

# Great Britain

An aerial photograph of London, England, taken during the 'golden hour' of sunset. The River Thames flows through the center of the image. On the left bank, the Elizabeth Tower (Big Ben) is prominently featured, its clock face glowing. In the foreground, the spires of the Palace of Westminster are visible. On the right bank, the London Eye, a large Ferris wheel, stands out against the sky. Several bridges, including the Tower Bridge, span the river. The city skyline is filled with various buildings, and the sky is a mix of orange, pink, and blue.


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An aerial night photograph of London, showing the city's dense urban landscape illuminated by streetlights and building lights. The River Thames flows through the center, with the Tower Bridge prominently featured in the foreground. The Shard and other modern skyscrapers are visible in the background against a dark sky with some clouds.

The capital of the country is London.  
The largest cities are: Birmingham,  
Glasgow, Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds,  
Edinburgh, Sheffield, Belfast, Newcastle,  
Cardiff.



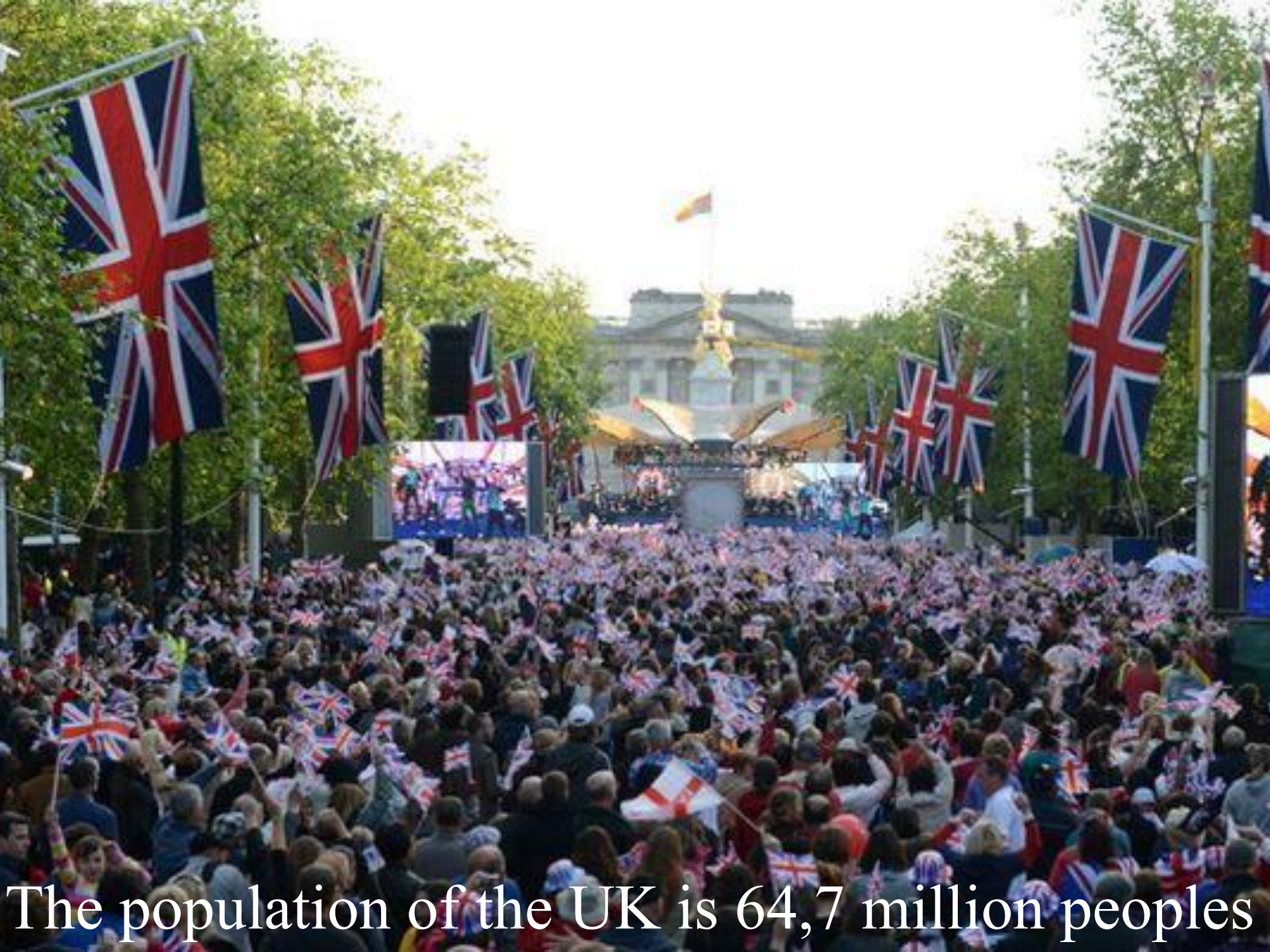
The background of the image is a large, slightly blurred Union Jack flag, which is the national flag of the United Kingdom. It features a blue field with a white saltire (St. Andrew's Cross) and a red saltire (St. Patrick's Cross) superimposed on it.

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland The Flag of the United Kingdom is called the Union Flag, or THE UNION JACK. In 1603, King James of England (or Jack for short) united England and Scotland. Then in 1801 there was the union with Ireland. Now the flag combines the emblems of the three countries (England, Scotland and Northern Ireland) united under one monarch. not represented in the flag because at the time the flag appeared in 1606, Wales was already united with England. The Union Jack is a combination of the crosses of three patron saints of the country: the red cross of Saint GEORGE for England on a white background; the white diagonal cross of Saint ANDREW for Scotland on a blue background; the red diagonal cross of Saint PATRICK for Ireland on a white background.

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland The State Emblem of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland shows the union of its four parts: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The emblem was introduced after the union with Scotland in 1603. The shield of the emblem is divided into four parts. There are emblems of England (three lions on a red background), emblem of Scotland (a red lion on a yellow background) and the emblem of Northern Ireland (a yellow harp on a blue background) The two emblems of English lions symbolise the leading role of England in this union. The SHIELD is supported by two mythic animals: the ENGLISH LION and the SCOTTISH UNICORN. The emblem is headed with a crowned lion, the symbol of power and might. Below the emblem, there are floral symbols of the four parts of the country.





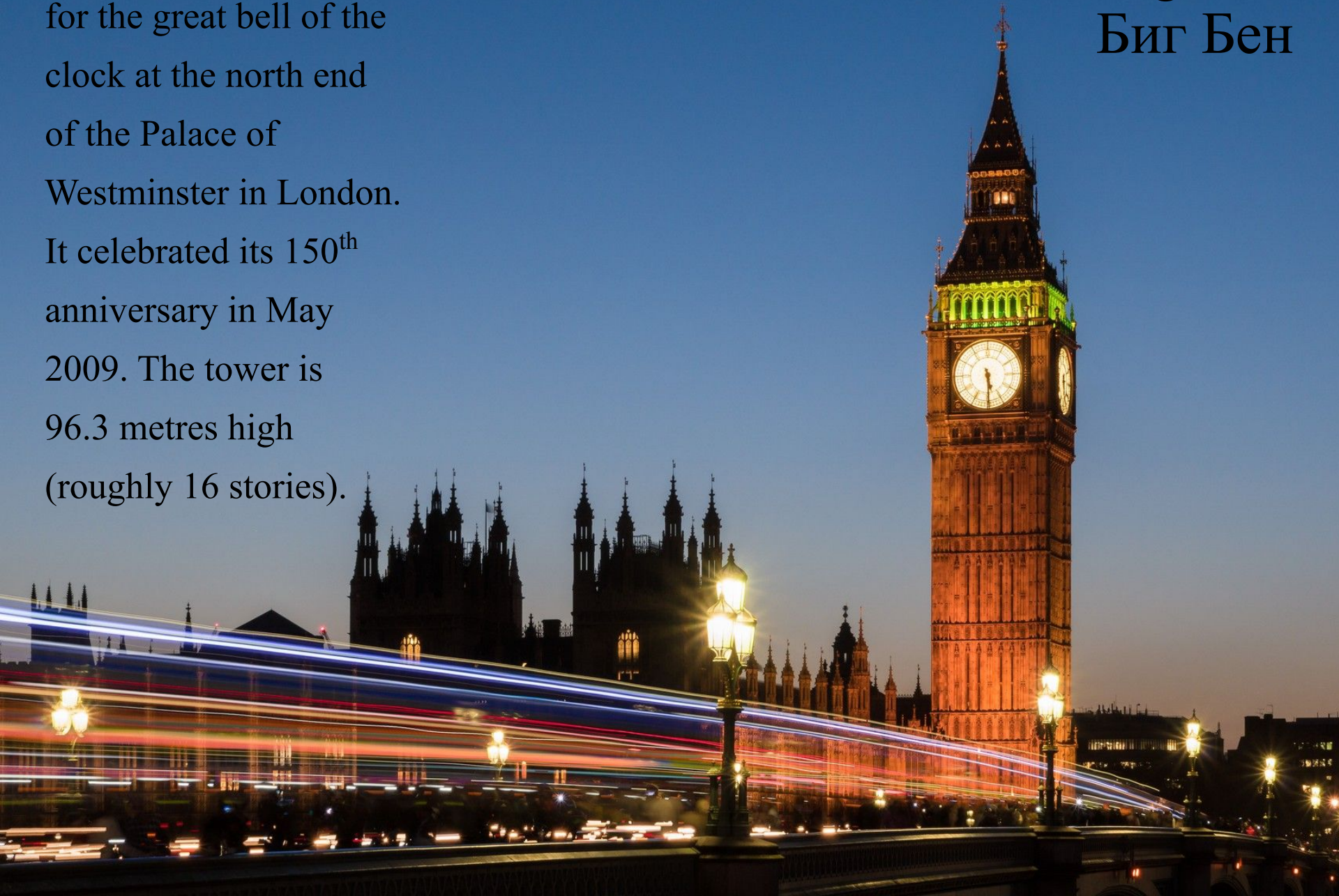


The population of the UK is 64,7 million peoples



**Big Ben** is the nickname  
for the great bell of the  
clock at the north end  
of the Palace of  
Westminster in London.  
It celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary in May  
2009. The tower is  
96.3 metres high  
(roughly 16 stories).

Big Ben  
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# The Tower Bridge Тауэрский мост



**Tower Bridge** is a beautiful monument in London, over the River Thames. It is close to the Tower of London, which gives it its name. It has become an iconic symbol of London.



The longest river is the Severn, 354 kilometres.

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## Madame Tussauds Мадам Тюссо

Madame Tussauds is a wax museum in London with branches in a number of major cities. It was founded by wax sculptor Marie Tussaud and was formerly known as «Madame Tussaud's» Madame Tussauds is a major tourist attraction in London, displaying waxworks of historical and royal figures, film stars, sports stars and famous murderers.





# Westminster Abbey Вестминстерское Аббатство

Westminster Abbey is a Gothic church in London that is the traditional place of coronation and burial for English monarchs. Located next to the Houses of Parliament in the heart of London.













Thank you for attention!

