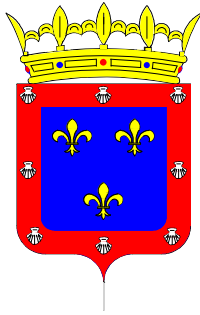


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### *Description of Arms :*

Quartely of ten : 1st, or, six fleurs-de-lys azur, three, two and one ( Farnese ) ; 2nd, argent, a cross patée gules, between four eagles displayed sable, beaked and membered gules ( Gonzaga for Guastalla ) ; 3rd, azur, a lion bendy gules and argent, crowned or ( Rossi di San Secondo ) ; 4th, or, six torteaux, one, two, two and one, the chiefmost abscinded by a heurte charged with three fleurs-de-lys or, the other five gules ( Medici ) ; 5th, per fesse gules and or, and over all a bush without leaves, sable ( Malaspina ) ; 6th, argent, an eagle sable, beaked and membered gules, crowned or, charged on the breast with an escutcheon gules, a cross argent ( Savoy ) ; 7th, gules a fess argent ( Correggio ) ; 8th, chequy gules and arm, or a chief or, a double-headed eagle sable, beaked and membered gules ( Pallavicini ) ; 9th, gules, a cross or, between four letters B or ( Paleologue ) ; 10th, grand-quarters, 1st and 4th, paly of six or and argent ( azur ) and over all a fesse argent ; 2nd and 3rd, or, three bars wavy azur ( Landi ) ; over all an inescutcheon of pretence, counter quarter, 1st and 4th, gules, a castle or, masoned sable, port and fenestration azur ( Castile ) ; 2nd and 3rd, argent, a lion rampant gules, armed, langued and crowned (or ( Leon ), and over all an escutcheon of pretence, azur, three fleurs-de-lys or, a bordure gules, charged with eight scallops argent ( Bourbon-Anjou ).  
ou Azure, three fleur-de-lys or, two and one, bordered gules, charged with eight scallops argent.

**Principal Title :** Duke of Parma and Plaisance.

**Creation :** Various. The Maillé family also held the dukedom of Plaisance, extinct in 1926.

**Subsidiary Titles :** All other members rank as royal princes.

**Family Name :** Bourbon, usually known as Bourbon-Parme.

**Family History :** The end of the Wars of the Spanish Succession came when Louis XIV of France declared to the people that his grandson, Philippe duc d'Anjou, would henceforth be King Philip V of Spain. Philip married Isabel Farnese, titular duchess of Parma and Plaisance. These latter titles went first to the eldest son, Charles, and then, when he became king, to another son, Philip. He reigned over these northern parts of Italy from 1748 to his death in 1765. In turn, he was succeeded by his son, Ferdinand, who showed where his loyalties lay by declaring war against France in 1793. He backed the wrong side, for the time being at any rate, because he lost his throne to Napoleon in 1802. The French Emperor's wife, Marie-Louise became life Duchess of Parma. On her death, in 1847, Ferdinand's grandson, Charles II, resumed control over the territories and reclaimed the titles. His son, Charles III, was assassinated at the young age of thirty-one.

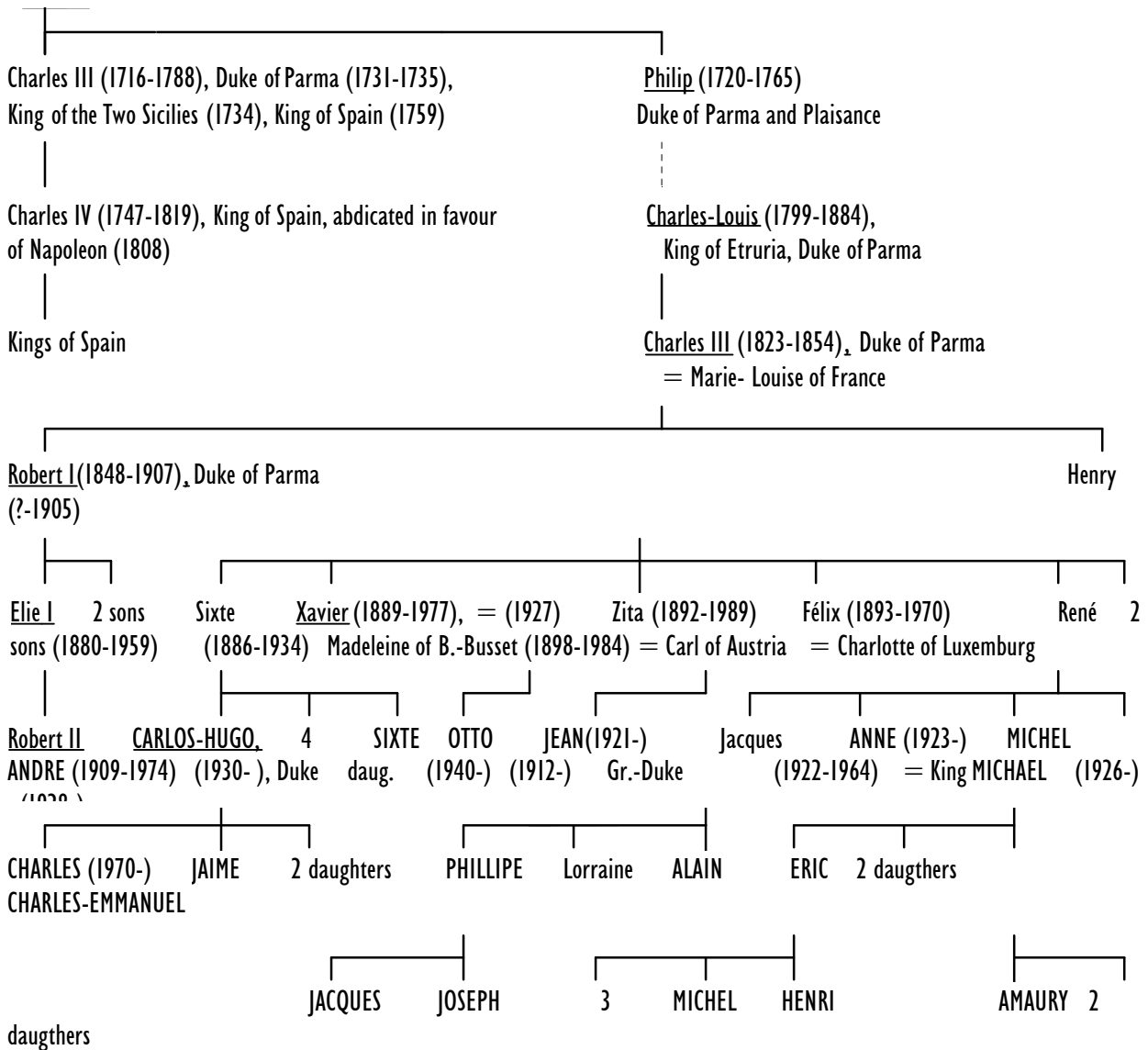
A crisis was reached with his son, Robert I, who at the age of six years was the last of the family still alive. His mother, Marie-Louise of France, acted as regent and seems to have instilled the necessity to preserve the line for Robert married twice and had twelve children by each wife. At the same time, it must be said that many of his descendents have either entered religion or have never married themselves. This is one of those families that exclude any members that are considered to have married beneath their rank and that has further thinned the numbers. However, as the genealogical tree shows, there are still plenty left.

The family has provided the Empress Zita of Austria, the Grand-Duke of Luxemburg ( although they have taken maintained the surname of Nassau, the name of the reigning Grand-Duchess Charlotte who had married Felix of Bourbon-Parme ) and the Queen of Romania. The present head of the Bourbon-Parma family maintains a general claim to the throne of Spain as the Carlist Pretender. He married the sister of the Queen of Holland but the marriage ended in divorce.

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Philip V (1683-1746), Duke of Anjou, King of Spain from 1700

2nd = (1714) Isabel Farnese (1692-1766), titular Duchess of Parma and Plaisance



daughters