

MEGHAN MARKLE, THE DUCHESS OF SUSSEX, GIVES BIRTH TO BABY BOY

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[Prince Harry and Meghan](#) have welcomed a baby boy.

"I'm just over the moon," Prince Harry said in announcing the birth of his son and first child.

The newborn weighed in at seven pounds and three ounces. The baby was born at 5:26 a.m., local time, according to Buckingham Palace.

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"The Queen, The Duke of Edinburgh, The Prince of Wales, The Duchess of Cornwall, The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, Lady Jane Fellowes, Lady Sarah McCorquodale and Earl Spencer have been informed and are delighted with the news," Buckingham Palace said. "The Duchess's mother, Doria Ragland, who is overjoyed by the arrival of her first grandchild, is with Their Royal Highnesses at Frogmore Cottage."

Meghan went into labor in her 41st week of pregnancy, one week past her due date. She was last

seen in public in March and waited out her pregnancy at home at Frogmore Cottage with her mother, Doria Ragland, and Prince Harry.

Harry, 34, and Meghan, 37, will share more details about baby's name "in due course," according to Buckingham Palace.



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Meghan, Duchess of Sussex and Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex watch a musical performance as they attend a Commonwealth Day Youth Event at Canada House, March 11, 2019, in London, England. [more +](#)

The baby [is seventh in line](#) to the British throne, falling behind [Prince Charles](#), [Prince William](#), Prince George, Princess Charlotte, Prince Louis and Prince Harry.

He is also the fourth grandchild for Prince Charles and the eighth great-grandchild for Queen Elizabeth.

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Prince Harry [married Meghan last May](#). Five months later, they [announced the pregnancy as they embarked on their 16-day tour](#) of Australia, New Zealand Fiji and Tonga.

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Harry and Meghan [recently moved to Frogmore Cottage in Windsor](#), some 30 miles from London. The couple appears to have made the move to escape the glare of the spotlight in London and have a private place to grow as a family.



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Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex and Meghan, Duchess of Sussex attend the Commonwealth Day service at Westminster Abbey, March 11, 2019, in London. [more +](#)

Their decision to keep the birth of their child private signals Harry and Meghan do not appear to have any plans to [pose for the traditional newborn-holding photo-op outside the hospital](#) that the public is used to. Harry's mother, the late [Princess Diana](#), posed outside [the Lindo Wing at St. Mary's Hospital in London](#) soon after giving birth to Harry and William.

Likewise, William and his wife, Duchess Kate, [posed outside the Lindo Wing soon after Kate gave birth](#) to each of their three children, George, Charlotte and Louis.



"Their Royal Highnesses have taken a personal decision to keep the plans around the arrival of their baby private," Buckingham Palace [announced in April](#) about Harry and Meghan's decision. "The Duke and Duchess look forward to sharing the exciting news with everyone once they have had an opportunity to celebrate privately as a new family."