

John II, Duke of Lorraine

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John II of Anjou (Nancy, August 2, 1424^[1] – December 16, 1470, Barcelona) was Duke of Lorraine from 1453 to his death. He inherited the duchy from his mother, Duchess Isabelle, during the life of his father, Duke René of Anjou, also Duke of Lorraine and titular king of Naples. As heir-apparent of Naples, he was styled the **Duke of Calabria**, and spent most of his time engaging in plots for Angevin recovery of Naples. In 1466, the Catalonians chose his father as King of Aragon, and he was created Prince of Girona, as heir-apparent. He went into Catalonia to press the family's claims, but died, supposedly by poison, in Barcelona.

By his marriage to Marie de Bourbon (1428–1448), daughter of Charles I, Duke of Bourbon, he had four children:

1. Isabelle (b. 1445), d. young
2. René (b. 1446), d. young
3. Marie (b. 1447), d. young
4. Nicholas (1448–1473).

He also had several illegitimate children:

- John (d. 1504), Count of Briey, married Nancy St. Georges
- Albert, seigneur d'Essey
- Jeanne d'Abancourt, married Achille, Bastard of Beauveu
- a daughter named Marguerite
- another daughter, married Jean d'Ecosse

See also

- Dukes of Lorraine family tree

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Jean d'Anjou, medal by Francesco Laurana

John II, Duke of Lorraine House of Valois-Anjou Born: 1425 Died: 16 December 1470		
Regnal titles		
Preceded by Charles of Viana	Prince of Girona 1466–1470	Succeeded by Ferdinand of Aragon
	Duke of Montblanc 1466–1470	

	Count of Cervera 1466–1470	
Preceded by Isabella and René I	Duke of Lorraine 1453–1470	Succeeded by Nicholas I
Preceded by René I	Duke of Calabria titular from 1442 1435–1470	
	Marquis of Pont-à-Mousson 1444–1470	

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