



Mary's fun festive plans

■ The festive season will be all about sun, surf and fancy functions for Princess Mary, who will be bringing her brood back home to Australia in late November. But while *Woman's Day* was the first to report that the mum-of-four will be coming home at the end of the year, we can now reveal she and Prince Frederik are also set to become fixtures on the Aussie social scene, attending posh parties to promote one of the world's hottest new food trends, Scandinavian cuisine.

The couple will reportedly be guests of honour at two "Bright Green Denmark" gala dinners, held to publicise their country's culinary exports, at Sydney's Doltone House and Melbourne's Peninsula.

They will then continue on to Tasmania with their children, Christian, Isabella, Vincent and Josephine, where the twins will be introduced to the family they have yet to meet, and where they'll celebrate Christmas.

Mary's father, John Donaldson, who was in Denmark for the twins' birth, can't wait to organise a game of cricket. "I can get all the grandchildren together and make a team," he laughs.

Princess Isabella's LOOK-ALIKE

Mary's tiny princess is the mirror image of her late Great Granny... and looks aren't all they share!

With the same cherubic cheeks, button noses, chubby arms and even similar haircuts, these gorgeous little girls could be twin sisters – if not for the fact the photographs were taken 97 years apart!

As these pictures show, Princess Mary's four-year-old daughter, Isabella (pictured above left at her twin siblings' recent christening) bears a striking resemblance to her great-grandmother, the late Queen Ingrid (above right) at the same age.

But looks aren't all these two royals share. Princess Isabella, born seven years after her look-alike's death, was given Ingrid as a middle name. She also spent the first few years of her life at Ingrid's home, Kancellihuset at Fredensborg Palace.

Both girls reportedly screamed their heads off at their christenings, and they both have been loving playmates to their elder brothers. Whether Isabella follows in the footsteps of the much-loved monarch, a passionate feminist, sportswoman and heroine of the Danish people, remains to be seen.

On their last family trip to Tasmania in 2008, the royals headed to the zoo.

