estate of Diana's father. Diana's sister Sarah introduced them to each other. They began to date. At this time it was considered in Buckingham Palace that the heir should marry, Diana seemed to be a suitable candidate, though Spencers were not royal by descent, the decision was made.



# Wedding

- They were married at St. Paul's Cathedral on July 29, 1981 and this wedding became rather most brilliant event in Britain. Diana was twenty, Charles — thirty-two.



# Lady Diana's marriage

- However, after the honeymoon the relations between the couple started getting worse. In June, 1982 the Princess of Wales gave birth to her first son, Prince William, and in september, 1984 she gave birth to her second child Prince Henry. The Royal family hoped that with birth of the sons peace would reign in the family. But the hopes appeared to be vain. Charles and Diana were moving away from each other. The situation became even worse, when the Princess understood, that heart of the Prince belongs to another woman — Camilla Parker-Bowles



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- Several last weeks of her life Princess Diana spent together with her friend Duddy Al-Fayed, 41 years old, the senior son of the Egyptian billionaire Mohammed Al-Fayed, the owner of the most fashionable London shop «Harrods», Paris hotel «Ritz», and a lot of others.



- On August 31, 1997 Princess Diana was killed in a car accident together with Duddi. Diana's death was a great tragedy and loss for the whole British nation. In her life she did a lot of charity all over the world and became the most popular and beloved figure of the royal family. Her death is still full of mysteries.

