**August 19** - Crown Princess Mette-Marit's Day (Flag Day)



Crown Princess Mette-Marit was born a commoner on August 19, 1973. She married Crown Prince Haakon on August 25th, 2001 in Oslo Cathedral. She has 3 children: Marius Borg Høiby (from a previous marriage), Princess Ingrid Alexandra, and Prince Sverre Magnus.

The Crown Princess works with several organizations supporting health, mental illness, young people at risk, women's issues, environmental issues, literature, and entrepreneurship. She has a special focus on HIV/AIDS related work. Crown Princess Mette-Marit has a Masters Degree in Management and has studied in several universities across Norway and in London.

The Crown Princess has also been named a Leading Global Thinker by Foreign Policy Magazine (2016) and one of the most creative people in business by Fast Company (2016).

She enjoys skiing, sailing, hiking, literature, film, and theater.