

Berengaria of Barcelona

Berenguela or **Berengaria of Barcelona** (1116 – January 15, 1149) was Queen consort of Castile, León and Galicia. She was the daughter of Ramon Berenguer III, Count of Barcelona, and Douce I, Countess of Provence.^[1]

On November 10/17 1128 in Saldaña, Berengaria married Alfonso VII, King of Castile, León and Galicia.^[1] Their children were:

1. Sancho III of Castile (1134–1158)
2. Ramon, living 1136, died in infancy
3. Ferdinand II of León (1137–1188)
4. Constance (c. 1138–1160), married Louis VII of France
5. Sancha (c. 1139–1179), married Sancho VI of Navarre
6. García (c. 1142–1145/6)
7. Alfonso (c. 1144–c. 1149)

She died in Palencia, and was buried at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela.

Appearance and character

"She was a very beautiful and extremely graceful young girl who loved chastity and truth and all God-fearing people."^[2]

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Effigy of Queen Berengaria at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela

Queen consort of León and Castile

Reign	1128–1149
Born	c. 1116 Barcelona
Died	15 January 1149 Palencia
Burial	15 January 1149 Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela
Spouse	Alfonso VII of León and Castile
House	House of Barcelona
Father	Ramon Berenguer III, Count of Barcelona
Mother	Douce I, Countess of Provence
Religion	Roman Catholicism

Preceded by
Beatrice

Queen consort of León and Castile
1128–1149

Succeeded by
Richeza of Poland

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