

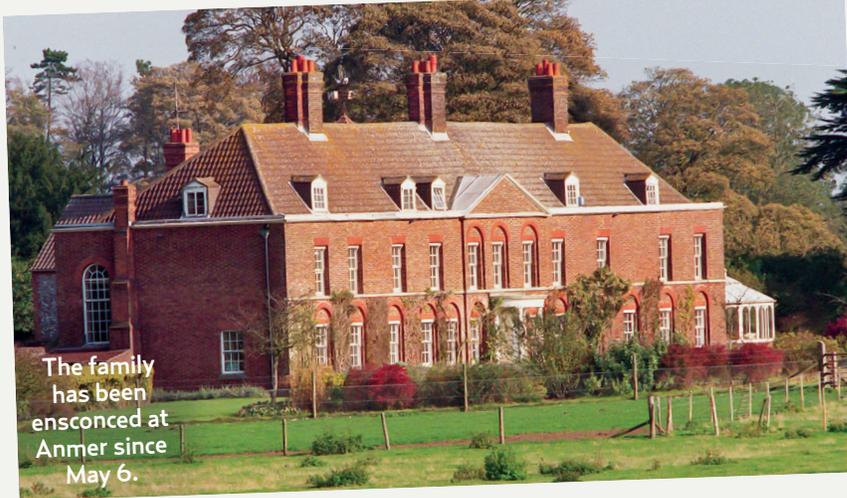


## Her royal shyness! After her very public debut, the princess retires to her posh country estate

BY SARAH GROSSBART WITH O MID SCOBIE

The first 72 hours were a blur. Half a day after welcoming Princess Charlotte Elizabeth Diana May 2, Duchess Kate and Prince William faced flashbulbs — and hundreds of flag-waving fans — outside St. Mary's Hospital in London. Back at Kensington Palace, the sleep-deprived royals entertained a revolving door of well-wishers. William's father, Prince Charles, escorted wife Camilla. Kate's mom, Carole Middleton, arrived with the duchess' sister, Pippa. On May 5, the couple completed the final order of business before they could whisk their 8 pound, 3 ounce infant and her brother, George, 22 months, to the sleepy Norfolk village of Anmer:

BIRTH		Entry No. 212
Registration district	Westminster	Administrative area
Sub-district	Westminster	City of Westminster
1. Date and place of birth	CHILD St Mary's Hospital Second May 2015 Princess Charlotte Elizabeth Diana of Cambridge	Præd Street Westminster
2. Name and surname	Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte Elizabeth Diana of Cambridge	Female
3. Sex	FATHER His Royal Highness Prince William Arthur Philip Louis Duke of Cambridge	
4. Name and surname	MOTHER Catherine Elizabeth Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Cambridge	
5. Place of birth	Reading	8. (b) Occupation Princess of the United Kingdom
6. Occupation	Prince of the United Kingdom	9. (b) Surname at marriage if different from maiden surname
7. Name and surname	Kensington Palace London W8 4PJ	
8. (a) Maiden surname	MIDDLETON	11. Name and surname (if not the mother or father)
9. (a) Usual address (if different from place of child's birth)	INFORMANT 12. Qualification father	
10. Usual address (if different from that in 10 above)	13. Usual address (if different from that in 10 above)	
11. Name and surname (if not the mother or father)	14. I certify that the particulars entered above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief	
12. Qualification	15. Date of registration Fifth May 2015	
13. Usual address (if different from that in 10 above)	16. Signature of registrar Deputy Registrar	
14. I certify that the particulars entered above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief	17. Name given after registration, and surname	



The family has been ensconced at Anmer since May 6.

# FIRST DAYS WITH

Charlotte (whose birth was registered May 5, left) met the press, including *Us*, wearing a bonnet from George's nanny, Maria Borrallo, May 2.



# Charlotte

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# Inside Kate's Dream Home

The Norfolk estate is ready for its newest resident!

George can practice his swimming in the 18th century mansion's new pool.

They had the property's roof redone (red shingles!) and updated all the bathrooms.

## Her Legacy of Love

» William and Kate honored the people's princess in naming their daughter. "Diana would be absolutely over the moon," former Royal Protection Officer Ken Wharfe, a close friend of William's beloved mom, tells *Us*. "She always wanted a young princess herself." It's not just the moniker being passed on to the newest royal. "I see an exact replica of her parenting of William and Harry in the parenting of George," notes Wharfe. "The fun they had. She'd be immensely proud."



Diana (with William and Harry, left, in 1987) died in 1997.

tea with the queen. At precisely 1:45 P.M. on May 6, William — navigating the family's black Range Rover — pulled out of the palace gates and headed 115 miles north to their 10-bedroom Anmer Hall residence, where a mere two subjects awaited.

Setting eyes on a new baby nurse and their cocker spaniel, Lupo, was a relief for the couple. "Going back to Anmer was the moment they felt they could really breathe after the frenzy at the hospital and Kensington Palace," explains a family friend of Kate, 33, and William, 32. "It's their safe haven." With William signed on as an East Anglian Air Ambulance pilot for the next two years, the 18th century Georgian manor — a gift from



Kate picked up side tables for the spread from British retailer Andrew Martin.

A source says Kate had trees planted to shield the property from gawkers.

Part of the \$2.2 million renovation: a 250-square-foot glass conservatory.

“WILLIAM AND KATE LIKE THE IDEA OF RETREATING AND JUST KEEPING THEIR CIRCLE SMALL.”  
A ROYAL INSIDER

Queen Elizabeth — will serve as their primary home. (Their 20-room apartment 1A at Kensington Palace will remain their London base.) “Right now, Anmer suits their needs,” says the friend. “It’s private and away from prying eyes.” And their youngest is settling in quite nicely. “Charlotte is a little angel, so placid,” says the family friend.

“Their first nights at Anmer have been heavenly.”

**DA QUIET LIFE**

Credit the skilled nurse hired weeks before the birth. Trained at Bath, England’s Norland College, the same prestigious childcare school attended by George’s nanny, Maria Borrallo, “she is helping William and Kate establish a proper feeding schedule for Charlotte,” says a source. “Developing that routine and schedule early on is important to them.” The parents’ other secret weapon: a well-worn copy of *A Perfect Start*, coauthored by British physiotherapist Christine Hill. The duo used the straightforward book, which offers tips on swaddling and pacifiers, with George, says a



**Big Brother on the Move**

» Prince George — “Georgie” to his mother — is adjusting to the new pecking order. “He’s very protective of Catherine and I’m sure he will be of Charlotte,” says a family friend. Third in line for the throne, the 22-month-old is bright and, true to his name, curious. “George is always pointing at things and asking about them,” notes the friend. “‘What’s that?’ is his favorite phrase.” The toddler is racing through milestones, having recently learned how to put on his own shoes. “You have to keep an eye on him,” says the pal, “or he’ll be out of sight in a millisecond!”

source, “and they’re still fans.”

William has already aced the chapter on diaper changing. Inside Charlotte’s neutral-hued nursery, “William will always jump in and help whenever he can,” says a source. “He’ll change as many nappies as Kate. He sees it as bonding time.” Little George has done his part too: Though Kate hand-selected a few ivory blankets and soft toys from London’s Blue Almonds shop for Charlotte, a source says diaper bins, bottle warmers and other baby must-haves are hand-me-downs.

Kate’s practicality extends to mealtimes. With no chef on the Anmer staff, “Kate does her own cooking,” Carolyn Robb, who served as the royal chef when William and brother Harry were kids, tells *Us*.



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“She does her own food shopping too.” Since there are no grocery stores in the tiny village (population 63!), Kate often makes the 40-minute trek from the house, part of the queen’s Sandringham estate, to the historic town of Holt and visits the Back to the Garden farm shop. Inside the converted barn, she has her choice of organic produce and locally sourced beef and chicken. “She loves visiting with George,” says a source, noting that locals give the duchess space. “No one is rushing over to ask for selfies. It’s not like that here. Everyone is equal.” Back home, Kate uses her wares for weekend fry-ups like those her parents, Carole and Michael, prepare in Bucklebury. Explains Robb, author of *The Royal Touch: Simply Stunning Home Cooking From a Royal Chef*, “William enjoys the Middletons’ relaxed Sunday breakfasts. They like to keep up that laid-back tradition.”

### ▶ THE IN-CROWD

For now, Carole is lending a hand. A source says Kate’s mum will mostly stay at Anmer for the next several weeks to help with Charlotte — or Charlie or Lottie, as one family insider predicts she’ll be called. Michael squeezes in visits while managing the Middletons’ multimillion-dollar business, Party Pieces. And he isn’t above bragging about his granddaughter: During a recent trip to a Bucklebury grocery store, he was overheard telling the owner she “is gorgeous.”

It’s a popular opinion. Prince Charles told attendees at a May 9 event that his granddaughter “is beautiful,” and Uncle Harry gushed to Britain’s *Sky News* about baby pictures from William. (He even got a snap of his niece and nephew together!) The army staff officer — touring New Zealand until May 16 — announced, “I’m so looking forward to seeing her, to meeting her and to holding her.”



## Who Does Charlotte Resemble?

She has Mum’s pout and Dad’s cheeks!

