

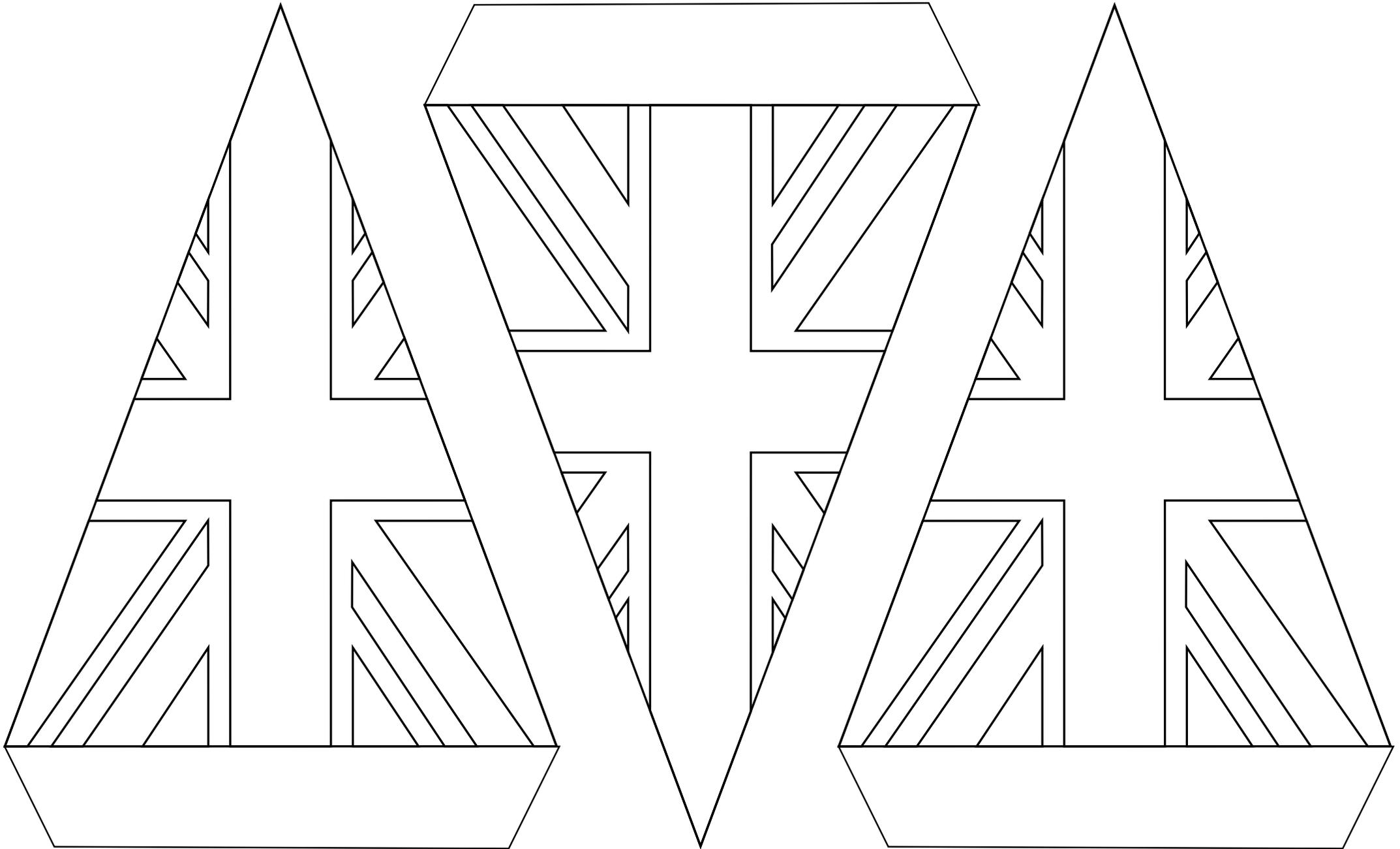
Celebrate her Majesty's
Platinum Jubilee in Royal Style.





Create your own union flag style bunting to decorate your home for this special occasion.

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Bake a cake fit for a Queen

INGREDIENTS

200g caster sugar
200g softened butter
4 eggs, beaten
200g self-raising flour
1 tsp baking powder
2 tbsp milk

FOR THE FILLING

100g butter, softened
140g icing sugar, sifted
drop vanilla extract (optional)
half a 340g jar good-quality
strawberry jam
icing sugar, to decorate



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METHOD

STEP 1

Heat oven to 190C/fan 170C/gas 5.
Butter two 20cm sandwich tins and line with non-stick baking paper.

STEP 2

In a large bowl, beat 200g caster sugar, 200g softened butter, 4 beaten eggs, 200g self-raising flour, 1 tsp baking powder and 2 tbsp milk together until you have a smooth, soft batter.

STEP 3

Divide the mixture between the tins, smooth the surface with a spatula or the back of a spoon.

STEP 4

Bake for about 20 mins until golden and the cake springs back when pressed.

STEP 5

Turn onto a cooling rack and leave to cool completely.

STEP 6

To make the filling, beat the 100g softened butter until smooth and creamy, then gradually beat in 140g sifted icing sugar and a drop of vanilla extract (if you're using it).

STEP 7

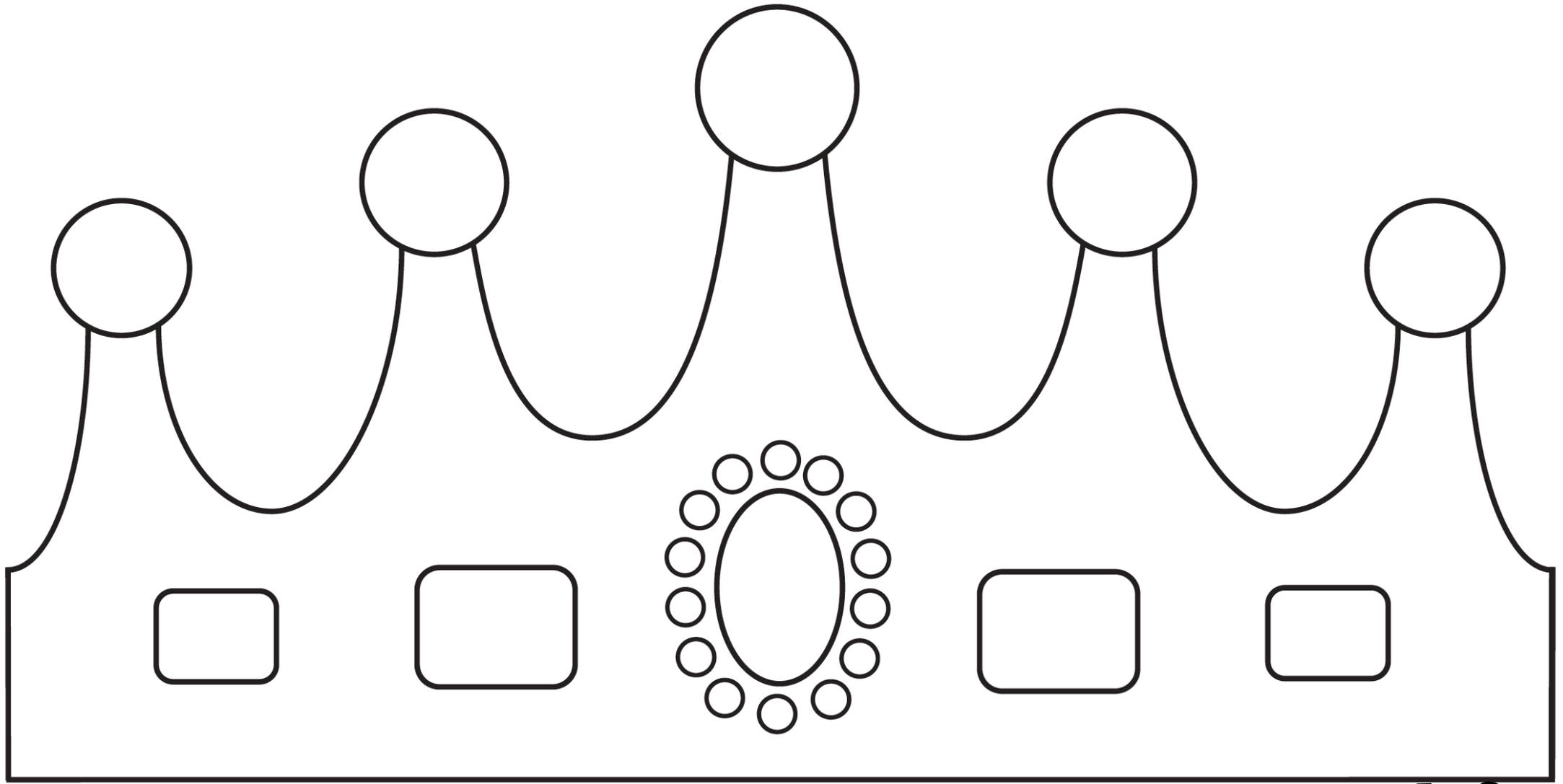
Spread the buttercream over the bottom of one of the sponges. Top it with 170g strawberry jam and sandwich the second sponge on top.

STEP 8

Dust with a little icing sugar before serving. Keep in an airtight container and eat within 2 days.

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Colour in the below crown template, pick your favourite colours the jewels, cut out and stick together with your paper head band carefully with a glue stick.





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Here's a few fun facts about her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family.

1. How many birthdays does the Queen have?

Two, one on her actual birthday 21st of April and her official (not actual) birthday is in June marked by a parade called 'Trooping the Colour'.

2. How many Christmas cards has the Queen sent?

50,000 and still counting!

3. Do you know what her favourite dogs are?

Corgis, she actually invented a new breed of dog when her corgi and dachshund belonging to her sister, Princess Margeret, creating the 'dorgi!'.

4. No passport? No problem!

The Queen is allowed to travel internationally without a passport, she must give her name, address, nationality and few other details when at the border of a country.

