

# Fulk II, Count of Anjou

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**Fulk II of Anjou** (c. 905 — 960), called *le Bon* (the good) was count of Anjou from 942 to his death.<sup>[a]</sup>

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## Fulk II of Anjou

<b>Spouse(s)</b>	Gerberge
	Adelaide of Blois
<b>Noble family</b>	House of Ingelger
<b>Father</b>	Fulk I of Anjou
<b>Mother</b>	Roscille de Lochar
<b>Born</b>	c. 905
<b>Died</b>	960
	Tours

## Life

Fulk II born c. 905<sup>[1]</sup> was a son of Fulk the Red and his wife Roscilla de Loches, daughter of Warnerius, Seigneur de Villentrois.<sup>[2]</sup> He succeeded his father in 942 as the second count of Anjou,<sup>[3]</sup> also called the count of Angers, and remained in power until 960.<sup>[4]</sup>

The Angevins, Fulk II included, had become particularly adept at establishing marriage alliances that furthered their goals.<sup>[5]</sup> His father, Fulk the Red had arranged his marriage to a Carolingian, Gerberga, the daughter of Ratburnus I Viscount of Vienne.<sup>[6]</sup> Among other things this alliance opened the doors for their daughter Adelaide-Blanche to marry a future king of France and their son Guy to become Bishop of le Puy.<sup>[6]</sup>

After her death c. 952 Fulk made another astute political marriage to Adelaide, the widow of Alan II, Duke of Brittany. Alan II had also been Count of Nantes and through this marriage Fulk gained influence in, and possibly control of, Nantes.<sup>[7]</sup> Adelaide was also the sister of Theobald I, Count of Blois which permitted Fulk II to form an alliance with the House of Blois.<sup>[6]</sup>

## Family

By his spouse, Gerberge, a woman of unknown origins.<sup>[8]</sup> Fulk II had several children:

- Adelaide-Blanche of Anjou, married five times.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Geoffrey I, Count of Anjou, married Adelaide of Vermandois.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Bouchard, Count of Vendome.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Guy of Anjou, Bishop of le Puy.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Humbert d'Anjou, mentioned 957.<sup>[2]</sup>

Fulk II had no known issue with Adelaide.

## Death

Fulk died in 960, at the relatively old age of 55.<sup>[9]</sup> He was succeeded by his 20-year-old son Geoffrey Greymantle.<sup>[2]</sup>

## Notes

- a. Refer to Bernard S. Bachrach, "Fulk Nerra: Neo-Roman Consul, 987-1040" (California, 1993) 261 and 262 for a useful genealogy of the Angevin comital line.

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<b>Fulk II, Count of Anjou</b> <b>Angevins</b> <b>Died: 958</b>		
Preceded by <b>Fulk I</b>	<b>Count of Anjou</b> 942–958	Succeeded by <b>Geoffrey I</b>

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